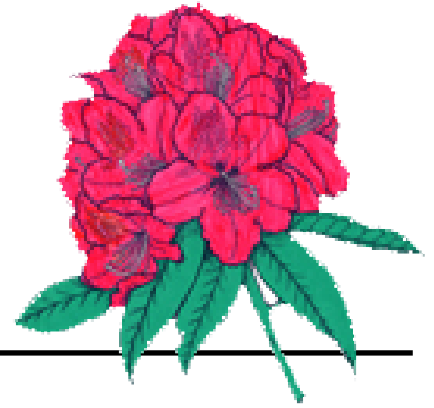


Noyo News

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American Rhododendron Society
October, 2016



Wed, October 26, 7:00

Presbyterian Church
367 So. Sanderson Way, FB

Top Brass at the MCBG

Molly Barker is the new Director at the Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens. At our October general meeting she'll give us a rundown of what's happening at the **Gardens**.

ARS Renewals

Our ARS renewal dues are coming in rather slowly. At this time we only have 38 out of a possible 60. That's not many more than just half of our chapter membership.

If you're reading this it's hard to imagine that you'll not eventually stop procrastinating and renew your membership in the ARS. Please get your dues in by either sending your check to Terry Giomi in the envelop you received last month, or bring it to the meeting next Wed. I really seems like a waste of Terry's time for him to have to end up calling you for another reminder.

Monthly Meetings

Our monthly, general meetings this year will be on the 4th Wednesday of each month, except for Nov. and Dec. November's meeting will be on the 3rd Wed, Nov. 16. The Dec. meeting will be our annual Xmas dinner at David's Deli on Dec. 7, starting at 6 PM. Snacks and social will start at 5 PM.

The following Fall Fertilizer tip is from Don Wallace's Singing Tree Gardens September Newsletter.

Fall Fertilizer 2-10-10 is a great way to give your plants better root and stem health through the winter

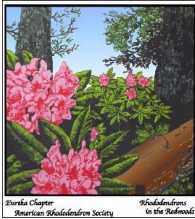
10 lb. bag \$15.00 50 lb. bag \$50.00



In general, fertilizing your plants on Valentine's Day and Father's Day is sufficient. However, some may want to give their plants some food for the winter months, and this will result in stronger roots and stems, and a stronger plant. Our Fall Fertilizer is low in nitrogen so as not to stimulate new growth when the temperatures are dropping. New growth will get burned off by our winter and early spring frosts. This fertilizer is applied that same as our Bloom fertilizer, broadcast around the dripline of the plant. It is ok to sprinkle on top of mulch if it is present, as the winter rains will dissolve it and move it to the roots of the plants.

June Walsh, the Eureka Chapter Editor sends the following information regarding the Annual ARS Convention that will be at the end of April next spring. Many of us will be helping the Eureka Chapter host this big event. This is a great way to help out, to meet many other folks with the same interests as ours.

Now's the time to get involved. Contact **June Walsh** (RhodyHostel@suddenlink.net , 707-443-0604) to find out how to volunteer. Early volunteers get the best jobs! Volunteer opportunities include; Plant Sale cashiers and sales staff, registration table, tour hosts, silent auction and raffle workers.



RHODODENDRONS IN THE REDWOODS
ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN RHODODENDRON SOCIETY
EUREKA, CALIFORNIA
APRIL 27-30, 2017

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 MANSION

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.



SINGING TREE GARDENS

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 mountains and redwood forests.



Rhododendron occidentale

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



HUMBOLDT BOTANICAL GARDEN

More information at www.eurekaRhody.org

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Mark Your Calendars 2016-2017 Meeting Schedule

**Oct. 26 - Molly Barker
MCBG Director**

•Nov. 16

•Dec. 7 - Annual Xmas Dinner

•Jan. 25

•Feb. 22

•Mar. 22

•April 26

•May TBA (24?)

• Apr. 27-30 - **ARS Annual
Convention, Eureka, CA**

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