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Monterey Bay Chapter

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CNPS Plant Sale Preview!

It is no secret that autumn is the best time of year to add new plants to your garden. And there is no shortage of nurseries, botanic gardens and organizations that would like to sell you the plants. We think the best place to get your plants is our chapter's, over four decades running, annual native plant sale coming up in October. To prove our point, we would like to show you what we will be selling and tell you a bit about them at the September general meeting. Plant sale chairman and expert native plantsman Pat Regan will share photos and handouts about the plants that will be featured at the sale. New introductions, rare and unusual, local heroes and the best plants for hedges, ground covers, long term color and wildlife attraction will be featured in the slideshow and grouped in lists to take home to help you prepare for shopping the sale. Whether you are a novice looking for your first native plant or a seasoned veteran of native horticulture you are sure to find something to try.

Pat Regan is a long-time CNPS member, vice president of the Monterey Bay Chapter and co-chair of our Horticulture Committee. A veteran of 33 years planting and growing California native plants in autumn from San Diego to Sacramento. He is owner of Regan Biological and Horticultural Consulting and Native Plant Specialist for MEarth at Hilton Bialek Habitat.

General Meeting • Thursday, September 13

Visiting and Book Purchasing from 7:00pm

Meeting and Program Begin at 7:30pm

Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History



STEWARDSHIP

Every First Saturday and Third Sunday weed bashes continue and will be held at the following times and dates: September 1 and October 16 at Point Lobos Ranch from 1 to 4pm. September 16 and October 21 at Soberanes Creek from 11am to 2pm. Contact Bruce at bdelgado62@gmail.com or 277-7690 for meeting locations and other details.

To help with broom at Monterey's Quarry Park, please contact Al Washburn at awashburn8@comcast.net.

FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS

Tuesday, September 4

Andrew Molera State Park Hike

Field Trip

This is a loop hike of ±7.5 miles with a total of ±1,300 feet gain and one steep stretch but otherwise moderate to nearly level hiking at an easy pace. We will cross open grassland into shady redwoods and oaks into sunny chaparral and panoramic vistas, including

ocean views (& maybe see Condors). We will move at a leisurely pace stopping frequently to examine interesting wild flowers, trees, shrubs, a honeybee hive, and a pygmy redwood grove. Bring lots of water and a lunch. Dress in layers for all possible weather. Led by Stanley Dudek.



Got a native habitat in your garden? Is your landscape abuzz with life? Does your garden show its California colors year-round? Planting California native plants will always make sure you can answer "yes!" In its fifth decade, the annual fall native plant sale of the Monterey Bay Chapter of California Native Plant Society is THE source for beautiful PLANTS, on-topic BOOKS, and sage ADVICE, whether you are new to or well-experienced in the fun of landscaping with California native plants. Come join us!

CNPS members receive 10% off on plant and book purchases. Not yet a member? Join the day of the sale and start receiving membership benefits immediately.

The sale plant list will be posted on our website by September 29. Go to <http://montereybay.cnps.org>

Saturday, October 6

10:00am to 1:00pm

MEarth HILTON BIALEK HABITAT

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You must register for field trips online at:

www.meetup.com/The-Monterey-Bay-Area-Hiking-Group

Field trips for Sept/Oct will be on Meetup Sunday, **Aug 26**.

Field trips for Nov/Dec will be on Meetup Sunday, **Oct 21**, **before the snail mail newsletters arrive in your mailbox.**

(Be sure to mark your calendar with both dates.)

Tuesday, September 11

Field Trip

Williams Canyon Hike to Mitteldorf Preserve

This lovely hike is ± 5 miles with ± 400 feet elevation gain. The hike is along Williams Canyon Road and alongside several creeks into Big Sur Land Trust's Mitteldorf Preserve. We'll see spectacular redwoods, many ferns, redwood sorrel and a few flowers. We'll also have lunch beside a rustic old hunting lodge and admire the county's largest diameter redwood. Bring water and lunch. Led by Lynn Bomberger.



Amy Pofcher studies her Yeager/Mitchell wildflower book peacefully beside a beautiful creek on Lynn Bomberger's Limekiln hike. Photo by Lynn

Wednesday, September 19

Field Trip

Nisene Marks Hike to Maple Falls

Join Andy Wemer on this ± 8 mile Nisene Marks hike with ± 700 feet elevation gain. Our path takes us through a lovely mostly redwood forest where we'll see a variety of ferns and possibly a few flowers. We will also hike alongside two beautiful creeks and eventually to serene Maple Falls. The trail into Maple Falls requires agility but when we get there, we'll relax for lunch at falls. Bring water, lunch and money for a park pass.



Look at the spectacular leopard lilies we saw on Lynn Bomberger's recent hike in Mitteldorf! It's always nice to escape into redwoods and ferns...the lilies were a fabulous bonus. Photo by Lynn

Saturday, September 29, 10am to Noon

Gardening Class

Native Plant Gardens: A Watershed Approach

Join us to design your own water-saving, habitat-friendly greenspace. You'll learn to select plants optimal for your specific watershed conditions; be it soil, sun or sea. Use newly-acquired knowledge to make your garden an active player within the environment. Registration is online at mprpd.org. 'Let's Go Outdoors.' The class will be at the Palo Corona Discovery Center at MPRPD, 4860 Carmel Valley Road. Instructor: Peigi Duvall, Indig Design

Thursday, October 4

Field Trip

Cypress Grove Discovery Walk

Join Jerry Loomis on a "questions encouraged" CNPS discovery walk in the Cypress Grove of Point Lobos. His focus will be on birds, native plants, Native American history, geology, marine biology and anything else we might find along the trail. Jerry was a park ranger at Point Lobos for 22 years and currently is a docent there. About 2 miles of easy walking. Bring water and lunch.



