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FEATURING PNW NEW HYBRIDS



R. 'TINA' BY JIM BARLUP

FROM THE PRESIDENT

FEBRUARY PROGRAM

By now, all of you have received the Winter 2011 ARS Journal and have had a chance to read the information on the 2011 ARS National Convention. If you are like me, you have found much to be excited about and to anticipate. The wide selection of program topics, be it growing, propagating, or hybridizing rhododendrons or perennial gardening or dwarf conifers, will be a joy for anyone in the gardening community so invite friends to join you for a weekend in May. Though I have visited many of the gardens being offered on the tours, I got excited about seeing them again when I read the wonderful descriptions. Of course, the plant sale will offer a wide selection of hard-to-find and interesting rhododendrons for our gardens and will be fun to browse. Even the hotel choice will make a pleasant extended weekend vacation. Get your registration in the mail soon and make your reservations for the very comfortable Heathman Lodge. If you have not already visited the convention website, I suggest you explore www.ars2011convention.com

Jack Olson's presentation on *Rhody Insights* was everything that I had expected, highlighted by his excellent photography, his organization, and his enthusiasm for the genus *Rhododendron*. He truly showed the wide variation within the genus as well as the interesting foliage and flower trusses that we all enjoy. Thank you, Jack, and thank you for bringing along about 15 guests.

In February, we will be treated to
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RESTORATION OF THE HOWARD HINSDALE GARDEN

On Thursday, February 10, Steve Samuels will present a program on *The Restoration of the O. Howard Hinsdale Garden* for our meeting at the Celeste Campbell Community Center, 155 High Street in Eugene. Please join us for cookies, coffee, and conversation at 7:00 p.m. and the program at 7:30.

Some of us have had the chance to visit the Hinsdale Garden along the Umpqua River near Reedsport over the last few years to see the restoration that is taking place and have marveled at how the rhododendrons are responding to the increased light from the tree trimming and the removal of the overgrown brush. Steve will describe the history of the Hinsdale family including the development of their Spruce Reach Island property from a small summer cottage surrounded by native forest into a year-around "lodge" surrounded by a carefully prepared woodland garden. In Steve's words, "Mr. Hinsdale not only planted hundreds of mature shrubs (rhododendrons, azaleas, and camellias) obtained from all over the world, he literally created the ground surface they were planted into, sculpting thousands of yards of sand fill into hills and valleys, and then transplanting large mature shelter trees as well as the shrubs into the top of the fill."

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Camelot spelled backwards is Tolemac, a once a renowned garden brimming with rhododendrons, camellias, and azaleas. When its founders passed on, as all good gardeners must, it became overgrown, neglected and the favorite haunt of wombats, an Australian nocturnal marsupial mammal rarely seen even by native Australians.

In recent years Tolemac was purchased by retired school principal Lindsay Armstrong and wife Faye because their grandchildren lived on adjacent land in the large home built by the original Tolemac owners, and now a separate piece of property. (Grandchildren are VIPs in Victoria and gardens are bought and sold at times according to the proximity of the grandchildren.) The only remaining housing on Tolemac itself was the original gardener's cottage; the Armstrongs rebuilt it into a comfortable home before beginning garden restoration, without great horticultural knowledge but a will to learn. I was privileged to accompany passionate gardeners, Ian Wallace and Norm Brown, and their wives, Neilma and Jill, on a Tolemac garden visit in hopes that we might identify many of the plants with either no labels or unreadable labels –and a treasure hunt it was!

Lindsay greeted us warmly on the path and invited us in for a cuppa – a spread of coffee, tea, blueberry muffins, rumballs, chocolate chip cookies, oyster crackers with poppy seeds and salted almonds, accompanied by great conversation. Their home is filled with family mementos, photos and artwork; a spot for the grandchildren to read and color; a highchair by the dining table for the youngest; two fireplaces, one at each end of the large living, dining and kitchen area. Every available space was filled with keepsakes from everywhere they had ever lived. I asked Faye how many times they had packed and moved all these items– seven times! The last raging forest fires had come close; Faye is packing a special package of her collected memories to take with her if they are ever evacuated again.

We set out to explore the garden; some clearing by Lindsay revealed a lot of promise – a stream garden and a plethora – or as one might say, “an embarrassment of riches” – of wombat* pooh to avoid as one walked about. Proceeding slowly with lots of gardening talk, we were surprised when Faye appeared suddenly to announce that it was lunchtime.

