



# California Native Plant Society

## MARIN CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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*Marin Chapter established 1973*

### OCTOBER MARIN CHAPTER MEETING CANCELLED!

Due to a scheduling conflict at the Redwoods, the meeting originally scheduled for Monday, October 13 will not take place. Please come and hear our guest speakers in November!

**Monday, November 10, Marin Chapter Meeting**

### “Indian Baskets of Central California: Native American Basketry from San Francisco Bay and Monterey Bay north to Mendocino and east to the Sierras” by guest speakers Ralph and Lisa Shanks

Is it any real surprise that California Native plants form the basis for our state’s first and greatest Native American art form? Every Native American basket was created using a remarkable and fascinating array of native plants. California Indian baskets have a rich heritage thousands of years old and comprise the finest basketry in the world. These fascinating baskets achieve their beauty because our rich flora was combined with the artistic talents and cultural needs of the diverse First People of California.



**Above:** An Ohlone/Costanoan coiled basket from the San Francisco Bay Area, decorated with olivella shell disc beads and woodpecker feathers.



**Above:** This Pomo burden basket has a background of sedgeroot with redbud designs, plus a few clamshell disc beads for decoration.

What an unexcelled combination: the most complex Native American cultural region interacting with the flora of California. Each Indian basketry tradition reflects the plants of the region where the baskets were created. And how surprising these baskets are: there are baskets so small they can sit on the head of a pin and some so large it took four strong men to carry them when filled. Many kinds of baskets were used by both women and men throughout all aspects of their entire lives. To make these baskets required great knowledge of California native plants. No wonder California Indian people became expert ethnobotanists.

Ralph Shanks, M.A., author of *Indian Baskets of Central California*, will present a beautifully illustrated slide show on the Indian baskets of California. Ralph is president of the Miwok Archeological Preserve of Marin (MAPOM). He has a long-time interest in native plants dating from his first published article in *Fremontia* in volume 1, number 1. Ralph and his wife recently completed studies of very early California baskets at

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Harvard University, the Museo de American in Madrid, University of California, and other collections.

Lisa Woo Shanks is a USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service area resource conservationist who covers environmental projects in the Bay Area and Delta. She is an editor and photographer and will show you slides of many of the finest and rarest Indian baskets ever created, including seldom-seen very early baskets from East Coast and European museums. The Shanks will emphasize native plants uses in Indian basketry and the role both plants and baskets play in California Indian life yesterday and today.

The Shanks will have copies of their beautiful book, *Indian Baskets of Central California*, available for sale and signing. See *Fremontia* (summer 2007 issue) for Steve Edwards' outstanding review of the book.

November meeting:

**6 p.m.** Join friends and meet our speakers for a no-host dinner at Gira Polli of Mill Valley, 590 East Blithedale Ave. at Camino Alto. Please be prompt to be assured of a seat with our group.

**7:30 p.m.** Meet at the Redwoods retirement home, 40 Camino Alto, Mill Valley. Books, posters, and cards will be for sale before as well as after the meeting. Lecture starts at 8 p.m.



## SAVE THE DATE!

### A Native Plant Symposium...Growing Natives: Celebrating California's Beauty in Dry Times

**March 28, 2009**

Lafayette Community Center, Lafayette

**March 29, 2009**

Regional Parks Botanic Garden, Berkeley

We are pleased to present a two-day program of talks and workshops exploring the possibilities for creating beautiful waterwise gardens with plants native to California.

Co-sponsored by Pacific Horticulture, the California Native Plant Society and the Friends of the Regional Parks Botanic Garden.

