

CHELAN-DOUGLAS



LAND TRUST

Our Land, Our Water, Our Future

Nov. 18, 2018

Annual all-*Wenatchee Naturalist* gathering  
and Volunteer Recognition





# Thank you to our course sponsor: WVC Continuing Education



50-hour Wenatchee  
Naturalist course offered  
September-December

Workshops and field classes  
offered Winter and Spring  
Quarters



Class of Fall 2018 Welcome to 24 participants!



# Thank you to our Post-course sponsor: CDLT

Distributes the Wenatchee Naturalist eNews



Hosts a [Wenatchee Naturalist webpage](#)

*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.*





# Volunteer Pledge for Conservation

- *As a Wenatchee Naturalist graduate, I pledge to help foster awareness, understanding, and stewardship of the Wenatchee River region in my community.*
- Each person can choose the type of service that best fits their interests, abilities, and time constraints.
- There are four basic areas of service:
  - **Board Service and Stewardship Projects**
  - **Education/Interpretive**
  - **Community Science Projects**
  - **Program Support**



**20+ hours volunteering  
for conservation- no time  
limit!**



**Within 2 years of course completion, recognizing  
100+ volunteer hours                      50+ volunteer hours**



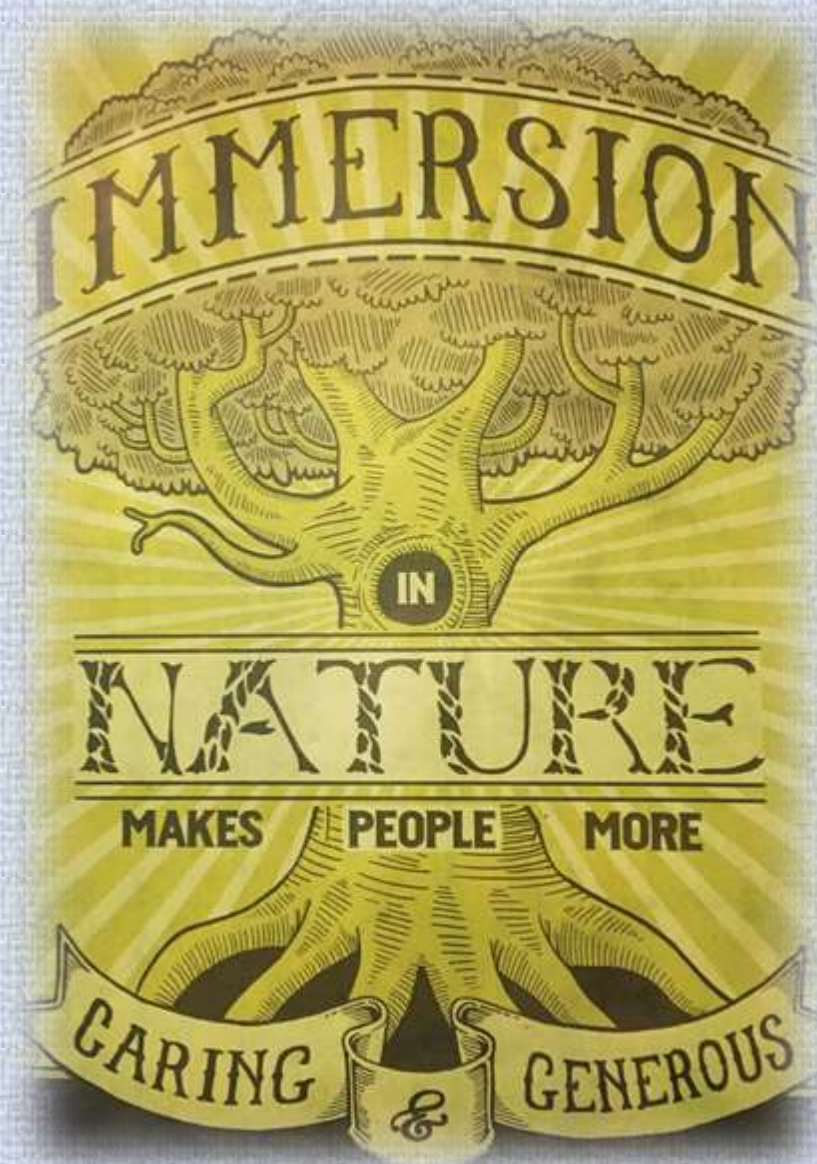
**Hours collected annually in late fall**



