



California Native Plant Society

MARIN CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

Tiburon Mariposa Lily (Calochortus tiburonensis)

Marin Chapter established 1973

Monday, June 9, Marin Chapter Meeting

Debra Trock on “Botanizing Western North America: 160 Years at the California Academy of Sciences”

Native plant lovers and local history buffs may have heard the story of how botany curator Alice Eastwood climbed up the shattered staircase to the sixth floor of the California Academy of Sciences building after the 1906 earthquake and rescued the collection of botanical type specimens before the building burned. But there's more to this story and to other stories of botanical exploration and plant collection by Ms. Eastwood and the many botanists who have contributed to the academy's herbarium. Debra Trock will introduce us to the collection and share stories of some of the botanists and collectors whose work has made this repository of biodiversity information the largest collection of vascular plant specimens in the western U.S. and the sixth largest in the country.

Debra Trock is Senior Collections Manager in the Botany Department at the California Academy of Sciences. She holds a PhD in botany from Kansas State University, and her research focuses on the taxonomy of the tribe Senecioneae (Asteraceae), particularly the genus *Senecio* and its segregates. She is also involved



Pre-1906 herbarium at the California Academy of Sciences

with the Flora of North America project and serves as member-at-large on the board of the Society for the Preservation of Natural History Collections.



Alice Eastwood in Los Angeles County

June meeting:

5:30 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 call Gerd or Kristin Jakob at 415.388.1844 at least one day ahead 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.

Note: There will be no membership meetings in July or August; look for notice of a September membership event in the September newsletter.



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, outreach program for schoolchildren, or anything else that could help us improve our service to the public, please contact us. You can phone or email your ideas to any of the board members listed on page 8.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The twice-yearly plant sales are important fund-raisers for our chapter, but more than that, these events are also a way to reach out to the general public and introduce people to the important work CNPS does throughout the state to help preserve California's wild lands and incredible biodiversity. I want to thank CNPS members who have been loyally supporting these plant sales for decades now; many bring friends and fellow gardeners.

I especially want to thank committee members for all the "behind the scenes" work and planning that is such a necessary part of putting on a successful event. Jean Ballestero did a terrific job of lining up speakers and interacting with our guest organizations. Jean also put together a questionnaire designed to help us refine the sales events, and Gisela le Maitre organized volunteers to query the crowd for feedback. Some brief results:

- More than half of those polled came looking for native plants; one quarter were seeking hard-to-find species.
- One quarter came to hear one of our speakers.
- Shoppers were glad we hold a sale twice a year.
- Many considered this the best local natives sale with the best helpers.
- The diverse plant selection and provided information were very much appreciated.

These sale events are a good opportunity for our organization to reach out to the community; the majority of people polled were not CNPS members—that is, not YET!

Gisela deftly coordinated the many volunteers needed for all the tasks before, during, and after the sale. Alison Blume worked tirelessly to get stories and publicity about the event out to all the local media channels. Jim Kasper provided valuable guidance and feedback in all areas.

Volunteers grew about 80 percent of the plants we offered at this sale; eventually we hope to grow all the plants that we'll offer for sale. This year we had to restrain ourselves a bit because of concern over the drought conditions we're facing, and because we are looking for a new location for our nursery operations. We will still be propagating, but on a much smaller scale in my backyard nursery in Novato. We'll be growing natives from locally sourced seeds, and from propagules provided by a network of Marin gardeners with mother plants.

We will still have plants available for community and restoration projects, as well as school gardens. Until we find another location for the nursery, native plant gardeners who are looking for a particular species can check with me, or find an inventory list on my website: www.homegroundhabitatnursery.org.

—Charlotte Torgovitsky

CALIFORNIA BOTANICAL SOCIETY'S VISIT TO THE TIBURON PENINSULA



Eva recounting some Ring Mountain Preserve history

On April 26, the California Botanical Society held its annual meeting and banquet at the Romberg Center in Tiburon. Earlier in the day, the botanists visiting from all over California were divided up into two groups and Doreen Smith and Eva Buxton led field trips on the county's Ring Mountain and Old St. Hilary's preserves. In addition to a beautiful display of spring flowers, we saw the special-status Tiburon paintbrush (*Castilleja affinis* ssp. *neglecta*) and Oakland star tulip (*Calochortus umbellatus*) in bloom, as well as Tiburon mariposa lily (*C. tiburonensis*) and Tiburon jewelflower (*Streptanthus glandulosus* ssp. *niger*) in bud.



