

# Natural History Society Newsletter

Our Mission: *To foster active exploration, appreciation, understanding, and conservation of the diverse natural environments of the Olympic Peninsula and beyond.*



## Special April Outing

Join us on **Wednesday, April 9, at 1:00 pm** for a spring nature walk on Tribally-owned property led by Gideon Cauffman, the Cultural Resources Specialist of the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe. We will walk about 3 miles on well-maintained trails along the Dungeness River near Sequim. Bring your binoculars and field guides for plants and

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

Margaret Atwood

birds, as there will be plenty of opportunity for us to use them. To RSVP and to carpool, contact Dave at [JLTnatural@saveland.org](mailto:JLTnatural@saveland.org), and let him know what town you live in and if you are willing to drive. Carpool deadline is **April 6**.

## April Showers Bring...

May prairie flowers! Save **May 9** for an outing to Whidbey Prairie, and look for details in our May newsletter. Meanwhile, enjoy a weekly visit to Port Townsend's Kah Tai Prairie Preserve, located at the golf course across the street from PT's temporary library, where the WA Native Plant Society's information board provides the history of this preserve. Fred Weinmann of the Native Plant Society's Olympic Peninsula Chapter recommends the first week in May as the height of the prairie wildflower season.

## A Book About Mt. Rainier

The Natural History Society Book Club will meet on **Monday, April 28, from 3:30 to 5:00 pm** to discuss *A Year in Paradise* by Floyd Schmoie. RSVP to Pat for location at [JLTnatural@saveland.org](mailto:JLTnatural@saveland.org) and find a list of past books read by the Book Club on our website, <http://jltnatural.org/>

## Save the Date for Birdsong

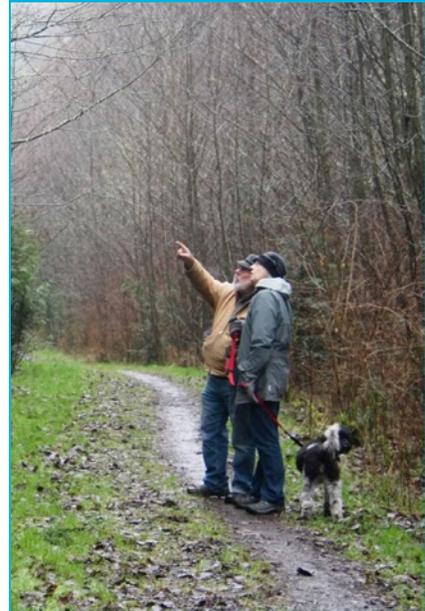
Have you always wanted to identify birds by their songs? Join us for an evening presentation on "Birding By Ear," **Thursday, June 5**, by natural history and bird expert Ken Wilson. Field trips on Friday and Saturday of that week will offer the chance to practice Ken's tips. Look for details in the May newsletter, and on our website <http://jltnatural.org/>

## Three Websites We Love

<http://jamestowntribe.org/>

<http://discoverybaywildbirdrescue.com/>

<http://travel.yahoo.com/blogs/compass/time-lapse-video-showcases-stunning-storms-205439828.html>



Wendy's photos of Badge Moss with sporophytes, American Crow, Big Quilcene River Trail, Chris and Eileen at JLT's Quimper West property, White Fawn Lily with raindrops

