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Siuslaw Chapter

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It's time for the Siuslaw ARS Christmas Party!!!



Sunday December 2nd at the Jesse T. Jones Oddfellows Park.
Gather at noon, eat at 1 pm.

Bring a garden themed gift to exchange.
Choose something that you would like to receive,
and mark it for a man or a woman if it is gender specific.

To reach the party, cross the bridge heading south from Florence to
South Jetty Rd. Turn Right (west) and drive roughly ½ mile to the Jesse
T. Jones Oddfellows Park on the left. Look for the circular building.

We hope to see you there!





**Please come to the Christmas party, and fill in with the foods that have blank spots.
Have a Merry everything and a Happy always!**

Turkey	Bones
Ham	Hennig
Gravy	Kathy & Sylvia
Cranberries	Lee & Fred
Mashed Potatoes	1.Loïs Bravo
	2. Myles & Patricia Swift
Sweet Potatoes/Yams	1.Pam & Jay Guettler
	2.
Hot Vegetables	1.Lee & Fred
	2.
	3.
Rolls	Lois Bravo
Dressing	1.Jensen
	2.
Salads	1.Talbot
	2. Rosenbalm – fruit salad
Desserts	1.Dawn Carmody
	2. Farrald
	3. Sylvia Smith – pumpkin pie
	4. Sandi Hennig
	5.
Appetizers/Horsd'oeuvres	1.Prchal
	2. Price
	3. Jensen - pickles



Other Oregon Chapter Meetings and Websites

EUGENE CHAPTER: Meetings are usually at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at The Springs at Greer Gardens, 1282 Goodpasture Island Road, Eugene, Oregon. The December 19th meeting will be the holiday potluck.

PORTLAND CHAPTER: Meets at All Saints Episcopal Church, 4033 SE Woodstock Ave, Portland, OR, on the third Thursday of each month, September through May. The program usually begins at 7 pm. The December 20th meeting will be the Winter Solstice Party Potluck and Gift Exchange. Gather at 6:30 to set up and decorate the tables; dinner starts at 7:00.

TUALATIN VALLEY CHAPTER: Meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:45 pm at the Washington County Fire District 2, 1370 NW Commercial Street, North Plains, OR 97133.

SOUTHWESTERN OREGON: December's Christmas Potluck is TBA. No meetings in January and February. March through May 2019 meetings will be on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 pm. at N. Bend Housing Authority, 1700 Monroe Street, North Bend.

WILLAMETTE CHAPTER: Second Wednesday of the month, Sep thru May, at 7:00pm; Dec and May meetings held elsewhere. Meeting is held at First United Methodist Church, 600 State St., Salem, OR. The Christmas Potluck will be held on December 2nd.

All other web sites can be found on <http://rhododendron.org> under chapters web sites.



Pictures from our November meeting





President's Message by Mike Bones

The Siuslaw Chapter is a group of fun, caring people, who know how to cook. Don't miss our annual Christmas Party Sunday, December 2, at the Odd Fellows Campground on the South Jetty Road, gathering at noon, eating at 1:00. There's good food, good presents, and good people. We sign up for different holiday food for the pot luck. If you did not get a chance to sign up, you can contact our secretary, Kathy Bones, at kathybones@charter.net or phone her at 541 997-3082 to see what we need.

Our presents for the gift exchange are items that we would like for ourselves. Come and have fun!!