## Why a Service Pin program?

*...It is important to share and celebrate local volunteer stories as inspiration and encouragement to others who then contribute in ways that uniquely fit their own talents, time, and passions...*

--Susan Ballinger,  
Wenatchee Naturalist founder



# Numbers to Celebrate! - 9 classes

166 Total number of Active Wenatchee Naturalists\*

42 Public School Teachers (K-college)

64% have earned a 20+ hour service pin (107 people)

14% have also earned a 50+ hour service pin (23 people)

25% have also earned a 100+ hour service pin (41 people)

9131 TOTAL volunteer hours in support of conservation

\*Excludes 16 people who have moved away within 2 years of class completion, 3 youth, & 1 deceased



# 17 people- Class #8: Fall 2016

**2 year period post-course ends in Dec. 2018**

**4 20+ Hour Pins awarded to:**

Nancy Duffey, Jaana Hatton,  
Dave Jaecks, Patrick Farrar

**3 20+ Hour Teacher Pins awarded to:**

Tina Holm  
Ariahna Jones  
Joanne Roberts

**2 50+ Hour Pins awarded to:**

Ariahna Jones  
Jaana Hatton

**1 100+ Hour Pins awarded to:**

Patrick Farrar

**330 Volunteer hours reported**

**41 % of class members have earned a pin to date**





**2 year period post-course ends in Dec. 2019**

**9 20+ Hour Pins awarded to:**

Barbara Brink, James Brink, Chelsea Evans,  
Marjie Lodwick, Jan Meredith-Evans, John  
Taylor, Tom Ross, Mabel Bodell

**1 20+ Hour Teacher Pins awarded to:**

Susan Douglas

**5 50+ Hour Pins awarded to:**

Barbara Brink, James Brink, Susan Douglas  
Mabel Bodell, Tom Ross

**354 Volunteer hours reported**

**43% of class members have earned a  
pin to date**

**This class has one more year to earn a  
50+ or 100+ hour pin, and “forever” to  
earn a 20+ hour pin.**

# 22 people- Class # 9: Fall 2017





Class of Spring 2012

Volunteer educator for Leavenworth  
SalmonFest and WSD Science Field  
Experiences

Volunteer for CDLT Family Scavenger  
Hunt on Earth Day

Cornell Lab's Backyard Bird Count  
Community Science volunteer

*An inspiring example of a busy working  
mom with young children, strategically  
making time to volunteer*

Robin Lee

20+ hours service pin





Class of Spring 2012

Service as a CDLT Trails  
Ambassador

*Most of my volunteer time has been as a trail ambassador which has consistently proven to be both rewarding and a complete joy... Most recently, I served at the CDLT office downtown giving away Halloween candy to hundreds, perhaps thousands, of children and having more fun than I've had in some time. I'll be sure to volunteer next year as I'm sure I had a better time than the kids who certainly appeared to be enjoying themselves. I am no doubt the greatest beneficiary of my voluntary experience and look forward to continued participation. - Thomas Rowe*

Thomas Rowe  
20+ hours service pin





Class of Fall 2013

Organized a 2018 Columbia River Salmon speaker & discussion series, partnered with local conservation organizations.

Coordinated speakers, wrote newspaper articles, developed flyers, and hosted 3 events in Wenatchee, Cashmere, & Okanogan.

