



The Acorn

*Serving the South Sound Chapter of the
Washington Native Plant Society
Summer 2006*

Chapter News

WNPS SUMMER SCHEDULE

With the exception of **Wednesday, June 13th**, when **Alfredo Gomez-Beloz** will be presenting "*Ethnobotany as a Multidisciplinary Science*," (see below) you won't find us at monthly meetings during the summer. *Instead*, we hope you will join us on a variety of great field trips. South Sound Chapter monthly presentations resume in September and October in both Tacoma and Olympia, so watch for our fall newsletter with details about those events!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 ♦ 7:00 – 9:00 PM (TACOMA)

"Ethnobotany as a Multidisciplinary Science" ♦ Alfredo Gomez-Beloz

Life does not function in a vacuum: it is affected by everything, including humans. As a ceaseless seeker of knowledge and enlightenment, Dr. Alfredo Gomez-Beloz developed a holistic understanding of science. He studied the wound healing plants used by the Winikina Warao Indians of the Orinoco River Delta, Venezuela and the use of botanicas. Dr. Gomez-Beloz offers a fresh and interesting perspective to the multidisciplinary approach to ethnobotany, the study of the relationship between people and plants.

This presentation will be held at the Tacoma Nature Center, 1919 South Tyler, Tacoma, 98405. 253-591-6439.
Directions to the Tacoma Nature Center: From Interstate 5, take State Highway 16 towards Gig Harbor. Look for the 19th Street EAST, exit and take it, which puts you onto South 19th Street. Travel to the first light, turn right on South Tyler, and then left into the first driveway at the Tacoma Nature Center.

NPS STUDY WEEKEND

Friday – Sunday, June 23 – 25

The WNPS Northeast Chapter will host the 2006 Study Weekend June 23 to 25, at the Chewelah Learning Center near Spokane. Information about field trips, speakers, and registration material was in the winter issue of *Douglasia*, mailed to WNPS members in early March. For more information and an application, contact Catherine Hovanic at the WNPS state office via e-mail: wnps@wnps.org, or by telephone: 206-527-3210 // 1-888-288-3210.

BOTANY WASHINGTON 2006

JULY 21-23, NORTH CASCADES INSTITUTE

Affectionately called, "BOT WA" this weekend hosts some serious botanizing at the North Cascades Institute's new learning facility located on Lake Diablo. If you are a Hitchcock-carrying botanist and a member of the WNPS, you can sign up, but do so quickly, since registration is limited to 40 people. For more information and an application, contact Catherine Hovanic at the WNPS state office via e-mail: wnps@wnps.org, or by telephone: 206-527-3210 // 1-888-288-3210.

Other WNPS Chapter Field Trips

Check the WNPS website, http://www.wnps.org/chapter_info/chapter_trips.html, for field trips scheduled by other chapters. The North Olympic Peninsula Chapter, in particular, organizes field trips that are quite accessible to South Sound Chapter members, on the south and east sides of the Olympic Peninsula.

Chair Report

Anna Thurston

Spring greetings to WNPS members and others! The changing of gears that I personally relate to summer is on the horizon. After a frenzy of winter and spring activity that tends to culminate on Earth Day, I'm looking forward to a more sedate pace by taking some of the field trips that our chapter, and other chapters within the WNPS, offers. Since the start of April, **Kevin Head** has again offered a great series of his personalized outings, and **Diane Doss** (our chapter's field trip coordinator), has also worked hard to bring you additional locations with a variety of leaders. From personal experience, I can *highly* recommend these field trips as a way to get to know the rich diversity of Washington's incredible flora (and fauna) while developing new friends, and getting to know people already known, even better. As I have offered in past issues, I think our chapter is blessed with *wonderful people*. I'm looking forward to walking with more of you this summer.

As a result of the *WNPS Native Plant Stewardship* program offered for the first time in Pierce County, we have 25 people to add to our volunteer ranks, some of whom were already members of the WNPS. Please help me congratulate **Anne Percival, Anne Seago, Bonne Holbrook, Brianna Charbonnelle, Gary Geddes, Greg Arnold, Heather Halabisky, Hermine Soler, Jeannette Matthews, John Neorr, Laura Trunk, Laurie Skinner, Lila Muller, Lindanne Gores, Mariela Tuquero, Marilyn Denney, MaryLynn Abe, Michael Deckert, Pamela Wright, Patricia Davis, Peter Hurley, Reba Olsen, Susan Dowling, Suzanne Miller and Tim Pruitt**, as a super team of fun folks. If you happen to meet up with a Native Plant Steward, give them a plant quiz (keeps us learning :). Please also thank them for all of the effort to which they have committed, not only to taking the course, but as important, to bringing 100 hours each of return volunteer time to their communities.

