



**FOBPR**  
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**Notes from Friends of Bandon  
Parks and Recreation (FOBPR)**

*Dear FOBPR Subscribers,*

**The month of May was a  
great success for FOBPR  
thanks to your support and  
the vision of our founder,  
Christine Hall.**



**The Second Annual Bike Rodeo at Ocean Crest Elementary School on May 2nd provided 10 bicycles for the 3rd graders, 60 bicycle helmets, and delightful surprises for the children.**

We did this together in cooperation with Cycle Oregon and the Bandon School

District with major support from a generous grant provided by Bandon 100 Strong. Leading the event were Courtney Wehner, Principal of Ocean Crest Elementary, Shawne Martinez of Cycle Oregon, Wade Troxell, Event Organizer, and Emma Owens, Bandon PD Community Services Officer.



Volunteers to work with the children were Laura and Royce Brownfield, Wade Troxille, Jackson Marvin, Julia Christoferson, Andrea Burke, and Samantha Stanger.



*Bike Recipients*



*Shawne Martinez of  
Cycle Oregon*



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**With the remaining funds from Bandon 100 Strong, FOBPR provided five outdoor recreation toys to the Community Youth Center.**

Our donation included: Girls Huffly 12" bike, Boys Huffly 12" bike, two Radio Flyer Big Wheel trikes and a Little Tykes push truck. Total monetary value of our donation was about \$325. The return on investment will be in the form of the children's joy as the center was in urgent need of some new outdoor toys.

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**Upcoming plans include FOBPR participation in the Cranberry Festival, a Veterans Day planting event, and planting at City Park this autumn. We welcome volunteers to assist with these events. Interested individuals are encouraged to contact [friendsofbandonpr@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbandonpr@gmail.com).**

**Recently FOBPR updated our Executive Board to include an Executive Vice President, Wade Troxell, who also serves as our Treasurer. FOBPR relies on the advice and assistance from our Vice President, Claudine Hundhausen, and our Board Members At Large, Andrea Burke and Margaret Pounder. Thank you!**

*Laura Brownfield,  
President, FOBPR*



**FOBPR is now offering subscribers an opportunity to donate in honor of or in memory of someone they cherish.**

**June is the time for the annual renewal of your FOBPR support – and it's a great time to join or donate.**



#### **SUPPORTER APPLICATION**

##### **FRIENDS OF BANDON PARKS & RECREATION ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION**

First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Interests and skills: \_\_\_\_\_

Parks & Rec Supporter \$25

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in Honor of \$25 or \$ \_\_\_\_\_

in Memory of \$25 or \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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or reach out to  
[friendsofbandonpr@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbandonpr@gmail.com)**

##### **Mail Checks Payable to:**

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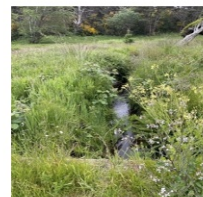
*Connect Our Community With Nature*



**Bandon City Park**



**South Jetty Park**



**Johnson Creek**

**Your support helps us share, preserve, and enhance our parks while promoting education and wellness. Thank you for your support.**

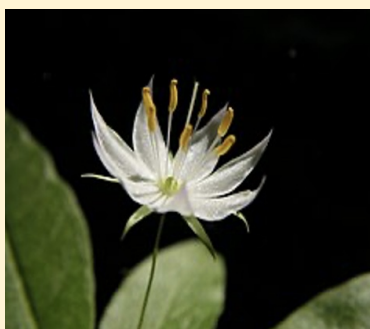


## *Stillwater Natives Nursery      Bandon, Oregon*

Growing plants for people and pollinators of the south coast

### **Stillwater Natives Nursery Spring Internships**

Under the supervision of Darcy Grahek, owner of Stillwater Natives Nursery, Taylor Keiser and Summer Garman successfully completed their Spring internships in May. FOBPR partnered with Darcy to provide administrative support for the grants she obtained to pay the interns. The interns focused on plant seeding and propagation in the greenhouse.



*Both interns accomplished very exciting work. Summer discovered a new local species called Starflower.*

To help them with botanical art and habitat studies of birds, Vicki Affatati provided art supplies and instruction. For several hours on 3 Fridays they worked on this project. That relationship turned into the students working on their own time at Vicki's studio, doing paintings for this year's Port of Bandon Boardwalk art show.