Doreen leading enthusiastic botanists back to the trail

Dr. Susan Harrison of UC Davis was the keynote speaker, presenting her research on the potential effect on various plant communities from climate change.

ZEN OF WEEDING

Habitat Restoration at Samuel P. Taylor St. Park
Second Friday & second Sunday of every month,
1–3 p.m.

2014 is the fourth year for our Marin CNPS collaboration with Samuel P. Taylor State Park and San Geronimo Valley's SPAWN (Salmon Protection and Watershed Network). Our list of exotic invasives has grown to about 10, although we focus mainly on *Myosotis latifolia* (forget-me-nots).

This is easy, companionable work. Spending time working under the redwoods restores our spirits as well as the habitat. Our goal is an invasive-free park. We want all the campers and visitors to Samuel P. Taylor Park to discover a more pristine native habitat. Bring your friends, neighbors, and families to join in this great project. We guarantee you will have fun and get hooked on weeding the woods.

We meet just before 1 p.m. at the far end of the picnic area. Bring gloves and get a free parking pass when you volunteer.

Contact Nancy Hanson at nandeanacomcast.net if you want to attend, need more info, or want notice of other work parties at Samuel P. Taylor Park.



CNPS RARE PLANT TREASURE HUNT DATES

Check out details for each of these trips on the Rare Plant Treasure Hunt event calendar: www.cnps.org/cnps/rareplants/treasurehunt/calendar.php. There are a lot more trips this year that involve backpacking to remote sites, but also have a few trips involving easier day hikes. We hope you can join us for a trip, and if you don't see one in your area, write back for help with planning your own trip!

- **June 2–4**
Tassajara Hot Springs Backpacking (Monterey County)
- **June 7–8**
Knoxville Serpentine Day Hike (Lake/Napa County)
- **June 13–15**
Lottie Potrero Backpacking (Monterey/SLO County)
- **June 21–22**
Silver Peak Wilderness Downhill-Only Day Hike (Monterey/SLO County)
- **June 28–29**
RPTH and Adopt-a-Botanical-Area Training near Arcata (Humboldt County)

Hope to see you out in the field this season!
—Danny Slakey, CNPS, dslakey@cnps.org

NEW FIELD GUIDE TO LICHENS

The new book *A Field Guide to California Lichens* by Stephen Sharnoff is now available. It has color photos and descriptions of about 500 species, including many crusts. One can order it from Yale University Press or from amazon.com, and it should be in local bookstores very soon if it's not already there. We will have copies for sale at our chapter meetings.

Lace lichen is under consideration for becoming the state lichen in California. It's mostly coastal, and especially likes to grow on oaks in river valleys but can be found in a few spots in the Sierra foothills as well; essentially it's a far west species, from Baja California to British Columbia. Strands of it can grow to be over a meter long, and it's the only North American lichen that forms nets. Mule deer will sometimes stand on their hind legs to eat it.



Ramalina menziesii (lace lichen)—
Stephen Sharnoff



BUZZ ON BY THE BAY TO THE GARDENERS WORK PARTY FOR POLLINATORS!

Marin CNPS, in cooperation with Richardson Bay Audubon Center and Sanctuary, is in the process of developing the gardens at the Audubon site in Tiburon. We are starting with a pollinator garden in front of the historic Lyford House.

We invite all interested gardeners to join us on the first Thursday of the month at 10 a.m. to help prepare the site for fall planting. Bring gloves, hat, sunscreen, any favorite gardening hand tools, and a picnic lunch. Rain does cancel.

Richardson Bay Audubon Center and Sanctuary is located at 376 Greenwood Beach Road, Tiburon.

RSVPs appreciated but not required. For more information, contact Renee Fittinghoff at reneef94941@gmail.com.

JUNE 2014 FIELD TRIPS

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 hike leaders with any questions about individual hikes.

