



California Native Plant Society

MARIN CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

Tiburon Mariposa Lily (Calochortus tiburonensis)

Marin Chapter established 1973

Monday, January 11, Marin Chapter Meeting

“Acorns—The Original California Cuisine: Oak Ecology, Land Management, and Acorn Food” by guest speaker Jolie Egert

Humans have managed oak ecosystems for thousands of years. Before the gold rush, acorns were a staple food for the majority of all California Indians, and their relationships with oaks and acorns were an important part of their Native culture. Human relationships with oak landscapes and management regimes continue to evolve and change today. These changes are mirrored in our oak landscapes.

In 2007, our speaker, Jolie Egert, set out on a journey to explore acorn food (the original California Cuisine) and understand oak ecology at a deeper level. This talk will present her research into the ethnoecology of oaks in California and will weave human relationships into the complex ecological web of oak habitats, focusing on past and present management of oak ecosystems, acorn culture, Sudden Oak Death, and traditional and modern-day acorn food preparation.

Jolie Lonner Egert, M.S., is our newest board member. She is a forest ecologist, ethnobotanist, and herbalist.



Above: Jolie immersing herself in Forest ecology

She is principal at Go Wild! Consulting, a business that restores the land and our connections to it. Jolie currently leads field classes in botany and medicinal and edible plants throughout Northern California. She has worked on ethnobotanical and restoration projects on four continents and can often be found grinding acorns and eating wild foods.

Monday, February 8, Marin Chapter Meeting

“California Mosses: An Introduction” by guest speaker Jim Shevock

Mosses differ from the seed plants in profound ways. They can be defined as plants lacking flowers and fruits, roots, and a defined system of vascular tissues for transporting fluids throughout the plant. They reproduce not by seeds, but by single-celled spores. Besides sexual reproduction by spores produced by a sporophyte plant, mosses have a wide array of vegetative (gametophyte) propagules to assist in species distribution and colonization of new habitats. Because they have no roots, mosses are not confined to living on soil; they are quite content to live on rocks, tree trunks, and rotten wood.

With nearly 1,200 species of mosses recorded in North America, over half are documented in California. Many mosses in California occur as widely disjunct populations, and a few species are either California or Pacific Coast endemics. Jim Shevock will present an overview of California mosses, where they occur, and the need for ongoing inventory and conservation.

After a botanical career spanning more than 30 years between the USDA Forest Service and the National Park Service, Jim retired from public service in 2009. He is currently research associate with the Department of Botany, California Academy of Sciences and the University Herbarium, UC Berkeley.

Initially a vascular plant taxonomist with a focus on the flora of the southern Sierra Nevada, Jim migrated to the study of bryophytes (primarily mosses) in the

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late 1990s. His plant collections, currently at over 34,000 specimens, are housed at the herbarium of the California Academy of Sciences with selected duplicates provided to major bryophyte herbaria around the world. His most recent work, *California Mosses*, was co-authored with Bill Malcolm, Nancy Malcolm, and Dan Norris and published in the fall of 2009. With nearly 2,200 color images, this book provides a portal into the wonderful diversity of California mosses. Copies will be for sale at the meeting.



Above: Jim Shevock in Tasmania

January and February meetings:

5:45 p.m. Join friends and meet our speaker 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.

2009 PLANT SALE, MINI PLANT SALES, AND 2010 PLANT SALE

Our annual plant sale, postponed from its usual spring date, took place on a very warm September 26 at Marin Art and Garden Center in Ross. Not only were the season and venue different, but for the first time we were able to offer bulbs for fall planting and

a somewhat different selection of plants. Dr Gordon Frankie from the Urban Bee Project at UC Berkeley led a well-attended and most interesting walk/talk highlighting bee-friendly plants at MAGC. The Parks Conservancy Nurseries table featured site-specific plants grown for habitat restoration in the GGNRA.