For more information, please visit:

- <http://www.nativeplants.org>
- <http://www.cnps.org>
- <http://www.pacifichorticulture.org>

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

\* **Saturday 10/4, 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.**

MAGC Event: Celebrating California Gardens:  
Gardening with Our Local Ecology

\* **Wednesday 10/8, 10 a.m.**

Chapter Field Trip: Rock Spring to West Point Inn

\* **Saturday 10/11, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.**

Plant Sale: Milo Baker Chapter

\* **Sunday 10/12, 10 a.m.**

Chapter Field Trip: Alpine Lake Shoreline Plant Search

\* **Saturday 10/18, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. &  
Sunday 10/19, 12 p.m.–3 p.m.**

Plant Sale: East Bay Chapter

\* **Saturday 10/25, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.**

Plant Sale: College of Marin

\* **Wednesday 10/29, 10 a.m.**

Chapter Field Trip: Bear Valley–Arch Rock, Pt. Reyes

\* **Monday 11/3, 7:30 p.m.**

Marin Chapter Board Meeting at Marin Recycling

\* **Sunday 11/9, 10 a.m.**

Chapter Field Trip: The Trees of Dominican University, San Rafael

\* **Monday 11/10, 7:30–9:30 p.m.**

Marin Chapter Meeting: Ralph and Lisa Shanks on "California Indian Basketry"

\* **Sunday 11/23, 10 a.m.**

Chapter Field Trip: Indian Tree Preserve, Novato

\* **Sunday 12/7, 9 a.m.**

Chapter Field Trip: Mount St. Helena

\* **Thursday 12/25, 10 a.m.**

Chapter Field Trip: Big Rock Ridge



## MARIN BOTANY COURSE

For all those who want to get to know the plants of Marin just a little better, Paul da Silva will be teaching a course called Field Botany of Marin beginning January 20<sup>th</sup> at the College of Marin (Kentfield campus). The course includes introductions to the principal communities, families, and genera of Marin County plants. Laboratory sessions using the new *Marin Flora* for identification and field trips to significant areas of floral diversity will be highlights of the course.

To register, go to the college website at <http://www.marin.edu>. For more information, contact Paul at [Paul.daSilva@marin.edu](mailto:Paul.daSilva@marin.edu).

## MAGC EVENTS

### **Celebrating California Gardens: Gardening with Our Local Ecology**

**Saturday, October 4, 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.**

The Marin Art & Garden Center (MAGC) presents a special all-day event for Marin gardeners to encourage sustainable gardening. Takeaway messages for this event include:

- Garden in tune with our local ecology and watershed
- Integrate edibles into a natural landscape
- Explore alternatives to lawns
- Manage your soil and plantings organically
- “Go Native” for beauty, food, and habitat
- Plant to protect creeks and fish

Confirmed speakers include:

- Wilma Follette of CNPS, who will speak on “Wildflower Season in California”
- Alrie Middlebrook of the CA Native Garden Foundation, who will speak on “Gardening in Tune with Our Local Ecology”
- Kate Frey, award-winning garden designer, who will talk on “Creating a Healthy, Life-Filled Garden: Success Is in the Details”

Lectures will be held in the morning. Doors open at 9 a.m., and guest speakers begin at 9:30. Afternoon activities will include tours, gardening and cooking demonstrations, seed collecting walks, hands-on gardening activities such as “creating a habitat garden in a bowl,” and children’s activities. Sales of native plants, books, and posters will be open all day long. Our chapter will have a table at the event.

A highlight of the day will be the sit-down lunch in our café, “Eating California,” (pre-registration required). This café will be catered by the California Native Garden Foundation (CNGF) and John Farais, a Marin County chef who specializes in the history, taste, and promotion of The Americas’ indigenous cuisine. The price is \$30.

This special event is a collaboration between MAGC, CNGF, and the Marin Chapter of CNPS. In addition, it has sponsorship support from MMWD, North Marin Municipal Water District, MCSTOPPP, and the EcoMom Alliance.

Please pre-register for this event! Tickets (available with pre-registration) are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. To register, contact [education@magc.org](mailto:education@magc.org).

Location: MAGC, 30 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., Ross

For more Information, contact: Janet Stephens at (415) 455-5263 or visit <http://www.magc.org>.

## Other MAGC Events

For information on how to register for these classes, contact [education@magc.org](mailto:education@magc.org).