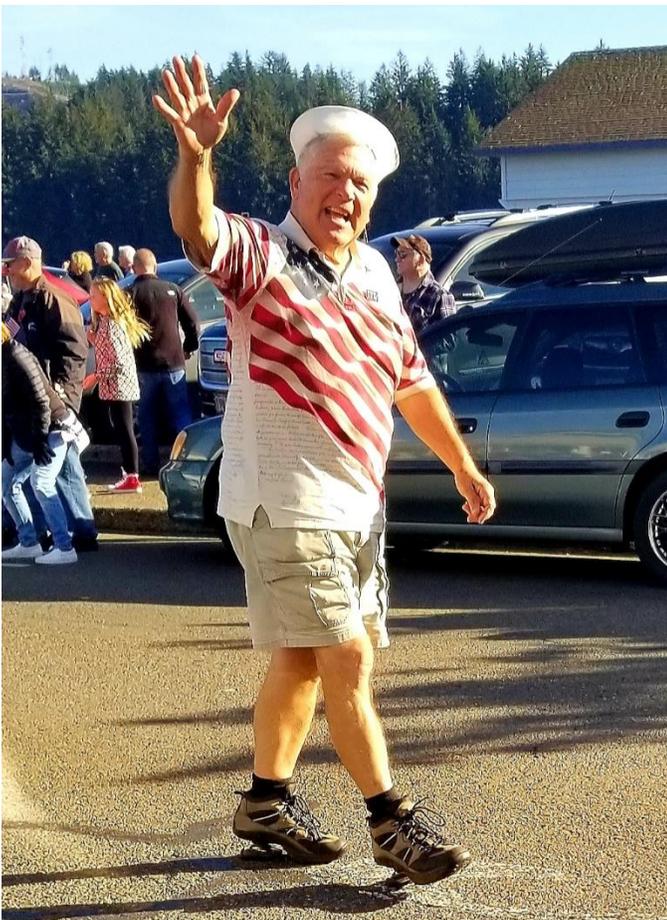
Merry Christmas, have a safe Holiday season, and please drive carefully.

Mike

SIUSLAW CHAPTER ARS FLOWER SHOWS
EARLY SHOW: APRIL 13-14, 2019
LATE SHOW: MAY 18-19, 2019



Mike Bones in this year's Veteran's Parade



I spent 4 years active in the Navy, spent one year in schools, was in Bahrain Saudi Arabia/Indian Ocean for one year on Staff for the Admiral. I served on USS Valcour AGF1. My last command was on the USS Glover AGDE, that was an experimental ship, owned by the Navy, but was kind of run by scientists who were experimenting with new equipment. We were the first to communicate with a submarine under the ice caps. I did get to see many interesting things. Being a radioman, we saw all messages before anyone else, so we knew what was going on. Loved my time in the Service. I got out in 1974, then went a joined the Reserves and retired out of that in 1992. My unit was in Salem so we went there once a month. Kathy's Folks lived there so we got to see them monthly.



Past President's Message by Larry Jensen

I'm finally getting around to working on the upper bed between the house and the shop. I've been selecting plants to put in this area for the last year, and now it's time to get the work done. I have been pulling blackberries, salal, and sword ferns. This area had a lot of rhodies that weren't my favorites, but two out of that bunch are, in my opinion, the best red hybrids: Mars and Lems' Stormcloud. The white stamens are in contrast to the blood red of Mars, and the name Stormcloud is very appropriate since the red has a gray hue to it.

While I was working up there, the Acer griseum (peeling bark maple) grabbed my attention. The peeling red bark, in addition to the pink fall foliage, demands to be looked at more closely.

Walking up the driveway the other day the sun was on the Dawn Redwood (Metasequoia glyptostroboides), and what great color! This tree is a deciduous conifer, and has light green needles in the summer, but then turns bronze in the autumn, before the needles fall.

While we're on fall color, the deciduous azaleas are beautiful this time of year. I planted 20 of them 2 years ago and they look great now. They mostly have red fall color with some having more of a maroon hue. I'm adding mulch around the roots where some of the root balls have gotten exposed.

I hope many of you learned more about doing rhodie cuttings. Many rhododendrons are fairly easy to root, if you understand the steps, and have the right area.

I took Terry some cuttings the other day. It is always interesting to see the thousands of cuttings and plants in his greenhouses. He definitely grows some great plants! Maybe we could think about a field trip there some day. LJ



Siuslaw Chapter ARS Mission Statement

The mission of the Siuslaw Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society is to promote the genus Rhododendron by:

- ✓ Creating enthusiasm for the genus Rhododendron through meetings, shows, publications, and social activities that provide the opportunities for members to share experiences and build friendships.
- ✓ Providing educational opportunities to successfully grow and enjoy these wonderful plants.
- ✓ Encouraging propagation and hybridizing of species and hybrid rhododendrons.
- ✓ Furthering the planting and use of rhododendrons in home, business, and public landscapes.
- ✓ Advocating the conservation and preservation of superior plants of our native rhododendrons and the habitat along the Oregon coast.
- ✓ Advancing and supporting the mission of the American Rhododendron Society



Member Profile: Chris Jay & Pam Guettler



What brought us to Florence? We were living in a small RV, and our travel money had run out, so we were looking for a place to live. Jay's uncle lives here, so we decided to stop and visit. Fred and Lee showed us the town, and we liked it.