On Lynn Bomberger's Hastings Natural History Reserve field trip, we learned a lot about the complicated social life of acorn woodpeckers. Here, the group stands in front of the trunk of a ± 600 -year-old valley oak tree at the Reserve. Photo by Lynn

Monday, October 8

Field Trip

Andrew Molera Big Sur River Hike

This is a lovely shaded in-and-out hike along the Big Sur River on the Bobcat Trail. We'll see meadows, gorgeous sycamores spectacular redwood trees and have plenty opportunities to admire the Big Sur River. We'll also experience some road noise—this hike is not perfect, but very close. ± 5 miles with minimal ascent but with some irregular rocky terrain. Bring water and lunch. Led by Lynn Bomberger



Robert Kurner and Maggie Beecher of Rana Creek Nursery dazzled us with plant information and some amazing projects that the nursery has done. A few of their projects were the living roof of the California Academy of Sciences, Apple's new campus and Facebook's new campus. Photo by Irene Rosen

Tuesday, October 9

Field Trip

Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park

This is a strenuous to moderate through hike of ± 7 miles with a total elevation gain of $\pm 1,900$ feet. We begin at the Tanbark trailhead and hike up to the Tin House. Then to open hillside via the Waters Ridge Trail to lunch at a panoramic viewpoint on the Elwoldsen Trail. We'll end with a steep descent through mixed

hardwood forest and redwoods to the park entrance. We will make frequent stops to take in the views and examine interesting features of the terrain along the way. Bring lots of water and lunch. Dress in layers for all possible weather. Led by Stanley Dudek.

Wednesday, October 24

Field Trip

Del Monte Forest Hike From Carmel to Pebble Beach

This nicely shaded lollypop loop begins in Carmel and leads into the quiet Monterey pine forest of Pebble Beach. Lunch gives us the option of purchasing a Poppy Hills sandwich. ±6 miles, ±750 feet ascent with flora & fauna stops. Led by Lynn Bomberger

LOCAL NATIVE GARDENS



This is a Carmel native garden on a slope under oaks—a difficult gardening location looking beautiful. Photo by Peigi Duvall

ARTICLES, REQUESTS, ETC.

NATIVE PLANT GARDENS—ONGOING

Got natives in your garden? We would like to showcase local native plant gardens on our Monterey Bay CNPS social media—a virtual native plant garden tour! Whether deck size or greater, if you or someone you know would be willing to participate by having your gardens captured by image in any of its season's beauty, please contact Peigi Duvall, Horticulture Co-Chair, at (605)704-3926 or peigidv@indigdesign.com. No garden needs to be 'perfect' and, of course, all privacy will be respected. We're looking forward to seeing you and your garden soon!

FREE REGISTRATION!

Students, weed-warriors, dedicated native plant enthusiasts—check this out!!! The Monterey Bay Chapter is a co-sponsor of the upcoming CAL-IPC (Invasive Plant Council) conference in Monterey November 7-10. The Chapter can provide one free registration to the conference, so send Nikki Nedeff an email by

October 15 if you'd like to go to this information-packed conference (with workshops and field trips, too). She can fill you in on how to apply, nikki@ventanaview.net.

FUTURE POSTING OF FIELD TRIPS TO MEETUP

Beginning with the Nov/Dec issue of *The Wallflower*, for various reasons, field trips will be posted to Meetup much earlier than previously done—even before the snail mail newsletters arrive in mailboxes. A red text box stating when to check on Meetup may be found in our 'Field Trips & Events' section.

A FEW TIPS ON USING MEETUP

When you create a Meetup Profile, if you don't want a LOT of emails from Meetup, first of all, do not check any interests. Then, under Settings, go to 'Email Updates' (left side) and decide what you would like. But be sure to leave on 'Messages' so that your field trip leader may communicate with you. Finally, at the bottom of the 'Email Updates' page, under 'Updates About Your Groups', click 'Edit,' and again, decide what you would like.

If you would like guidance, please call Lynn at 375-7777. If you are non-tech, but want to go on field trips, please call Lynn.

ARE YOU MOVING?

If so, please let us know. Contact our Membership Chair, Brian LeNeve, at brian@brianleneve.com or 624-8497.

CAN YOU HELP?

Our local chapter of the Native Plant Society needs help both large and small. Please look at this list of areas where help is needed:

Treasurer

Our long-time Treasurer, Jim Pittman, will be retiring from his CNPS duties at the end of the year and the Chapter will need a new Treasurer. High math is not a requirement, just a penchant for detail. The Treasurer prepares quarterly summaries and keeps the Chapter's checkbook. Please speak with anyone on the Board if you are interested.

Meetings Facilitator

The Meetings Facilitator prepares the Pacific Grove Museum for our meetings every other month by setting up chairs and a few tables. After the meeting, the facilitator will help to put the items away.

Your help will be greatly appreciated! If you can help, please call Lynn Bomberger at 375-7777 or Carol LeNeve at 624-8497.



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