

## SEPTEMBER 2018

Siuslaw Chapter

American Rhododendron Society

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**CALLED COASTAL RHODODENDRONS**



### UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS:

**Meeting topic:** Tuesday September 18<sup>th</sup>; Rhody 101. Bring your rhody questions, and find out more about the beautiful shrubs that surround us here on the Central Oregon coast.

**Board Meeting:** Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at Sandi and Bill Hennigs home at 05638 Martin Rd. at 6:30.

**Chapter Meeting-:** The Siuslaw Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society will meet Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at the Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw, 3669 Highway 101 in Florence, 6:30 for refreshments, 7:00 for the meeting.

**Pre-Meeting Dinner:** Will be at Abby's Pizza, 1374 Highway 101. Call Sandi Hennig at 541-997-2489 or email her at [flendish42@gmail.com](mailto:flendish42@gmail.com) to **reserve your place at the dinner table!** Be there for great fun, great food, & great company.

**Gallagher Park Work Party:** None until spring

**Cookie Team :** Sandi Jensen, Deb Price, & Sandi Hennig

**Hospitality Table:** Ron Caputo and Sandi Hennig

**Coffee:** Mike Bones



### **Other Oregon Chapter Meetings and websites**

**EUGENE CHAPTER:** Changing their place and Date to 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at The Springs at Greer Gardens, 1282 Goodpasture Island Road, Eugene, Oregon Website : [eugene-chapter-ars.org](http://eugene-chapter-ars.org)

**PORTLAND CHAPTER:** All Saints Episcopal Church, 4033 SE Woodstock Ave, Portland, OR, Third Thursday September through May, the program begins at 7 pm. Website : [rhodies.org](http://rhodies.org)

**TUALATIN VALLEY CHAPTER:** First Tuesday of the month at 6:45 pm Washington County Fire District 2 31370 NW Commercial Street North Plains, OR 97133 Website : [tuatitINVALLEYARS.org](http://tuatitINVALLEYARS.org)

**SOUTHWESTERN OREGON:** The September meeting is September 27<sup>th</sup> at 1 in the afternoon at N. Bend Housing Authority 1700 Monroe Street North Bend. After that, and from October until otherwise announced, the meetings will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 1 pm. Website : [sworegonars.org](http://sworegonars.org)

**WILLAMETTE CHAPTER :** Second Wednesday of the month, Sep thru May; Dec and May meetings held elsewhere. Meeting is held at First United Methodist Church, 600 State St., Salem, OR. Website :

[Arswillamette.org](http://Arswillamette.org)

All other web sites can be found on [rhododendron.org](http://rhododendron.org) under chapters web sites.



**Celebrating the life of Robert Corbett MacIntyre August 8,1940- August 11,2018**

Robert Corbett MacIntyre was born August 8, 1940 to Dorothy (Wood) and Robert Curtis MacIntyre in Bellingham, WA. He grew up in Tacoma,WA and graduated from Pacific Lutheran University.

As a young man, Bob moved to San Jose, CA where he met his wife of 49 years, Marjean Rowley MacIntyre. They were married in 1969 in Los Gatos, CA and lived in Campbell, Los Gatos and Cupertino, CA before retiring to Bandon in 2002.

Bob worked as an x-ray technician and Respiratory Therapist in many San Francisco Bay Area facilities, including Santa Clara Valley Medical Center, Good Samaritan Hospital, UC San Francisco, Oakland Children’s Hospital and Stanford University Hospital.

A highlight for Bob was attending the 2008 Worldwide gathering of the MacIntyre Clan in Oban, Scotland with his wife, children, and grandchildren. His Scottish heritage was an important and meaningful facet of his life.

Bob’s hobbies included photography, woodworking, fishing and rhododendrons.

Rhododendrons became an abiding passion for him. His extensive garden includes a significant collection of many varieties of rhododendrons. He served as President not only of the Southwestern Oregon chapter, but as the national President of the American Rhododendron Society from 2014 to 2017.

Bob is survived by his wife Marjean; his daughter Carolyn MacIntyre (Cindy Westergaard) and son Rob MacIntyre (Kirsten), grandchildren Rowan and Dylan MacIntyre and Emma Heuer; his sister Janelle MacIntyre Longmire (Dan); and several cousins. He will be missed dearly by his family, friends, and constant feline companions.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to the American Rhododendron Society ([www.rhododendron.org](http://www.rhododendron.org)), the Rhododendron Species Botanical Garden (<https://rhodygarden.org>), or the charity of your choice.