With Steward support the South Sound Chapter indirectly supports habitat restoration projects organized by the Cascade Land Conservancy, the Nisqually Land Trust and Friends of the Hylebos, among many other organizations mostly in Pierce, but also in King, Lewis and Thurston counties. I'm

also looking forward to volunteer support in the office to enhance our outreach and graphic communications with members and interested others (for example, please note that **Heather Halabisky** has taken on the editorial work of this newsletter - Thanks Heather!). The chapter will also gain more public exposure at events such as the Puyallup Fair and Point Defiance Flower & Garden Show.

While I'm on the subject of the Puyallup Fair and Point Defiance Flower & Garden Show... I hope you'll check out our call for volunteers, or visit these events (the Flower & Garden Show may be fully staffed by now). Thanks to **MaryLynn Abe** for coordinating the activities related to a WNPS display at the Flower & Garden Show. Thanks also to **Mariela Tuquero** for offering to be the point person for the Puyallup Fair this fall. There may be other events at which we will be present that aren't yet on our planning roster. If you think we should be at such an event (and if there's no fee to have a display), we might be interested. If you can help be the coordinator of the display and volunteers, you've got a winning opportunity. Your support helps the chapter build its membership while we pursue our mission to help the public develop an interest and understanding of the many important values of native plants.

Other items on the horizon include various legislative activities that your involvement might help to influence. In particular, Initiative I-933, which is expected to be on the ballot this November, specifies that county governments must either pay landowners for claims of value lost because of regulations or waive the regulations. It is similar to Oregon's infamous "takings" initiative. There is concern that a poorly worded ballot could mislead people to vote in favor of this bill, which failed in Oregon after it was exposed that it would allow rampant development and gut habitat preservation and endangered species efforts. Doing an internet search using "initiative I-933" will provide you with a number of insights on what it all means. For issues like this and others like the Cross Base Highway, it's a good idea to become informed, and to attend meetings being offered that provide public information as well as opportunities for

public feedback. If you are informed, I invite you to speak up on behalf of native plants and all the rest of us (people and Nature) that value or respectively require their existence. **Lee Fellenberg** has been instrumental in his support of the Chapter by helping us post information about these topics on the Chapter website:

www.southsoundchapterwnps.org. (Thanks Lee!)

And, now that I'm on the subject of our electronic business, one way that our chapter can save money, while also reducing the amount of paper consumed, is to send you our newsletter and announcements electronically. We typically send our newsletter in hardcopy to those of you who haven't got e-mail.

We've worked out a way to alert you to our latest issue that doesn't clog up your in-box or phone lines, so we hope that if you can accommodate us electronically that you'll let Lee Fellenberg know to send you future issues this way. You can contact Lee at 253-752-0732, or by e-mail at:

leefellenberg@harbournet.com. (prefer e-mail)

There are more people to thank as we carry on with the business of conserving, enjoying and educating people about native plants. Most important are all of you **members** who make the South Sound Chapter what it is. Please also acknowledge **Mara McGrath** for the wonderful job of editing previous

issues of this newsletter. We also owe thanks to our VP, **Rod Gilbert** for organizing super speakers in Olympia and helping me come up with ideas for more speakers in Tacoma. There's also **Helen Hepp** and **Dan and Pat Montague** who have shared tasty treats at our Olympia meetings (volunteers are needed in Tacoma). And, although she works in the background, we owe big thanks to **Sue Summers** for her excellent work in providing the South Sound Chapter with news releases that have us getting read in area newspapers throughout the Puget Sound! Mix this kind of volunteer activity with great speakers (like **Eugene Kozloff**), and we have been getting standing-room-only audiences attending our monthly presentations. We also owe thanks to Native Plant Steward, **Reba Olsen** for her on-going office support which is helping us make electronic contacts with fair goers a reality!

We'll be hosting speakers in both locations again when summer is over, starting in September or October. In the interim, have a super season enjoying native plants wherever you might go (to your garden or farther a field).

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Volunteer Opportunities

POINT DEFIANCE FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW & PUYALLUP FALL FAIR

June 2 - 4

If you want to visit the **Pt Defiance Flower & Garden Show**, you might still have an opportunity to enter for free if you can assist us as a volunteer, and if the display staffing schedule is still open. For more details please contact **MaryLynn Abe** at abeml@msn.com, or by phone at (253) 435-4205. Display staffing involves your presence at the WNPS educational display for a three-hour period, before or after which you are welcome to tour the numerous show gardens and activities at your leisure.