### Adult Classes

**Saturday, October 11, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.**

Bay-Friendly Gardening: Gardening from the Ground Up

**Monday, October 13, 6:30–8:30 p.m.**

Gardening for Butterflies

**Saturday, October 18, 9 a.m.–2 p.m.**

Bay-Friendly Gardening: Go Native, Planting for Pollinators

**Monday, October 20, 6:30–8:30 p.m.**

The Magic of the Monarchs

**Thursday, November 6, 1–3 p.m. or**

**Thursday, November 13, 6:30–8:30 p.m.**

Flower Arranging for Your Holiday Entertaining (choose only one session)

### Children and Family Programs

**Mondays, October 13–November 24, 3:30–5 p.m.**

After-school Gardening Camp (no class November 10)

**Saturdays, October 25–November 8, 1–3 p.m.**

Family Gardening Series



## GARDENING WITH NATIVES GROUP?

Are you interested in gardening with California native plants? Perhaps you’d like to learn more about how to propagate and care for horticulturally appropriate natives. Would you enjoy getting together with others to exchange seeds and cuttings, learn more about different genera, share your experiences, and visit native gardens? If so, join our chapter’s nascent Gardening with Natives group and email Renee Fittinghoff at: [reneef94941@gmail.com](mailto:reneef94941@gmail.com) or call (415) 388-6850 with your name, contact information, and particular interests.



## DID YOU KNOW...

...that you can renew your CNPS membership online using a credit card? As an option, you can set it up to renew automatically year after year. It is quick, easy, convenient, and reduces the cost of mailing renewal notices.

Click the JOIN button on the CNPS website.

# NATIVE PLANT WALKS FALL 2008

## Marin Chapter Field Trip News and Policies

Take a walk on the mild side with Joe Kohn and the Marin chapter of the California Native Plant Society. All hikes are free and open to the public, so please invite your friends.

Come prepared for any type of weather or conditions, dress in layers, and bring rain/wind protection just in case. Although it may be sunny and warm when you leave home, the weather could be cold and foggy when we reach our destination. Please be prepared. Bring lunch and plenty of water, binoculars and/or hand lenses, and your favorite field guides. For further information, call Joe Kohn (415) 459-0231.

## Field Trip Plant Lists

Plant lists compiled by Marin CNPS for many Marin localities are available on the Marin Chapter CNPS website at <http://www.marin.edu/cnps>.

## Rock Spring to West Point Inn, Mt. Tam

**Wednesday, October 8, 10 a.m.**

The view looking south from high atop Mt. Tam is absolutely stunning. By going in October, it should be fog-free and the weather should be perfect. The hike from the Rock Spring parking lot, past Forbes Bench and the Mountain Theater, and out to the historic West Point Inn has what David Herlocker often calls "million-dollar views." The trail is relatively flat, yet goes through a variety of different habitats, including mixed coniferous redwood/Douglas fir/California nutmeg forests, serpentine outcroppings, and chaparral. And with views that make it seem like you can almost reach out and touch the most distant points.

We'll meet at the Rock Spring parking lot on Mt. Tam, located at the intersection of Ridgecrest and Pantoll Roads, approximately one mile uphill from the Pantoll Ranger Station. For those unfamiliar with the area, Pantoll is located on Panoramic Hwy. The road uphill to Rock Spring is directly across the road from the Pantoll Ranger Station. No charge to park at Rock Spring.

## Alpine Lake Shoreline Plant Search

**Sunday, October 12, 10 a.m.**

On this hike, to be led by Doreen Smith, we should be able to see the peculiar emergent-aquatic ferns *Marsilea vestita* and *Pilularia americana*. If the water level is very low, this will let us get access to the Old Sled trail's southern end, where there are serpentine-endemic plants.

Meet at 10 a.m. just inside the Sky Oaks entrance station, which is off the Bolinas Road uphill from Fairfax. The hike will finish after lunch so be prepared. Rain or

high fire danger conditions cancel this event.

There is a \$7 fee to enter the MMWD watershed, so spontaneous car pooling is encouraged, such as from Doc Edgar Park in Fairfax.

