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# MAY 2022

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“In the spring, at the end of the day, you should smell like dirt.”

-Margaret Atwood



## Spring Book Broads with Carol

Friday, May 6

4:00 pm

Marys River Park

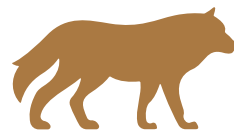
Carol has reserved a picnic shelter for us to discuss this Brian Doyle classic in person. Come join us! We'll provide some nibbles and beverages. Sign up and get directions [HERE](#).

**(If we don't have 5 people signed up by Wednesday, we'll send out a Zoom link to meet that way instead.)**

*Marys River Park is located at  
300 South 11th St in Philomath.*



**Monday, May 9**  
**Advocacy Night**  
**Protecting Oregon Wildlife**  
**6:00 pm on Zoom**



When it comes to advocating for the protection and restoration of Oregon's wildlife, there are a lot of opportunities in May to do so! Danielle Moser, Wildlife Program Coordinator for Oregon Wild, will provide an extensive overview and update on campaigns to recover keystone species in the state like beavers, wolves, and sea otters, share opportunities to advocate for Recovering America's Wildlife Act - important legislation being considered by Congress that would infuse \$1.4 billion into wildlife conservation across the country, and a lot more! If you care about Oregon's wildlife (and the habitat they depend on) and want to know how you can raise your voice to support them, this is the Advocacy Night for you! SIGN UP [HERE](#) to get your Zoom link.

**Wednesday, May 18**

## Hiking with Maya



Join other hiking Broads for an adventure hike at a place to be determined. We will determine the best location for this hike based on the weather and conditions of the trails. Expect to hike at moderate pace for 6-9 miles with other amazing women. Sign up [HERE](#).

Questions? Email Maya at

[maya.abels@gmail.com](mailto:maya.abels@gmail.com).

## Thursday, June 2 Hike to Kentucky Falls with Chandra 8:00 - 4:00

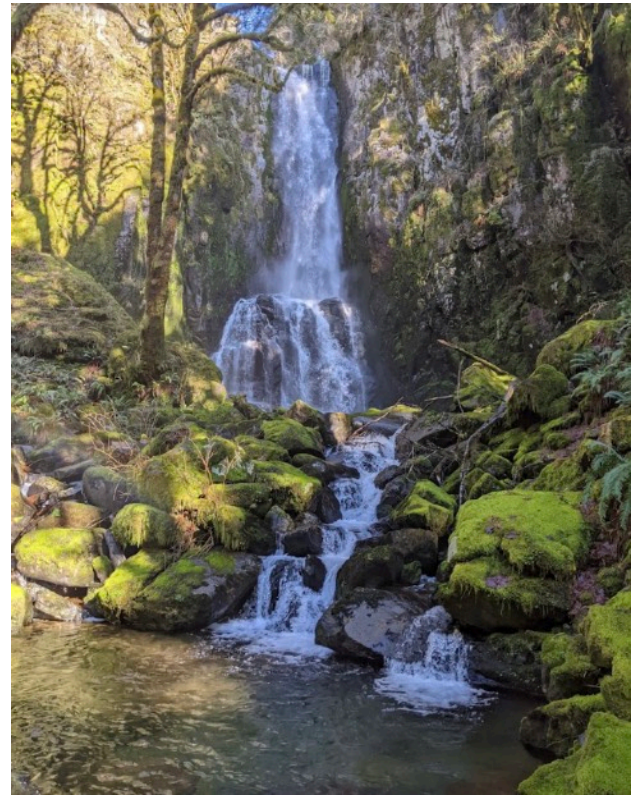
Join leadership team member and Oregon Wild's Western field coordinator, Chandra LeGue, for this really special hiking day. The 2.2-mile (one-way) trail descends through old growth Douglas fir. We'll reach Upper Kentucky Falls after the first 0.8 miles. Descending another 1.4 miles, the trail ends at an observation deck overlooking Lower Kentucky Falls. This is an incredible 100 foot twin falls at the confluence of Kentucky Creek and Smith River and a great spot to have our lunch before the strenuous hike out. The trailhead gains 777 feet in 2.2 miles. Experiencing this beautiful place will be worth the effort!