Similarly, volunteers will want to be setting aside time in their **September** calendars for the **Fall Puyallup Fair** where the WNPS South Sound Chapter will be installing a display with the Washington Department of Transportation among the usual group of NW Outdoor organizations and agencies. This nine-day event will have display staffers checking in to water plants, refresh the registration sign-up sheets and, if you want to stay and answer questions - you can do that too. Additional volunteers will be sought to help with setting-up and taking-down the display, and if you are graphically inclined to update display units. Access to the fair for WNPS display support is free. If you want to sign up early, please contact Mariela Tuquero by phone at (253) 303-1587 or by e-mail at rockrose@gmail.com.

If you know of additional public, private or non-profit venues where the WNPS South Sound Chapter might have a display and can easily staff it at little to no cost, please contact Anna Thurston at a.thurston@worldnet.att.net, or by phone at 253-566-3342.

BIO-BLITZ 2006

FRIDAY, JUNE 2 – SATURDAY, JUNE 3

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife will be hosting the 2nd Annual Bio-Blitz on the Lower White River. Volunteers with native plant identification field experience are sought to lead a botany team or to participate on a team led by other native plant experts

What is Bio-Blitz?

Bio-Blitz is an opportunity for participating volunteers to survey areas for the presence of birds, plants, and animals. The data gathered serves regional studies. Bio-Blitz 2005 was originally put on by the Pierce County Biodiversity Alliance last June. The event was very successful in terms of rapid inventory, and lots of fun for all.

Bio-Blitz 2006: will be held at Lower White River and we anticipate it to be bigger and better than last year's (twice the survey area, twice the fun!). The blitz will run from Fri June 2-Sat June 3. Taxa to be surveyed include mammals, birds, amphibians, reptiles, invertebrates, fish and plants. The Lower White River is an incredible area with a mix of habitat; dominated by riparian hardwood but also abundant wetlands, flood channels, seeps and grasslands. The Muckleshoot Tribe owns large portions of this area as does Puget Sound Energy. Cascade Land Conservancy is also working with US Fish & Wildlife since they would like to know what species are present to fulfill property negotiations. The Muckleshoot Indian Tribe may also participate.

This program provides a rare opportunity to access these properties. Because of the size of the survey area (around 1,500 acres) and it's stretch along the lower White River, the survey will be broken up into three sections. Each section will have a taxa leader and up to 5 extra's (trained or volunteers).

Food and potentially rustic lodging are provided; and don't forget about the free t-shirt that comes with the program! Team leads tell me the equipment they need and we have it ready and waiting at the Blitz. (Leaders are also free to bring their own materials.)

This event should be great fun. If you are interested, please contact Michelle Tirhi at the WA Dept of Fish and Wildlife. Phone: 253-813-8906, E-mail: tirhimjt@dfw.wa.gov

MT. RAINIER PLANT RESTORATION

Help is needed this spring to transplant seedlings at the Mt Rainier Greenhouse, located between Elbe and Ashford. Preferred days are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday beginning in May.

Volunteers will also be needed for seed picking during September and October at several locations in the park and later for cleaning seeds at the greenhouse.

Picking seeds in September is a great way to spend some time on the Mountain and volunteering at the Greenhouse is a great way to learn about plant propagation. Your help is needed and appreciated!

If you want to help with any or all of these volunteer needs, please contact Libby Roberts at the greenhouse: 360-569-2211 x 6170, or by e-mail: Libby_Roberts@nps.gov, or Dan & Pat Montague, in Olympia: by phone 360-709-0866, or by e-mail: montague30@comcast.net

2005 Restoration Update

A total of 73,000 plants and 74 seed flats were planted in 2005, grown from seed collected in previous years. Volunteers provided assistance with repotting of over-wintered plants, sowing seeds, transplanting seedlings, collecting and cleaning seeds, collecting and preparing semi-hardwood cuttings and potting up rooted cuttings.

From October 1, 2004 to September 30, 2005, members of the Washington Native Plant Society donated 372 out of a total of 975 hours of volunteer time in support of the Plant Production Program at Mt Rainier. Unfortunately, the number of WNPS volunteer hours was down considerably from previous years. Of the two scheduled WNPS seed picking Saturdays in September, one was cancelled because of icy, impassable roads. Please consider the benefits of volunteering your time in 2006 to make up for the shortage in 2005.