## Bear Valley to Arch Rock, Pt. Reyes

**Wednesday, October 29, 10 a.m.**

If you want to go on a long but gentle hike, this is the hike for you. Starting at the Bear Valley Headquarters of the Pt. Reyes Seashore, the walk west to Arch Rock is gentle, with next-to-no elevation change, and goes along a riparian corridor, through large meadows often filled with grazing deer and past one of the only specimens in Marin County of western burning bush (a.k.a. pawnbroker bush or *Euonymus occidentalis*), and eventually leads to a waterfall emptying out on to a small and remote beach. It's an eight-plus mile round-trip hike, but it's easy and beautiful.

Meet at the parking lot at the Pt. Reyes Visitor Center in Bear Valley at 10 a.m.

## The Trees of Dominican University, San Rafael

**Sunday, November 9, 10 a.m.**

College campuses are generally landscaped with many, many types of trees from all around the world, and Dominican University in San Rafael is no exception.

Last fall, equipped with a 1983 term paper entitled "Dominican Trees—A Self Guided Nature Walk," a most pleasant several hours was spent wandering around on the campus of Dominican University looking at those stately trees. With this year's dry spring, early November should hopefully be the height of the change of colors for the many deciduous trees, and last year, that fall color was breath-taking and beautiful beyond all belief.

Last year, a major Native Plant habitat restoration project was well underway, and it should be exciting to see how that project has fared in the past 12 months.

We'll meet at the sign for the Administration Building, and that's located on the east side of 101, at the corner of Grand and Acacia Avenues. Being a Sunday, street parking should be easy to find, and with no time restrictions.

## Indian Tree Preserve, Novato

**Sunday, November 23, 10 a.m.**

It's almost hard to believe that there are old growth Redwood groves in Novato, but there are indeed "Big Trees" at the very top of the Indian Tree Preserve.

We'll ascend through a series of cool mixed forests, and at the top of the ridge, we'll have lunch where giant redwoods tower over the million-dollar sweeping views of the entire North Bay. According to David

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Herlocker, this is "one of the best destinations in the County." It's also a wonderful place, if there's been rain, to see early season mushrooms.

Meet at the Vineyard Rd trailhead in Novato. To get there, exit 101 at the San Marin exit, and go west for more than a mile. After you cross Novato Blvd., continue straight on Sutro Dr., and make a right onto Vineyard and follow to the end of the pavement.

## **Mount St. Helena**

***Sunday, December 7, 9 a.m.***

Rising more than 4,000 feet above the beautiful Napa Valley, Mount St. Helena is home to sugar pines, ponderosa pines, knobcone pines, and many other northern species that just barely have a presence into the Bay Area. Last June, a small group of us ascended to the top and vowed to return after the rains have cleared the air. After all, the views to the north include Snow Mountain, The Geysers, and Lake Sonoma, and to the south, include Mt. Tam and San Francisco.

Although the hike is long (maybe eight miles round trip), the ascent is relatively gentle and primarily on switchbacks and on gently sloped fire roads.

Directions: From Calistoga, drive north on Highway 29 for eight miles to the parking area on the left side of the road at the Mount St. Helena trailhead. (This is directly across the road from the Table Rock/Palisades Trailhead at Robert Louis Stevenson State Park.) Meet there at 9 a.m., or...

Carpool information: We'll be meeting at 7 a.m. at the Park & Ride lot that's located on the north side of the intersection of Route 37 and Atherton Ave. in Novato, approximately two miles east of 101. The trailhead is approximately two hours from central Marin.

## **Big Rock Ridge**

***Thursday, December 25, 10 a.m.***

Big Rock Ridge is the second highest point in Marin, and last year on Christmas Day, eight or ten of us ascended to the top of the ridge. It was such a magical and spectacularly beautiful hike that, at the end, quite a few of us suggested that we adopt this hike as a yearly Christmas tradition. We saw close to 10 species of native plants in flower, spectacular views of both Novato and Petaluma, and we also saw the far-off snow-capped mountains of the mighty Sierra Nevada.

