



California Native Plant Society
Santa Clara Valley Chapter

THE BLAZING STAR

July-August 2013

GENERAL MEETINGS & PROGRAMS

Besides our usual Chapter General Meeting in July, we present a second General Meeting in August. Read on for details.

Friday, July 26, 7:30 PM
Los Altos Library Program Room
13 South San Antonio Road, Los Altos

**Camera Trapping California:
Photographic Nature Stories from Across California**
A talk by: **Ken Hickman**
**California naturalist, wildlife researcher,
camera trapper**

Camera traps are remote, sensor-triggered cameras that can last in the field for months, and “digitally trap” (photograph) everything that passes by, from mice to quail to coyotes. Over the last five years as a “camera trapper” and wildlife researcher, Ken Hickman has had the pleasure of regularly exploring and camera trapping some amazing regions of California, including the Tehachapi Mountains, Yuba Pass, Carrizo Plain and Mono Lake Basin. He'll take us on a photographic tour of these places, their diverse habitats, landscapes and plants, and--via his high-quality camera traps--the incredible and rarely-seen wildlife that inhabits them.

Along with piles of eye-candy, the presentation will showcase native California plant communities, their associations, and the various plants and animals--both generalists and specialists--that live in and cross through them.

So, come venture beyond the Santa Cruz Mountains and San Francisco Peninsula, and explore California's flora and fauna through two very different types of lenses -- the one Ken carries with him, and the ones he leaves behind -- his camera traps.

Ken Hickman is a naturalist who specializes in wildlife research and surveys using camera traps. As such he works on projects for CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife and Professor Chris Wemmer (PhD. Mammalogist) on the Carrizo Plain; private ranchers in the Tehachapi Mountains and Mono Lake Basin; and with San Mateo County Parks and MROSD in the Santa Cruz Mountains. Ken has a B.S. in Physics from UCSB, and 20 years of experience in technology, software, digital photography and Internet services. Often known as “Kenny,” he's an active member of our Chapter of CNPS, and can often be seen haunting Edgewood with the Weed Warriors. His natural history writing can be found at natureofaman.blogspot.com/.



Ken Hickman

Spotted skunk in defensive posture under pinyon pines

Friday, August 23, 7:30 PM
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13 South San Antonio Road, Los Altos

Plant Name Changes - What and Why?
The Jepson Manual, 2nd edition
A Talk by Botanist **Toni Corelli**
Chapter Chair for Rare Plants, San Mateo County

Join Toni Corelli for a photographic journey through our local flora showing major changes at the species and family level. Learn what happened in the Snapdragon (Scrophulariaceae) and Lily (Liliaceae) families and how we can learn to easily distinguish the new segregates while learning the new names.

Lumping and splitting: there is a lot of both, but why? Some of the changes return to older names, some are rearranged taxa within a familiar genus or species, and others are entirely new.

For example, based on molecular analysis the trefoils and lotuses are not as closely related as previously thought, so they are now split into *Lotus*, *Acmispon* and *Hosackia*. Old World (European), non-native species in our area retain the name *Lotus*, e.g. lotus. At the same time, *Acmispon* (meaning hooked-tip) and *Hosackia* (named for David Hosack, a physician in New York) are genus names resurrected from previous use in the 1800's.

Most changes are based on molecular analysis of the DNA. Long-held beliefs about relatedness based on morphological similarities of one species to another are thrown out because the molecular analysis of DNA is shown to be very different, and not as closely related as previously thought. However we still use morphological characteristics in dichotomous keys to distinguish differences between families and species:



Leaflets 3–9, lower 2 stipules, upper 3 separate leaflets - bird's-foot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*)



Leaflets, usually 5 odd-pinnate, main axis ending as a leaflet - Chile trefoil (*Acmispon wrangelianus*)



Leaflets > 5 lower opposite and one leaflet at the end - harlequin lotus (*Hosackia gracilis*)

Directions: From Foothill Expy., travel ½ mile on San Antonio Rd. towards the Bay, cross Hillview and turn right into the driveway; the library is on the left. **From El Camino Real**, travel towards the hills on San Antonio Rd., cross Edith and turn left into the unmarked driveway just before Hillview. The sign on San Antonio Rd. reads “Civic Center, Library and History Museum.” Enter through the lobby of the main entrance.

