

## VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR

*The Land Trust is very fortunate to have a talented pool of volunteers that grows every year.* Photographers to professors, builders to birders, their skills and professional backgrounds are diverse and the time they dedicate is impressive. This year's 2013 Volunteers of the Year are no exception.

Derek Loeb, our first 2013 Volunteer of the Year, is a retired geophysicist who spent much of his adult life traveling the globe searching for what lies beneath. He came to the Land Trust in 2012 and immediately jumped into our Walk and Hike program as a volunteer shepherd. An avid hiker, Derek enjoys being the tail on our hikes where he helps keep the group together and imparts various geologic facts along the way. Over the last two hike seasons, Derek was the shepherd on 25 hikes and was a participant on even more.

"Derek is such a great addition to our hikes! Not only is he quick to share interesting geology tidbits, but he peppers the hike with jokes and smiles," said Sarah Mowry, the Land Trust's outreach manager. In addition to starting to lead his own geology hikes, Derek has spent many hours pulling weeds, pounding stakes, sinking native plants in the mud, and staffing Land Trust events. **Thanks Derek for all that you do for the Land Trust!**

Our other 2013 Volunteer of the Year is also quick to smile and set folks at ease. Kelly Madden is a retired school teacher, who came to the Land Trust in 2012 with energy and enthusiasm. Like Derek, Kelly jumped into our Walk and Hike program as a shepherd and joined as many hikes as she could. To fully immerse herself in her new world outside of a classroom, Kelly enrolled in Oregon State University's Master Naturalist program dedicating countless hours to learning the ecology of our region.

Those hours paid off as Kelly has begun to lead her own hikes. Said one attendee, "Kelly was so enthusiastic about everything, and took very good care of all of us on a very hot day. I learned names of many new flowers, enjoyed beautiful scenery, and just had a great experience!" Kids too, benefit from Kelly's experience in the classroom and out. Her walks for kids have received rave reviews as parents comment on her "great ability to engage kids." Kelly has also donated hours as a writer for the Land Trust's blog, a researcher of historical photos, and as a champion to restore Camp Polk Meadow's historic Hindman barn.

**Congratulations Kelly, and thanks for all your expertise and energy!** —

*Thanks to our 2013 Volunteers of the year, Derek Loeb & Kelly Madden!*



A THOUSAND THANKS to the 189 individuals and groups who donated more than 4,551 hours to the Land Trust last year!

Terry Abeyta, Zander Albertson, Cal Allen, Jim & Sue Anderson, Anonymous (9), Tom Atkins, Jon & Elaine Austin, Gary Bagwell, Bob Barss, Jim Bauersfeld, Sherry Berrin, The Boone Family, Sheri Boone, Emily Bowes, Dave Breuer, Grant Bullock, Jane Burkholder, Pamela Burry, Frank Cammack, Mary Campbell, John Casey, Peggy Chambers, Bob Chandler, Elisa & Chris Cheng, Jay Clark, Judy Clinton, Don & Pat Collins, Scott & Kristan Collins, Devon Comstock, Nancy Conner, Carolyn Cook, Lloyd Corliss, Debbie & Joe Coss, Mary Crow, Gretchen Dakin, Ron Deems, Elke & Erhard Dortmund, Georgi Douglas, Byron Dudley, Eva Eagle, Paul Edgerton, Ginny Elliot, Mike Emmons, Robert Evans, Damian Fagan, Noel Faler, Tom Filcich, Win Francis, Peggy Frede, Dwain Fullerton, Norma Funai, Pat Gaunt & Michelle Bergeron, Kent & Lois Gill, Robert Groves, Jim Hammond, Jeff Hancock, Grant Hanson, Brian Harrington, Annis Henson, Cindy Howard, Suzie Hughes, Bonnie Interisano, Chris Janowski, Carl Jansen, Don & Paula Johnson, Kathy Johnson, Frances Keels, Mary Krenowicz, Kris Kristovich, Spencer Krueger, Justin Lam, Tonya Littlehales, Bruce Livingston & Bethany Rowland, Derek & Jane Loeb, Elizabeth Luce, Martha Lussenhop, Ted Maas, Paul & Barbara MacMillan, Kelly Madden, Cristina Mastrangelo, Jay Mather, Joanne Mathews, Kim McCarrel, Derk McCulley, Daniele McKay, Steve McMasters, Jane Meissner, Jerry Messinger, Gary Meyer, David Miller, Gary Miller, Carol Moorehead, David Morman, Andrew Mowry, Warner Munro, Warner Munro & Posse, Laurie Ness, Chuck Newport, Heidi Nichols, Jim & Lisa Nicol, Lisa & Olive Nye, Gillian Ockner, The Ockner Family, Leslie Olson, Outward Bound students, Joyce & William Padgham, Maret Pajutee & Rod Bonacker, Karen Parker, Pat's Posse, Tania Piper, Lauri Powers, Jason Quartucy, Bill Rainey, Ginger Remy, Rimrock Ranch Jan Rising, Darlene Rocco, Tom Rodhouse, Bruce Rognlien, Stephanie Rohdy, Barb Rumer, Jon & Linda Sewell, Linda Shaw, Katie Sheldon, Julia Sherwood, Ryan Singleton, Shannon Slenning, Cory Smith, Sherry Smith, Darin Stringer, Kirin Stryker, Fawn Sybrant, Kris & John Tackmier, Kristine Templar, Bob Thomas, Rick & Linda Thomas, Dick Tipton, Jennifer von Rohr, Mark & Terah Wade, Melinda Walker, Carol Wall & Pat Kearney, Larry Weinberg, Jason & Brandon Wells, Nathanael Werner, Jeff Wester, Westside Swine Club, Dougal Williams, John Williams, Fran Willis, M.A. Willson, Tom Winters, Bob Woodward, The Wyland Family, Mary Yanalcanlin, The Young Family, and Jennifer Zalewski.