

Eugene Chapter – American Rhododendron Society

From Harold and Nancy Greer:

We invite all chapter members and friends in other chapters to the **2019 Eugene Fall Potluck** to be held in our home and garden on Sunday, **September 15th**, from noon to 3 p.m. at 1280 Goodpasture Island Road. The Chapter will furnish a main course and we ask others to bring a side dish of your choosing with a serving utensil and a beverage. Come any time after 12:00 noon. Food will be served at 1:00 p.m. We should have enough chairs and tables for everyone.

Come and see how the garden has grown and our new stream that runs the length of our back yard.

Turn into The Springs at Greer Gardens at the traffic light on Goodpasture Island Road. As you come down the driveway, make the very first right you can and that runs directly into our home. Park wherever you can find a spot anywhere except the numbered, covered parking near the back. Welcome everyone!



Spring Potluck 2019

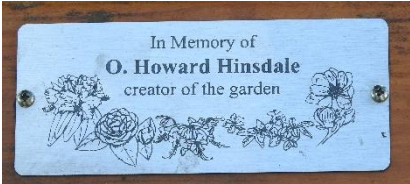
Hope you can make the Fall Potluck 2019!

Photos by Emily Aune

News from Hendricks Park by Emily Aune

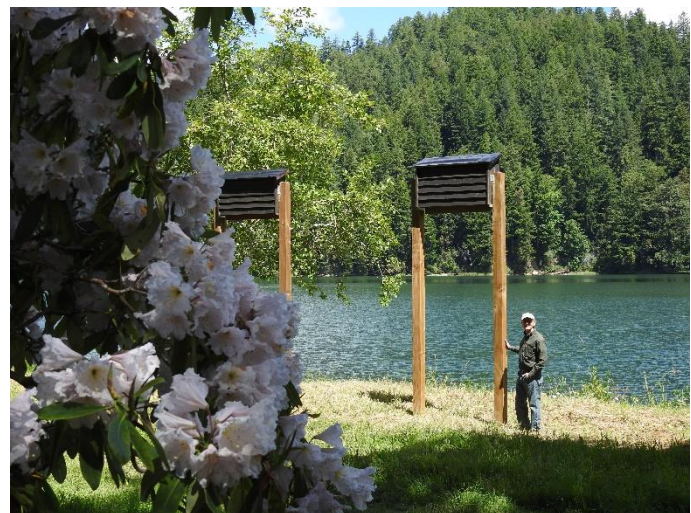
“When do the Rhododendrons bloom?” Is a common question from visitors at Hendricks Park. Although peak bloom tends to be close to Mother’s Day, I feel proud to say nearly every single month you can find a Rhododendron in bloom. August can be a tough month, and so can December, but all other months, you can typically find a couple plants in bloom. *Rhododendron auriculatum* and its hybrids are lovely through June. Their sweet fragrance wafts through the hot summer air. They are native to several provinces of China, growing in woods and on high ridges and rocky forest slopes. This elepidote gets its name from the unique shape of the leaf, which has an earlobe (auriculate) on the basal lobe of the leaf. One *Rhododendron auriculatum* was in full bloom at Hendricks Park this year on August 15th. The plant stands tall in a deeply shaded area from the mature fir trees above. Its white flowers brighten up the dark corner, and the citrusy smell is unmistakable. Even after bloom, summer interest continues with its new growth. Long, red, ribbon-like bracts give great contrast to the new green and sometimes purple hued leaves. It is a great plant to include for a continuously changing and interesting summer garden.





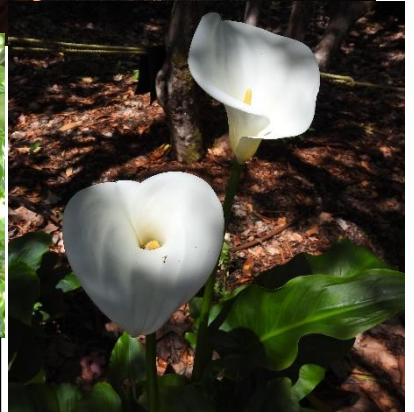
Visiting Hindsdale Garden June 28th, 2019

There are nice benches and picnic tables to sit upon and enjoy the day.





