



Wenatchee Naturalist's mission is to cultivate awareness, understanding, and stewardship of the Wenatchee River region by developing an active corps of well-informed community volunteers.



## A NOTE FROM SUSAN:

Greetings Wenatchee Naturalists! I hope you've had time to read the letter I sent last Saturday, announcing CDLT as our post-course program support organization. E-mail me your volunteer hours so you'll be eligible for a service pin, to be presented at our April 17 social, 4-6 pm, Chelan PUD Auditorium in Wenatchee.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

### ■ Citizen Science Project

North Central Washington Audubon Society **Sagebrush Songbird Survey team**. Training in late March with 3 pre-arranged field surveys, Apr.-June. Learn more by contacting Wenatchee Naturalist, Richard Scranton [rscran@aol.com](mailto:rscran@aol.com)

### ■ Citizen Science Project

WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife **pygmy rabbit snow survey team**. Looking for active, outdoorsy people who can put a day or 2 aside to come out and hike or snowshoe in the sagebrush. No experience is really necessary and we will train people with the gear and what to look for. Contact Shea Gibbs at (509)754-4624 x243 [Shea.gibbs@dfw.wa.gov](mailto:Shea.gibbs@dfw.wa.gov)

### ■ Stewardship

Cascadia Conservation District Native Plant Sale is accepting orders until March 4. Species include ponderosa pine, quaking aspen, vine

maple, blue elderberry, golden current, mock orange, redbud, dogwood, and serviceberry.

Online order form at

<http://cascadiacd.org/native-plant-sale>

### ■ Education

Wenatchee River Institute **Youth Education Field Days**, serving local school children with low student-to-teacher ratio and in-depth, hands-on activity. Contact: 509.548.0181 ext 3.

### ■ Education

Portable **Planetarium shows**, offered at the Wenatchee Valley Museum & Cultural Center. Adult volunteer are needed to assist leader Dirk Horton. Contact Dirk at 509.630.0095 [dirk@mathonmonday.com](mailto:dirk@mathonmonday.com)

### ■ Education

Be part of a fun team offering *What's That Bird* to local school groups. No experience needed and training provided. North Central Washington Audubon Society. Many open dates starting in March. Contact: Mark Oswood [moswood@nwi.net](mailto:moswood@nwi.net)



Mallard pair, photo by Wenatchee Naturalist, Dave Hillstad

## CLASSES & WORKSHOPS:

**Feb. 9, 16, 23, Mar. 1, 8. *Living With Wildfire Speaker Series*** at Milepost 111 Brewing Co in Cashmere. Offered by Wenatchee River Institute. Learn more and register at <http://www.wenatcheeriverinstitute.org/events/2016-living-wildfires-speaker-series>

**Mar. 5: *Native Planting 101 Workshop***, Saturday, offered by Cascadia Conservation District. Will feature a number of local experts on topics including: habitat restoration, yardscaping, pollinator gardening, & noxious weeds. Register on line at: <http://cascadiacd.org/native-plant-sale>

**Mar. 28, 30 & Apr. 2: *Bird Watching for Beginners*** offered by Wenatchee Valley College Continuing Education. Co-taught by Jenny Graevell & Susan Ballinger. Register at <https://wv.augusoft.net/>

## PROGRAMS & FILMS:

**Feb. 9: *Earthquakes in the Pacific Northwest: Is the Coast Really Toast? What about Wenatchee?*** Dr. Ralph Dawes, Professor of Earth Sciences at Wenatchee Valley College, will discuss recent earthquake research and history in Washington. Wenatchee Valley Erratics Chapter of the Ice Age Floods Institute meets at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, at the Wenatchee Valley Museum, 127 South Mission, Wenatchee.

**Feb 11: *Alpine Plants of the Pasayten Wilderness***, by Therese Ohlson, Thursday, Feb. 11, at the 59er Diner in Cashmere. This is the Washington Native Plant Society Wenatchee Chapter annual social, 6:00-8:30 pm, open to all

**Feb. 16: Film: *Why Pacific Lamprey Matter to Columbia Basin Tribes***, Tuesday, 7-8:30 PM at Wenatchee Valley Museum. On-going environmental film series. By donation.

## WILDFIRES: A HISTORICAL AND MODERN PERSPECTIVE with John Marshall, hosted by NCW Regional Library

Wildfire has shaped North Central Washington landscapes since the dawn of time. Join photographer John Marshall in learning how we came to experience the horrific fires of the last two years, and how we have to learn to live with fire. John Marshall has a Master of Science degree in Wildlife Resources from the University of Idaho. Marshall has conducted a twenty-year photographic study, showing landscape and vegetation recovery following wildfire.

**Feb. 16:** Manson Library: 6:00-7:00 p.m.

**Feb. 17:** Wenatchee Library: 6:00-7:00 p.m.

**Feb. 26:** Leavenworth Library 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**Mar 3:** Entiat Library: 6:00-7:00 p.m.

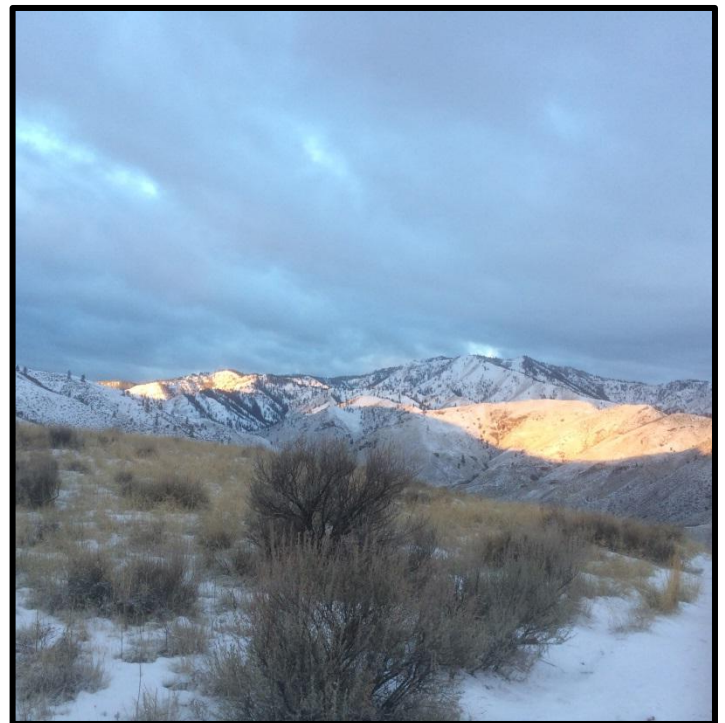


Photo: December day, Wenatchee Foothills