Although setting up a potluck lunch seems a little beyond the scope and skills of the Field Trip Coordinator, please feel free to bring a holiday taste treat to share during lunch.

Meet at the Big Rock trailhead, which is located about five miles west of 101 on Lucas Valley Rd.

*Strategies & Solutions*



**CONSERVATION  
CONFERENCE**

**January 17–19, 2009**

## **Sacramento Convention Center and Sheraton Grand Hotel, Sacramento, CA**

Keynote speakers include environmental justice and clean energy advocate Jerome Ringo; Professor Steven Hopper, Director of the Royal Botanic Garden; and naturalist, educator, artist, and author John (Jack) Muir Laws.

The conference will focus on:

- Finding and promoting solutions to the environmental challenges confronting California's flora
- Integrating the best science with the most effective public policies to meet these challenges
- Pressing forward more and better regional and statewide landscape-level conservation initiatives

By addressing such topics as climate change, rare plant biology, restoration, mitigation strategies, vegetation ecology, environmental policy, invasive species, conservation genetics, regional planning, urbanization, and more, this conference will integrate and synthesize conservation science with policy and catalyze California's plant conservation in the 21st century.

To register and find out more about topics, keynote speakers, sponsorship, and volunteer opportunities, visit <http://www.cnps.org/cnps/conservation/conference/2009>.

**Don't forget:** The deadline for the photo contest (described in the June 2008 chapter Newsletter) is November 15, 2008. There is also a botanical illustration contest.

## PLANT SALES

### Milo Baker (Sonoma) Chapter 36<sup>th</sup> Annual California Native Plant Sale

**Saturday, October 11, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.**

This huge plant sale gives you a chance to purchase a variety of natives at a very reasonable price and to get expert advice on how to grow them.

Features:

- Trees, shrubs, perennials, bulbs, and native seeds
- Expert gardeners to answer questions
- Paintings and notecards
- Books—discount to members
- Native plant posters and T-shirts
- Membership sign-up

Location: Santa Rosa Veterans' Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Ave. (across from the Fairgrounds). For more information, visit <http://www.cnpsmb.org/>.

### East Bay Chapter Native Plant Fair

**Saturday, October 18, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. &**

**Sunday, October 19, 12 p.m.–3 p.m.**

Features:

- Special selections of favorite plants and bulbs from all over the state
- Thousands of plants native to Alameda and Contra Costa Counties
- Extensive selection of books for sale on gardening and horticulture
- Free afternoon talks by experts on gardening with native plants
- Beautiful plant-themed arts and crafts
- Live music
- Silent auction of special items each day

Location: Native Here Nursery, 101 Gold Course Dr., Tilden Park, Berkeley (across the street from the entrance to Tilden Golf Course).

Please bring boxes for carrying your plant purchases. Parking will be limited. Checks/cash only. In case of rain, fair will be held the following weekend. For more information, visit <http://www.ebcnps.org> or contact Janice Bray at [janicebray@mindspring.com](mailto:janicebray@mindspring.com) or [nativehere@ebcnps.org](mailto:nativehere@ebcnps.org).

### College of Marin Plant Sale

**Saturday, October 25, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.**

College of Marin's Land Sustainability Club is conducting its biannual plant sale. This is a moving sale (the Environmental Landscaping program is moving to the Indian Valley campus)—everything must go! An eclectic

mix of plants will be available, including: lemon trees, roses, banana plants, and California natives.

Location: Outside of DL 012, College of Marin, Kentfield Campus. Park in Lot #4, adjacent to Laurel Ave. (off Sir Francis Drake Blvd.)

For more information, call Stacey at (415) 789-0475, or write her at [spilogales@hotmail.com](mailto:spilogales@hotmail.com).



## IN MEMORIAM: JEAN BALDWIN BEAN

The Marin Chapter lost another champion and supporter with the death of Jean Bean on July 25, aged 93, at the Redwoods. Jean Baldwin was born in Blue Lake, California, and inherited a love for plants from her mother and her aunt, both great gardeners.