Field Trip Plant Lists

Plant lists for many of the locations we visit can be found on the chapter website: www.cnpsmarin.org. Additional plant lists may be available; to enquire, contact Doreen Smith at dsmith@lvha.net.

Ring Mountain Walking and Sketching Day

Saturday, June 7, 10:30 a.m.–3 p.m.

A dry spring may hold some surprises. We hope to find still in bloom several of this Marin County Open Space preserve's rare plants, including Tiburon mariposa lily (*Calochortus tiburonensis*), found only at this location, and Marin dwarf flax (*Hesperolinon congestum*). Other lovely flowers we can expect to see include Ithuriel's spear (*Triteleia laxa*) and farewell-to-spring (*Clarkia rubicunda*). Participants able to linger until after 4 p.m. will be treated to the delightful sight of clouds of the whitish starry flowers of soap plant (*Chlorogalum pomeridianum*) which seem to hover over the grasses. The top of the ridge affords 360-degree views, and serpentine rock outcroppings host an array of interesting plants. A plant list is available on our website.

Meet at the top end of Westward Dr., off Paradise Dr. in Corte Madera, a few blocks east of the Paradise Shopping Center (comestibles and restrooms available at Paradise Market). Latecomers will easily find our group higher up the trail that starts from the end of Westward. Bring sketching supplies, lunch, plenty of water, and clothes for possibly cold, hot, and/or windy weather conditions. This will be a joint outing of the Northern California Society of Botanical Artists (NCalSBA) with the Marin Chapter of CNPS.

Leaders: Kristin Jakob, kristinjakob@att.net, 415.388.1844 and Bernard Halliwell, greyfriarsmarin@gmail.com, 415.383.6701.

A Diversity of Dune Plants at Abbotts Lagoon

Sunday, June 22, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Coastal dunes aren't just for non-native beachgrass and iceplant! Much of the coastal landscape has been

invaded by non-native species or developed into beachfront real estate, but there are still places where native communities are being preserved and restored. The native dune mat community near Abbotts Lagoon is uniquely beautiful and amazing with its many small species thriving in the face of exposure to the harsh, coastal elements.

Special adaptations allow these species to survive. Despite their tenacity, many native dune plants are rare because of limited habitat availability. In their habitat at Point Reyes, however, most of the rare species are locally abundant, and peak bloom for rare wallflower, lupine, or monardella species can be quite impressive!

This walk will explore the dune mat plant community, including the federally endangered Tidestrom's lupine and other rare species that grow with it. We'll discuss some dune ecology and review the nearby restoration activities.

Total distance will be five or six miles, mostly level with some walking in loose sand. Meet at the Abbotts Lagoon trailhead. Dress in layers. Bring lunch, water, and a hat.

Leader: Sarah Minnick (Ring Mountain Stewardship Coordinator), sarahsnail@hotmail.com



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

* **Monday 6/2, 7 p.m.**

Chapter Board Meeting at the MA&GC, Ross

* **Thursday 6/5, 10 a.m. (also 7/3, 8/7)**

First Thursdays by the Bay, Audubon Center, Tiburon

* **Saturday 6/7, 10:30 a.m.–3 p.m.**

Chapter Field Trip: Ring Mountain Walking and Sketching Day (with the Northern CA Society of Botanical Artists)

* **Sunday 6/8 & Friday 6/13, 1–3 p.m. (also 7/11, 7/13, 8/8, 8/10)**

Habitat Restoration at Samuel P. Taylor St. Park

* **Monday 6/9, 7:30–9:30 p.m.**

Chapter Meeting: Debra Trock on "Botanizing Western North America: 160 Years at the California Academy of Sciences"

* **Sunday 6/22, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**

Chapter Field Trip: A Diversity of Dune Plants at Abbotts Lagoon

* **Saturday 6/28, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. (also 7/26, 8/30)**

Ring Mountain Drop-in Volunteer Day

* **Saturday 7/12, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.**

Chapter Board Meeting & Potluck, Gilbert House, Marshall

* **Tuesday 9/2, 7 p.m.**

Chapter Board Meeting at the MA&GC, Ross

* **Monday 10/13, 7:30–9:30 p.m.**

Chapter Meeting: Dylan Burge, new Chair of Western Botany, California Academy of Sciences, topic TBA