Pam is originally from Seattle area. Jay and Pam met 8 years ago in the Seattle area. Jay is originally from Sacramento, CA. Uncle Fred and Lee Goodenough invited us to come with them to a Rhododendron meeting. We had fun, so we kept coming.

Jay's hobbies and interests are more than he has time to pursue. He enjoys hiking, bicycling, road tripping, fishing, ham radio, volunteering, writing, reading on new topics, the list is long.

Jay is presently going through the Volunteer Firefighter training. He also does hikes with the Florence Outdoor group every week, and volunteers at the Free lunch program where he tends to wash a lot of dishes. He also has interest in web design, so he has volunteered to update the Rhododendron Society website.

Pam likes to do many of the same outdoor activities, like hiking, and bicycling, travel and pickleball. She is getting into gardening, nutrition, cooking and sewing also.

Pam is presently the Treasurer of the club and Jay is the Webmaster.



Journal of the ARS is now online

The Fall issue of the ARS Journal has been posted online at the Office of the ARS web site (www.arsoffice.org). On the home page, click on the "**Journal American Rhododendron Society Electronic Edition**" link in the "**Member**" (blue-colored) column to access the issue. Log-in with your personal user name and password, or register a personal login if you have not previously done so. When logged in click on any of the cover images to read e-JARS issues for the past five years.

You need to sign up ONCE to have ongoing access. You will need your membership number--**found on the mailing label of your JARS**. (Editor's note: you can [contact me](#) if you need your member number.)



RHODODENDRON OF THE YEAR

The Oregon District has chosen these rhodies for the 2019 ROY Award

Rhody	Category	Link to ARS info
The Honorable Jean Marie de Montegue	Elipidote	https://www.rhododendron.org/descriptionH_new.asp?ID=569
Crater Lake	Lepidote	https://www.rhododendron.org/descriptionH_new.asp?ID=953
Gumpo Fancy	Evergreen Azalea	info on Gumpo: https://www.rhododendron.org/descriptionAH_new.asp?ID=67
Klondyke	Deciduous Azalea	https://www.rhododendron.org/descriptionAH_new.asp?ID=184

ROY for 2020 - 2025

Our chapter has been tasked with nominating plants for the ROY (Rhododendron Of the Year) award in four categories: elepidote (without scales), lepidote (with scales), evergreen azalea, and deciduous azalea. We need to come up with 5 of each. Each chapter needs to do this as it will be our recommendations for the Pacific North West ROY awards which would be Oregon, Washington and British Columbia. We need to have this accomplished by February 2019 so that we can submit it to District 4 (Oregon). Please take a look at your garden, or those of others, think back to the flower shows, go on line, however you can. It is your chapter and we need your input. Please [email your suggestions to Mike Bones](#). Once everyone has done this, your Board will choose the top 5 of each category and submit it.

One of the reasons we are working so far in advance is because it can take 5 years for the nurserymen to get the plants propagated and have them for sale.



Seen Lately in Gardens around Florence



Grape hyacinth in Bones' garden



Owl house at Sandpines East



Helianthus in my garden



Rhody at Elderberry Square on Oak St.



Viburnum at LCC

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Calendar of Events

2018

December 2 Christmas Potluck gift exchange at
Odd Fellows Campground
Gather at noon, lunch at 1:00pm

2019

January 15 Chapter meeting
Speaker: Mike Bones on Germany
Pre-dinner meeting at Rosa's

February 19 Chapter meeting
Speaker: Steven Krebs, ARS Eastern Vice
President
Pre-dinner meeting at Bridgewater

March 19 Chapter meeting
Speaker: Tim Walsh
Pre-dinner meeting at ICM

April 13-14 Siuslaw ARS Early Rhody Show

April 16 Chapter meeting
Auction
Pre-dinner meeting at Ichiban

May 15-19 ARS Annual Convention, Malvern, PA
The Philadelphia Story 2019
Rhododendrons in America's Garden Capital.
Details [here](#).

May 18-19 Siuslaw ARS Late Rhody Show

May 21 Chapter meeting
Flower Show wrap up

June 18 Summer picnic

Sep 27-29 ARS Fall Conference, Parksville, BC, Canada

2020

Apr 29 – ARS 75th Anniversary Celebration, Portland, OR
May 3 20/20 Vision: Looking forward, reflecting back