Jean moved from Humboldt County to San Francisco to study nursing in the 1930s. She married David Bean, and in 1943 they purchased the home on Edison in Corte Madera, that she would live in for the next 60 years. She raised three children and a wonderful garden there. Jean was active in the Marin Chapter of CNPS from its early years, and was a great source of plants and knowledge for the plant sales. Until just a few years ago, an annual plant sale committee ritual was to conduct a late winter "Dicentra Dig" of Jean's thriving patch of bleeding hearts in her lower garden. The dormant roots were carefully potted up, sometimes into as many as 30 one-gallon cans, then tended by Jean until the early April sale, when they would be in leaf, bud, and bloom, and usually sell out. "Dicentra Dig" volunteers would share lunch, coffee, and memories with Jean, who maintained her cheerful and kind disposition until the end.



**Above:** Jean Bean Path is a public right-of-way that passes through her former property in Corte Madera.

## RARE PLANT OF THE MONTH

Text and photos by Doreen Smith

Marin has just one very small known population of the rare Suisun marsh aster, on the southwest shores of Chileno Laguna. It is definitely a wetland plant, and is more common in the Suisun marshes, as one might expect. Fine specimens can be seen south of the first bridge across the slough that is a little south of Suisun City along Grizzly Island Road. At the same site there are *Symphotrichum chilense* and the small-flowered annual *S. divaricatum* for anyone who cares to compare or key them.



**Above:** Suisun marsh aster (*Symphotrichum lentum*)

**Below:** Coastal aster (*Symphotrichum chilense*)



Coastal aster is the most common "aster" in Marin and can be found inland as well as on the immediate coast. The leaves are broader than the above species and it isn't always growing in wetlands, but is often in dry soils and serpentine areas.

Our Marin CNPS field trips may lead to significant re-discoveries or even brand new plants to the County. The September 14th hike to McClures Beach, Pt. Reyes, led to a sighting of the uncommon *Astragalus nuttallii* first noted to be there by J. T. Howell in 1947—and not reported since!

## BOARD NEWS

### **Marin Chapter Board Elections for 2009**

Acting President and Vice President Kristin Jakob is still hoping that one or more people will step forward to volunteer for the President or Vice President positions before the chapter election, which will take place at the November 10 membership meeting.

Paul da Silva has moved up to the Education position (thank you, Paul!), and Ken Howard will be leaving the board after serving on it, in various capacities, for several decades. Ken's attention to detail and genial nature will be missed at board meetings, but we expect him to join us for membership meetings at the Redwoods, where he now resides. Thank you, Ken!

Gini Havel and Stacey Pogorzelski would like to run for the two Member-at-Large positions vacated by Paul and Ken, and Dabney Smith seeks official election to the Member-at-Large position she has filled for several months.

The slate, to date:

- President: Open
- Vice President: Open
- Treasurer: Daniel Kushner
- Recording Secretary: Paula Dawson
- Members-at-Large: Carolyn Caldwell-White, Gini Havel, Mischon Martin, Stacey Pogorzelski, Dabney Smith, Carol Weiske

In addition to the elected offices, and book sales chair, there are other positions on the board to be filled, or assisted. Carolyn Longstreth is doing an admirable job representing the chapter at the quarterly Chapter Council meetings, but could use an alternate delegate. Eva Buxton would greatly appreciate a co-chair for Conservation, and we also need someone to take the minutes at board meetings when Recording Secretary Paula Dawson is not available. Contact Kristin Jakob if you think you might be able to help.

### **Book Sales Chair Needed!**

We are seeking one or two people to fill this position. Books are stored privately in Mill Valley, and transported to and from the meetings by Robert Feist, so we only need people to maintain the inventory, purchase books as needed, and sell at all our membership meetings and at occasional other events, such as plant sales. Please call Kristin Jakob at (415) 388-1844 if you would like more details on the position.