The large dining table was set to perfection; we were offered warming drinks and soon embarked on an absolutely fabulous luncheon: a creamy cauliflower soup with a colorful chef's swirl in the center; a flavorful potato salad quite different from our American syle; sliced tomatoes sprinkled with fresh mint; and a divine salad of shrimp, chicken, mango and macadamia nuts; a quiche of asparagus, tomatoes and carrots. The table was cleared and a lovely platter of blueberries, strawberries and kiwi in a creamy ricotta sauce appeared, after which tea, coffee, hot chocolate and chocolate orange segments, like those Americans enjoy at Christmas, was served. In dismay, someone asked Faye if she enjoyed cooking. Her succinct reply was, “Well, food is one of the pleasures of life, isn't it?” Oooh, indeed it is!

The rain was pouring by this time, so the other ladies sat with Faye in front of the fire – I was tempted, but dressed for rain and well-fortified, I set out with the men folks to continue the plant treasure hunt among brambles and overgrown vegetation. In good measure, we were able to identify cryptic labels, and identify blooming plants. What a momentous amount of work will be required to restore Tolemac's acres and acres of magnificent trees, camellias, rhododendrons and azaleas – and the adventure of a lifetime! Dripping with rainwater, we came around the corner of the *gay-raj* (garage) and were once more invited in for a farewell cuppa with more goodies by the fireside. Their grandson, Angus, a sturdy handsome boy about 9, appeared on an errand for his mother at the “big house. To avoid outstaying our welcome, we hastened off, full of chatter and gratitude for a day to remember for a very long time!

* Common Wombats (*Vombatus ursinus*), related to koalas, and bearlike in appearance, are nocturnal, marsupial mammals with a lifespan of 5 to 30 years. Most Australians have never seen a wombat in the wild. Small as a bean when born, they reside in their mother's pouch for 7 months and eventually reach 55 lbs or larger and 40 plus inches in length. With short in-turned rear legs, long bodies, and strong claws, they dig and live in burrows which extend up to 100 feet long! Very strong, they are able to crush a nosey dingo's head against the roof of their burrow with their rump. These herbivores eat mostly grass and roots with unique rootless molars and incisors that grow throughout life. Beloved by most Australians, they are less so to farmers and gardeners. Widespread from south east Queensland to Tasmania, their numbers are declining in Western Victoria and South Australia.

COMPARATIVE SIZE OF WOMBAT TO A 6 FT. MAN



Yakkin' at the Old Tool Shed Douglas Furr

Sitting in your garden is a feat to be worked at with unflagging determination and single-mindedness – for what gardener worth his salt sits down?
I am deeply committed to sitting in the garden.

Mirabel Osler

There are things gardeners need (knee pads, sharp tools, plant labels, etc.), just as there are things that gardens need (plants, stepping stones, fences and walls).

In my opinion the best thing a gardener can do while not gardening is sit and watch the garden grow, so there is one item I love to add to our garden: A bench!

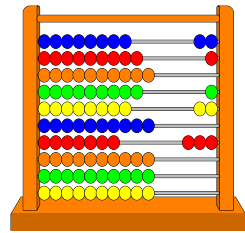
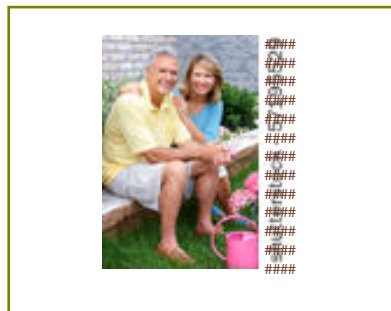
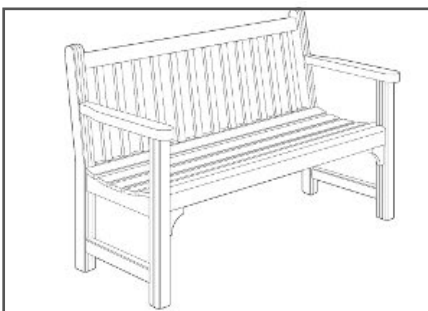
Mirabel Osler's book *The Garden Bench (The Library of Garden Detail)* includes photographs of over four dozen benches in gardens of Europe, the USA, and Tasmania. This book is hard to find, but can be purchased on Ebay and other used book web sites. Ms. Osler comments on the joy of sitting in ones' own garden in many of her writings.