Point Defiance Forest Master Plan

See www.metroparkstacoma.org/page.php?id=24 for possible changes in September 29 meeting date. If you attend please send a report to Mary Fries. 253-272-9192

STINKY BOB BLOOMS

Volunteer To Obliterate “BOB”!

If you're familiar with “Stinky Bob”, (*Geranium robertianum*) you know how pernicious this cute weed can be. Some of us may even be guilty of having either brought it home, not yet familiar with how quickly it can spread by flicking its numerous seeds 5-10 feet in all directions, 2-3 times in a season. As of the third week in April (especially with all the good weather we've had) Bob is already blooming so it might even squeeze in a 4th round of seeding this year. Add to this, the insult that Herb Robert inflicts on its neighbors as it invades their space: it exudes a phyto-chemical that makes it hard for other plants to grow in its midst.

Anyone wanting to join in the festivities of “*Robert Ripping*” is welcome to visit Swan Creek Park in Tacoma, Lincoln Park and Camp Long in West Seattle and Seward Park in SE Seattle. Where the populations are still relatively small Stinky Bob can be more easily controlled with less effort compared to waiting a year or 2 when seeds establish decades of opportunity and emit their noxious chemicals. Of course you can organize your own neighborhood Robert Ripping celebrations throughout the region. To volunteer in Tacoma, contact Mary Fries at 253-272-9192. For more information about Seattle Robert Rippings, contact Stewart Wechsler by phone at 206 932-7225 or by e-mail at ecostewart@quidnunc.net.

MORE ABOUT STINKY BOB

Stinky Bob (or Herb Robert) is spread rapidly by mowing machines. If you are in a position to educate state and county roadside mowing or weed-whacking crews for parks and natural areas, please do it! The seeds stick to the machines and are then spread to other locations that the mower or whacker visits.

ALSO: If pulled, and then left on-site to die, flowering plants can continue and disperse seed, and therefore remain a threat. Any plants (whether in flower and/or fruit) should be removed entirely, or placed in plastic sacks where they will mulch and decay, but be removed at a later date.

Herb Robert is a serious threat to the ecology of our forests. Research has been done recently using Miner's lettuce planted and watered it with varying levels of Herb Robert extract. The deleterious effect was clear and proportional.

NISQUALLY RESTORATION

The Nisqually Land Trust seeks volunteers to assist a number of restoration activities along the majority of the lower stem of the Nisqually River on properties owned by the NLT. If interested, send your email, or mail address to Linda Kunze at:

NISQUALLY LAND TRUST
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Linda sends out a stewardship newsletter and calendar of events. The NLT is working to restore all of the properties that they own (over 1800 acres), to the best condition possible. Linda can be reached at: (360) 458-111.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS INVITED

WNPS members and others are invited to post information, photographs, illustrations, articles about plant habitats, requests for volunteers, recipes, book reviews, plant hike reviews, and other insights in *The Acorn*.

The *Acorn* is distributed to WNPS South Sound Chapter members and is also posted on the South Sound Chapter website:

www.southsoundchapterwnps.org. Submission deadline for the winter newsletter is August 15, 2006. Please send submissions as text embedded in an e-mail or as MS Word documents, to Heather Halabisky at: halabcoles@nventure.com.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

In addition to Native Plant Stewards that have recently enrolled as members, please welcome the following members who have joined the South Sound Chapter over the last year! Judy Oliver, Charles Pregaldin, Susan Irelan, Pamela Pierre, Max Whetstine, Mary Henry, Becky Deckert, Ted Branchflower, Ingrid Wachtler, Audrey Montano, Dennis Downing, Graeme Sakrison, Linda Frizzell, Lauren Sayda, Carol Smith, Valerie Anderson, Ann Van Sweringen & Matt Overfield, Pam Phillips, Zoeb & Shera Mogri, Aaron Burman, Sequoia Ladd, Kevin Martin, Jennifer Beard, Andrew Fritz, John Comis, Rhys Roth, Ted Alway, Joyce Ogden, the Paradise Family, Julie Jorgenson-Tennis, Fonda Rae Zimmerman, June Brown, Emily Neat Carter, David Ehlers, Kris Loetz, Nigel Blakely, Tom Howdeshell, Brian Miller, Glenn Peterson, Daniel Locke, Diane & John Jones, M. Powell, and Alison Halpern.