A big thank you to all our wonderful volunteers: we couldn't have done it without you! Special thanks to the following: to Charlotte Torgovitsy, for "making it happen" at MAGC; to Daniel Kushner for the extended care and transportation of the plants; to Stacey Pogorzelski for "sweating it out;" to Alice Bachelder, for sharing her plant expertise with customers; to Harold Hirsch, for moving all those tables; to Doreen Smith, Mary Stevens, Mary Jo Sorenson, and Vivian Mazur for donating plants and doing various other odd jobs; and last but certainly not least, to super senior volunteers Wilma Follette and Ken Howard, whose efforts over many years have so greatly benefitted Marin CNPS and the native plants we all cherish.

Over the next few months, we will offer selected plants at our chapter meetings, or if you are looking for particular plants, you may wish to email Kristin at kristinjacob@pacbell.net and she will forward our current availability list to you.

The 2010 plant sale is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 10. We anticipate returning to Richardson Bay Audubon Center. Save the date!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- * **Sunday 1/10, 10 a.m.**
Chapter Field Trip: Lagunitas Creek with SPAWN
- * **Monday 1/11, 7:30–9:30 p.m.**
Marin Chapter Meeting: Jolie Egert on "Acorns—The Original California Cuisine"
- * **Sunday 1/24, 10 a.m.**
Chapter Field Trip: Carson Falls
- * **Monday 2/1, 7:30 p.m.**
Marin Chapter Board Meeting at Marin Recycling
- * **Sunday 2/7, 10 a.m.**
Chapter Field Trip: Cascade Canyon, Elliot Preserve, Fairfax
- * **Monday 2/8, 7:30–9:30 p.m.**
Marin Chapter Meeting: Jim Shevock on "California Mosses: An Introduction"
- * **Wednesday 2/17, 10 a.m.**
Chapter Field Trip: Cross Marin Trail, Samuel P Taylor State Park
- * **Wednesday 2/24, 10 a.m.**
Chapter Field Trip: Early Flowers at Chimney Rock

THE NATIVE PLANT ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

by Joe Kohn

Ever since taking the six-month long training program at the Environmental Forum of Marin (www.marinefm.org), I've become much more active with local environmental issues. After writing letters to politicians for years, I came to realize that if I'm going to be able to effect any changes at all, it's going to be on the local level.

After all, California has what is known as "The Sunshine Law," which in essence means that whenever a governmental body in California makes a decision, it must first accept input from the general citizenry. That input can be in the form of a letter, or it can be a two- to three-minute public comment mini-speech given before the decision-making body.

To that end, I've been attending meetings of governmental bodies for the past two years, and offering my public comments. If the issues involve native or invasive plants, I identify myself as being on "The Board of Directors of the Marin Chapter of the California Native Plant Society."

If the issues have nothing to do with plants, then I simply identify myself as a concerned citizen. Some of those public comments were in addition to letters that were drafted via email as a joint effort, written and submitted by the Board of Directors of Marin CNPS.

It's been very gratifying to appear before the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors to urge them to protect the last remaining population of dune tansy in Marin at Tomales Dunes, and it's been empowering to appear before the Marin County Open Space District to urge them to do more in their Vegetation Management Plan to protect the native plants from the invasion of French broom. I felt especially proud of myself for appearing before the Department of Public Works and speaking out against their proposed plan to widen Sir Francis Drake Blvd. through Samuel Taylor State Park by cutting down 32 redwoods, some of which could be more than 1,000 years old.

Unfortunately, at many of those public meetings, my voice has been the only voice urging our local officials to protect our native flora. So, the time has come to ask for help, your help.

The more people speaking out at public meetings, the more effective our collective voice will be. So, I've recently proposed to the Board of Directors that we start a new committee, and the Board voted to start the "Native Plants Advocacy Committee" (N-PAC for short) that I'll be chairing. It is my hope that others who join the Committee will speak out at public meetings, write letters if and when applicable, and if nothing else, to

be part of an online group which will discuss current and upcoming issues related to the native plants of Marin.

At our very first outing, seven of us showed up at a Board of Supervisors workshop, and three of us offered public comments urging the Board to protect people and native plants by prohibiting mountain bicyclists from riding on narrow hiking trails in the Open Space District.

As the old cliché says, "in numbers, there is strength." The more people appearing before the various governmental agency's open hearings, the more it'll be impossible to ignore our pleas and concerns.