CNPS general meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Stephen Rosenthal at sailinsteve@sbcglobal.net or the Chapter phone (650) 260-3450.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Thank You to Spring Event Volunteers

Our spring events are now in the past, and we all are looking forward to a chance to rest and catch up. But we wanted to take a minute to thank all of you who volunteered this year to help the Chapter with our Wildflower Show, Plant Sale, Going Native Garden Tour, outreach events, nursery work, weeding and restoration activities, rare plant surveys, Earth Day events, and field trips.

We are an all-volunteer chapter, and it takes everyone pitching in help promote, protect, propagate, and appreciate native plants and habitats. We couldn't do it without you, and we don't always have time to say it, but, THANK YOU SO MUCH! Your efforts are very much appreciated, and we hope to see you again soon!

Native Plant Nursery at Hidden Villa

Come help propagate plants for our **Fall Native Plant Sale on October 19** by volunteering at one of our nursery work sessions. They take place every **Wednesday and Thursday**, from **10am to 1pm**. Bring garden gloves, sunhat, clippers, and liquids and your lunch if you like. Other tools will be provided at the nursery and we have a work table in the shade. Knowledge of plants is not necessary; your willingness to help is all that's required.

For more information, contact Melanie Cross at melanie@pcross.com or (650) 947-1325; or Ray Deutsch at (650) 365-6136 or ray.deutsch@yahoo.ca.

Directions: Hidden Villa is located on Moody Road west of Foothill College. From Hwy. 280 in Los Altos Hills, take the Moody Rd. exit and head west. Two miles west of Foothill College, look for the Hidden Villa sign and driveway on the left. Proceed over the bridge, and park in the visitor center (Dana Center) parking lot to your right. The Nursery is at the greenhouse just beyond the visitor center.

Gardening with Natives

Gardening with Natives (GWN), a special interest group within the Chapter, includes a mix of landscape architects,

designers, seasoned native plant gardeners and beginners. It offers many talks throughout the year which are free and open to all.

This year's theme is *Native Plant Vignettes*, where monthly presenters share tips on designing discrete areas of your garden, such as parking strips or meadows. **Seven talks are scheduled during July and August.** For more information, visit www.GardeningWithNatives.com.

These programs are made possible by volunteers, who help with program logistics, and by co-sponsoring libraries. If you would like to help organize similar programming at a library near you, contact arvind.kumar@cnps.org.

**Native Meadows: Planting and Maintaining,
a talk by Alex Von Feldt**

**Thu. July 11, 7:00-8:30 PM, Cupertino Community Hall
10350 Torre Avenue, Cupertino (408) 446-1677**

Want to conserve water and convert your lawn into a more sustainable native meadow? Do you want to create a garden that frees you from weekly maintenance? Come to this presentation to see examples of meadows that have replaced traditional lawns and discuss what plant combinations work best for different situations.

Alex Von Feldt is the Stewardship Program Director at Acterra. She is a resident of Portola Valley where she has served on conservation committees and planning commissions. She has been an avid native gardener for six years and her garden has been featured on the Going Native Garden Tour.

**Maintaining Your Native Plant Garden,
a talk by Dee Wong**

**Wed. July 17, 6:30-8:00 PM, Willow Glen Library
1157 Minnesota Avenue, San Jose (408) 808-3045**

Come learn the secrets of how to groom, prune, and rejuvenate some of the trickiest California native plants, such as manzanita and redbud. Lecturer Dee Wong will draw from her field experience and the must-have manual, *The Care & Maintenance of Southern California Native Plant Gardens* by Bart O'Brien, Betsey Landis, and Ellen Mackey, in order to show you how she guides her team of gardeners and cares for and maintains beautiful native plant gardens.