Mara Bohman

100+ hours service pin



**THE COLUMBIA ROLLS ON**  
History and Discussion of the Columbia  
a vision for the future: modernizing a treaty  
to sustain a river and its people in the 21st century

May 8th \* 7pm  
Wenatchee Museum and Cultural Center  
127 S. Hudson Street, Wenatchee

**speakers**

- Blaine Wright, Chief of Co.**  
PUD General Manager, Treaty  
Implementation and balanced  
solutions for broad benefits to  
the Pacific Northwest.
- John Strain, Upper  
Columbia United Tribes,  
Native American/First  
Nations Historical  
perspective, Climate  
Change and the  
Columbia River Treaty.**
- Ellen Delavaney Pearson,  
author, "A River Captured",  
British Columbia history and  
perspective of the Columbia  
River Treaty.**

Moderator: **Bare Rolfe**

For more information:  
[www.wenatcheeriverinstitute.org](http://www.wenatcheeriverinstitute.org)

Admission by Donation  
6:30pm reception, 7pm program  
D & A following  
[www.cofeg.org](http://www.cofeg.org)

**SALMON HOMECOMING**  
RESTORING A LEGACY TO THE COLUMBIA

**THE COLUMBIA ROLLS ON**  
A LEGACY OF SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH  
Okanogan PUD  
433 2nd Ave N. Okanogan, WA  
6:30 to 8:30 pm  
Admission is Free

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH  
Cashmere Riverwide Center  
201 Riverside Drive, Cashmere, WA

**BE A PART OF THIS EXCITING VISUM**

Preventing current efforts to reintroduce salmon allows Chief Joseph and Grand Conium Salish  
that have allowed approximately 1.5 million of them to be lost for the last 30 years.

**JOHN STRAIN**  
Upper Columbia United Tribes  
Native American/First  
Nations Historical  
perspective, Climate  
Change and the  
Columbia River Treaty

**LARRY SALMON**  
Cashmere Riverwide Center  
201 Riverside Drive, Cashmere, WA

**ELLEN DELAVANEY PEARSON**  
Author, "A River Captured",  
British Columbia history and  
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River Treaty

**WILL STOLLE**  
Portland State University  
Professor of  
Geography and  
Director of the  
Columbia River Institute

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**Dave Jaecks**  
20+ hours service pin

**Class of Fall 2016**

Trail maintenance volunteer for CDLT  
and other local trail organizations





Jaana Hatton

50+ hours service pin

Class of Fall 2016

Professional journalist, writing non-paid nature articles for *The Good Life* magazine

*I looked back on the nature-related articles I have written since I took the Naturalist course and the time spend on those is somewhere around 68 hours... I think my favorite one is "Music on the Mountains" which came from a chance meeting with violinist/mountaineer Anastasia Allison.*

*- Jaana Hatton*



Class of Fall 2016

For Outdoor Recreation Management Classes & for the Natural Resources & Outdoor Club, partnered with local land managers and took students out to do fieldwork, including:

- Trail restoration with CDLT
- Trail building with Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance
- Native plant restoration with Chelan County
- Field surveys with WDFW