As far as time commitments needed to participate in the N-PAC, sometimes years can go by without any pressing issues that involve plants or the advocacy needed to save rare plants. Other times, like now, there can be several ongoing issues, such as the habitat restoration/building moratorium along Lagunitas Creek, or the two planned building projects on the Tiburon Peninsula (Alta Robles and Easton Point) that could possibly have negative impacts on such rarities as Tiburon jewelflower and Marin dwarf flax.



Above: Marin dwarf flax (*Hesperolinon congestum*) by Doreen Smith

As the N-PAC is just getting started, we anticipate that most, if not all, of our strategy work will be conducted via email, and at appearances before the various public agencies that oversee the forests, mountains, and trails of our wonderfully biodiverse County.

Working together, we can have a more positive influence on our community and can help to preserve those nearly 100 plants in Marin that are considered to be rare, threatened, or endangered.

If you would like to get involved in the N-PAC, please contact me, Joe Kohn, at (415) 459-0231 or online at joko@foxvalley.net.

WINTER 2010 NATIVE PLANT WALKS

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, have non-slip footwear, 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, contact Joe Kohn at (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>.



Above: *Trillium* sp. © Peg Edwards-Carkeet 1998

Lagunitas Creek

Sunday, Jan 10, 10 a.m.

Watch, listen, and learn while endangered salmon spawn in Lagunitas Creek. Explore the botany of the watershed while sharing discussions on the ecology of salmon and local streams, and their relationship to the health of our forests. Lagunitas coho salmon are highly endangered, but they are also the largest-remaining wild run of coho left in Central California! Join SPAWN and the Marin chapter of CNPS to learn about and help restore and protect these endangered species.

We will meet at the Environmental Education Center (EEC) at the San Geronimo Valley Cultural Center, located at 6350 Sir Francis Drake Blvd. From US 101, take the Central San Rafael exit and turn west onto 3rd St. Follow 3rd St. west through San Rafael and turn right onto Sir Francis Drake Blvd. Follow Sir Francis

Drake Blvd. 10 miles past the town of Fairfax. When you see the San Geronimo Valley Golf Course, keep going for another 1/4 mile. Turn into the first parking lot on your right. When you enter the parking lot, the EEC is the small white building along the creek off to the right of the parking area behind the playground structures. For a map, see <http://www.sgvcc.org/contact/address.html>.

Carson Falls

Sunday, January 24, 10 a.m.

About two years ago, the trail to Carson Falls was re-routed, and instead of descending to the Falls through open grasslands, it now goes through a forest that is just wonderful for early-season wildflowers. If all goes well, we'll see fetid adder's tongue and maybe even some trillium. And, if for some reason, wildflower season hasn't quite started, we'll have to settle for eating lunch next to one of Marin's most beautiful waterfalls.

Meet at the Pine Mountain Fire Rd. trailhead, about one mile south of the Meadow Club on the Fairfax-Bolinas Rd.

Cascade Canyon, Elliot Preserve, Fairfax

Sunday, February 7, 10 a.m.

One of my favorite early-season wildflower walks is to the Cascade Canyon Waterfalls in the Elliot Preserve. This is a great spot for *Aristolochia californica* (Dutchman's pipevine), *Pedicularis densiflora* (Indian warrior), and maybe if we're lucky, *Fritillaria affinis* var. *affinis* (mission bells) along with eating lunch at a lovely, raging waterfall.

Meet at Elliot Preserve, at the end of Cascade Dr. in Fairfax. Remember that there is extremely limited parking there. To get there, turn onto Fairfax-Bolinas Rd. in downtown Fairfax. At the second stop sign, bear right onto Cascade Dr. and follow it all the way to the end.

Cross Marin Trail, Samuel P. Taylor State Park

Wednesday, February 17, 10 a.m.

As part of the Salmon Enhancement Plan that's designed to help the endangered coho salmon of Lagunitas Creek, there's a proposal that some culvert work be conducted along the Cross Marin Trail that runs along Lagunitas Creek in Samuel P. Taylor State Park. Whenever a plan like that is proposed, surveys must be taken and Environmental Impact Reports need to be submitted. Those reports must include information on any rare plants that exist along the proposed construction route.