I have a few pictures that I couldn’t fit into the June issue as well as some that hadn’t bloomed by then.



This is Bill and Sandi Hennig’s R. dalhaousiae. Beautiful, and fragrant.



This is an opium poppy, Papaver somniferum

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Bob MacIntyre. He will be missed greatly. Bob was always ready to help with our shows and questions about plants. He and Marjean would always come up to our meetings if possible. Bob took on the responsibility of President of the ARS at a time when it needed reorganization. **Thank You Bob.**



July was a brutal month on this side of the hill. We spent a lot of time trying to keep plants alive. At the same time, I spent a bit of time putting in new windows and siding on part of our house. Now during September, more siding is on the docket.

Our daughter Jacki asked me to build new cabinets for her kitchen. So, the month of August was spent building cabinets, and they look good if I do say so!



In August we have had an *R. auriculatum* blooming as well as two really nice hybrids. Arthur Osborne, a compact red bloomer and Bergie Larson a really nice compact yellow. Both of these bloomed along for about a month in 80 and 90 degree weather. I set a sprinkler up above the house right next to the *auriculatum*. A little later I checked it and noticed a nice truss about 18 inches away



from the sprinkler that I had completely overlooked when I was next to it. It has bloomed now for 2 or 3 weeks.

If the weather cools down here in 2 to 3 weeks I have several rhodies to plant. Venus, and *R. gaiojaense* and maybe a dozen others I planted are looking good except for venator affinity which died. Anyway, It's time to plant! Larry J



**Not to get technical...But according to chemistry,  
alcohol IS a soloution.**



## 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



This spring, we were surprised and pleased to see that our *Cardiocrinum giganteum*, sometimes called a Himalayan lily was going to bloom! We had had one that bloomed many years ago, and found that they aren't exactly easy to grow. The first problem seemed to be the slugs. The new growth is favored by the slimy little buggers, and they can come from far and wide when the lilies first come up. If you aren't vigilant they can kill the young shoots. So, when we saw them come up in the spring, we surrounded the new shoots with slug bait and copper wire. What ever was suggested, we tried, and FINALLY we were rewarded! Although some



can reach heights of up to 14 feet, this plant reached a height of about 6 to 7 feet. The fragrance can fill the air with perfume, but this one didn't seem to have much. I kept thinking that if I could just reach the top and stick my nose in it, maybe I could smell it, but I just wasn't tall enough to try, and it wasn't worth putting up a stepladder, and perhaps falling off! My hope is that now that we have had it bloom, we can keep the baby bulblets alive to bloom someday. I plan to scatter seed as well, once the seeds have matured.  
 <-These are the seedpods maturing .



**IN THE GARDEN**

**Laughter, Love, and quiet hours...  
 beauty, songs, and fragrant flowers...  
 cares and problems left behind...  
 a happy heart, a peaceful mind.**

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I recently heard from Paul (Ziggy) Ziegelmaier, and they are better now, but had experienced some health issues. I know he and Freda would love to hear from some of you. I only have an email address.  
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Here is one of our tomato pickings. I need to can lots of tomatoes this year, so it's a good thing we have a good crop! The next picture is Larry holding our largest tomato to date. It probably weighed about a pound.



This fuchsia is called Applause



This is Ruby, our latest grandpuppy



This is Margaret Dunn She seldom ever blooms for a show, but has beautiful color!



This is my Giant Starfish Cactus.(Stapelia) It is only going to have a couple blooms this year. It has had as many as 30 in the past few years. You can see how big the blooms are by my hand that is behind the bloom.

Presidents message by Mike Bones



Fall is upon us, sure beats that long hot summer. Now we just need some measurable rain. Hopefully you did lots of watering to keep your plants alive. If you did not water and have lost some plants, look at it as...Mother Nature's way of thinning out and making room for new plants. There are new plants coming out each year.

We have some good programs lined up for the Chapter this year, starting off with Rhodies 101 which is always informative, I always learn something new. This meeting usually has lots of guests who are wanting to learn about the care of Rhododendrons.



We are looking for someone who will step up and become our Publicity person. You don't even have to attend the board meetings. We will send you all of the upcoming speaker and show information and you send it on to different newspapers, magazines and newsrooms.

Bring a friend to our next meeting on the third Tuesday of the month, get them to join our chapter and you will receive a free Rhododendron.

Don't forget the pre meeting dinners, they are a great way of meeting new friends



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I found one of these this morning on the front deck while I was watering. It is so very fragrant!



Another sign of fall All sorts of woolly bear caterpillars!