Whether constructed from steel, rock, or cast off wooden slabs, a bench will serve as long as it elevates your back pocket about a foot or more from the ground. A quick web search provided all kinds of ideas, including using a raised bed as a bench.

Questions? Comments? E-mail me, Douglas Furr, at garden.projects@hotmail.com

TIPS FROM THE OLD TOOL SHED:

In Glenwood, off of Franklin Boulevard, there is a fantastic place called BRING Recycling. Visit their website www.bringrecycling.org to get information on what they do. For a reasonable price you can purchase old benches, or use your imagination and make your own. They have a several displays that really get your imagination flowing. Remember, a couple of concrete blocks and a stone slab can make a garden focal point!



ED EGAN

HE MADE IT COUNT!

Editor's note: This information garnered from a beautifully written memoriam by Mike Stewart that will be appearing in the Spring JARS.

Ed Egan's passion with deciduous azaleas led a splendid azalea collection – one of the finest in America.

In the process, he established a wholesale/retail azalea mail order business with his wife, Fran. They met at Iowa State University where he studied electrical engineering, and were married 69 years.

With meticulous attention to detail, Ed helped anyone interested in learning about deciduous azaleas, their propagation and culture. Perhaps his greatest contribution to the ARS was as Journal Editor. He transformed the former *ARS Bulletin* into the Journal that it is today, a beautiful large-format magazine in color.

Ed gave generously of his many talents to the ARS Society in multiple ways, as did Fran, who will now reside in California with their daughter Carolyn. Cards may be sent c/o Carolyn Miller, 610 So. B St, Mt Shasta, CA 96067. Donations in his memory may be made to the Nature Conservancy. natureconservancy.com

NATIONAL ARBORETUM PLANS TO DESTROY THE AZALEAS ON THE MT. HAMILTON AZALEA HILLSIDE

The National Arboretum's publication, "[Glenn Dale Hybrid Azaleas](#)" states: "Nothing says spring like azaleas! One of the **National Arboretum's most popular plantings**, the Glenn Dale Azaleas draw thousands for annual spring viewing. Horticulturist Benjamin Y. Morrison worked for over 25 years to create this superior group of winter-hardy azaleas with large, colorful flowers suitable for the Washington, DC region. ... The south face of Mt. Hamilton at the National Arboretum in Washington, DC was planted with approximately 15,000 azaleas from Glenn Dale in 1946-47. In 1949, the Arboretum opened to the public for the first time during the azalea bloom."

The Azalea Society of America published *The Glenn Dale Azalea Hillside, The Morrison Garden, and The Frederic P. Lee Garden* which comprise the 12,000-plus Azalea Collection, **the country's premier reference collection**. World-renowned azalea authority, Donald Hyatt spoke at the 2008 International Rhododendron Conference in Edinburgh, Scotland, emphasizing in his conclusion: "Although evergreen azaleas are probably the most commercially successful members of the genus Rhododendron, they still have much unrealized potential. It should be possible to develop new varieties with greater hardiness, better plant habits, distinctive foliage, and flowers with new forms and different colors. It is also important to find ways to preserve existing species and cultivars so they are more readily available to researchers, hybridizers, and gardeners. The author feels that the United States National Arboretum is probably **"the best repository of such genetic diversity in evergreen azaleas anywhere in the world and he hopes that it will remain so."** (Don Hyatt will be speaking on evergreen azaleas at the **65th Annual ARS Convention in Vancouver Friday May 13.. The convention is May 11-15, 2011.**

The following appeal, posted on the official American Rhododendron Society website, asks you to consider writing a letter urging an end to Scott Aker's insane plan to rip up and destroy – not just the entire Glenn Dale collection, but the all of the boxwood as well. His decision was made completely on his own, without any input from us – the stakeholders.

THIS SPECIAL APPEAL voices an important concern about the azaleas in the National Arboretum, Washington, D.C. The message comes from **Steve Henning** with a sincere appeal for all to become involved. Here are a few facts:

