



California Native Plant Society

MARIN CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

Tiburon Mariposa Lily (Calochortus tiburonensis)

Marin Chapter established 1973

MEMBERS' POTLUCK SLIDE SHOW AND DINNER

Saturday, September 18, 6-9:30 p.m.

Bring a dish to share and/or beverages; a \$5 door donation will help us cover facility rental and expenses. If you have images to share of this year's outings, please bring a laptop for digital images, slides (we have a projector), photo albums, or anything else you would like to share (or have identified!). Presentation time will be limited so all have time to share!

We will conduct a raffle of plant books, prints, and other appropriate items, so consider bringing something for that as well. You will in turn enjoy a delicious meal, great company, and beautiful pictures! Help will be needed for setup from 5:30 p.m. and for cleanup afterwards.

Location: Lucas Valley Community Center, 1201 Idylberry Rd., San Rafael.

Directions: Take Hwy. 101 to Lucas Valley Rd. exit, north of San Rafael; drive west on Lucas Valley Rd. about two miles and turn right onto Mt. Shasta Dr. Take the second left onto Idylberry, then immediately left into the Community Center parking lot.

To volunteer or to ask questions, contact Stacey Pogorzelski at (415) 789-0475 or spilogales@hotmail.com.



LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Native Plant Week Proposed!

Some exciting news! California Assembly bill *ACR 173—Native Plant Week* passed in early August. This bill would proclaim the third week of April as "Native Plant Week" and would "encourage community groups, schools, and citizens to undertake appropriate activities to promote the conservation, restoration, and appreciation of California's native plants."

From here, the bill goes to Senate Rules, where it may or may not be assigned to a committee. If not assigned to a committee it will go straight to the Senate floor. To track progress of this bill, go to www.cnps.org—click the Conservation tab, then go to Legislative Tracker, Current Legislation.

Many thanks to Assemblywoman Noreen Evans (D-Napa) and her staff for sponsoring this bill. Also thanks to the volunteers around the state CNPS (particularly on the Horticulture Committee) who have either provided support or helped provide information needed to address questions that have come up about some of the language in the bill.



CALLING ALL PROPAGATORS!

by Renee Fittinghoff

The Backyard Nursery Network is being formed to help CNPS members learn to propagate retail-quality plants for our spring chapter plant sale. The first meeting of the Backyard Nursery Network will take place at Charlotte Torgovitsky's home in Novato on September 16, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. During this session, Charlotte will show participants how to set up a propagation area for native plants for our chapter plant sale, sow and clean seeds, and make and pot up cuttings. From a list of plants needed for the plant sale, you can make a selection appropriate for propagating in your area. Bring a bag lunch. Tea and treats will be provided!

Because we need to limit the group to 12, please let Renee know if you would like to attend. There will be additional CNPS propagation events in various members' gardens later in the year, so if you can't make it on September 16, you can still participate! If you'd like to be included in the Gardening with Natives emailings notifying you of these events, send your email address to Renee at reneef94941@gmail.com.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is a new addition to our newsletter. Check this space for what is happening at Marin CNPS and all over the state! Another addition in this issue is the Conservation Corner (page 5), where we keep you updated on recent activity in the conservation arena. A Conservation committee has formed recently (new members welcome!) and will be commenting on upcoming development projects in writing and by attending meetings (Board of Supervisors, MMWD, town councils, etc.) where development hearings are held. We welcome your participation.



Above: Stacey Pogorzelski by Susan Adler Photography

Marin CNPS is very grateful to have received two bequests recently: almost \$7,000 from Sue Hossfeld and \$10,000 from Joe Kohn (see letter on page 7). These bequests will give us the ability to do more to protect native plants and conduct outreach on the plants' behalf. We have also donated \$350 from the Stone Fund (a bequest from the Stone family) for purchase of books on native plants at the Mill Valley library. This bequest was given specifically for book purchases at this library; of course, these books will be available to any Marin county library patron.

Meet our new Secretary Amelia Ryan, on page 8. And thanks to board member Dabney Smith, we are now publicizing our trips in the *Marin IJ* and the *Pacific Sun*—in print and online. If you know of a great way to publicize our hikes, tell Dabney (board contact info is on page 8).

In state news, the State CNPS is considering a new logo to replace the current one. Chapters are working with the state to approve a logo that is both dynamic and modern, and represents the essence of California native plants.