Because Marin CNPS is the group most interested in rare plants, let's take a walk along the beautiful Cross Marin Trail, located on the other side of Lagunitas Creek from Sir Francis Drake Blvd., and look to see if we can find

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any unknown populations of *Dirca occidentalis* (western leatherwood). It's unknown whether any do exist along that trail, but they are known to exist in Samuel P. Taylor, and the trail is so lovely that we'll have a good time out in the woods, whether we see any *Dirca* or not.

Let's meet at the Platform Bridge, located just west of the western boundary of SP Taylor State Park. We'll car-shuttle back to Shafter Bridge, and then walk the six-mile trail back. That trail is completely flat, and is as gentle a walk as imaginable.



Above: Dutchman's pipevine (*Aristolochia californica*) © Jean Struthers 2003

Early Flowers at Chimney Rock

Wednesday, February 24, 10 a.m.

Mid-February is the official unofficial start of wildflower season in Marin, and the yearly walk at Chimney Rock has yielded in recent years as few as 15 and as many as 65 different species of wildflowers in bloom. We'll also see hundreds of elephant seals, and should be able to witness more than a few battles between 1000-pound males trying to impress their potential female mates.

As we do every year, we'll be meeting up with David Herlocker of the Marin County Open Space District at the Chimney Rock parking area, which is located in outer Point Reyes, near the end of Sir Francis Drake, a mile or so before reaching the Lighthouse. And remember, even if it's warm and sunny when you leave home, it could be, and probably will be, cold and foggy and very windy at Chimney Rock!

THE WAYNE RODERICK LECTURE SERIES, WINTER 2010

Free to the public, Saturday mornings at 10:30

Notice: Seating is limited. To be sure of a seat, come early and save a chair.

- January 2—East of Eden: images from the flora of the Sierran crest and the arid lands beyond—Aaron Schusteff
- January 9—Roundabout the Walker Ridge burn of 2008 and sites near Clear Lake in Lake County—Steve Edwards
- January 16—Natural history of Hokkaido, Japan—Ron Felzer
- January 23—Flora of the Carquinez Strait—Dean Kelch
- January 30—Wild Lewisias of California and even wilder hybrids, in stereo. 3D glasses will be provided—Jack Muzatko
- February 6—Plants of Teddy Roosevelt National Park, North Dakota, and the Beartooth Plateau, Montana-Wyoming—Bob Case
- February 13—Very close to home: wildflower hiking in Del Valle Regional Park, Sunol, and Ohlone Wilderness—Steve Edwards
- February 20—Some botany and history in coastal Monterey—Steve Edwards
- February 27—Shifting baselines in Bay Area oak woodlands & savannas: historical patterns & restoration potential—Alison Whipple

Location: Regional Parks Botanic Garden at Wildcat Canyon Rd. and South Park Dr. (South Park Dr. is closed November–March), Tilden Regional Park, Berkeley

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Above: Bitter root (*Lewisia rediviva*) © Peg Edwards-Carkeet 1998

THE SAN FRANCISCO MANZANITA IS BACK!

by Daniel Gluesenkamp

The San Francisco manzanita (*Arctostaphylos franciscana*) was driven extinct in the 1940s, as the old 49er cemeteries of San Francisco were developed for houses, shops, and tennis courts. The species was part of the diverse and miraculous Franciscan floristic region, the smallest region in California and one largely replaced by its namesake city. Fortunately, portions are preserved in the Marin headlands, Mount San Bruno, and key natural areas in San Francisco.

Sixty years ago, it was not certain that Franciscan communities would be lost. Very well-developed communities remained, many associated with the old 49er cemeteries on Lone Mountain and Laurel Hill. As the forces of progress began developing San Francisco's remaining wild places, the legendary botanists of yesteryear had fought to preserve some remnants. In 1906, Alice Eastwood rescued the type specimens of *Arctostaphylos franciscana* by throwing them out the windows of the burning California Academy of Sciences; decades later Alice begged San Francisco to save part of the old Laurel Hill Cemetery for a city botanical reserve. Before he was diverted into the war effort, James Roof salvaged *Arctostaphylos franciscana* plants from bulldozers, along with other plants which were moved to his botanical garden in Tilden. For the rest of his life he grieved at not rescuing more of the Franciscan region before it was ultimately lost. By the end of the 1940s, the old 49er bones had been moved to Colma and the San Francisco manzanita was extinct in the wild...