- **On November 8, Scott Aker, the garden leader for the National Arboretum had received approval of his plan to remove most of the azaleas on the Glenn Dale hillside.** This Glenn Dale Hillside is the marquee exhibit for The Arboretum when it bursts into bloom each Spring and is a national treasure. What makes this more tragic, is that only one horticulturist manages the 20-acre azalea section with a group of volunteers that work year-around. This means that Scott Aker's plan is to spend extra money to bring in a crew with saws, axes, and herbicides in this trouble economy. Then, the Arboretum will still have to restore the ravaged hillside and maintain it anyway ... but without the help of the volunteers who love azaleas.
- We can stop this insanity. How? We need your help. We need overwhelming pressure from all sides. Of course, U.S. Congress has ultimate control. USDA Administrators run the National Arboretum. The Washington Post is the D.C. area newspaper and reaches both the local population and national news sources. And, the Friends of the National Arboretum are influential in providing private funding wield serious power in what is done.
- Write a letter in your own words to your Senators, Congressmen, USDA Administrators, and to:

The Washington Post, Letters to the Editor
Adrian Higgins, Gardening Columnists, higginsa@washpost.com and

Friends of the National Arboretum
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- Tell your azalea and rhododendron friends, your garden-lover friends about the website SaveTheAzaleas.org and **Don Hyatt's, [Save The Azaleas Fact Sheet](#).**

One final note: "Letters put off until tomorrow – never get written."

PLACES TO GO ~ PEOPLE TO SEE

You and your friends are invited to our February 10 meeting at the Celeste Campbell Community Center, 155 High Street in Eugene on "[The BLM Hinsdale Garden Project](#)" by Steve Samuels, Bureau of Land Management. Coffee and cookies provided by Nancy Burns and JoAnn Napier will be served at 7 PM followed by the program which is described at length elsewhere in the Newsletter. Prior to the meeting, you are also invited to join us for a no-host speaker's dinner at 5:30 p.m. at the Ring of Fire Restaurant, 1099 Chambers Street on the northeast corner of 11th Avenue and Chambers Street. Their website is www.ringoffirerestaurant.com. If you are coming, please RSVP to Paula or Ted Hewitt at 541-687-8119 or ted.hewitt@comcast.net by Tuesday, February 8, so that the restaurant knows how many to expect.

Hardy Plant Society January 11 Program

Meadows by Design

John Greenlee's illustrated talk Tuesday, January 11, 2011, at 7 p.m. at the University of Oregon, Agate Hall, Agate Street at 18th Avenue, Eugene, will give a good introduction to the creation of meadow-like spaces in urban and suburban settings. You will come away with new ideas for designs and specific planting advice.

Known as the "Grassman" in horticultural circles, John Greenlee is an internationally known horticulturist, landscape designer, and an advocate for sustainable lawns and meadows. He specializes in the cultivation and study of grasses and grass like plants. John Greenlee founded Greenlee Nursery of California in 1985. The nursery is the oldest and largest specialty ornamental grass nursery on the West Coast. His best selling book, *The Encyclopedia of Ornamental Grasses* (Rodale, 1992), is considered by many to be an indispensable reference. Copies of the book will be available for sale and author signing. Doors open at 6:30 for book sales and viewing botanical samples. Admission is \$6 for non-members and free for members. Membership in the Hardy Plant Group is \$20 annually. There is ample parking next to Agate Hall. For more information about the group or this event, visit www.thehardyplantgroup.org or call 541-344-0896

The World in Your Garden~Rhododendrons 2011~May 11-15

Plans are finalized for the 65th Annual Convention of the American Rhododendron Society to be held May 11-15, 2011 at the new Heathman Lodge 888-475-3100. Wednesday night Harold Greer will set the theme, *The World in Your Garden*, with one of his dazzling slide shows and the answers to many questions about the origins of rhododendrons. Thursday through Saturday mornings will be filled with workshops, clinics and speakers of note. Afternoons through Saturday include several repeating bus tours with box lunches to beautiful gardens and scenic spots. Sunday includes a breeder's workshop and a Brunch with Frank Fujioka. The Winter Journal includes all the information for registering, and the convention is not limited to members only. Convention web site:

<http://www.ars2011convention.com> For a virtual tour try:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/greergardens#p/a/u/0/mcqOPvmego8>

A POEM BY JOHN FRY

Janie and I live a short distance from the Willamette River where there is a wonderful tree-lined, paved walking/bicycle path and benches spaced out along the path where I walk every day. Here are some thoughts that flood my mind.

John Fry

SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER

The shiny river is nearly out of its banks,
circling over tree trunks
and patches of tall grass

that used to wave in the warm summer
breezes.

As I walk along the path next to the river
with my trusty cane,
memories of floating on truck inner tubes
with hands and feet in the warm water
to guide me around stumps, tree limbs, and
whirlpools flood my mind.

