



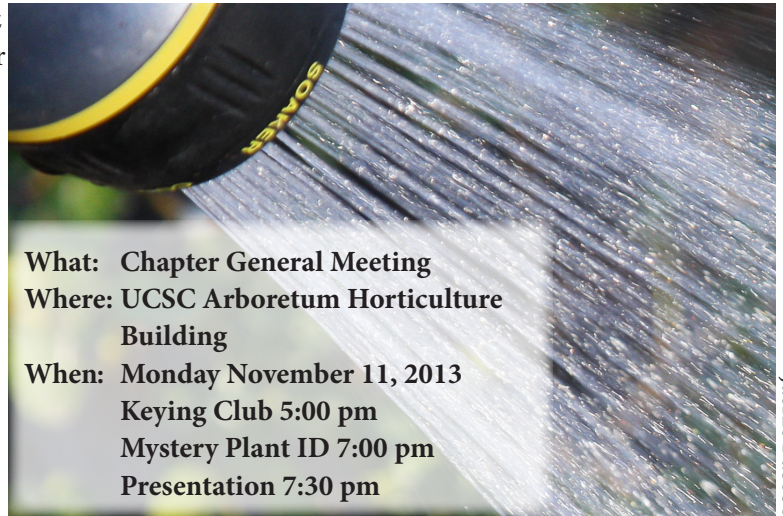
The Cypress Cone

California Native Plant Society
Santa Cruz County Chapter



The Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance and Plant Conservation, with Jerry Busch

Jerry Busch, a planner in the Policy section of the Santa Cruz County Planning Department, will talk about the new Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (WELO) and its innovative emphasis on plant conservation. The new ordinance promotes water conservation and habitat sustainability in landscaping, and discourages use of any plants that replace native species, damage ecosystems or hybridize with rare plants. The county's on-line calculators and web resources assist landscapers in complying with vegetation requirements and water use limits. Jerry is a graduate of UCSC, with degrees in biology and environmental studies. He has also worked as a program director with the Community Action Board, a copy editor for the San Jose Mercury News, and is author of a book of essays, *Watching the Watsonville Wetlands*.



What: Chapter General Meeting
Where: UCSC Arboretum Horticulture Building
When: Monday November 11, 2013
Keying Club 5:00 pm
Mystery Plant ID 7:00 pm
Presentation 7:30 pm

Jackie Pascoe

CNPS Has a New Horticulture Program Director

Exciting news: for the first time in our history, the California Native Plant Society now has a full-time staff Horticulture Program Director! CNPS sought a Horticulture Program Director who can help chart the course of California's oldest native plant gardening program, and ultimately selected Susan Krzywicki.



Susan comes from our San Diego chapter, where she helped to grow that chapter's amazing

horticulture program. She worked to build a successful garden

tour, deliver training symposia, and otherwise engage thousands of San Diegans in growing native plants. While doing all this, Susan has also helped other groups (such as Surfrider Foundation, San Diego County Water Authority, and Port of San Diego) in their work adopting and promoting California native plant horticulture.

CNPS has worked for decades to grow interest in gardening and landscaping with California native plants. This is one of our keynote successes. Now, the Horticulture Program is ramping up, and we are looking forward to input from members throughout the state. If you want to learn more about the program or have suggestions, please email Susan at skrzywicki@cnps.org.
(CNPS press release)

Horticulture Updates

Gardening with Native Plants Class a Hit! On the topic of horticulture—our recent class, co-sponsored by the Arboretum, was a great success. Three experts addressed different topics to a full house. Kevin Bryant, Santa Clara Valley CNPS, talked

about basic care of natives, Rick Flores, curator of the California Native Collections at the UCSC Arboretum, shared about easy-to-grow edible native plants, and local landscape architect Joni Janecki focused on the “go-to” native plants she has found

to be successful in her work. Jackie Pascoe followed up with an informational email to all participants, and preceded the talk with an article in the Sentinel about edible natives.

New Horticulture Page Mid November, go to cruzcnpshorticulture to see the beginning of a new section on our web site, devoted to horticultural aspects of CNPS. CNPS has five main programs, and horticulture one that is coming to the fore! Ideas for the page? Contact **Jackie Pascoe**, countrymoosie@gmail.com.