Our members' potluck and slide show is Saturday, September 18 at the Lucas Valley Community Center. See page 1 for details, and see you there!!

Stacey Pogorzelski, Acting President

CHAPTER NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ONLINE!

You can find a color PDF edition of this newsletter on the Marin chapter website by visiting www.marin.edu/cnps/newsletters.html.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- ✿ **Saturday 9/4, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.**
Chapter Field Trip: Abbots Lagoon
- ✿ **Tuesday 9/7, 7 p.m.**
Marin Chapter Board Meeting at Marin Recycling
- ✿ **Thursday 9/16, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**
Marin Chapter Backyard Nursery Network: Propagation Workshop
- ✿ **Saturday 9/18, 6 p.m.–9:30 p.m.**
Marin Chapter Annual Potluck Dinner and Slide Show, Lucas Valley Community Center
- ✿ **Saturday 9/19, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.**
Nature's Acres Autumn Open House
- ✿ **Saturday 9/25, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**
Chapter Field Trip: Autumn on the Rift Trail
- ✿ **Monday 10/11, 7:30–9:30 p.m.**
Marin Chapter Meeting: Charlotte Torgovitsky on "Winged Visitors in Your Garden Sanctuary"
- ✿ **Saturday 10/16, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. & Sunday 10/17, 12–3 p.m.**
East Bay Chapter Native Plant Fair

EAST BAY CHAPTER NATIVE PLANT FAIR

Saturday, October 16, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. & Sunday, October 17, 12–3 p.m.

This year, the Fair includes significant markdowns on the entire book inventory of the East Bay Chapter of the California Native Plant Society. The chapter will discontinue selling books except for select titles to be offered at its Native Here Nursery and certain public programs.

A wide selection of locally native plants, garden art, and photographs from area craftspersons will be also offered. Plant and book inventories are available on the Nursery website.

Location: Native Here Nursery, 101 Gold Course Dr., Tilden Park, Berkeley (across the street from the Tilden Golf Course exit). For more information, visit www.ebcnps.org.

WITH APPRECIATION

Thanks to the following members who worked to mail out the June-August 2010 newsletter!

- Thelma Arlom
- Gerd Jakob
- Carol Weiske
- Stacey Pogorzelski
- Sandy Dye
- Paul Kryloff

FAMILIAR TRAILS

by Charlotte Torgovitsky

I find great comfort in walking the same trails over and over again. I love the familiarity that develops; the expectation of a favorite plant that I know is growing just past this or that turn in the path. And I like to observe the development, from new growth, to flowering, to seed set, and finally to the ripening fruits and dispersal of seeds that will start the next generation.

I've come across a particularly nice patch of blue-eyed grass (*Sisyrinchium bellum*) on a sloping path in my meadow. The cheery blue flowers of this Iris family native, which open in little clusters, are easy to spot amongst the grasses. Happily, so are the fruits, because they turn quite dark once ripe, and stand out amongst grasses that have, by then, turned a golden brown. The fruits ripen into a nicely rounded little capsule which looks indented into six parts, but splits along only three of these indentations.

Blue-eyed grass (*Sisyrinchium bellum*) © Elaine Mahaffey 1990



I try to get the capsules before they split completely and scatter their whole load of nice dark round seeds. I walk through the patch from one direction, gathering capsules selectively; then I turn around, retracing my steps back along the same path. Approaching from the other direction reveals formerly unseen bounty!

It's in this same manner that the woodpeckers and nuthatches share similar resources; both are searching visually for invertebrates hidden in the crevices of

the bark. Woodpeckers, using their stiff tails to brace themselves while they cling to the bark, can only move up a tree trunk. However, nuthatches, which are equipped with short sturdy legs, long toes, and long sharp claws, can climb up and down these same trunks, finding insects overlooked by woodpeckers.

I sowed seed of *Sisyrinchium* in February this year, using a soil mix of equal parts of river sand, peat moss, and fine pumice. I used 4-inch pots, packed the soil mix in, and sprinkled a layer of coarser pumice on top. Then I scattered in a few seeds, letting them fall between the pumice, and watered it all in.

The pots were placed in a sheltered area that gets just morning sun. Germination occurred in about a month's time, and nice little grass-like seedlings grew vigorously with regular water. By June, when the meadows were turning to gold, I stopped watering regularly, and then withheld water altogether.

The seedlings are now as dry as the meadow, resting up for the next rainy season.

