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The Wallflower

The Newsletter of the California Native Plant Society
Monterey Bay Chapter

<https://chapters.cnps.org/montereybay/>

July/August 2020

Monterey Bay's Marvelous Maritime Chaparral

Program Speaker: Nikki Nedeff

Join long-time Chapter member Nikki Nedeff for an evening presentation about Maritime Chaparral, the interesting and uncommon plant community that supports numerous special status plants in the Monterey Bay region. It's not just a bunch of bushes, but rather an assemblage of unique tree, shrub, and herbaceous species, some of which are found nowhere else in the world.

Because the Chapter is still observing the COVID-19 directives to avoid large gatherings of people, we'll have a presentation using Zoom in lieu of a regular chapter meeting at the Pacific Grove Museum. You can watch the lecture at home on your computer. The Zoom link will be posted on the Chapter's website, <https://chapters.cnps.org/montereybay/> and sent a day or two in advance in an eblast.

The Zoom presentation will start at 7:30 and you'll need to login to the web link with the instructions that will be available on the Chapter website and sent in the eblast.

Zoom Presentation: Thursday, July 9 at 7:30pm

STEWARDSHIP

Because of group restrictions and/or hurdles still mandated by the state, county, CNPS, and Meetup, we are reluctantly eliminating group stewardship events for July/August.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: A SPECIAL THANK YOU!

Farewell, Michael

Over the 53 years Monterey Bay has been a chapter of CNPS there have been a number of people who have made the chapter better, stronger, and what it is today. One of those people is Michael Mitchell who with his wife Sharon will soon return to the UK. There, they purchased a property with a wonderful old house and garden that is only a 10-minute level walk from family. So, the time has come to bid Michael and Sharon a fond farewell and wish them health and happiness.



Both have great enthusiasm and interest in the natural world, and, fortunately for us, Michael's focus has been on the plants of Monterey County. By way of his admirable photographs, publications he has co-authored, field trips, programs, and availability for discussion both technical and mundane, he has significantly enhanced people's pleasure, knowledge, and appreciation of our native plants.

While Michael only joined the chapter in early 2010, for many years he has served on our board of directors, as co-chair the annual Wildflower Show, and volunteered to be webmaster where he redesigned the website which is now up-to-date and easy to use. He has also now generously donated ownership of his fabulous wildflower website www.montereywildflowers.com to the chapter.

So, Michael, we wish you all the best and thank you for all you have done for the chapter and native plants. You have enriched our lives and made difficult things seem easy.

Brian LeNeve
President, Monterey Bay Chapter CNPS

FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS

Our last Monterey Bay Chapter CNPS field trip was March 13...and then everything shut down. The field trip leaders have been real troopers offering field trips ever since, but the outings have all needed to be cancelled, cancelled, cancelled.

We keep hoping that the state, county, CNPS, and Meetup restrictions will loosen, and they have some, but not enough

yet for group outings. So, we are taking a break from scheduled field trips and hope that things will be different in two months if not sooner.

P.O. Box 221303, Carmel, CA 93922, as the recipient of your bequest otherwise, your gift will go to the state CNPS. Thank You!



CONSERVATION REPORT

Go to <https://chapters.cnps.org/montereybay/conservation/> for more information on conservation issues.

Fort Ord Plant Reserve Defense: The chapter served the Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) with a lawsuit in early June regarding the broken promise to protect Plant Reserve 1 North in perpetuity. The 4.63-acre reserve at the corner of South Boundary Road and General Jim Moore Boulevard was set aside as mitigation for the widening of Gen. Jim Moore and also protected by contract with FORA and the City of Del Rey Oaks. FORA is slated to sunset at the end of June 2020 and has transferred over \$8 million to Del Rey Oaks to widen South Boundary Road and obliterate Plant Reserve 1 North. The Chapter protested the widening of South Boundary Road through the reserve and requested mediation with FORA and Del Rey Oaks to resolve the dispute, however, to date has not received an offer to meet to attempt to resolve the issue.

Contact committee chair, Donna Burych, at 646-9357 if you would like to help with conservation issues.

ARTICLES, REQUESTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, ETC.

TRUSTS, WILLS, AND BEQUESTS

Thinking of a Legacy Gift for CNPS? Consider the Monterey Bay Chapter of CNPS in your trust or will to help continue our important work conserving native plants on the Central Coast. Be sure to specify the Monterey Bay Chapter,

TIPS ON REDUCING MEETUP EMAILS

Meetup sends a LOT of emails. To reduce emails, go to Settings in your account, then Email Updates (left side)—decide what you want. Leave on ‘Messages’ so that your leader may communicate with you. Next, at the bottom of the Email Updates page, on the right, click ‘Edit,’ and again, decide what you would like. If you would like help, call Lynn at 375-7777.

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?

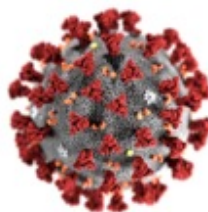
Our long-time Treasurer, Jim Pittman, will be retiring from his CNPS duties soon and the Chapter will need a new Treasurer. High math is not a requirement, just a penchant for detail. The Treasurer prepares quarterly summaries and keeps the Chapter’s checkbook. Please call Lynn Bomberger at 375-7777 or Carol LeNeve at 624-8497 if you can help.

GARDENING WITH NATIVES

Please contact Peigi Duvall, Horticulture Co-Chair, at (605)704-3926 or peigidv@indigdesign.com. To show-case your native garden!



In late July a combination of Winifred Gilman's Cleveland sage, California fescue, low-growing coyote brush, and Toyon (background right) sits pretty in full sun while securing the slope. Photo by Peigi Duvall



Helpful CNPS Information Page

CNPS is dedicated to Preserving and Protecting California Native Plants and Their Habitats

You must register for field trips online at:
www.meetup.com/The-Monterey-Bay-Area-Hiking-Group
Meeting times, locations, and more details are on Meetup.
July/August field trips have been cancelled this year.
September/October field trips will be published on Meetup Wednesday, August 26
Don't own a mobile phone or computer but want to go on field trips? Call Lynn 375-7777.

The Next Publication of *The Wallflower*
Newsletter **Deadline**
September/October Wednesday, August 19
Articles received after the deadline
will not be published.

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