# UPCOMING EVENTS AT RICHARDSON BAY AUDUBON CENTER

The Richardson Bay Audubon Center & Sanctuary is located at 376 Greenwood Beach Rd., Tiburon. For more information, visit <http://richardsonbay.audubon.org>.

## NEW: Nature of the Bay Lecture Series

**Thursday, October 2, 7–8 p.m.**

Please join us as Richardson Bay Audubon’s “Nature of the Bay” lecture series kicks off. The first talk in the series, “The Riches of Richardson Bay” will provide a natural history tour of some of the amazing nature we have in our backyard and what we’re doing to protect it. The lecture series will be held on the third Thursday of every month from October through March, coinciding with the closing of the bay to all boat traffic. Come

and learn about all the wildlife that will be using the bay while we are not! RSVP: (415) 388-2524.

## Worm Bin Workshop

**Saturday, October 11, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.**

Discover how to reduce your family’s impact by making nutrient-rich soil for your garden from your household food scraps. Learn about the jobs of decomposers and introduce the importance of stewardship to children. Cost: \$40/bin. RSVP: (415) 388-2524.

## Blackie’s Pasture Work Days

**Saturday, October 18, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.**

**Saturday, November 15, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.**

Bring your family and friends for a morning of restoration and cleanup along the shores of Blackie’s Pasture. We will be removing trash and invasive plants. Appropriate for young children. RSVP: (415) 388-2524, ext. 107.

## Board of Directors

Position	Name
President	Open—Volunteer Needed
VP, Programs & Acting Pres.	Kristin Jakob
Chapter Council Delegate	Carolyn Longstreth
Alternate Chapter Council Delegate	Open—Volunteer Needed
Programs Co-Chair	Open—Volunteer Needed
Secretary	Paula Dawson
Treasurer	Daniel Kushner
Book Sales	Open—Volunteer Needed
Conservation Co-Chair	Eva Buxton
Conservation Co-Chair	Open—Volunteer Needed
Education	Paul da Silva
Field Trips	Joe Kohn
Historian	Vivian Mazur
Hospitality Chair	Open—Volunteer Needed
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Member at Large	Mischon Martin
Member at Large	Carol Weiske
Member at Large	Ken Howard
Member at Large	Paul da Silva

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## Dedicated to the Preservation of California Native Flora

The California Native Plant Society is a statewide non-profit organization of amateurs and professionals with a common interest in California's native plants. The Society, working through its local chapters, seeks to increase understanding of California's native flora and to preserve this rich resource for future generations. Membership is open to all.

### Join CNPS Now!

Membership includes informative publications, field trips, monthly programs, and discounts on books and posters. Also included are *Fremontia* (a quarterly journal with articles on all aspects of native plants), the *Bulletin* (a quarterly statewide report of activities and schedules), and the chapter newsletter. Please call the membership chairperson for more information.

Yes! I wish to affiliate with the Marin Chapter.

#### Membership Category:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mariposa Lily             | \$1,500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor                | \$600   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patron                    | \$300   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plant Lover               | \$100   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family, Group, or Library | \$75    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual                | \$45    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student or Limited Income | \$25    |

#### New Member Information:

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Please mail application and check payable to **CNPS** to:

California Native Plant Society  
2707 K St., Suite 1  
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If you wish to receive only the newsletter, please make \$10 check payable to **CNPS Marin** and mail to:

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Web <http://www.marin.edu/cnps> (chapter)

<http://www.cnps.org> (state) The state CNPS site is a resource for a wealth of materials, including promotional materials such as banners and posters.

## Tax-Deductible Contributions

Tax-deductible contributions to the Marin Chapter are always welcome, either as memorial or honorarium donations or regular contributions. You may designate your contribution for a specific purpose of your choice. Unless otherwise designated, all contributions will be placed in a separate Special Projects Fund. The Special Projects Fund will enable the Chapter to extend our efforts to additional plant-related issues. Our regular, ongoing program and operating expenses are largely covered by our plant sales and book and poster sales.

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