Fall Color? — In California?

Deanna Giuliano



Black Oak, *Quercus kelloggii*

You may have heard people complain about the lack of seasonal variation in California. Well, maybe our fall color doesn't hit you with a wallop—unless you're looking that is.

Big leaf maple is gorgeous along the damper spots of Santa Cruz right now, lime green and luminous yellow, and so are California hazel and sycamore. Poison oak sends streamers of vivid scarlet running up the oak trees and—well, here's a list of California native plants to light up your life with fall color:

Acer macrophyllum, big leaf maple
Acer circinnatum, vine maple
Amelanchier alnifolia, western serviceberry
Berberis family, barberry family
Calycanthus occidentalis, spice bush
Cercis occidentalis, western redbud
Cornus sericea, red osier dogwood
Fraxinus (dipetala/latifolia), flowering/Oregon ash

Lonicera involucrata, twinberry
Platanus racemosa, western sycamore
Populus (trichocarpa/fremontii), Black/Western cottonwood
Quercus kelloggii, black oak
Rhodendron occidentale, western azalea
Rhus trilobota, skunkbrush
Ribes aureum, golden currant
R. speciosum, fuchsia flowering gooseberry
R. californicum, Hillside gooseberry
Salix scouleriana, Scouler's willow (and some other willows)
Toxicodendron diversiloba, poison oak
Vitis californica, California wild grape

Successful Fall Plant Sale

Once again, **Karen Hildebrand** and **Linda Willis** reported a successful plant sale—our major fundraiser to support chapter activities.

The propagation group is working to improve the plant selection. Email countrymoosie@gmail.com with your suggestions—what plants would you like to buy?



Membership Updates

Julia Fields

Newsletter Preference For all you tech savvy plant enthusiasts, you can sign up to get paperless chapter newsletters through your email. Choosing to have your newsletter emailed means that you will get it a few days sooner and receive a full color copy. Also, if you have not been receiving newsletters and you would like to, please contact me to fix the issue. Email **Julia Fields**, at jufields5@gmail.com to update your preference or contact information.

Welcome New members! Please welcome our new members: **Jennifer Anderson, Kenneth Adelman, Joann Godoy, Andy Moskowitz, John Edward Goolsby, and Erin Ariel Young.**

Invasive Weeds Symposium, November 7

There is still time to register for the 15th annual Central California Invasive Weed Symposium, at Paicines Ranch, Paicines, California. The keynote speaker is our very own **Ken Moore**, Wildlands Restoration Team founder. Talks, and field trips too. Contact **Linda Brodman** at **831.462.4041**, or redwdrn@pacbell.net. For event details see: <http://ag.co.monterey.ca.us/pages/invasive-weeds-symposium>

Large Stinkwort Infestation in Scotts Valley

Speaking of invasive weeds... Ken Moore and some volunteers have been doing some emergency *Dittrichia graveolens* bashing over in the Glenwood area of Scotts Valley, near the high school and open space preserve, where two huge patches were

Jackie Pascoe



L to R: Jill Beckett, Chuck Baughman, and Ken Moore (background)

found, and extensive smaller outbreaks. A Flickr album of the event is here: <http://flic.kr/s/aHsjL4LRY1>

Check around your area for stinkwort. It's going to seed now. If possible, securely bag the pulled plants with a little water in the bag so they rot, and leave undisturbed for—we'll find out more at the symposium which has a session on this weed. For more on eradicating stinkwort, see this Flickr album: <http://flic.kr/s/aHsjHoGRxC>.

Upcoming Events

Field Trips

Note that Randy Morgan is taking a break from leading field trips over the next couple months. Our esteemed chapter president, Deanna Giuliano, has volunteered to lead some trips.

Bring water, layers, sunscreen, hat and a lunch. Carpooling is encouraged. Heavy rain cancels. Contact **Deanna Giuliano** for any questions at drosegiuliano@yahoo.com or 831 278-2699.

Saturday, November 16, 9:30 am to 2:30 pm: Maple Falls. Hike to Maple Falls in Nisene Marks with Deanna Giuliano. Enjoy fall colors and creek-side flora and maybe some early mushrooms on this 8 mile round trip hike of about 700' elevation. Some agility required. Meet at George's Picnic area parking, inside the park.

