



# Klamath Basin Chapter, Native Plant Society of Oregon

Thursday March 16, 2017 Meeting Notes:

Meeting began at 7:45 pm following presentation on herbal/medicinal plants by Faith Wilkins. Chapter meetings had not taken place since last spring and several new people were present. The goal of the meeting was to determine the level of interest and set a new course for the chapter going forward.

People introduced themselves and discussed what activities they would like to see the chapter do. Kim Elliott and Todd Kepple gave some background on the chapter and state organization. Steve Sheehy noted that we need to elect new officers.

The group more or less agreed to do similar activities as those we've done in the past - field trips during the field season and meetings/presentations during Oct-May. Other ideas included landscaping the highway median at the Lakeview-Merrill Junction, a photo contest, getting a Facebook page going, getting a Tribal speaker to talk about cultural plants, and having joint trips with other groups.

The group decided to hold meetings at 6:30 pm on the second Tuesday of the month at the Klamath County Museum, with the next meeting scheduled for April 11. Prior to the meeting at 6 pm, there will be an informal tour of the native plant garden for those interested. Todd noted that in order to have priority for the meeting room, we need to either pay a fee or otherwise contribute to the museum. The group decided to conduct weeding and other maintenance of the native plant garden to meet this requirement.

Elections were held and the following officers were elected unopposed:

Todd Kepple, president  
Sarah Malaby, vice president and secretary  
Dan Hawkes, treasurer

Sarah Malaby will remain on the bank account at Umpqua bank, Dan Hawkes will be added as Treasurer, and Kim Elliott will be removed.

Kerry Byrne was suggested as a potential speaker for the April 11 meeting (note, she can't make it and is scheduled for May instead). Several suggestions were made for field trips. Sarah will compile a list of potential field trips with approximate times for the group to vote on at the next meeting.

The group voted to pay a URL fee to get the website back up and running. Kim Elliott agreed to make this happen. Sarah will notify the state of the new officers, get the most current membership list and meet with Dan at the bank to transfer treasurer duties. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45.

Sarah Malaby  
Secretary

### Possible Field Trips for 2017

CODE	Location	Main Attractions	Possible Dates	Leader
KCM	Museum Native Plant Garden	Gardening with natives, Cultural Plants?	May 6, May 27, and/or June 24	Todd, Gerald Skelton?
LR	Link River	Tree ID. Could start at the USFWS office parking lot	Anytime July-Sept	Todd
MP	Moore Park	Wildflowers and shrubs common around K Falls and in drier forest	May 27, June 17, July 1, or move to 2018. June 24 is Klamath cruise and Kinetic sculpture race at Moore park.	Sarah
HP	Hagelstein Park/Modoc Rim	Good diversity of wildflowers and shrubs common around K Falls and in drier forest	May 27, June 17, June 24, or move to 2018. Consider going on a week day?? Could possibly get a permit and do native seed collection in this area later in summer.	Erin or Sarah
MI	Miller Island	Plants of saline habitats, could include Applegate milkvetch in tour	July 1 or July 8	Sarah
BS	Bull Swamp	Fen/wetland could also go to nearby Wolf Lake	July 15, 22, 29 or August 5, 12, 19	Erin
1000	1000 Springs (Crater Lake NP)	Spring/wetland complex near park boundary, flows into Union Creek.	July 15, 22, 29 or August 5, 12, 19	Marshall