

Eugene Chapter

American Rhododendron Society

www.eugene-chapter-ars.org

BONSAI

Bonsai has been around for generations, plants being passed down as a family heirloom. Many people use evergreen trees, but I am not a person who likes 'just a green' plant. I use azaleas and rhododendrons for my bonsai, not only are they interesting specimens as a plant, but they also bloom.

Join us for an evening of azalea and rhododendron bonsai. — Mike Bones

Mike has been doing bonsai over 25 years, yes, he has actually kept them alive for that long.

Join us January 12th at 5 p.m. before the meeting at

TA RA RIN Thai Cuisine in Eugene at 1200 Oak St.. You can view the menu at <http://tararinthai.com/>

Great opportunity to enjoy conversation with other members of our chapter, as well as, getting to meet Mike Bones before his talk on azalea and rhododendron bonsai.

2017 New Year's Resolution – Relax and enjoy yourself with good friends, while making some new friends!



This is a profile of MICHAEL BONES.

The accuracy and truthfulness of this document is, without question, one that needs to be dissected and checked for all details.

Mike was born about 1946 in a town close to this location. The name of the town is being omitted to protect the other townspeople.

He was (and is) a prominent member of his family and this entire community. As far as can be determined, he hasn't been arrested locally, and continues to make

his family proud.

He served in the United States Navy and when asked, could probably be persuaded to relate some of his experiences. Only those suitable for a mixed crowd, of course. Investigation into his early life, found that he really wanted to be a tight wire walker, but his mother insisted he wear shorts and we all know that those tight wire walkers only wear tights! She also refused to let him walk on any surface narrower than a 2x4. That makes it impossible to walk as a tight rope walker.

He shelved that desire and decided instead of becoming a worthy son, brother, husband, father and grandfather. He is a credit to his upbringing and we are all better for knowing him.

Submitted by me... Remember, unless you want us to make up your profile...send it in!

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A huge **Thank You** to **Harold and Nancy Greer**
from the Board and all of the members for hosting our gathering .



Nancy and Harold Greer

Siuslaw Chapter Members at Holiday Gathering:

Standing Paul & JoAnn Wilson,, Cheryl Prchal,
Harold Greer and Mike Bones.

Seated Ron Prchal, and Helen Baxter



Harold giving a tour of the retirement
complex under construction. Ed Gore and
Dena Fowler-Gore taking the tour.

**Happy
New Year**



Ed Gore, Rick Reed, Ted Hewitt, Leonard Frojen, Ali Sarlak, & Sherlyn Hilton



Steve Krasik, Anne Gross, Cheryl Prchal, Joyce Reed, Helen Baxter and others enjoying the feast.



Rick & Joyce Reed with Sandie & Jack Olson



Margaret Wikoff, Elaine Sedlack, Tom & Nancy Burns with Sherlyn Hilton



Helen Baxter, Leonard & Carmen Frojen with Ted & Paula Hewitt



Noel & Pepper Berkeley



Dick Cavender, Anne Gross, Gloria & Ali Sarlak, Mike & Maria Stewart, Steve Krasik and Linda Wylie

Photos by Grace Fowler-Gore



Willamette Chapter ARS
Anne Gross & Steve Krasik



Portland Chapter ARS
Dick & Karen Cavender and Maria & Mike Stewart

Thank you everyone for attending our holiday gathering!!!!

Other District 4 Chapter Meetings and Websites

Tualatin Valley Chapter: First Tuesday of the month, Sep thru April (none Jan), at 6:45 p.m. Washington County Fire District 2, 31370 NW Commercial Street North Plains, OR 97133 Website: tualatinvalleyars.org

Willamette Chapter: Second Wednesday of the month, Sep thru May; Dec and May meetings held elsewhere. Meeting is held at the First United Methodist Church, 600 State St., Salem, OR. Website: Currently None

Siuslaw Chapter: Third Tuesday of the month at Presbyterian Church of Siuslaw, 3669 Highway 101, Florence, at 6:30 for refreshments. Meeting at 7 p.m. Website: siuslawars.org

Portland Chapter: Third Thursday of the month, September thru May. At All Saints Episcopal Church, 4033 SE Woodstock Blvd, Portland, Oregon. The location is one-half mile east of Crystal Springs Rhododendron Garden. Meetings begin with an informal social half-hour at 7:00 PM. There is short business meeting at 7:30 PM, followed by presentation. Website: rhodies.org

Southwestern Oregon Chapter: Third Thursday of the month, Oct thru May (none Dec), 6:30 Social, 7 Meeting Coos-Curry Housing Authority, 1700 Monroe St., North Bend, OR. Website: sworegon-ars.org

All other websites can be found on rhododendron.org under chapter's websites.



