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American Rhododendron Society
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On the internet

- **Web site:** www.siuslawars.org



UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS:

Meeting topic: AUCTION !!! Remember early time! 6:pm !!!

Board Meeting: Tuesday April 11th at Sandi and Bill Hennigs' home at 05638 Martin Rd. at 6:30 P.M.

Chapter Meeting-: The Siuslaw Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society will meet Tuesday, April 18th at the Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw, 3669 Highway 101 in Florence, Auction begins at 6PM!

Pre-Meeting Dinner Our pre-meeting dinner will be at ICM this month early so we can get to the church for the auction! 4 or 4:30! Sandi Hennig at 541-997-2489 or flendish42@gmail.com or **Be sure to reserve your place at the dinner table!** Be there for great fun, great food, & great company.

Cookie Team : Sandi Hennig, Linda Nordin, Debbie Price, Gabriella Borsay, Cheryl Prchal and Mike Bones.

Hospitality Table:



Other Westcoast Chapter Meetings and websites

EUGENE CHAPTER:

Website : eugene-chapter-ars.org

PORTLAND CHAPTER:

Meetings 3rd Thursdays, September-May . Chapter meetings will be held at: Reedwood Friends Church 2901 SE Steele Street Portland 97202 the program begins at 7 pm. Website : 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 : <http://tualatinvalleyars.org>

SOUTHWESTERN OREGON: Disbanded

WILLAMETTE CHAPTER : Meetings **Due to Covid-19, our current chapter meetings are held online via Zoom on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from September through May. Socializing begins at 6:30pm, with the meeting and speaker at 7:00pm. The Zoom link is sent via email and listed in the newsletter. This form of meeting will continue until in-person meetings can safely be resumed.** Arswillamette.org