Note: Seed collection on public lands is not permitted without permission of the land manager, and is not sanctioned by the California Native Plant Society.



CNPS EDUCATIONAL GRANTS AVAILABLE

Each year the CNPS Educational Grants program receives funding to help support field research related to California's native plants. Students, CNPS members, or postdoctoral botanists are eligible, in that order, for grants that are generally not more than \$1,000. Proposals should involve taxa or plant communities that are of concern due to direct or indirect potential impacts. The grants need to be relevant to our conservation mission. Certain small endowed funds are available specifically for graduate students planning research involving rare plants or evolutionary botany.

If you are interested in obtaining support from CNPS for your work, request a copy of the guidelines (for drafting and submitting a proposal) from the state CNPS office.

Requests for this or other information can be directed to Chair, Educational Grants Committee, 2707 K Street, Suite 1, Sacramento, CA 95816-5113. Completed proposals must be received in the CNPS office no later than September 30, 2010.

Information about the grants is also currently on the home page of the cnps.org website.

—Joan Stewart, Chair
CNPS Educational Grants Committee

SEPTEMBER 2010 NATIVE PLANT WALKS

Marin Chapter Field Trip News and Policies

Make some seedy pals with the Marin chapter of the California Native Plant Society. All hikes are free and open to the public, so please invite your friends. Beginning plant enthusiasts welcome on all hikes.

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. Bring lunch and plenty of water, binoculars and/or hand lenses, and your favorite field guides. Contact Brad Kelley, Field Trip Coordinator, at fieldtrips@bradkelley.org, for trip requests or suggestions. Contact hike Leaders with any questions about individual hikes.

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>.

Abbotts Lagoon

Saturday, September 4, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Abbotts' Lagoon trail on Pt. Reyes National Seashore is a Marin CNPS all-year favorite for a botanical hike. In late summer, we should see blooming some of the late-flowering shrubs of the coastal chaparral, including *Baccharis pilularis* (coyote brush) and *Ericameria ericoides* (coast goldenbush). As we've had a cool summer, some of the local wildflowers are likely to be discovered in the marshes and dunes, such as the rare *Campanula californica* (coast harebell) and *Monardella undulata* (annual coyote-mint).



Above: *Campanula californica* (coast harebell) by Doreen Smith

Directions from east Marin and Highway 101: take either Lucas Valley Road or Sir Francis Drake out to Pt. Reyes National Seashore. The Abbotts Lagoon trailhead is on the northern part of the peninsula, off Pierce Point Rd. some two miles past the junction with the road to the lighthouse.

Leader: Doreen Smith—dsmith@lvha.net.

Autumn on the Rift Trail

Saturday, September 25, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Only two days after the autumnal equinox, we'll celebrate the start of fall with a five-mile walk through an earthquake rift valley. The jumble of landscapes created as the San Andreas Fault moved along over the millennia makes for a patchwork of plant habitats that will include many of the fruits, nuts, acorns, and berries seen at this time of year. The famous botanist Alice Eastwood visited this valley just after the 1906 earthquake, and is shown contemplating the rift in the earth in a very well-known photo.



Above: Alice Eastwood photo by G.K. Gilbert, from *USGS Bulletin 324*

Meet at the Bear Valley/Rift Trail trailhead at the far end of the Point Reyes National Seashore visitors center parking lot. This hike is especially suited for beginning plant enthusiasts.

This is a shuttle hike to Five Brooks, so please be on time.

Leader: Dabney Smith—(415)-320-9229.

OPEN SPACE DISTRICT HIKES

For information, visit the Marin County Open Space District website at http://www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/PK/Main/mcosd/os_walks.asp or contact David Herlocker at (415) 499-3647.

CONSERVATION CORNER

Recent Activity of the Conservation Committee

By Eva Buxton, Chair

Alta Robles Residential Development, Tiburon

We found that plant surveys were not adequate, but instead performed over the course of five years in a non-systematic manner. The Town of Tiburon (the lead agency) certified the EIR but did not include the botany section. Protocol level surveys are being done this season for rare plants, including serpentine endemics. The federally and State-listed Marin dwarf flax occurs on the site, which also supports large areas of purple-needlegrass grassland that were not mapped. We submitted comments on the DEIR (Draft Environmental Impact Report).