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- Central Washington (Yakima, Ellensburg)
- Columbia Basin (Tri-Cities)
- Koma Kulshan (Bellingham)
- NE Washington (Spokane)
- Okanogan
- Olympic Peninsula
- Salal (Mt Vernon, Skagit Valley)
- San Juan Islands
- South Sound (Olympia, Tacoma, **plus S and W**)
- Wenatchee Valley
- At-Large
- Palouse (inactive)
- Suksdorffia (inactive)

Each membership includes affiliation with one chapter. Add \$5.00 for each additional chapter.

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 A beautiful 24" x 36" full-color poster featuring 36 native species, \$8 (members \$6)
 Shipping \$2.50 each poster

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- \$5,000 WNPS Patron

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 Additional Chapters (\$5 each) _____
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South Sound Chapter Summer 2006 Field Trip Opportunities

Don't miss the South Sound Chapter Field Trips this Summer! A wide variety of field trips are being offered, from garden visits to workshops. Where contact information is listed, please contact the field trip leader in advance. Registration is required for some trips, and cancellations and changes may occur. Carpooling is encouraged and plant lists are available for some trips. Bring a friend, water and a lunch and/or snacks, raingear and extra clothing. Pets are not allowed on WNPS field trips. For more information or if you'd like to lead a summer or future field trip, please contact Diane Doss at ddoss@spsc.ctc.edu.

Helen Engle's Wildlife Sanctuary and Garden Saturday May 20 ♦ 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

The recipient of the first annual Helen Engle Award for Lifetime Achievement from the Cascade Land Conservancy has created a wildlife sanctuary during her 30+ years of gardening on an acre in the city. **Location:** 4011 Alameda Avenue, University Place (Tacoma). Contact Helen at hengle@inet.com for directions.

Keying Grasses

Mon, May 22 or Wed, May 24 ♦ 5:30 – 8:20 pm

This is a Botany 210 lab at South Puget Sound Community College, with a few openings for Hitchcock-adept plant-people who want to develop basic grass-keying skills. Register with Diane Doss at ddoss@spsc.ctc.edu.

Meet the Trees of Washington

Saturday, June 3 ♦ 10:00 am – 3:30 pm

Especially geared to newcomers to our local area. Learn our local deciduous and evergreen trees and the role they play in protecting water resources and providing habitat. Co-sponsored by Stream Team and WSU's Native Plant Salvage Project. Contact Erica Guttman at 360-754-3588 ex. 110 or ericag@wsu.edu.

Mid-Summer Grays Harbor Field Trips

Watch the chapter website for dates of canoe and kayak trips to Elk River and the Chehalis River Surge Plain, little seen natural areas in Grays Harbor. Trips will be led by Birdie Davenport, Natural Areas Manager, 1-888-437-6171 #5002 or roberta.davenport@wadnr.gov.

Washington Wildflowers Meadows

Join wildflower aficionado, **Kevin Head**, for an exciting series of wildflower forays this summer. Visit with a group of ten people who love being in wildflower meadows, learn botany skills, discuss ecology, and discuss what's in your heart. **Cost:** Gas and meals for the leader plus membership in Washington Native Plant Society. **Times:** Includes travel to and from field site from the Olympia area and dinner.

Sign up for one or for all of Kevin's trips. The best experience is to sign up for all to understand our beautiful displays and unique ecology of each place. Preference will be for people who sign up for all wildflower trips. For more information and to sign up contact Kevin Head at 360-943-3752 or khead@ekit.com.

Umtanum Ridge/Umtanum Creek/Yakima Valley

Saturday, May 20 ♦ 6:00 am – 10:00 pm

Hike eight miles through fields of spring blooms; see *Pediocactus simpsonii* (Barrel cactus) in bloom.

Umtanum Ridge/West Side Ellensburg Pass Saturday, June 3 ♦ 6:00 am – 10:00 pm

See a whole different bloom on the ridge's West side with fields of Bitterroot (*Lewisia*) and meadows of Lupine (*Lupinus*) and *Phlox*.

Silverstar Mountain Overnight

5:00 pm Tues – 11:00 pm Weds ♦ June 20 – 21

Sleep under the stars on the Solstice night. Hike early morning to see alpine glow on fields of *Xerophyllum tenax* (Beargrass) and spend the rest of the day observing 80 wildflower species.



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Summer Field Trip Schedule is enclosed.

The mission of the Washington Native Plant Society is to promote the appreciation and conservation of Washington's native plants and their habitats through study, education, and advocacy.

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