

Palouse Prairie Flyer

Newsletter of the Palouse Prairie Foundation

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Respect your roots

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Upcoming Program

Lori Carris, Assoc. Professor, Dept. of Plant Pathology, WSU
Uncovering the Secrets of Morel Mushrooms

April 23, 2015, Gladish Community Center, Pullman WA

The morel (*Morchella* spp) is one of the most highly prized edible spring mushrooms around the world. Two types of morels have long been recognized—black morels (*Morchella elata* group) and yellow or common morels (*Morchella esculenta* group). Molecular research methods provide evidence for a much greater number of species of morels that are habitat specialized. Molecular studies have revealed that the center of origin and diversity for morels is most likely in western North America. The presentation will summarize the implications of this exciting research on morels, as well as recent research conducted at Dr. Carris' lab that has documented a previously unrecognized stage of this iconic spring mushroom that occurs abundantly in late fall and early winter.



The Palouse Prairie Foundation promotes preservation and restoration of the Palouse Prairie ecosystem.

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P.O. Box 8952
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PPF receives Moscow Mayor's 2015 "Green Steward" Earth Day Award

Nominated by the Moscow Sustainable Environment Commission



Joan Folwell receiving award from Moscow Mayor Bill Lambert

"The Palouse Prairie Foundation works to preserve and restore Palouse Prairie ecosystems. The Palouse Prairie Foundation promotes public awareness of the prairie, serves as a literature resource, encourages responsible local seed production, and acts as a consultant in Palouse prairie restoration efforts. For several years it has been awarding grants for native prairie plantings, restorations, and educational endeavors. They have been instrumental in producing inventories of remaining Palouse Prairie remnants in Latah and Whitman Counties. They also have been invaluable in producing responsible local seed and plant sources for native Prairie plants. Their web site provides a database of local native plants, and also covers native Palouse birds, bees, frogs and salamanders, bats, and worms. With less than 1% remaining, the Palouse Prairie is one of the most endangered terrestrial ecosystems in the U.S."



The Palouse Prairie Foundation meets the second Thursday of each month, often alternating between business meetings and public presentations. Members and guests are welcome to attend business meetings. Check the PPF website for updates and locations.

Native seed and plant sources

David M. Skinner. former PPF board member

The following are some possible sources of native seed or plants. You will need to contact the grower or check their website to determine whether they offer the items you need. You may also consult the Native Seed Network, www.nativeseednetwork.org for sources of seed. Be sure to order seeds from the appropriate ecoregion. For Palouse Prairie restoration that means ordering seed from either the "ID Columbia Plateau" or the "WA Columbia Plateau."

Benson Farms, Inc.

1145 Jefferson Ave, Moses Lake, WA 98837
509-765-6348 Fax: 509-764-9978 <http://www.bfinativeseeds.com>

Cedar Mountain Perennials

7875 E Highway 54, Athol, ID 83801
208-683-2387 <http://www.cedarmountainperennials.com/home>

Clearwater Seed, Inc.

827 W. 1st Ave, Ste 307, Spokane, WA 99201
509-343-3108 or 866 440-5431 <http://www.clearwaterseed.com>

Connell Grain Growers

PO Box 220, 433 N Columbia, Connell WA 99326
800-572-5932 or 509-234-2641 <http://connellgg.com>

Cricket's Garden

1037 Showalter Rd, Moscow, ID 83843
Phone: 509-330-0574 <http://cricketsgarden.net>

David R. Mosman Ranch, Inc.

3160 Mosman Rd., Craigmont, ID 83523
208-937-2552 Fax: 208/937-2552

Derby Canyon Natives

PO Box 385, Peshastin, WA 98847
509-548-9404 <http://derbycanyonnatives.com>

Dye Seed Ranch

203 Connell Hill Rd, Pomeroy, WA 99347
509-843-3591

Fiddler's Ridge Nursery

1001 Fiddler's Ridge Loop, Potlatch, ID 83855
208-875-1003

Grassland West

908 Port Drive, Clarkston, WA 99403
866-214-2947 or 509-758-9100
Fax: 509-758-6601 <http://www.grasslandwest.com>

Great Basin Seeds

1040 Russell Road, Mesa, WA 99343
509-265-4250

L&H Seeds

4756 West SR 260, Connell, WA, 99326
509-234-4433 <http://www.lhseeds.com>

Landmark Turf and Native Seed

4908 S. Hayford Rd, Spokane, WA 99224
800-268-0180 <http://www.landmarkturfandnativeseed.com>

McLean Seed Co.

9516 WA-17, Coulee City, WA 99115
509-632-8709

Plants of the Wild

PO Box 866, Tekoa, WA 99033
509-284-2848 Fax: 509-284-6464 <http://www.plantsofthewild.com>

Pleasant Hill Nursery

1101 Anderson Rd, Troy, ID 83871
208-877-1434

Rainier Seeds, Inc.

P.O. Box 1064, Davenport, WA 99122
509-725-1235 or 800-828-8873
<http://rainierseeds.com>

Seed Specialists

568 West Buckles, Hayden Lake, ID 83835
208-762-8308 Fax: 208-762-9267

Seeds Inc.

PO Box 866, Tekoa, WA 99033
509-284-2848 Fax: 509-284-6464

Sun Mountain Natives

1406 East F Street, Moscow ID 83843
208-883-7611 Fax: 208-882-6738 <http://www.sunmountainnatives.com>

Thorn Creek Native Seed Farm

1461 Thorn Creek Rd, Genesee, ID 83832
208-596-9122 <http://www.nativeseedfarm.com>

UI Pitkin Forest Nursery

1025 Plant Science Rd, Moscow, ID 83843
208-885-3888 <http://seedlings.uidaho.com>

Wildlife Habitat Nursery

1025 E. Hatter Creek Rd, Princeton, ID 83857
208-875-2500 Fax: 208-875-8900 <http://www.whn-online.com>

Willow Gulch Nursery

PO Box 24, Pomeroy, WA 99347
509-843-2342 <http://willowgulchnursery.com>

New T-Shirts

We have a very limited supply of PPF T-shirts.



John Crock



John was a scientist (he earned his MS, and a Ph.D. in biochemistry, from WSU and has worked as a research technician at UI), a generous Moscow businessman (he owned and operated Hyperspud Sports), and a board member of the Palouse Prairie Foundation.

Thanks for everything, John!

Miscellanea

PPF has created a series of note cards depicting flowers and landscapes of the Palouse. These would make great gifts, or get them for yourself! They are available in packets of 5 cards and 5 envelopes for \$5. All funds directly benefit the Palouse Prairie Foundation. If you are interested in purchasing cards, please contact Dave Skinner by email at [abbie48 \[at\] roadrunner \[dot\] com](mailto:abbie48@roadrunner.com) (you will need to replace “at” and “dot” with the appropriate symbols) or call him at 208-874-3205. We will also bring them to meetings and presentations.

"Finding the Palouse Prairie: Images of a Vanishing Grassland" by Matthew Dolkas can be purchased online at www.dolkas.com or www.blurb.com/bookstore/detail/2768591. All proceeds from the sale of this book benefit the Palouse Prairie Foundation.

Copies of past issues of the Newsletter of the Palouse Prairie Foundation are available online on the PPF website at www.palouseprairie.org/pppubs.html

Renew your PPF membership

PPF membership dues for the calendar year are:

Student membership —	\$10.00
Regular membership —	\$20.00
Family membership —	\$35.00
Sustaining membership —	\$50.00
Patron membership —	\$100.00
Lifetime membership —	\$250.00
Other, or additional donation —	\$_____

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E-mail	_____

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