RHODODENDRONS IN THE REDWOODS

ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

AMERICAN RHODODENDRON SOCIETY

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Register now for the American Rhododendron Society's annual spring Convention April 27-30, 2017. The Eureka Chapter will host the convention which will bring visitors to world-famous Humboldt County, California from across the nation, Canada and around the world. Top notch speakers will be featured every day, along with tours of redwood forests, private and public gardens, azalea reserves and Victorian architecture.

The Red Lion Hotel will be our host hotel, with a rate of \$99 per night per room plus tax. The rate includes a full breakfast and an airport shuttle. Thursday and Sunday events will be held at the hotel. The new state-of-the-art Sequoia Conference Center, three blocks from the Red Lion Hotel, will be our meeting and banqueting venue Friday and Saturday. Visitors can walk to the conference center, take the shuttle or drive; abundant parking is available at the center.

For many ARS members, seeing the Redwoods (*Sequoia sempervirens*) is high on the must see "bucket list", as are the rugged North Coast of California with its *Rhododendron macrophyllum* and Stagecoach Hill, the home of the Smith-Mossman 1966 collections of *Rhododendron occidentale* azaleas.



THE CARSON

Eureka is served by United Express twice daily from San Francisco. Flying to San Francisco and transferring to Eureka is the usual air transport option. Renting a car in San Francisco and driving to Eureka is a very scenic alternative. Drive time from San Francisco is about seven hours through the wine country with its rolling hills and on north through the Coast Range

In addition to the area's redwood parks and other natural wonders, Eureka and its neighboring towns abound with well-preserved Victorian homes displaying the famous Queen Anne "Carpenter Gothic" style. The Carson Mansion (now a private club) is the most famous example from the late 19th century era of the lumber barons in northwestern California.

mountains and redwood forests. From the north, PenAir flies from Portland, Oregon to the Eureka/Arcata airport. An alternative to flying directly to Eureka from



HUMBOLDT BOTANICAL

Portland might be to fly to Crescent City or to Medford, Oregon, then rent a car. Drive time from Crescent City is about two hours; from Medford about four hours. Both routes are quite scenic, with wild rivers, rugged mountains and redwood forests well worth visiting. Several car rental agencies operate at the Eureka/Arcata airport. The Red Lion Hotel offers free shuttle service for convention attendees to and from the Eureka/Arcata airport. However you choose to get here, we look forward to hosting you and showing you our beautiful northwest corner of California.

More information at www.eurekarhody.org

Photo From Past President Ali Sarlak:



R.calophyllum which is not doing well in freezing temperatures. Ali doesn't care for the ice either!

Here a picture of the Siuslaw chapter's raffle quilt, made and donated by Karen Smith!

The raffle tickets are available at their meetings, and at both of their shows until the drawing on the last day of our late show, May 21st.

The ticket prices \$2.00 per ticket, 3 for \$5.00, 6 for \$10.00 or 12 for \$20.00.

(Photo taken from Siuslaw Chapter ARS November 2016 Newsletter)

To purchase tickets, please contact Siuslaw Treasurer: Jim Hobbs 541-621-8511 hobhouse@gmail.com



Cookie Sign-Up Sheet

January – Helen Baxter and Nancy Burns

February – Grace & Ed Fowler-Gore and Linda Wylie

March – Grace and Ed Fowler-Gore and ?Available?

Please feel free to bring goodies to share even if you haven't signed up.

Thank You

Have you Remembered to Renew Your ARS Membership ? ARS Dues remain at \$40.00 for a regular membership and \$10.00 for an associate membership (if you have a regular membership in another chapter). Please return the renewal form to Membership Secretary, Nancy Burns.

Please make your checks payable to "Eugene Chapter ARS."

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Note – two positions are available on the board.

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- *Shows:** Helen Baxter, Sherlyn Hilton, Terry Henderson
- *Nominating:** Available
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There’s
room for
YOU
on the
board.

Join Us!



Clockwise from the back left:

Terry Henderson, Gordon Wylie, Jack Olson, Helen Baxter, Nancy Burns,
Ali Sarlak, Grace Fowler-Gore, and Sherlyn Hilton

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Event Calendar 2016 – 2017

6:30 p.m. Thursday,

Campbell Community Center 155 High Street, Eugene, Oregon

- Sept. 18 Potluck at the home of Sherlyn Hilton
- Oct. 13 Jack Olson - "What you do not know about rhododendrons."
- Nov. 10 Bruce Palmer - "Everything is Leaf."
- Dec. 11 Holiday Potluck Party
- Jan. 12 Mike Bones - "Bonsai."**
- Feb. 9 Elaine Sedlack - "Frank Kingdon-Ward: Connoisseur Plant Collector"
- March 9 Truls Jensen - "Garden perennials."