* **Monday 11/10, 7:30–9:30 p.m.**

Chapter Meeting: Sarah Swope on "Tiburon Mariposa Lily"

MARIN CHAPTER'S 38TH ANNUAL SPRING PLANT SALE



Everyone loves native plants!

where I have no intention of installing irrigation. A few summers with this "time-release water," and native plants are then "on their own." Pollinators are on lots of people's minds these days, and Mike Turner from Marin Coastal Bees gave an interesting overview of "Our Long Relationship with Honeybees."



Andy Liu and butterfly host plants

The spring weather has been unpredictable, to say the least, but on the day of the plant sale, it couldn't have been more beautiful! Still, the lack of sufficient rainfall has some gardeners worried, and still others much more interested in planting drought-tolerant California natives. We love introducing gardeners to the wonderful native plants we grow, but we also want to inform them about the "How" and the "Why." To that end, we invite other organizations to participate and help to spread the word, and also offer several free talks during the day.

DriWater may be a new product to some, but it's been around for years, and I've used it to successfully establish plants under native oaks, Butterflies are also pollinators, and of course everyone loves to see these beauties in the garden. Andy Liu and Sal Levinson set up an amazing and beautiful display of caterpillars of a number of local species. Their message: planting larval host plants is the way to create a magical summer garden.



Carefully selecting plants

Many thanks also to our partner organizations: Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program (McSTOPPP), North Marin Water District, Novato Streetscape, DriWater, and Sustainable Novato. Their participation enhanced our event, spreading the message about cultivating a love of California's native plants.

For months now we've been growing hundreds of plants, tending, grooming, and labeling them for our customers. Thank You to Suzi K., Nancy B., Lila M., Treva M., Gulden C., Georgia F., Genevieve C., Nancy H., and Renee F.; many of these ladies also helped with sales and others tasks. Amelia R., Alison B., and Lynn L. all helped our customers select the right plants for their particular situation; Martha P. and Judie B. were also there to help people with their plant purchases.

Thanks also to Jim G., Liz P., and Jim K., who helped with setup and displays in preparation for the sale. Cindy L.M., Karen B., and Jean B. all helped make our speakers and partner organizations get settled and feel welcomed. The job of cashiering was ably handled by Daniel K., Sam G., and Annette A.; books, posters and cards were sold by Doyleen M., Gerd J., and Susan P.



Gisela administering questionnaire

Sam A. and Carolyn L. helped promote our own organization, and signed up several new Marin chapter members. Thank you to Harold Hirsch who recorded the day with photos, some of which are shown here.

A "thousand thanks" to all our wonderful volunteers: each one cheerfully took on various tasks and played an important part in the overall success of this event.

—Plant Sale Committee Co-Chairs,
Charlotte Torgovitsky & Kristin Jakob



Happy with their purchases

MEET A MEMBER: VERNON SMITH

Originally I am from Oldham, an industrial town in Lancashire. This was once the cotton-spinning capital of the world, but the hundreds of mills are now long gone or used as warehouses. After attending Manchester Grammar School, I went to the University of Bristol, in the western part of England, studying physics and mathematics. In my last year there I met Doreen, who was in her second year studying botany and zoology. While Doreen finished her degree, I took a job at an aerospace company with headquarters in Hatfield, Hertfordshire working on computer simulations for guided missiles. My job as a rocket scientist only lasted one year because I decided that I would rather work on helping people instead of developing weapons. In 1962 I began work in Medical Physics in the Radiation Oncology Department of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and concurrently I enrolled in a part-time Masters course in Medical Physics at St. Bartholomew's Medical College. One benefit of my time in aerospace was that it introduced me to the world of computers, which played a key role in my work for the rest of my career.

