



# Natural History Society Newsletter

December, 2014



## Year in Review

The Guiding Committee of the JLT Natural History Society have guided us through a remarkable and fun year! In 2014, we planned 13 outings attended by 160 people. Highlights included watching ducks and geese on Gardiner Lagoon, looking for prairie wildflowers on Whidbey, viewing mosses and lichens under microscopes, hiking up Marmot Pass, and observing the Dungeness and Elwha Rivers. We hosted four evening events with experts in carnivores, birdsong, and acoustic ecology, and welcomed 509 attendees. The book club read 11 books, and especially enjoyed *Undaunted Courage*, a history of the Lewis and Clark expedition, *A Year in Paradise*, the story of every season on Mt. Rainier, and *The Collector*, the biography of botanist David Douglas.

## Save the Dates!

No outings or events are scheduled for December, but please mark your calendars for an evening with lepidopterist and naturalist Robert Pyle on January 12 and an outing to Gardiner's Lagoon on January 20. Details in the January newsletter.

## Book Club

The Natural History Book Club will meet on Monday, December 15, from 3:30-5:00 pm to discuss *The Jump-off Creek* by Molly Gloss. RSVP to Wendy for location at [JLTnatural@saveland.org](mailto:JLTnatural@saveland.org)

*Wendy's photos of icicles on S. Fork of Tunnel Creek and Paper Wasp nest on Larry Scott Trail*