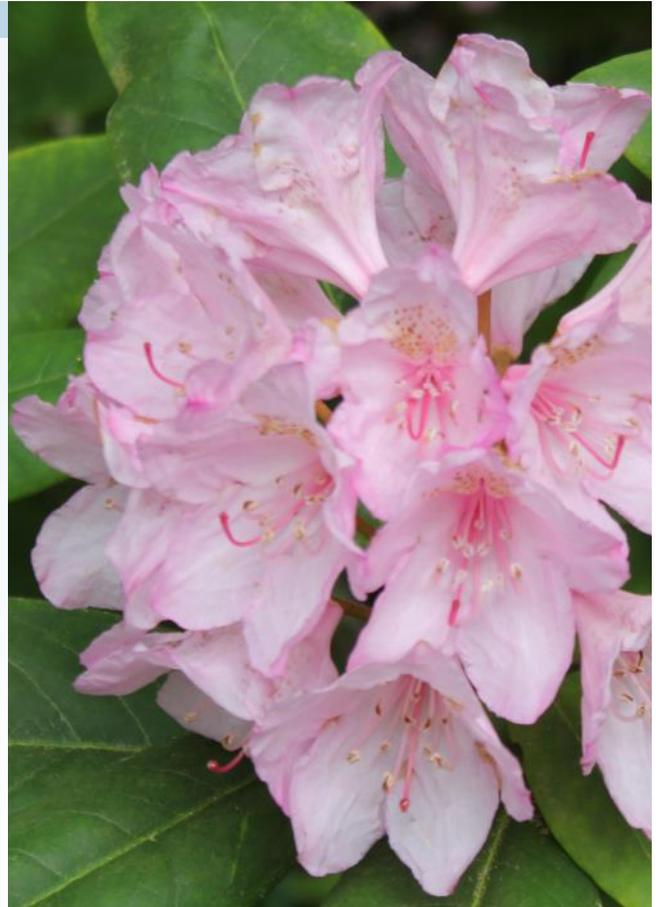


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# Macrophyllum

## Upcoming Chapter Events: Meeting on Jan 15



Board meeting	Tuesday, January 8 at 6:30pm Sandi and Bill Hennigs' home 05638 Martin Rd., Florence
Siuslaw Chapter meeting	Tuesday, January 15 6:30pm for refreshments, 7:00 for the meeting The Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw 3996 Highway 101, Florence
Meeting topic	Mike Bones on Germany and Beyond
Pre-meeting dinner	Rosa's Mexican Restaurant at 5:00pm 2825 Highway 101, Florence Please call or email Sandi Hennig by January 11 at 541-997-2489 or <a href="mailto:flendish42@gmail.com">flendish42@gmail.com</a> to reserve your place at the dinner table.
Cookie Team	Dianne Carlton, Tom Oshel
Hospitality Table	Board members
Coffee	Mike Bones
Gallagher Park Work Party	None until Spring

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### On the internet

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- Facebook:  
[Coastal Rhododendrons](#)
- Web site:  
<http://www.siuslawars.org>



## Our January Meeting Speaker: Mike Bones on Germany and Beyond

### Gardens, Landscape, People, Food, Art, History and Plants

Mike went to Europe for the American Rhododendron Convention in Bremen Germany in May of 2018 and then toured with the convention people for 3 more weeks to Finland, Denmark, and Sweden, taking in nurseries, arboretums, public and private gardens. It was the trip of a lifetime. Mike will share some of the fun that he had and educate us at the same time at our January 15<sup>th</sup> 2019 Siuslaw Chapter Meeting, and all within an hour!

## Other Western Chapter Meetings

### Other Chapter Websites

Eugene Chapter:

[www.eugene-chapter-ars.org](http://www.eugene-chapter-ars.org)

Portland Chapter:

<http://rhodies.org>

Tualatin Valley Chapter:

[www.tualatinvalleyars.org](http://www.tualatinvalleyars.org)

SW Oregon Chapter:

<http://sworegon-ars.org>

Willamette Chapter:

<http://arswillamette.com>

Eureka Chapter:

[www.eurekarhody.org](http://www.eurekarhody.org)

Noyo Chapter:

[www.noyochapterars.com](http://www.noyochapterars.com)

All other web sites can be found at:

<http://rhododendron.org>

under chapters web sites

#### Eugene Chapter

Meetings are usually on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at The Springs at Greer Gardens, 1280 Good-pasture Island Road, Eugene, Oregon, at 7:00pm. On Jan 16, Jason Martinez will talk about the Rhododendron Garden of San Francisco Botanical Garden at Strybing Arboretum.

#### 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 begins at 7 pm. On Jan 17, Jason Martinez will speak on Rhododendrons in the San Francisco Botanical Garden.

#### 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 Chapter

No meeting in January or February.

#### 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. Jan 9 meeting: Jack Olson.

#### Eureka Chapter

Meets on the 4th Thursday of the month. On Jan 24, Atsuko Gibson will speak on Japanese Azaleas in the Wild.

#### Noyo Chapter

General meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday at the Presbyterian Church in Fort Bragg. Dinner at David's Deli beforehand. On Jan 23 the speaker will be Atsuko Gibson.