...until last month. Driving home from representing Audubon Canyon Ranch at the Sonoma Climate Change conference, scanning the roadside for red-alert invasive plants to report to the Bay Area Early Detection Network (<http://BAEDN.org>), I noticed a beautiful manzanita flowing over a sharp green serpentinite rock outcrop just south of the Golden Gate Bridge. The manzanita looked suspiciously wild, and so the next time I drove by I tried to get a better look. I returned a third time and took a photo. Thinking that the plant might be a Raven's manzanita (*Arctostaphylos hookeri* subsp. *Ravenii*), I called Lew Stringer, a biologist with the Presidio Trust.

The message I left on Lew's answering machine was garbled with excitement, and was cut off before I completed the story. No matter. When I called Lew again 15 minutes later he had already recruited his co-worker Mark Frey for a trip to the site. Lew and Mark didn't ignore the report. They didn't add it their list of things to do if they ever have extra time. They went directly to the site, drove past again, and then sprinted

across lanes of traffic to identify an extinct plant. Lew and Mark are conservation heroes. Without their quick response, the plant would have been lost once again. Forever.



Above: San Francisco manzanita (*Arctostaphylos franciscana*) by Daniel Gluesenkamp

The lone San Francisco manzanita is growing on a small outcropping of serpentinite rock adjacent to the highway and in the middle of planned highway construction for the Doyle Drive project. Fortunately, we have discovered it and identified it, and now an expert team of biologists is working to ensure its protection. Mike Vasey and Tom Parker, manzanita experts from San Francisco State University, are analyzing DNA from the plant to further confirm its identity. Cuttings of the plant have been collected so that it can be propagated at conservation nurseries, under the care of experts including Betty Young and Holly Forbes. Representatives from Caltrans, Presidio Trust, the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are developing a conservation plan that will likely involve moving the plant and replanting it in a protected location within the Presidio. In another stroke of luck, we already have the elements of a plan for saving this species; National Park Service biologist Michael Chasse had already started work on his master's thesis project, a plan for reintroduction and restoration of the San Francisco manzanita.

So far this is really a story about how the system worked—I discovered this subtly beautiful plant and reported it to colleagues at the Presidio Trust, who mobilized instantly to protect this tenacious survivor of another era. Presidio biologists brought in the manzanita experts to confirm the identification, and then Caltrans and other agency staff began working on saving it. Now Caltrans gets to save an extinct species!

But there is a lot of work ahead of us, and we need to make some decisions. We drove this species extinct once before, digging up the last couple individuals and then exiling them to foreign soil in the East Bay hills.

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Now we have a second chance. To save it? To remove it again? It seems likely that we will have to dig up the last wild plant, once again, but if we simply dig and replant then it shows that little has changed since the 1940s. We must do something more, something that demonstrates our improved understanding of and commitment to biodiversity conservation.

If we have to move the San Francisco manzanita, then we have an obligation to move it to a new home. We have to find an appropriate nearby site and do significant site preparation and restoration. Then we must bring the other San Franciscan manzanitas back from the diaspora, plant them alongside their natural neighboring species, and give them a new home where they can flower, bear seed, and produce baby manzanita plants to continue the lineage. That will cost some money, but ultimately will be something of which we can ALL be proud.

If you save someone's life you are responsible for them. I feel that responsibility for the San Francisco manzanita. I've learned a lot about this plant in recent weeks, and the more I learn about this plant and its history, the more I feel a responsibility to make sure we do right. The special thing about this plant is that it is a natural plant, born of a seed which fell on the ground and germinated and has grown ever since. Our measure of success for this opportunity isn't saving this individual plant, but saving that phenomenon. We have to make a place where San Francisco manzanita plants exchange pollen, their seeds fall to the ground, germinate, and grow long after humans have moved on to something else. If we don't do that, then we have blown this rare chance for a do-over.