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Beautiful views in
all directions
for Dena, Ed and
Grace.
Photos by all of us.



We had the pleasure of meeting Rylee, a horticulturist working for the B.L.M. She had just finished removing a large patch of stinky Bob (invasive weed) from beside the front gate. She recommends throwing the seeds into the trash to prevent the compost pile from being seeded.



The ARS Eugene Chapter Mission Statement.

Encourage the culture and interest of rhododendrons.

Use our meetings for educational opportunities and 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.

ARS Membership Renewal Time

In the near future, you will be receiving your ARS membership renewal forms in the mail. The cost for a regular membership that includes membership in the Eugene Chapter remains at \$40.00 including the ARS quarterly Journal and the chapter Newsletter. Please return the completed forms to Membership Secretary Nancy Burns as soon as possible by mail or in person at the September picnic or the October Chapter Meeting.

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

Thank you for your membership and support.

ARS chapter websites can be found at www.rhododendron.org

Committees * & Volunteer Positions

Chapter Meetings Program Speakers: Harold Greer

Hospitality*: Helen Baxter (greeter), Nancy Burns (membership), Ted Hewitt (new member packets and name tags)

Location of Meetings: Harold Greer (The Springs), Hendricks Park (Emily Aune), Potlucks (The Board & Members)

Newsletter: Editor - Grace Fowler-Gore, **Printer** - Harold Greer [541-686-1540 hgreer@greergardens.com], **Collator** - Vince Manion, **Mailer** - Harold Greer, **Distributor Hendricks Park Kiosk** - Emily Aune, **Distributor E-mail** - Grace Fowler-Gore

Nominating*: Available

Plant Sale: The Board Members (Plants provided by Terry Henderson – Log Cabin Nursery)

Raffle & Door Prizes: Terry Henderson, Harold Greer, Ted Hewitt, Jack Olson (Rocky Knoll), Members like you!

Shows*: The Board Members (Plants provided by Terry Henderson – Log Cabin Nursery) & Harold Greer

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You're invited to the celebration!



World-renowned Keynote Speakers
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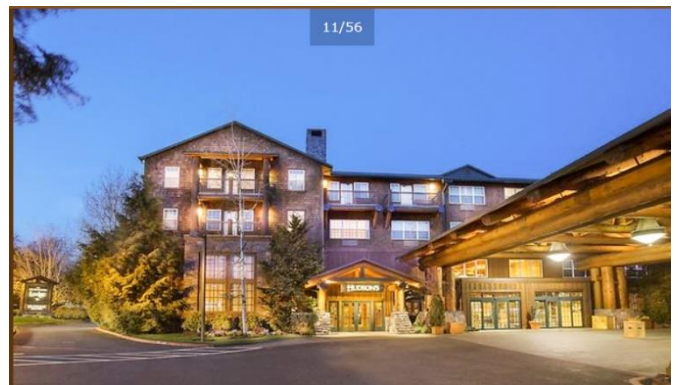
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American Rhododendron Society
 75th Anniversary
20/20 VISION
Looking forward, reflecting back
 Portland-Vancouver, April 29-May 3, 2020



Cecil Smith Garden -
 Donna Sell photo,
 Crystal Springs - Ernie
 Metcalfe photo,
 Heathman Outside,
 Heathman Inside,
 Convention Plant Sale,
 Japanese Garden
 Portland



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EUGENE ARS CHAPTER CALENDAR 2019-2020

September 15th Potluck at The Greer's

October 16th Jeanine Smith – Seattle.

November 21st Bill McNamara – Quarry Hill Botanical Garden near Santa Rosa, CA

December 18th Holiday Potluck at The Springs

January 15th Bruce Palmer “What’s in a Name”

February 20th Bob Zimmerman – Species

March 19th Glen Jamieson Journal ARS editor

April ??

April 75th Anniversary ARS Convention. April 29th – May 3rd