# 2018 Christmas Potluck and Gift Exchange



*A good life is when you smile often, dream big, laugh a lot, and realize how blessed you are for what you have.*

## On the Internet

Rhododendron Research Network:  
<http://www.rhodo-research.net/>

The December issue of the ARS news-letter, Rhodo Notes, has a good description of the project. You can read it here, if you haven't already:  
<https://mailchi.mp/e4b750c71a58/rhodo-notes-november-2876357?e=6f6a5ef608>

To sign up:  
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## The Rhododendron Research Network Seeks Volunteers

An effort is underway to build an online database of scientific literature about Rhododendron, to be freely shared with researchers worldwide via the ARS-affiliated Rhododendron Research Network. We can volunteer to help enter some of the information from Homer Salley's two volume set "Rhododendron and Azalea Research" into their database.

It's easy to do. All you need is a computer with good internet access, general computing skills, and fact-finding aptitude. After you sign up, you'll receive a list of articles. First you search to see if each article is already referenced. If not, you type in the reference, which consists of a title, authors' names, a short description, the journal name, date, and page numbers. There's not a whole lot of typing involved. I found that it takes longer to search for each article to make sure it's not already in there. In my assignment, about ¼ were already present.

It's very interesting work. You read a lot about rhododendrons and you can pick up tasty tidbits along the way as you deepen your knowledge of these wonderful plants.

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*For more information and to sign up, please email  
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*Mike Bones in action at  
the Christmas Party*

## Mike's Detective Agency

Shortly after the event, Mike Bones got a phone call from the Jesse Jones Odd Fellows Campground, where we had our Chapter Christmas Party. They found an Oregon license plate after we left. The folks at the DMV could not give out the name of the owner of the 2002 Dodge Ram quad truck. Mike got out his Siuslaw Roster and went down the listing of those who came, trying to recall what people drive. Mike continues, "Yep, I found someone who was at the party, called them. They told me that they were not missing anything. When I asked for their plate number, they recited the plate number I had been told. I said they might want to go look on their vehicle. Hey...Guess what, we found the owner and the plates don't expire until February of 2020 !!!!!"

Thanks, Mike, for all you do for our members.

### ROY Nominations

Click here to [email your suggestions to Mike Bones](#), or call him at 541-997-3082.

## Siuslaw Chapter ARS 2019 Flower Shows

Early Show April 13-14, 2019

Late Show May 18-19, 2019

## Rhododendrons of the Year 2020-2024

### Nominations needed by February 12, 2019

Don't forget that 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 as recommendations for the Pacific North West region, which include chapters in Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia. We need your nominations by the February 12th board meeting so that we can submit the list 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. Your Board will choose the top 5 of each category and submit them. Check the next page for a list of recent ROY winners; we don't want to repeat!

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*But though an old man, I am but a young gardener.*

—Thomas Jefferson

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### Journal American Rhododendron Society

ARS members can access the Journal from 2012 to present at:

[www.arsoffice.org](http://www.arsoffice.org)

Some older ARS Journals are now available to everyone online at:

<http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/ejournals/JARS/>

## 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.

## Rhododendrons of the Year 2017



*Rhododendron 'True Blue'*  
hybridized by Dan Bones



*R. 'Razorbill'*



*R. 'Totally Awesome'*



*R. 'Snow Pearl'*

## Rhododendrons of the Year 2004-2018

Year	Elepidote	Lepidote	Deciduous Azalea	Evergreen Azalea
2004	Percy Wiseman	Dora Amateis	Arneson Gem	Harris Fascination
2005	Horizon Monarch	Ramapo	Nifty Fifty	Hilda Niblett
2006	Point Defiance	Wee Bee	Washington State Centennial	Silver Sword
2007	Nancy Evans	Blaney's Blue	Cecile	Mitsuki
2008	Marie Starks	Vibrant Violet	Cannon's Double	Girard's Fuchsia
2009	Fantastica	R. <i>augustinii</i>	R. <i>occidentale</i>	Balsaminiflorum
2010	Seaview Sunset	Too Bee	Gibraltar	Rosebud
2011	Lem's Cameo	Bob's Blue	R. <i>luteum</i>	Girard's Fuchsia
2012	Lem's Monarch	Blue Baron	Nifty Fifty	Hino-crimson
2013	Windsong	Razorbill	White Lights	Purple Splendor
2014	Fire Rim	Ginny Gee	Homebush	Komo Kulshan
2015	Taurus	PJM Group	Strawberry Ice	Everest
2016	Seaview Sunset	Too Bee	Molalla Red	Glacier
<b>2017</b>	<b>True Blue</b>	<b>Razorbill</b>	<b>Totally Awesome</b>	<b>Schneeperle (Snow Pearl)</b>
2018	R. <i>hodgsonii</i>	Mary Fleming	Rosy Lights	Ben Morrison

## Calendar of Events 2019

January 8	Board meeting 6:30pm Sandi and Bill Hennigs' home 05638 Martin Rd., Florence
January 15	Chapter meeting 7:00 pm Speaker: Mike Bones on his 2018 European garden trip of a lifetime 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
<b>April 13-14</b>	<b>Siuslaw ARS Early Rhody Show Florence Events Center</b>
April 16	Chapter meeting Auction Pre-dinner meeting at Ichiban
May 4-5	Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens Annual show and plant sale
May 15-19	ARS Annual Convention, Malvern, PA The Philadelphia Story 2019 Rhododendrons in America's Garden Capital Details <a href="#">here</a> .
<b>May 18-19</b>	<b>Siuslaw ARS Late Rhody Show Florence Events Center</b>
May 21	Chapter meeting Flower Show wrap up
June 18	Summer picnic
September 27-29	ARS Fall Conference, Parksville, BC, Canada
April 29—May 3, 2020	ARS 75 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, Portland, OR 20/20 Vision: Looking forward, reflecting back

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