At this point, Caltrans and other agencies are really trying to do the right thing. I'm going to stay involved to make sure that this will continue to be a real success story, with Caltrans leading a solution that reclaims a home for the shrub named after my city. I hope you will join me in thanking Caltrans and the Presidio Trust for going the extra step—not just rescuing this single individual, but providing leadership to restore a site and rescue the species.

Daniel Gluesenkamp is Director of Habitat Protection and Restoration for Audubon Canyon Ranch's 30 Marin and Sonoma sanctuaries.



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PLANT OF THE MONTH

Text and photo by Doreen Smith

Chaparral currant can be found on page 220 in the new edition of *Marin Flora*. This shrub is apparently rare in Marin County. I have discovered only one specimen in my many years of botanizing here, and that was after the new *Marin Flora* had gone to print. Its identification was confirmed by staff at the California Academy of Sciences. The plant was in the coastal scrub of the Marin Headlands along the Bobcat trail, near the top of the hills near the only willow tree on this trail. The most common *Ribes* species along this trail is *Ribes divaricatum*, straggly gooseberry, which is very different in appearance from either of the pink-flowering currants.

Ribes malvaceum is very similar to *Ribes sanguineum*. The most easily seen difference is that the leaves are smaller in *R. malvaceum*, and the veins more incised into the upper surface of each leaf. It is usually found in drier habitats than the more common pink flowering currant in this area. There are several shrubs of *Ribes sanguineum* var. *glutinosum* in the Marin Headlands near the visitor center.



Above: Chaparral currant (*Ribes malvaceum* var. *malvaceum*)

MARIN CHAPTER BOARD NEWS

Marin Chapter Board Election Results for 2010

The following slate of candidates was elected by members attending the November 10 membership meeting:

- President: Joe Kohn
- Co-Vice President: Doreen Smith
- Co-Vice President: Dabney Smith
- Treasurer: Daniel Kushner
- Recording Secretary: Paula Dawson
- Members-at-Large: Carolyn Caldwell-White, Jolie Egert, Gini Havel, Stacey Pogorzelski, Carol Weiske

We warmly welcome Jolie Egert to the Board of Directors. Jolie will be our guest speaker at the January 11 membership meeting.

Kristin Jakob, who is stepping back from her longtime roles as Acting President and Vice President, will

remain active on the board as Program Chair and Plant Sale Co-Chair.

Book Sales Chair(s) and Transportation Urgently Needed!

Robert Feist, who for many years has faithfully ferried our books for sale, has stepped down from this position, and the chapter needs someone to replace him if we are to continue to conduct book sales at our meetings and events. The books are presently stored privately in Mill Valley, and are organized in bins so that only part of the inventory need be transported, with the backstock left behind.

We also need one or more people to conduct book sales; maintain, and possibly store the inventory; and order books as needed. Since our last book chair departed, Kristin Jakob has been filling in with buying, but it is not her forte, nor has she had time to sell books at meetings. Please call Kristin at (415) 388-1844 if you can assist in any of these capacities.

Board of Directors

Position	Name
President	Joe Kohn
Co-Vice President	Doreen Smith
Co-Vice President	Dabney Smith
Program Chair	Kristin Jakob
Chapter Council Delegate	Carolyn Longstreth
Alternate Chapter Council Delegate	Open—Volunteer Needed
Programs Co-Chair	Open—Volunteer Needed
Secretary	Paula Dawson
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Book Sales	Open—Volunteer Needed
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Conservation Co-Chair	Open—Volunteer Needed
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Plant Sale Co-Chair	Renee Fittinghoff
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Publicity	Open—Volunteer Needed
Rare Plant Coordinator	Doreen Smith
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Member at Large	Jolie Egert
Member at Large	Gini Havel
Member at Large	Stacey Pogorzelski
Member at Large	Carol Weiske

Board contact information has been removed from the online version of this newsletter.

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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Now available: the long-awaited, 2007 revised edition of John Thomas Howell's classic *Marin Flora* (originally published in 1949). Copies of the book will be available at chapter meetings and most field trips. You can also print out an order form at the chapter website (www.marin.edu/cnps).

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