We had a nice hike and saw a lot of interesting things but we
saw very few fly agarics on this fly agaric hike. Selfie group
photo by Ann Pendleton

Sundays, March 20 & April 17
Stewardship
Soberanes Creek Cape Ivy Bash
Here Soberanes Creek falls into the ocean and needs our
help continuing to remove various invasive weeds—
primarily Cape ivy. On these third Sundays, meet in Car-
mel at the Rio Road Park and Ride by 11am—we’ll return
±2pm. All supplies provided. Bring a friend, water, and a
snack. Contact Bruce Delgado at bdelgado62@gmail.com
or 277-7690 for details.

Wednesday, April 6
Field Trip
Mount Madonna—from Serpentine to Redwoods Hike
Join Andy Werner on a wonderful tour of Mount Madonna
County Park on the eastern slopes of the Santa Cruz Mountains.
This is a fairly strenuous but shaded hike of about 6 miles with
about 1,500 feet elevation gain. We’ll walk through redwoods,
mixed woodland, chaparral, grasslands and much serpentine.
This park is very diverse and very well maintained. Meet by
9:30am at the Sprig parking area on the left side of Hwy 152

CALENDAR of FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS
Saturdays, March 5 & April 2
Stewardship
Broom Bash, East Side of Point Lobos State Reserve
Join us on these first Saturdays of the month in the beauti-
ful Monterey pine forest of East Point Lobos. We’ll use several
techniques to remove French broom and help re-
store this area that wants to thrive with native plants. Meet
in Carmel at the Rio Road Park and Ride by 1pm—we’ll return ±4pm. All supplies provided. Bring a friend, water
and a snack. For details, contact Bruce Delgado at 277-
7690 bdelgado62@gmail.com.

Introducing Bryophytes…
the other land plants
General Meeting Speaker: Ken Kellman
Bryophytes (mosses, liverworts, and hornworts) represent a
completely different solution to the evolutionary problem
of living on land. They lack the complex vascular system
that has made the “taller plants” so successful, but they
have evolved complex solutions that will surprise you. Ken
Kellman will show us how to recognize this important
group of plants with a short presentation, and then we
spend the rest of the evening looking closely at many
common bryophytes from the central coast.

Ken Kellman met his first bryophyte in 1995 during a vas-
cular plant survey of Quail Hollow Ranch in Santa Cruz
County. It did not take long for him to abandon normal
botanizing in pursuit of these tiny plants. He has published
“A Catalog of the Mosses of Santa Cruz County” and is
now collecting for a similar project in Monterey and San
Mateo counties. His explorations have revealed several
species new to science, and many more new to the central
coast and the state. He is an instructor at the Jepson Her-
barium weekend workshops in Bryology.

General Meeting ● Thursday, March 10
Visiting and Book Purchasing from 7:00pm
Meeting and Program Begin at 7:30pm
Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History

2016 Wildflower Show!
April 15, 16 & 17
Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History
See details on Page 2 or go to pgmuseum.org
Co-Chairs Brian LeNeve and Michael Mitchell invite you to the Annual Wildflower Show at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History. The rains so far this winter give us hope that we will have a good display. Whether we will be able to match last year’s record-breaking numbers of exhibits remains to be seen. We will do our best but we do of course need more rain – with a little bit of sun!

Ongoing during the show, members of CNPS will be available to identify plants or (hopefully) photos of plants for the public and Bruce Cowen will lead tours of the Museum’s native plant garden.

Each day at 11:00, there will be a class on “Identifying Plant Families” with instructor Sue Hubbard and at 3:30, there will be a "Drawing Wildflowers" workshop with Erin Hunter. There will be a $15.00 fee for the drawing class.

Friday at 2:00, Blake Jopling and Emily Underwood will give a talk on “Garden Design with Pollinators in Mind.”

Saturday at 1:00, Pat Regan will present a lecture/demo on "Native Plant Gardening in Pots."

Sunday at 2:00, Julie Evens will give a talk on “California Botanical Landscapes”, a vivid, photographically rich book about California's incredibly diverse natural landscapes recently published by CNPS.

The CNPS bookstore will be there all three days offering books on California native plants – including of course the new edition of Corky Matthews’ The Plants of Monterey County, an Illustrated Field Guide. Numerous other selections can help you identify native plants, show you how to use them in your garden, find them on your travels, and learn about their historical and current importance.

There will be plenty to do all days in addition to enjoying over 600 species of wildflowers collected by CNPS, so come once or more times and enjoy all that is offered.
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There will be fun for the whole family—stay for live music, eco-exhibitors, organic food, silent auction and more. The event will be from 10am to 4pm at the Hilton Bialek Habitat: 4380 Carmel Valley Road (1 mile east of Hwy. 1, adjacent to Carmel Middle School). Admission is $5, kids 12 and under are free. All event proceeds benefit MEarth’s mission of educating + inspiring through environmental stewardship. For more information, or to lend a hand Friday or Saturday, call our offices at 624-1032 or visit: www.MEarthCarmel.org/events/mearth-day-2016/.

Wednesday, April 27  Field Trip
Fort Ord Spring Wildflower Hike
Come and do a wondrous 6 mile hike with little elevation gain led by Andy Werner in search of lovely spring flowers. Andy will do a scouting outing before our hike to find the best flowers—Fort Ord can have amazing flower displays. Meet by 9:30am at the Creekside parking lot on Fort Ord National Monument. From Highway 68, take the Reservation Road exit and head towards Marina on Reservation Road. After a very short distance, turn left onto Portola Drive and follow the BLM signs to the parking lot. Bring lunch and water—call Lynn for a reservation at 375-7777.

Sunday, May 1  Field Trip & Pot Luck
Upper Garzas Creek Hike/BBQ Potluck
Join Al Washburn and his sidekick Bruce Delgado at Al’s cabin in the woods along Garzas Creek at 2,000 feet altitude. You will have your choice of a gentle walk along the creek or a more strenuous hike up the steep surrounding hills. There will be beautiful waterfalls and riparian habitat, lush ferns, wildflowers, and probably a few mosquitoes. Meet at 9am sharp at the gated entrance to Santa Lucia Preserve on Rancho San Carlos Road off Carmel Valley Road, just past the CVAC tennis club. 4WD useful, but not required, carpooling a must. Bring potluck lunch items to share around a cooking fire. Return around 3pm. Dogs OK. Call Al at 373-4873 for a reservation or email him at awashburn8@comcast.net.

ARTICLES, ETC.
AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET SOME VERY INTERESTING PEOPLE
Do you like meeting interesting people? CNPS Monterey needs a Program Chair—one who will host speakers for our meetings every other month. This is a fun way to get involved with CNPS. Please call Lynn Bomberger at 375-7777 or Carol LeNeve at 624-8497 for more information.

CONSERVATION CHAIR REQUEST
Our chapter is in need of volunteer help to address the many varied conservation challenges such as the ones described in our Conservation Reports. Please contact Bob Hale at 656-3108 or hale@nps.edu for your valued input.

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