McKenzie river boats drifting peacefully
with the slow currents,
fishing rods cast out toward
eddies where hopes for snagging a trout
were ever on the fishermen's minds.

A playground for ducks, geese, and seagulls.

As peace comes over the flowing water
peace floats away thoughts of
a troubled world.



JOHN FRY – I found out from a telephone conversation with Sandy Boynton, Dorothy's daughter, that Dorothy passed away January 10 as a result of a stroke. She said that she was going to live to be 105. In fact she lived to be 95 plus one month. I knew Dorothy for many years. She always went out of her way to pull up a chair where I was sitting and exchange conversations about problems with getting old, how beautiful some rhododendrons were at all the shows, and talked about getting another one for her yard. She had a way of making you feel appreciated, and was a good listener about any subject. It seemed to me that she had bonded with her friends in the Eugene Chapter of the ARS and wanted to be included in its activities. An example of this was her determination to drive by herself from Damascus – a hundred miles in heavy rain to attend our Christmas potluck. I will miss her cheerful, positive attitude and friendliness and remember her friendly greeting and generosity.

A TRIBUTE TO DOROTHY ADAMS

The Editor – When she passed away quite suddenly January 10, Dorothy was not only the oldest member of our chapter, but also one of the longest on the membership roll, having joined some 40 years ago. A retired teacher with a vivid personality, she is here remembered by long-time chapter members.

HAROLD GREER – Dorothy was an enjoyable lady who attended many meetings, especially social events like potlucks and Christmas parties. She outlived all of us age-wise and was always ready for a conversation. Dorothy was very sweet and I had the "pleasure" of her coming by the nursery after the Christmas potluck on her way to her home in Damascus to give Nancy and me a couple of nice books that she thought we would like. As she was leaving, she drove up our circular driveway—after talking to me for a long time from her car window, while I froze standing out in the cold,—she suddenly turned around, came back, honked and told me she was going to be 95 the next day. Dorothy rarely got out of her car when she came to the nursery. She just drove in and honked until someone went out to see what the noise was all about! I guess when you are over 90, you can do that!

GORDON WYLIE – Dorothy was an honest, forthright person. As I recall, she had hip replacement surgery some 20 years ago, maintaining a determination to keep going! A mixture of frugality and generosity, Dorothy was always buying plants and seeking cuttings, interested in gardening until the end of her life. I remember her stopping by my garden one day out of the blue and giving me two vireyas she didn't know what to do with. I also remember her asking me one day to help her carry trusses leftover from the show to her car. Buried under the trusses I made my way to her locked car, only to find Dorothy nowhere in sight! She'd stopped to visit with someone somewhere. Not that I had anything better to do, of course, but somehow it seemed like I did. Yes, we'll always remember Dorothy, bless her heart!

JACK OLSON – Dorothy was a spunky little lady. She always had something to say and had no problem telling people what she thought. She called me two years ago when she found out I was helping Nolan sell his hybrids. She wanted me to be sure and select some good varieties, before they were all gone. I think I picked some that I planned on keeping and made a point to get them to her. I was always afraid she'd get in a wreck – there are not too many ninety-five year old ladies on the freeway. She often drove from Damascus—100 miles. That says how much she enjoyed rhododendrons and our chapter. I will miss our little discussions on how our gardens were doing and what we wanted to do next. I like little old ladies and will dearly miss her.

Eugene chapter member, John Hammond of England, sent this lovely poem to share with readers – likely prompted by a very cold winter in the Great Britain. Thank you, John.

THE FIREWOOD POEM

Beechwood fires burn bright and clear
If the logs are kept a year;
Store your beech for Christmastide
With new holly laid beside;
Chestnut's only good they say
If for years 'tis stayed away;
Birch and fir wood burn too fast
Blaze too bright and do not last;
Flames from larch will shoot up high
Dangerously the sparks will fly;
But ash wood green and ash wood brown
Are fit for a Queen with a golden crown.

Oaken logs, if dry and old
Keep away the winter's cold;
Poplar gives a bitter smoke
Fills your eyes and makes you choke;
Elmwood burns like churchyard mould
Even the very flames burn cold;
Hawthorn bakes the sweetest bread
So it is in Ireland said.
Apple wood will scent the room,
Pear wood smells like a flower in bloom,
But ash wood wet and ash wood dry
A king may warm his slippers by!