Proposed bicycle/wheelchair path in Santa Cruz

We wrote a letter to the California Coastal Commission supporting the Santa Cruz Chapter's contention that the planned path should be moved out of the habitat of the Santa Cruz tarplant, *Holocarpha macradenia*. As presently designed, the path will bisect one of the few remaining populations of this species. This species has been extirpated in Marin.

Lawson's Landing permit application

We wrote a letter to the Coastal Commission recommending the following:

- All environmentally sensitive habitat areas be identified, especially wetlands areas;
- Around those areas, minimum 100-foot buffers that exclude construction, vehicles, and camping be enforced;
- Damage from previous misuse be repaired; and,
- The damaged areas be restored and protected from future misuse.

We also rewrote the list of plants and animals that should be considered in a Natural Resources Management Plan for Lawson's Landing in a standardized format to be attached to a letter to the Coastal Commission from the Environmental Action Committee of Marin.

Sir Francis Drake Boulevard Rehabilitation project

We responded that the botanical sections of the DEIR were poorly presented with many inconsistencies and mistakes, and did not convey what vegetation communities or plants would be impacted by the project. We found that suggestions by Molly Boyes Botanical Consulting in her rare-plant survey report were credible and should be carefully evaluated. Due to the high proportion of native plants located along the road and the riparian areas, Ms. Boyes mapped seven locations along the roadway where care should be taken during construction to lessen impacts to the native plants.

680 Trail Project

We commented on the Negative Declaration for this new trail between San Anselmo and San Rafael.

We are concerned because the proposed alignment goes through high-quality native forest and grassland. We suggested that partly using existing trails would be less costly and would lessen the impacts on the environment.

The Conservation committee members are: Eva Buxton (Chair), Jolie Egert, Brad Kelley, Stacey Pogorzelski, and Doreen Smith. Contact Eva if you would like to join our group! The Conservation committee encourages all interested chapter members to weigh in on the various issues that come up in the County— either by speaking at hearings, or by sending a letter to the appropriate government body.



NATURE'S ACRES AUTUMN OPEN HOUSE

Sunday September 19th, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Nature's Acres native plant nursery opens its doors to the public in preparation for and a celebration of fall. In operation for just over two years, after much work the quarter-acre lot is now bursting at the seams with robust native plants!

The nursery grounds and surrounding property feature good birding and nature observation. The property has a creek with a riparian strip, overgrown orchards, and patches of oak woodland. Bay Area naturalists will be on hand to help seek out the area's biodiversity.

Started on an old organic apple orchard in 2008 by three childhood friends, Nature's Acres works to produce robust Bay Area native plants. Nature's Acres provides a wide range of native plants for the gardener, landscaper, and habitat stewards alike.

Creating wildlife habitat and breathing life into the urban landscape is at the heart of Nature's Acres' mission. For example, they make special efforts to produce the native larval food plants for native butterflies and other pollinator species, including San Francisco's coastal green hairstreak.

Directions: From 101 North, take 116 West to the town of Sebastapol. From downtown Sebastapol, follow the Bodega Hwy (12 West) about 10 minutes. Look for Sexton Rd. and take a left. Drive about 500 yards and take the driveway at the mailbox 460 Sexton Rd. on your right. (The actual address is 450.) Drive very slowly down driveway and across the small creek. Park in or just outside the nursery or inquire for parking options if necessary. The area is surrounded by private property and residences so please respect the neighbors!

Parking at the site is limited. A leaderless carpool will leave from the Lucas Valley Rd. Park & Ride on the east side of Hwy. 101 at 10 a.m.

NATIVE BEAUTY ON OUR TRAFFIC MEDIANS

By Marcia Basalla, Marin CNPS member

Take a drive to the entrance of Pacheco Valle in Novato to observe and enjoy a Native California landscape on a large traffic island. It is a vignette of our Oak Woodland, Grassland, and Chaparral plant communities.

Sponsored by Novato's Streetscape Advocacy Committee, I "adopted" this island and the landscape was installed with the help of Novato's Park and Maintenance Department on July 8, 2009. The City of Novato also provided beautiful native rocks to complement the planting and serve as focal points and accents to the landscape. The site has a perimeter of 560 feet and had been barren for a number of years. After the preliminary remediation (scraping the dead grass and weeds from the surface of the island, rototilling, and drilling holes for the plants) was done, a complete irrigation system was installed and the site was planted without a weed barrier at my request. Wood chip mulch was provided by the City of Novato. No Roundup was used for weed control.

