

**OTERO CHAPTER NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY OF NEW MEXICO
2019 REPORT**

1. OFFICERS, CHAIRPERSONS, AND STATE BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

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C. Book and Poster Sales Chairperson (and/or other willing volunteer!)

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E. Public Relations

Vacant

F. Earth Day Booth – April 25, 2020

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G. Otero County Fair Booth – 09/23/20 – 09/27/20

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H. Student Grant Committee – on hold

I. 2020 Annual State Conference Planning Committee

- Subcommittee Assignments
 - Book Sales – Helgi
 - Vendors – Elva Osterreich
 - Silent Auction – Jane Huisingh
 - Registration – Judy Allen
 - Student Wrangler – William Herndon
 - Facility contact – Jennifer Gruger
 - Raffles: Quilt and event specific – Cathy McClosky
 - Jack and Martha Carter Native Plant Conservation Award Recipient – Elva Osterreich
 - Sponsorship – Jennifer Gruger
 - Speakers and field trips – LeAnne Roberts
 - Publicity - Vacant
 - Program layout and printing - Elva

2. 2019 PROGRAMS

January 12 Student grant winners Rachel Burke and Leeland Murray spoke about their projects. Rachel talked about bat pollination of agave and Leeland spoke about Tamarisk removal and beetle studies. 10 a.m. at the Unitarian Fellowship.

February 9 Citizen Science presentation by Elva Osterreich at 10 a.m. at the Unitarian Fellowship.

March 23 White Sands National Monument field trip, exploring the cottonwood grove and surrounding plants with David Bustos, 10 a.m.

April 20 Annual Plant Sale in Alamogordo. 8 am to 1 p.m.

April 27 Earth Day at the Alamogordo Zoo. 9 am to 4 p.m.

May 18 Field trip on the lower end of Alamo Canyon Trail kinda led by Elva Osterreich.

June 22 Field trip to Bluff Springs in the Sacramento Mountains led by William Herndon.

July 27 Field trip on the Grindstone Lake Nature Trail in Ruidoso.

Aug. 2 - 4 NPSNM State Conference in Santa Fe. Eight Otero members attended.

Aug. 24 Alamogordo and environs home tour, met at 8 a.m. and visited the homes and yards of Peg Crim in La Luz; LeAnne and Ron Roberts in Alamogordo; and Ken Henderson in Dog Canyon.

Sept. 18 - 21 Otero County Fair booth.

Oct. 12 WSMR trip canceled. Hope to do again in the spring.

Nov. 9 Otero Chapter Annual Meeting and potluck at the home of Chapter members LeAnne and Ron Roberts

3. GRANTS/SCHOLARSHIPS

The Otero chapter paused the grant program this year to reserve funds for the 2020 State Conference.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

See attached report