Doreen and I got married in 1963 and we moved into an apartment in Chiswick, which was convenient to her first job at Kew Herbarium. I commuted into central London each day. We later moved out of London to Potters Bar, some 20 miles north of London. I continued at St. Bartholomew's Hospital until December 1966. Then we emigrated to California, where I had accepted a position as a Medical Physicist in Radiation Oncology at the University of California in San Francisco. We thought this would be just a temporary stay, but I became a Professor and worked here for the next nearly 40 years, finally retiring in 2005. Along the way I decided that I would like to get a Ph.D. and was accepted into the Graduate Program in Bioengineering offered jointly by the campuses of the University of California at Berkeley and San Francisco. I took a year's sabbatical to do most of the coursework and then went back to my job, but they allowed me to work on my research part time. I finally received my Ph.D. about five years later at the age of 50.

I have always loved hiking and the outdoors. When I was a teenager I would hike in the Pennines, a range of

hills and moorland separating Lancashire and Yorkshire. In the late 70s I started taking summer backpack trips, exploring the wilder parts of the Sierra Nevada and the canyons of the desert southwest, and occasionally venturing to other far-off places, including the mountains of the South Island of New Zealand. My last backpacking trips, in 2011 and 2012, were along the Wonderland Trail, which circles Mt. Rainier. I enjoyed photographing the scenery and also the wildflowers I saw along the way so that I could show Doreen what I had seen.



Of course I also took many trips with Doreen to see plants in different parts of California and the West. Through constant exposure to the plants with Doreen, a little of what Doreen knows might have rubbed off on me, but I have never had any formal training in botany or the biological sciences. I love taking photos of the plants and Doreen is a tremendous resource, able to tell me what the plants are and to point out the important features to look for in identification.

Since retiring, I have had more time to spend on my interests. These include not only hiking and photographing plants, but also an interest in genealogy. I have researched not only my own Smith family, but also Doreen's family, and have found challenging problems in the obscure history of some people in both of them. More recently I have extended my interest to include using DNA testing to assist in the genealogical research. I am on the Board of the Marin County Genealogical Society, with a responsibility to produce the newsletter for the Society, and I am just starting to coordinate a DNA for Genealogy Interest Group.

When I learned that the Marin Chapter of the CNPS wanted to create a new website, it seemed a good opportunity to use my skills in a creative way and I volunteered to join the web development team. As announced in recent newsletter issues and our e-bulletins, we have now launched the new website and I am continuing as webmaster. I'm also responsible for the "In the Wild" section of the site. I encourage you to send me reports on the wildflowers you have seen, as well as any photos that you want to submit. I will be happy to post the reports on the site. We want to know what's blooming out there!



Calochortus umbellatus
(Oakland star tulip)



Calochortus luteus (yellow mariposa lily)

PLANT OF THE MONTH: NAVARRETIA

Text by Doreen Smith; photos by Vernon Smith

Navarretia is a genus in the Gilia family (Polemoniaceae) that usually flowers late in spring here in Marin. The species most familiar to us native plant folks is the common skunkweed, *Navarretia squarrosa*. It needs no further introduction after we have made a first acquaintance of the significant downside of that pretty little blue wildflower.



Navarretia leucocephala ssp. *bakeri* (Baker's navarretia)

The rare white-flowered vernal pool species, *Navarretia leucocephala* ssp. *bakeri*, Baker's navarretia, is the featured species today. Found at only one site in the county, it can be abundant most years growing along the edges of Hidden Lake on Mt. Burdell. The flowering season begins in May and lasts as long as the habitat doesn't dry up completely.



Field trip to Hidden Lake, Mt. Burdell

When Mt. Burdell became a public preserve, three new-to-Marin species of *Navarretia* were found to add to the six species mentioned in Howell's *Marin Flora* of 1970. Two are CNPS-listed rare species: the featured *N. leucocephala* ssp. *bakeri* and *N. cotulifolia*. The last of the three is the locally-common species *N. pubescens*. (Photos of the other *Navarretia* species mentioned in this article can be found on the chapter website.)

Marin is not known for being prime vernal pool country, so this site is about as good as we get. With the

Navarretia are other locally unusual plants: the fern ally Howell's quillwort (*Isoetes howellii*), button-root celery (*Eryngium aristulatum* var. *aristulatum*), vernal-pool boisduvalia (*Epilobium pygmaeum*), Howell's foxtail grass (*Alopecurus saccatus*), hedge-hyssop (*Gratiola ebractata*), and in early spring, floating mats of Lobb's white water-buttercup (*Ranunculus lobbii*).