The plants have survived and thrived with a minimum mortality rate. Included in the plant palette: three species of buckwheat and *Achillea*; two species of *Salvia*; two species of *Ribes*; a *Diplacus* (bush monkeyflower); and many grasses, perennials and annuals. The irrigation was turned off as winter rains began and turned on again in May. It now runs once a week for 20 minutes. I'm hoping by this time next year, irrigation will not be required.

The response from the community has been fantastic and heartwarming! They have witnessed the progress of this project from the one-gallon pots placed on site, to a flourishing garden one year later. Many residents stop to compliment, thank, and inquire about the plants. I have given out plant lists to those interested. Folks have even given me lunch, coffee, and candy! Interest in the plants demonstrates that native plants can be a beautiful, viable choice for residential gardens. In the last year I have learned that beauty is universal as beautiful settings create happiness and serenity for people. So how can you dispute using natives as a main choice for a landscape?

Now that this project is stable, I hope to involve local residents with some weeding and planting, but I still plan to take the lead in overall maintenance per the adoption contract. I also hope to design more islands in Novato to create a patchwork corridor for wildlife. I believe these traffic islands will also serve as very public native demonstration gardens, being viewed frequently by local residents. Perhaps we may eventually change natives' reputation of being frail, ratty, and

lacking color. Using them in this format is one more way to showcase their natural beauty and bring them into the mainstream of landscape design.

If you would like to find out more, or participate in this project and other median landscaping, contact Marcia at marciabasalla@hotmail.com.



RARE PLANT OF THE MONTH

Text and photo by Doreen Smith

Newly recognized as becoming more and more uncommon is variable owl's-clover (*Castilleja ambigua* ssp. *ambigua*), CNPS List 4.2. This means it is not yet threatened or endangered, but numbers are declining statewide.

Even though there are two other subspecies split off from the root taxon, the remaining members of the group are still very variable from location to location. Marin has three forms all put together as ssp. *ambigua*. One is in coast salt marshes, another in coastal grasslands, and the third grows inland in seasonal wetlands (Lagunitas Meadows, MMWD).



Above: Variable owl's clover (*Castilleja ambigua* ssp. *ambigua*)

Most likely to be seen, even as late as September, is the salt marsh forma. This is distinguished by habitat of course; also there are pink tips to the upper part of the lower pouched petals. This is growing on Pt. Reyes at Limantour Estero, in Bolinas just north of Pine Gulch Creek delta, and near Rodeo Beach. Other populations have been reported for Marin about the San Pablo Bay but I haven't found them.

MENDOCINO WEEKEND PHOTOS



Above: Board members Stacey Pogorzelski, Jolie Egert, Wilma Follette, and Phyllis Faber on the Memorial Day Weekend Mendocino Coast trip



Above: Plant identification on the Mendocino coast



Above: California poppies (*Eschscholzia californica*) and cream cups (*Platystemon californicus*) on the Mendocino coast

UPCOMING CNPS WORKSHOPS

September 2010 (TBA): Vegetation Mapping

Location: San Diego

Instructors: Todd Keeler-Wolf, Julie Evens

Price and exact location for this workshop are still pending.

September 28-30: Legends of the Fall—Exploring the Clandestine Flora of Early Fall in the Eastern Mojave Desert

Location: UC Granite Mountains Desert Research Center

Instructors: Jim Andre and Tasha LaDoux

Cost: CNPS Members \$435 | Non-members \$460

Includes meals and dorm lodging for two days and two nights.

November 17-20: Negotiation Skills for Environmental Problem Solving

Location: UC Davis

Instructor: Jim Nelson

Cost: CNPS Members \$395 | Non-members \$420

November 20-21: Plant Taxonomy Teacher Training

Location: Regional Parks Botanic Garden, Wildcat Canyon Drive Tilden Park, Berkeley

Instructor: Dr. Glenn Keator

Hours: 10 a.m.– 4 p.m. both days

Cost: CNPS Members \$100 | Non-members \$125

Includes syllabus for semester- or quarter-length course, coffee, tea, and lunch.

To register or for more information, visit www.cnps.org/cnps/education/workshops, or contact Josie Crawford at (916) 447-2677 or jcrawfordcnps.org.



A LETTER FROM THE FAMILY OF JOE KOHN

To All Members,

I am pleased to present the enclosed check for \$10,000 to your organization on behalf of my brother, Joe.