Saturday, December 7, 9:30 am – 2:30 pm: Chalk Mountain. Hike to Chalk Mountain (1609') with Deanna Giuliano. Enjoy spectacular panoramic views and amazing redwoods on the way up to a coastal scrub habitat. Strenuous elevation gain of

about 1500' on this 4 miles round trip. Meet at Westside New Leaf parking lot (1101 Fair Ave). Limited to 15 people.

Habitat Restoration

Restoring native habitat in the parks and protected lands in Santa Cruz County, one (pulled) weed at a time! No prior work experience is necessary, just show up at the park. We welcome individual volunteers from 8 to 80 years, as well as special group projects. Wear comfortable layered clothing, bring something to drink, and lots of enthusiasm! We work rain or shine, but if things get particularly unpleasant, we call it a day. Tools provided; bring gloves.

Saturday, Nov 2, 10 am to 1 pm: Sunset Beach State Park

Saturday, Nov16, 10 am to 1 pm: Younger Lagoon, UCSC Natural Reserve

Contact **Linda Brodman** for details: 831.462.4041, redwdrn@pacbell.net

Monterey Chapter and Monterey County Events

For full details on all events relayed here via Monterey Chapter listings, go to montereybay.cnps.org.

Restoration Events For information on Monterey restoration events, contact **Bruce Delgado** at 277-7690 or bdelgdo62@gmail.com.

- ☐ Saturday, November 2 and December 7, 1 pm to 4 pm: Broom Bash, East Side of Point Lobos State Reserve.
- ☐ Sunday, November 17 and December 15, 11 am to 2 pm: Soberanes Creek Cape Ivy Bash.

Field Trips Contact **Lynn Bomberger** at 375-7777.

- ☐ Thursday, November 14, 9:30 am: Soberanes Canyon Winter Walk (Garrapata State Park) with Lynn Bomberger and ornithologist Chris Tenney. Contact Lynn at 375-7777.
- ☐ Sunday, December 8, 1 pm: Fabulous Ferns and Seedlings with Bob Hale. Terrace trail of Garland Ranch Park and Garzas Creek. Contact Lynn at 375-7777.
- ☐ Tuesday, December 17, 9:30 am: Fairytale Fly Agarics of Del Monte Forest, Pebble Beach. Contact Lynn at 375-7777.



We welcome your newsletter contributions! Deadline: December 16.

CNPS is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of California native flora. CNPS has 34 chapters throughout the state and membership is open to all persons – professional and amateur — with an interest in California's native plants. Members have diverse interests including natural history, botany, ecology, conservation, photography, drawing, hiking, and gardening. Your membership includes *Fremontia*, a quarterly journal with articles on all aspects of native plants; the *Bulletin*, a statewide report of activities and schedules; and the *Cypress Cone*.



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Membership Chair, CNPS, 2707 K Street, Suite 1,
Sacramento, CA 95816

Regular Chapter Events

Keying Club Before the general meeting, 5-7 pm. Learn plant keying skills. No experience needed. Led by Deanna Giuliano.

Mystery Plant ID Before each general meeting, 7-7:30 pm. Bring your "Mystery Plants" for the keying group to ID.

Native Plant Propagation Meet at a nursery on the third Sunday of the month to grow (and learn to grow) native plants. Contact **Mike Luther** at 688-3897.

Habitat Restoration Help to keep invasives out of wild places. See event listings in this newsletter and cruzcnps.org for info. Contact **Linda Brodman** at 831.462.4041, or redwdrn@pacbell.net.

Field Trips Deanna Giuliano is leading fall and winter trips! See event listings in this newsletter and cruzcnps.org for info. Contact drosegiuliano@yahoo.com or 831 278-2699.

Volunteer at the Herbarium Join Chris Lay, Randy Morgan, and Al Keuter in the UCSC Herbarium at the UCSC Natural History Museum on **Thursday mornings from 9:30 am till noon**. We are processing, mounting, annotating, and accessioning Santa Cruz County plant collections. No experience is necessary. Carpool from the arboretum at 9:30 am. RSVP to **Al Keuter** at akeuter@gmail.com