*Taylor has written an article about Howell's Mariposa Lily, an endangered species.*

**FOBPR will continue to support the internships supervised by Darcy for**

**this Fall and next Spring. Congratulations on a brilliant semester!**

<https://www.stillwaternativesnursery.com/>

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**FOBPR greatly appreciates your donations and just as much, we value your volunteer time.**

**Friends of Bandon Parks & Recreation needs your help to lead and manage upcoming community events for this summer and fall.**

Events will be fully funded and supported by FOBPR. We are seeking event leaders who can share their skills in: event planning, creating a realistic budget, coordination of materials and helpers, event volunteer recruitment, and providing periodic updates including an event report to the FOBPR Executive Board. The Executive Board will be working with you to ensure a successful event, so you will have plenty of support from experienced leaders.

**Interested individuals are encouraged to contact**

**friendsofbandonpr@gmail.com.** We expect to have two to three events requiring event leaders this year. We are excited to offer this opportunity to our subscribers and individuals looking to gain valuable experience while serving the greater Bandon community. Please contact us now if interested in learning more! No pressure, no obligation, just a pleasant conversation with others committed to parks and recreation in Bandon.

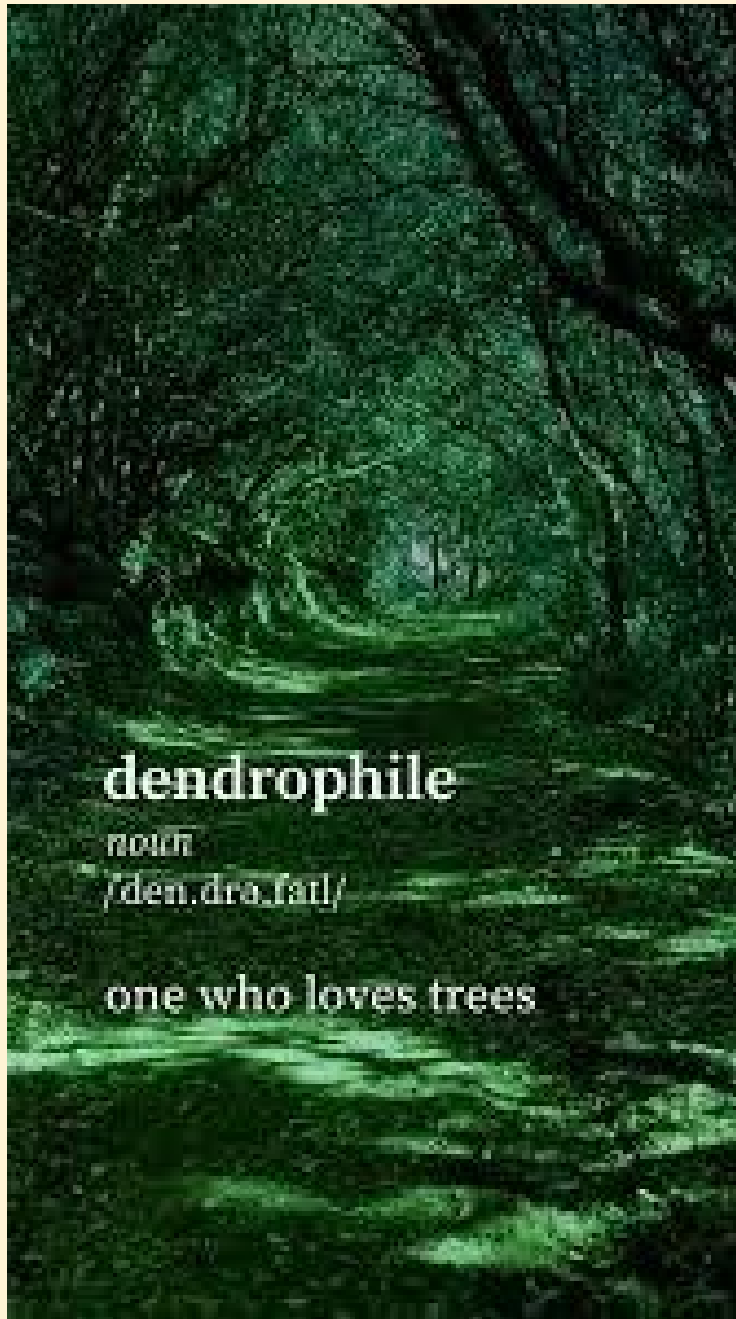
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**Interested in Learning or Playing Pickleball??**

Contact Bandon Pickleball at [Bandonpickleball@gmail.com](mailto:Bandonpickleball@gmail.com)

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**dendrophile**

noun

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one who loves trees

### Final Thought

A dendrophile is a person who loves trees and forests. The word "dendrophile" is derived from the Greek words "dendron" (tree) and "philos" (loving), so it literally means "lover of trees".



**Proud to be a Non-Profit Member**

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