Joe was a proud CNPS member, and while no longer with us physically, I'm certain that his spirit and determination and love of nature and the environment will live within us in a positive way for many future generations to come.

With best regards,

The Kohn family

Editor's note: Donation is from the estate of Joe Kohn.

BOARD NEWS

Membership Committee Member Wanted!

We are looking for someone to join our chapter Membership Committee. The tasks for this person would be to:

1. Follow up via email or "snail mail" with members who have not renewed;
2. Communicate with the State membership committee;
3. Create a simple membership report for our Board meetings (seven meetings per year); and
4. Recommend and implement ideas, with the assistance of the Board and committees, for appropriate ways for our chapter to increase membership.

Please contact Stacey Pogorzelski at (415) 789-0475 or spilogales@hotmail.com for more information.

Book Transportation Still Needed

Many thanks to Doyleen McMurtry, who is helping Daniel Kushner with book sales at our meetings! We could still use some help transporting the books between the membership meetings and where they are housed in Mill Valley.

Board of Directors

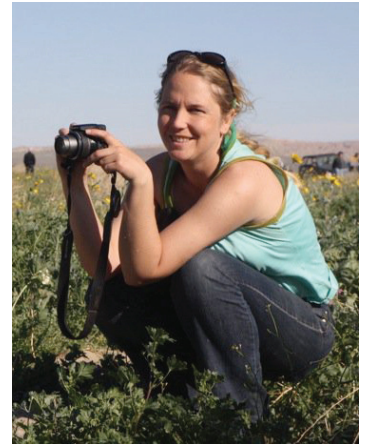
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Please contact Kristin Jakob at (415) 388-1844 if you have questions or may be able to help.

Meet Our New Secretary, Amelia Ryan!

Amelia developed a love of botany growing up in the hills of western Sonoma county. She has a bachelor's degree in plant biology from UC Davis and a master's degree in biology from San Francisco State that was focused on salt marsh plant ecology.

After receiving her bachelor's, Amelia spent two years as a volunteer science teacher in Namibia. This experience lead to a fascination with the flora of southern Africa, in addition to that of California. She has worked for Point Reyes National Seashore as a wetland and vegetation biologist since 2003.



Above: Amelia Ryan by Jacoba Charles

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

CNPS MEMBERSHIP/DONATIONS

The mission of California Native Plant Society is to conserve California native plants and their natural habitats, and increase understanding, appreciation, and horticultural use of native plants. Membership is open to everyone.

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, Ashley Ratcliffe, for more information.

Join or Renew Online

Renew your CNPS membership online using a credit card. As an option, set it to renew automatically year after year. It's quick, easy, convenient, and reduces renewal mailing costs.

Visit www.cnps.org and click **Join/Renew**.

Join or Renew by Mail

Yes! I wish to affiliate with the Marin Chapter.

New Member Renewal

Membership Category:

- Mariposa Lily \$1,500
- Benefactor \$600
- Patron \$300
- Plant Lover \$100
- Family, Group, or Library \$75
- Individual \$45
- Student or Limited Income \$25

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If you wish to receive only the newsletter, please make a \$10 check payable to **CNPS Marin** and mail to: Daniel Kushner, 201 Ross St., San Rafael, CA 94901.

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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 the general fund, which will enable the Chapter to extend our efforts to plant conservation and education. Our regular, ongoing program and operating expenses are largely covered by our plant sales and book and poster sales.

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Web www.marin.edu/cnps (Marin chapter)

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

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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).

Prices:	Hard cover	Soft cover
Retail	\$45 (plus \$3.49 tax)	\$35 (plus \$2.71 tax)
CNPS members (20% off)	\$36 (plus \$2.79 tax)	\$28 (plus \$2.17 tax)



WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you would like to make a suggestion for a chapter meeting program, field trip, plant identification workshop, or anything else, please contact us. You can phone or email your ideas to any of the board members listed on page 8 of the newsletter.

PLANT COMMUNITIES OF MARIN COUNTY

Do you want to learn more about the diverse plant communities of this special county?

Plant Communities of Marin County, written by David Shuford and Irene C. Timossi and illustrated with exquisite black and white photographs of the communities and their member species, is an excellent resource. Send your check payable to **CNPS** for \$11 per copy (shipping, handling, and tax included) to:

Phyllis Faber
212 Del Casa Dr.
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