Attributed to Lady Celia Congreve

This is the original version of the poem, as first published in *The Times* in March, 1930. On several occasions over the past eighty years it has been rewritten, or modified, or additional verses added; but none of the versions have the appeal or fluency of Lady Celia's original words. Written in an age when many old houses had only open fires and candles to light-up the long winter evenings, the words are particularly relevant to a past generation. Despite the passing years these words continue to fascinate and haunt many of those who have an interest, or professional involvement, in woodlands and forests, as its contents tend to generate an interesting discussion based on traditional experience with tending open fires or wood-burning stoves. However, the poem is relatively little known amongst horticulturalists in the wider community, some of whom have been investing more recently in wood-burning stoves, or fireplaces with an open grate, in a bid to become more eco-friendly. But then, farmers and foresters always reckon that you get warm twice when you go logging – once when you cut the wood and once when you sit down beside it!

Lady Congreve was a distant relative of Ambrose Congreve who is responsible for the creating the remarkable Mount Congreve Garden, a World Class Garden near Waterford in Ireland.

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With a Ph.D. in prehistoric archaeology from Washington State University, Steve now works for the Bureau of Land Management in the Coos Bay District overseeing cultural resource management and, hence, has been involved with the Hinsdale Garden as a cultural landscape.

In his talk, he will discuss the ongoing efforts of the BLM and the American Rhododendron Society to document and to restore this remarkable garden and will present future plans for making the garden more available to the public.

Prior to the meeting, you are invited to join us and Steve Samuels for a no-host dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Ring of Fire Restaurant at 1099 Chambers Street in Eugene. This is on the northeast corner of 11th Ave and Chambers St so is easy to find. You can view the website at www.ringoffirerestaurant.com. Please RSVP to Paula or Ted by Tuesday, February 8, if you are coming so that we can notify the restaurant. RSVP at ted.hewitt@comcast.net or 541-687-8119

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another fine program but this time by Steve Samuels, the cultural resource manager for the Coos Bay BLM District, who is coordinating the restoration of the Hinsdale Garden. This is such a fine project for the ARS to be involved with and I look forward to his talk.

When I look at the weather map of the country and see that wedge of cold weather that comes down from Canada into the Midwest spreading to the East Coast, I enjoy even more strolling through our garden seeing new growth on some of the plants. As I cut back last year's hellebore leaf stalks, I like to see the new flower stalks emerging, ready to bloom later in February. In fact, the Christmas Rose, *Helleborus niger*, has already opened its pure white blossoms. In other parts of the garden, there are a few primulas blooming, a few *Cyclamen coum* with bright pink flowers, many *Cyclamen hederifolium* sporting their silvery, geometrically patterned leaves, a few snowdrops blooming, and, of course, many rhododendrons have swelling buds that are interesting to see. On the R. 'Cilpenense', the bud scales form interesting patterns and I know that the pretty, pinkish-white flowers will follow soon. In February, there always seem to be dry, mild days when it is again pleasant to be out in the garden enjoying the extra living space outside the house. May I suggest a walk in Hendricks Park?

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Glen Dale Azaleas

Photo by Don Hyatt

Eugene Chapter Mission Statement

Encourage the culture and interest of rhododendrons.
Use our meetings for educational opportunities & building friendships.
Grow both species and hybrid rhododendrons in our gardens.
Educate ourselves and the community about the world of rhododendrons.
Nurture the idea of garden design with rhododendrons.
Exhibit our knowledge and the beauty of rhododendrons to the community.

2011 Calendar

Feb. 10 February meeting and program “The BLM Hinsdale Garden Project” by Steve Samuels, BLM. Prior to the 7 o’clock meeting at Campbell Center, 155 High St., there will be a no-host dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Ring of Fire Restaurant at 1099 Chambers Street on the northeast corner of 11th Ave and Chambers St. Their website is www.ringoffirerestaurant.com. If you are coming, Please RSVP Ted or Paula at ted.hewitt@comcast.net or 541-687-8119 so that we can notify the restaurant.

Mar. 10 Annual Meeting - Election; Program: Panel Discussion: Prepping Rhodies for Show & Judging

Apr. 9 -10 Siuslaw Chapter Early Show, Florence

Apr. 16 Early Show and Banquet at Mookies

May 7 HPG Plant Sale, (May 6 setup)

May 11-15 ARS Annual Convention, Vancouver, WA, <http://www.heathmanlodge.com>

June 26 Picnic at the Sarlaks’ garden in Corvallis

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