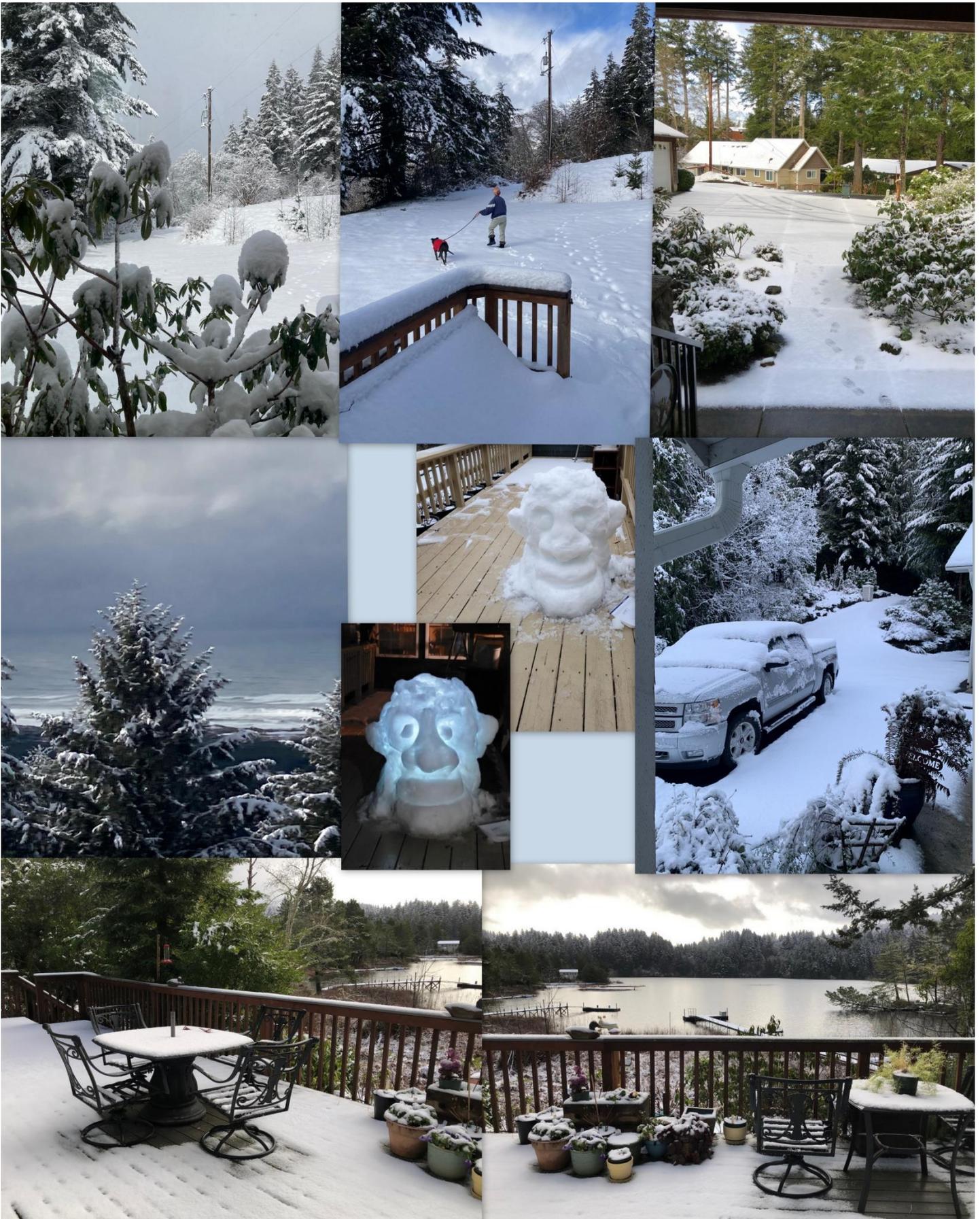
NOYO CHAPTER: WWW.noyochapterars.org

EUREKA CHAPTER: eurekarhody.org

MT. ARROWSMITH RHODODENDRON SOCIETY: marsrhodos.ca

All other web sites can be found on rhododendron.org under chapters web sites.

Some of these meetings will have changed or relocated , but this is what I have at this time.



Several of you sent me pictures following our March snowstorm. Thanks to Sandi Hennig, Ken Deibert, Sylvia Smith and Tom Dickson. It's lovely to look at, but hopefully we're done for the spring!

**“Apple, pear, and cherry, daffodil and huckleberry
Bloom, Bloom, Bloom.
Rhodies and azaleas, cure whatever ails ya
Bloom, Bloom, Bloom.”**

That was a fun way to start the meeting.

Now for the dull stuff. The April show is upon us, and we have a multitude of things to do. At our last get-together, sign-up sheets were passed around and many members were eager to help. However, we need many more hands on deck to make this a successful show.

Show Timeline:

Thursday, the 13th, we will need a lot of help assembling the display racks along with all the other show display pieces. We should meet at the Events Center around 4:30pm. If you have a drill gun, bring it along with a 7/16th socket and a 7/16th wrench.

Friday, bring entries between 5 and 7pm and be prepared to help place them in their proper place on the racks. If you are not certain of the classification, encyclopedic minded geniuses will be happy to help. Also, don't forget about our web site. Under Flower Shows, go to 'Show Key'. This will let you know where to place your entry if you know the plant name. If not, go to 'Show Schedule' and determine its placement by color and type of Rhody.

On Saturday, the public will bring their entries in from 7 to 9 AM. We will need help running trusses to their proper location and with any other odd jobs around the room. It takes a motley crew. At 5PM all the plants from the sale area must be brought into the Events Center.

Sunday at 9am those plants brought inside must be put outside to resume the sale. By the end of the day teardown will begin at 5pm. Those screw guns will be needed again. We'll clean up and be out within a couple of hours. No sweat.

Now, more fun! On May 3rd the club will be journeying South to visit three beautiful gardens of our Chapter members. It was decided to bring a brown bag lunch to save time. We will meet at the Elks Club parking lot on hwy 101 at 8:20am and leave at 8:30 to head to the Baumers' beautiful garden in Coquille. Next, we trek down to Bandon to visit Marjene MacIntyre's and the Hultins' botanical displays. All are wonderful examples of Rhododendron culture. If you would like to carpool, you should make those arrangements amongst yourselves.

Hope to see you at the Early Show. Remember, although your truss isn't perfect, please bring it. The more entries the bigger the Show; the more interest in our favorite genus.

