The Pollinator Times

Growing and giving for people, pollinators and the planet

It's Pollinator Month!

June has the honor of holding National Pollinator Week..... just one week?! Let's celebrate all month long!

June - and July - are full of happenings, some as simple as a community conversation, others as complex as a hike in the wild - and all excellent ways to learn more about native pollinators and plants.

We are finishing Pollinator Week with a big buzz, with our first annual **Picnic for Pollinator Pals**, a fun-raiser for our Pollinator Pals youth education program! And thanks to the generosity of The BOBs, we have a limited number of free Child tickets available!

Ethan and Eduardo, our Pollinator Pals, talked about their program - with a microscope! - on Sunrise on KOBI Channel 5 last week!

If you are an Ashland Food Co-op member, please remember to vote for us as a 2026 Change for Good partner by June 9!

We are happy to share our most recent From Fire to Flowers Pollinator Garden!

Have an idea or suggestion about how PPRV could be more supportive of you and the pollinator community? Drop me a line here!

Thank you for your support in helping us keep the buzz! We need you now more than ever help us do what we do!

Kristina Lefever
Volunteer Director, President

Don't Miss .....

We hope to see you at one or more of these upcoming events this month, with more in July you won't want to miss! Get all the details on our Events page here.



Pints with Pollinator Peeps!

Thu, Jun 05 | Clyde's Corner

Catch the latest buzz!

Learn more

1st Friday at Sunday Afternoons!

Fri, Jun 06 | Sunday Afternoons

Fun activities AND 20% off all Hall purchases!

Learn more



Picnic for Pollinator Pals Fun-raiser!

Sat, Jun 21 | Arpeggio Vineyard & Sunflower...

Food, Fun, Friends, and More!

Learn more





To Weed, or Not to Weed?!

Sat, Jun 07 | Troon Vineyard

A weed identification workshop with Suzie Savoie and Barbara Mumbo

Learn more



Picnic in the Garden at Herb Pharm!

Sat, Jun 28 | Herb Pharm Farm

Celebrate summertime with books!

Learn more

Mt. Ashland Butterfly Walk with David Lee Myers

Sun, Jun 29 | Mt. Ashland and TBA

Learn more



Picnic for Pollinator Pals!
Saturday, June 21 4pm - 7pm

Do you have *your* tickets for the Picnic for Pollinator Pals? Our first annual fun(d)raiser for Pollinator Pals, our youth education program, is only weeks away!

Come join us for this lovely and lively afternoon celebrating National Pollinator Week with good food, good friends, and lots of activities for kids of all ages!

With delicious food by Chef Tom and age-appropriate sparkling beverages, puppets with Jerry Allen, music for dancing and singing by Paul Sheldon, tours of the native plant pollinator garden we installed last summer with the Medford Montessori School and also Sunflower Farm, plus lots of ways to have fun and learn about the pollinators who support our local ecosystems and food systems! We are super excited to be working with Michelle Calascibetta of the Farm Bus Bistro, at the beautiful Arpeggio Vineyard and Sunflower Farm!

This event would not be possible without the fabulous support of these fabulous sponsors! Thank you, Arpeggio Vineyard and Sunflower Farm, Indigo Creek Outfitters, Jacksonville-Applegate Rotary, Gabriela Chavarria, Baobab Press, Phoenix Industrial Studios, Jan Boggia, ZCS Engineering, and The BOBs!

Please buy your tickets on our website by June 10, so we know how many people will need food and chairs! Learn more about this wonderful event on our website.

And now, we can offer free Child tickets, thanks to the generosity of The BOBs! Only 20 available at this Special Link with the purchase of one Adult Ticket.


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Yay, Pollinator Pals!

Ethan Robison and Eduardo Tovar, our Pollinator Pals who run our youth education program, had a lovely chat on Sunrise with Natalie Sirno on KOBI Channel 5 last week. Watch KOBI's 5-minute video to learn a little about why and what they do!

A great follow up is this short video by Ethan Robison that illustrates the science, wonder, and excitement that is part of every lesson we develop for schools and community partners. Check it out to learn more about our unique program, and consider supporting this work with a donation - or better yet, attending our Picnic

for Pollinator Pals!







Vote for Us!

Thank you, Ashland Food Co-op and members for nominating us for the Change for Good program for 2026! We are honored to be on the ballot with so many change-making organizations!

Each year, AFC members owners select nonprofits to vote on for the Change for Good program. Then, all shoppers are invited to "round up" at the cash register for that month's nonprofit.

AFC members, please vote **by June 9** via a special email from AFC. As always, it will be tough to choose ..... learn more about the program here and the organizations on the ballot here.



Another From Fire to Flowers Pollinator Garden!

We are thrilled with our second garden this spring for Jacie and Kurt, in Phoenix! It all happened smoothly with the great team of Vanessa Henson, Ben Ey, Teresa Fernandez, Joe Donaldson, Margie Nash, Kristina Lefever, and also Jacie and Kurt! This garden will be wonderful, even this summer! See more photos in our album here.

We are already planning several garden installs for this fall. Learn more about this program and how you can support on our website here.



Pollinator's Pick

Part 2 of Dianne Keller's three-part article:
A Connectivity Corridor, Pollinator Garden, and Butterflies
"Alarming research published this spring in Scienct showed that over the past two decades the total number of butterflies in the United States plummeted on average by 22%. amid this troubling news local property owner Mark Newberger won NABA's 2024 nation-wide Butterfly Garden of the Year contest.
"Part 1 of this series detailed the characteristics of Mark's 40 acres on Mt. Ashland, including its location at the eastern end of the Siskiyou Crest connectivity corridor, a high elevation land bridge providing flora and fauna ....."
... continue reading on our Blog here.

A Connectivity Corridor, Pollinator Garden, and Butterflies - Part 2

by Dianne Keller



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