The trailhead is an hour and a half drive from Eugene and two hours from Corvallis so expect to be out all day. We'll arrange carpools. Sign up [HERE](#) and you'll receive more details as the date approaches.

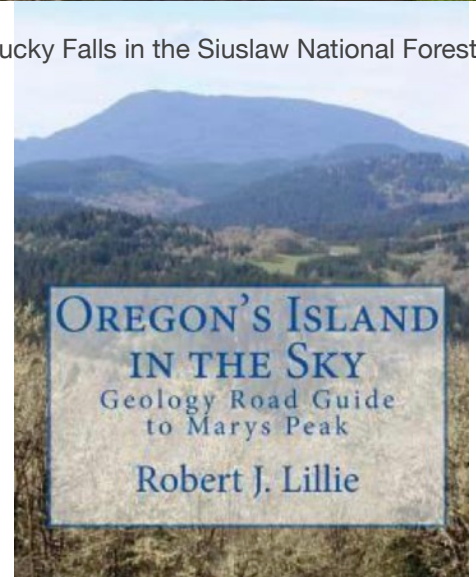
**Tuesday, June 14**  
**Marys Peak Geology Tour**  
**9:00 - 1:00**

At 4,097 feet Marys Peak towers over other mountains in the Oregon Coast Range. Join Dr. Bob Lillie for a geological tour of this iconic landform and learn how its Noble fir forests and subalpine meadows are remnants of the last Ice Age. From volcanic eruptions on an ancient seafloor; to powerful forces between tectonic plates; to the durability of hard intrusive rock, a journey up Marys Peak is like visiting an "island-in-the-sky."

Robert J. (Bob) Lillie is an Emeritus Professor of Geosciences at Oregon State University, an Interpretive Trainer through the National Association for Interpretation, and a seasonal park ranger at Crater Lake, Yellowstone and other units of the National Park Service. The trip will include a complementary copy of Bob's book "Oregon's Island in the Sky: Geology Road Guide to Marys Peak."



Kentucky Falls in the Siuslaw National Forest



Trip will include five stops on a drive up Marys Peak, followed by hiking of 1 to 3 miles and 400 to 800 feet of elevation gain. Bring lunch, water and light-to-medium weight hiking boots. Participation is limited so sign up today [HERE](#).

### **Backpack this summer with the Broads!**

During late July, the month of August, and early September, we'll be doing short, one to two night backpacking trips into the Mt Washington Wilderness. The purpose of these short forays is to do recreation site and solitude monitoring for the Willamette and Deschutes National Forests. The work will be clustered around a small number of lakes and the Pacific Crest Trail. If we receive a grant that leadership team members, Lynn Humphrey and Maya Abels, applied for from the National Wilderness Stewardship Alliance, then the trips will include gas money, a Broad's T-shirt and a meal after your shift. Training will be provided. More details about this fantastic opportunity to come.

Partner Organization Happenings...

**Wednesday, May 4 at 6:00 pm**

**Wild Wednesday Webcast**

**Oregon Wild presents**

**Let Giants Grow: Biden's Executive Order on Forests and Climate**

**Sign up at this link:**

<https://oregonwild.org/events/let-giants-grow-bidens-executive-order-forests-and-climate>

Photo from the April 14  
wildflower hike to Mt Pisgah.

Pictured with the Octopus  
Tree are Nancy Mauter,  
Marci Cutler, Karyn Calloway  
and Chandra LeGue.



## Wildlife Protection

If you would like to join the mailing list for the **Broads Regional Action Team (BRAT)** to focus on **wildlife issues** contact Su Libby at [bigwiscon@gmail.com](mailto:bigwiscon@gmail.com)

***Did you know that the Willamette Valley Broadband has a FaceBook page? It's right [HERE](#).***

**Great Old Broads for Wilderness (Broads) is a national grassroots organization, led by women, that engages and inspires activism to preserve and protect wilderness and wild lands.**

For more information about the Great Old Broads for Wilderness and to join for just \$30 per year visit the website [greatoldbroads.org](http://greatoldbroads.org).