Any questions, please contact:

Day Farrald, pres. Siuslaw Chapter, ARS, 541-579-5544, 541-590-3161 or day817@outlook.com .



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.**





Another fun meeting with some new faces, and we are all looking forward to the upcoming auction!

HINSDALE GARDEN NEWS



We are very pleased to announce the return of hosted open garden days for this historic garden on the lower Umpqua River off Highway 38 a few miles above Reedsport. The dates will be April 15, April 29 and May 13, with hours from 10am to 2pm. These arrangements are courtesy of the Reedsport Friends of Hinsdale Garden, with cooperation and assistance from the Coos Bay District BLM.

With this option, park at the large elk view/info/restroom area off the highway a couple of miles west of Hinsdale Garden. A shuttle bus will transport visitors to and from the garden throughout the open hours. Members of the Friends will greet visitors at the garden and be available to answer questions. Gordon Wylie



Here is a kval.com article that you might like

<https://kval.com/newsletter-daily/april-may-2023-hinsdale-rhododendron-garden>



Open Garden

Ron and Cheryl Prchal would like to extend an invitation to visit their garden on Friday April 21ST and Saturday April 22ND, from 1PM to 4PM.

Many of you have been invited to come visit the garden anytime you'd like, but are not comfortable just dropping by. We hope this "formal" invitation will be accepted by many members and their friends and family.

The garden is constantly evolving. Even if you visited a bit ago, you will see many changes.

Every year there is something new added.

The garden is at 5043 S.Jetty Road...our phone number is 541-902-7637

I took these pictures in June 2021 and it was a lovely drizzly coastal day!



My many apologies for the lateness, and any mistakes I may have made. I had cataract surgery a couple weeks ago, and will have the other eye done this coming Thursday. However, with only one eye done, and no corrective lens for it, I find myself doing a lot of squinting and hoping that I have gotten it all right! I hope to have new glasses before I have to do the next newsletter. SJ

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Our long time member, friend,
and ribbon and clerk co-ordinator
is now home from the hospital
where she says she is healing
nicely. She would welcome calls
at 541-999-5663 or cards at
3940 Nandina Drive
Florence, OR 97439 .



With the upcoming auction, I
would like to remind everyone
that we need all the help we can
get since the auction is one of our
main fundraising events for the
year. Bring potted up plants
from your yard, buy some plants
to resell, or whatever you think
Mike can sell at auction, but also
be ready to buy some unique and
different plants for your yard.
This year we will have the ability
to take your money via cash,
check, AND credit card! SJ



Addison waving at everyone!



*The way I see it,
if you want a rainbow,
you gotta put up with
the rain.*

Dolly Parton



**The first thing to try
when all else fails is
again!**



**THE SIUSLAW CHAPTER OF THE
ARS IS HAVING A SPRING
RHODODENDRON FLOWER SHOW
AT THE FLORENCE EVENTS CENTER,
ON APRIL 15TH & 16TH
FLOWER SHOW-SAT. 1-5 PM
SUNDAY 10-5 PM
PLANT SALE HOURS:
SAT. 10- 5; SUNDAY 10-5**

TRUSSES ACCEPTED FROM 7-9 AM SATURDAY AM

FREE ADMISSION !

BONSAI DISPLAY

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO:

[HTTP://WWW.SIUSLAWARS.ORG](http://www.siuslawars.org)





Rhododendron Flower Show

Hosted by the Eugene Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society

Plant Sales and Information Booths

5th Street Public Market Alley

(at the Gordon Hotel)

May 6, 2023

Entries accepted 8 am - 9 am

****Entries from the general public welcomed!****

Show Hours 9 am - 6 pm



Join us to learn how to prepare a flower truss for entry in the show

April 19th, 6:30 pm

The Springs at Greer Gardens, Three Sisters Room

1282 Goodpasture Island Road

For more information, visit www.eugene-chapter-ars.org

ARS members are invited to meet at Hendricks Park from 4:00 - 6:00 pm on Friday, May 5th, for a volunteer event, to collect and prepare trusses for the show. Please RSVP to Emily Aune by email at Faune@eugene-or.us. More information in next month's newsletter!