**Ariahna Jones**, Faculty  
Wenatchee Valley College  
50+ hours service pin





**John Taylor**

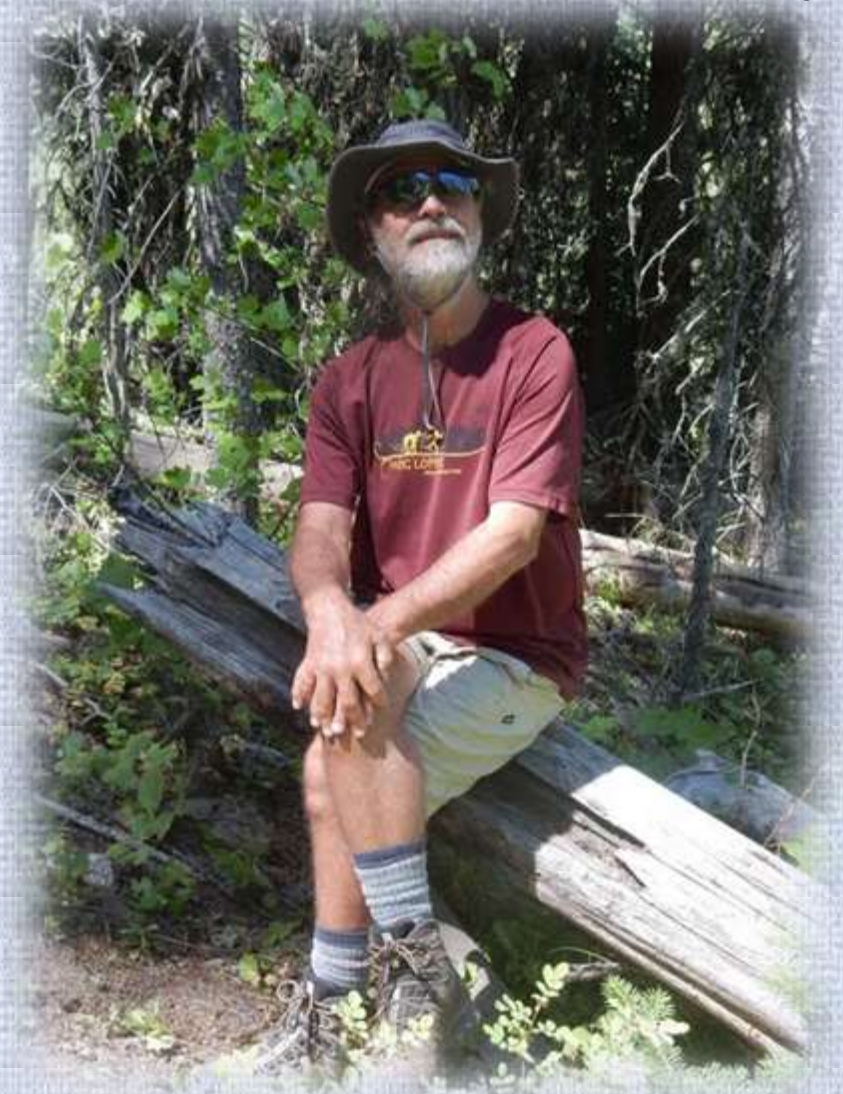
Class of Fall 2017

20+ & 50+ hours service pin

Volunteer educator, Wenatchee School  
District Science Field Experiences

Post-fire sagebrush planting volunteer for CDLT

Event set-up volunteer for CDLT



Class of Fall 2017

**Marjie Lodwick**  
20+ hours service pin

Re-launched the USFWS Leavenworth Fish Hatchery SnowShoe Tour program with new components, volunteer recruitment, & training

Inventoried and organized the in-house collection of animal study skins and hands-on materials, making it possible for community members to borrow and use the collection.

*Marjie is a professional interpreter who has given outside of her paid work hours to enhance local outdoor education opportunities for all*





Fall of 2017

Newly arrived to our region, they purchased 5-acres of shrub-steppe hillside and promptly began weed control and planting natives.

Their work on private land is benefitting their neighbors by reducing the spread of annual weeds. By replacing weeds with native perennials, the hillside is more resistant and resilient to wildfire.

**Barbara & James Brink**  
20+ & 50+ hours service pin





## Class of Fall 2017

Recognized & honored as WA Regional Teacher of the Year for 2018 for her work as a science educator, K-5<sup>th</sup>

Designed K-5<sup>th</sup> hands-on nature journaling curriculum to introduce native shrub-steppe plants and animals

Developed native species and habitat restoration projects and led students in an Ag STEM Day that involves agricultural professionals in the region.

Volunteer Guide for snowshoe tours, Leavenworth Fish Hatchery

Commuted 90-miles one-way to attend the Wenatchee Naturalist course!

# Susan Douglas

## K-5<sup>th</sup> teacher, Almira WA

## 20+ & 50+ hours service pin



Classmate Nina Carlson also led snowshoe tours... she is close To earning her 20+ hr. pin!



Class of Fall 2017

Planted sagebrush seedlings and  
Cleared trails for CDLT

Wrapped plants for Arbor Day  
Distribution

Captained an Eco-Challenge  
Team, recruiting and encouraging  
team members for the 2-week  
competition.

Art-of-Community Podcast featuring  
Wenatchee Naturalist program

Chelsea Evans

20+ hours service pin





Class of Fall 2017

Planted sagebrush seedlings for CDLT

Weeded, shoveled rock mulch, planted & watered native plant seedlings in a demonstration garden at Saddle Rock Trailhead for Cascadia.

Participated on an Eco-Challenge Team, trying new ways of sustainable living, for the 2-week competition.