RING MOUNTAIN GRASSLAND RESTORATION PROJECT

Saturday, June 28, July 26, and August 30, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Join us for our monthly drop-in volunteer workdays as we focus on restoring the grasslands of Ring Mountain! The open-space preserve is home to numerous rare and endangered plant species, but this habitat is being threatened by invasive species. In June, we will focus on learning to identify native grasses in order to collect their seeds! We will use these seeds to grow natives in our nursery and later plant them out on Ring Mountain in our restoration plots. Location: end of Taylor Road, off Paradise Dr., Tiburon.



Danthonia californica—Kristin Jakob

For the July drop-in event, we will be working in Ring Mountain's freshwater marsh, removing invasive tall fescue plants. Location: Phyllis Ellman trailhead on Paradise Dr. in Corte Madera. The August drop-in activity is yet to be determined. Location: end of Taylor Road, off Paradise Dr., Tiburon.

Work is mildly strenuous and takes place on uneven terrain, but is family-friendly. Drop-in days are held on the last Saturday of every month (except November and December). Dress in layers, wear sturdy shoes, and bring water. Questions: contact Ring Mountain Stewardship Coordinator Sarah Minnick at 415.473.5058 or SMinnick@marincounty.org.

Check the Marin County Parks website events calendar (www.marincountyparks.org/depts/pk/calendar) for the latest info on meeting times, locations, and activities.

HELP NEEDED FOR BOOK SALES, STORAGE, AND TRANSPORT!

Doyleen McMurtry has retired from book sales, a position she has graciously held for a number of years. The chapter urgently needs one or more volunteers to sell books at our membership meetings and plant sales, if these sales are to continue. Also welcome would be a volunteer to store the inventory, and to bring a selection to and from our meetings and events. This could easily be a shared position, with storage and transport handled by a different volunteer from the salesperson. Please contact Kristin Jakob at 415.388.1844 or kristinjakob@att.net if you have questions or you can help.



2014 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The Marin Chapter of CNPS is pleased to announce the winners of its 2014 scholarships. The Ken Howard Scholarship (new this year) has been awarded to Ms. Lizette Guzman Zaragoza of San Francisco State

University for her project titled "Understanding the evolutionary history of *Arctostaphylos* using comparative genomics." Hers will be the first attempt to sequence all of the genes of selected species of manzanita and is expected to clear up continuing confusion about relationships among members of this complex group. The Joe Kohn Scholarship has been awarded to Ms. Lois Lynn McCubbin, also of SFSU, for her proposal "Correlation of specific leaf area of chaparral shrub species with local soil and climatic conditions." Working at sites in Marin, she will collect data that will be analyzed with the goal of predicting future responses of different plants to impending climate change. We congratulate both winners and wish them the best in their research.



SIGN UP FOR E-BULLETINS TO KEEP UP WITH CNPS MARIN NEWS!

Periodic e-bulletins are sent out to members and others who wish to be reminded of upcoming events and activities or notified of schedule changes. To sign up, please write to Jim Desser at jdesser@gmail.com.

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The mission of the 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 benefits include informative publications, field trips, monthly programs, and discounts on books and posters. Also included are *Fremontia* (a journal with articles on all aspects of native plants published three times/year), the *Bulletin* (a quarterly statewide report of activities and schedules), and the chapter newsletter. Please call the membership chairperson, Charlotte Torgovitsky, for more information.

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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.

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Join or Renew by Mail

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New Member Renewal

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- Patron \$300
- Plant Lover \$100
- Family, Group, or Library \$75
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Saturday, July 12, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Our summer board meeting will take place at the Marshall home of Sam Gilbert's father, Anthony Gilbert. The meeting will commence at 10 a.m., followed by a potluck lunch at 12:30 p.m., and may resume for a little while after lunch. Bring a dish and beverage to share, and please RSVP by July 10 to Kristin Jakob (415.388.1844, kristinjakob@att.net) or David Long (415.383.1942, sfdlong@ix.netcom.com) to receive directions; ride sharing will be encouraged.



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