Art-of-Community Podcast featuring Wenatchee Naturalist program

Jan Meredith-Evans  
20+ hours service pin





Class of Fall 2017

Experimented with many types of backyard feeders and food types. Kept observation records of bird species use during all seasons.

Community science volunteer for Cornell Lab's Backyard Feeder Watch program.

Accompanied a foreign-exchange student to Chelan HawkFest and the Chelan Ridge HawkWatch International observation center.

**Mabel Bodell**

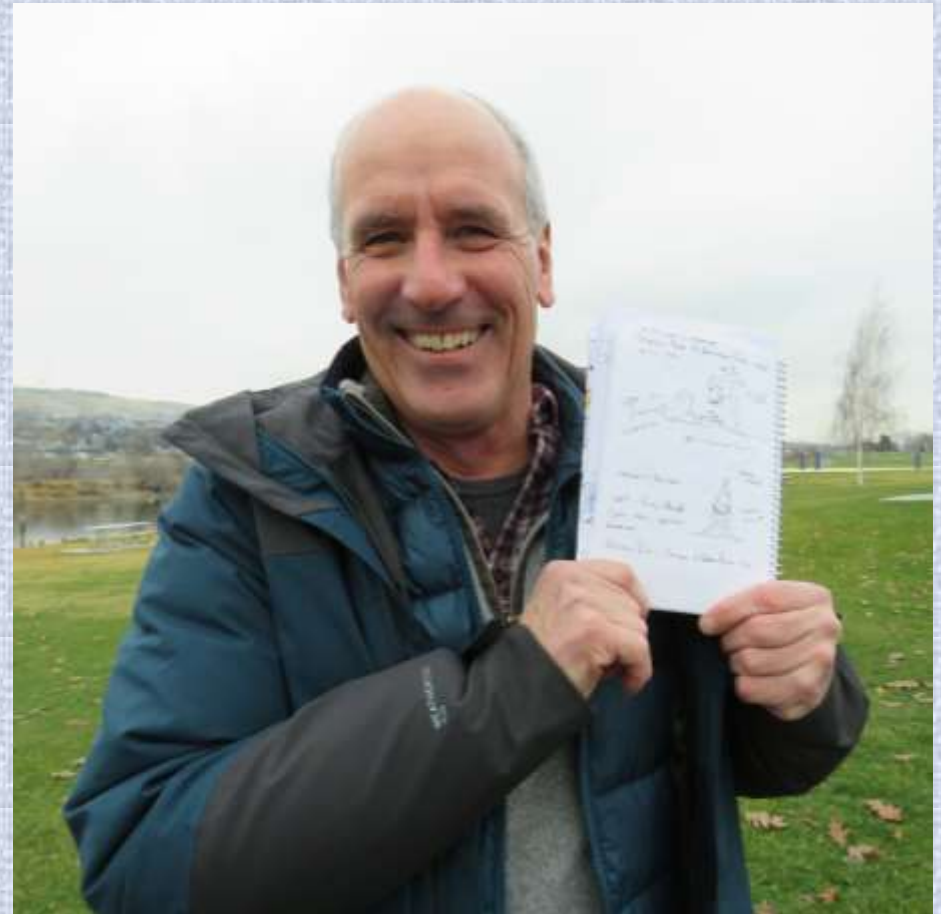
20+ & 50+hours service pin



# Tom Ross

20+ & 50+ hours service pin

Embarked on a multi-year native plant restoration project within Puget Sound, on 13.5 acres with 260 feet of beach, tidelands, an old farm house, regenerating conifer forest, and a creek. Tom's goal is to leave it as a legacy property for future generations with maximum natural beauty due to functioning habitats.





# 4-generation inspirational story...

Wenatchee Naturalist, **Deb Briggs** 1st Class of Spring 2012



*...I take my granddaughter, Lucy, to the parks often... My mother, Dotty lives with us. Grandma Dot and Lucy love to hunt for leaves, acorns, rocks and other treasures on our walks. They read the signs along the way and they save and press the leaves they collect. Oh and they made paper with birch bark found in our yard. It is a joy to have multiple generations exploring together. Lucy is very curious. ..this spring Lucy and I made pinecone bird feeders with peanut butter and birdseed including another family in our activity.*