Dee Wong graduated from Foothill College with an A.S. degree in Environmental Horticulture and has a passionate interest in using sustainable landscape management practices and California native plants. Dee manages the maintenance division at The Village Gardener and is also an avid wild plant and flower photographer, hiking all over the Bay Area and learning from Mother Nature's classroom.

**Easy-to-Grow Natives for California Gardens
a talk by Radhika Thekkath**

**Wed. July 31, 7:00-8:30 PM, Redwood City Library
1044 Middlefield Road, Redwood City (650) 780-7018**

Are you new to native plant gardening? Do you want to include native plants in the garden, but don't know where to start? Come to this talk and learn about easy-to-grow native plants (trees, shrubs, perennials, and annuals) for the home garden that are low water and low maintenance.

Radhika Thekkath has been a passionate gardener since childhood and is a native plant designer and a strong advocate for using native plants in the home garden. She is our Chapter's Recording Secretary and on the steering committee for Gardening with Natives.

**Native Plants for Year-Round Color,
a talk by Sherri Osaka**

**Thu. August 1, 6:00-8:30 PM, SJPL Educational Park
1772 Educational Park Drive, San Jose (408) 808-3073**

Learn how to select and group plants with varying bloom times so your garden is never without color. You'll enjoy it and so will the bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds! See how to choose different plant forms and include beautiful bark, berry, and seed producing species for maximum interest all year long.

Sherri Osaka is a licensed Landscape Architect and Bay-Friendly Qualified Designer. She started her company Sustainable Landscape Design in 1997. Since then she has been lecturing and implementing ecological landscaping techniques, including drought-tolerant native plants, graywater and rainwater irrigation systems, pervious paving, and reusable materials.

**Native Hedgerows for Wildlife,
a talk by Pete Veilleux**

**Mon. August 5, 7:00-8:30 PM, SCCL Milpitas Library
160 N Main Street, Milpitas, (408) 262-1171 x3616**

Hedgerow: "A row of bushes, shrubs, or trees forming a hedge." You often want hedges to create a sense of privacy in your garden. But instead of a solid green wall with one type of plant, you can mix native species, creating flowers, berries, and interest for you and habitat for your fellow creatures. Find out which type of native plants work best for hedgerows.

Pete Veilleux is a master designer, nurseryman and photographer. Pete builds gardens using native plants for long-lasting, self-sustaining landscapes which help people get the maximum use and pleasure from their patch of earth. He is the owner and propagator of East Bay Wilds Native Plant Nursery in Oakland.

**Native Plants for the Habitat Gardener,
a talk by James Howard**

**Wednesday, August 14, 7:00 PM,
Redwood City Library, Main Branch
1044 Middlefield Road, Redwood City (650) 780-7018**

Convert your yard into a beautiful native wildlife habitat and watch how quickly the creatures make it their favorite spot! It's easy and inexpensive to create food, water, and shelter for native insects and birds. This presentation shows great photos of a local backyard restoration project, and shares some important lessons for the beginning habitat gardener.

Jim Howard is the District Conservationist for the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service in San Mateo County. He has degrees in Environmental Management and Forest Management.

**Easy to Grow Native Plants,
a talk by Patricia Evans**

**Tue. Aug 20, 6:30-8:00 PM, SJPL Calabazas Branch
1230 S. Blaney Ave., San José**

Are you new to native plant gardening? Do you want to include these plants in the garden, but don't know where to

start? Come to this talk and learn about easy-to-grow native plants (trees, shrubs, perennials, and annuals) for the home garden that are low water and low maintenance.

Patricia Evans, owner of Natural Landscape Designs, is a graduate of the Foothill College Ornamental Horticulture program. Previously, she served on the boards of directors of Gamble Garden in Palo Alto and the Association of Professional Landscape Designers. She has also taught "Garden Design for Homeowners" in the Palo Alto Adult Education program. She specializes in native plants and sustainable landscapes.

Keying with Natives

Join us as we learn and practice methods of identifying the native plants of our region (aka keying). From beginners to more advanced, there are challenges for all. Bring in plant samples if you have some or just come and work with the materials provided. We discuss the various plant books and practice keying with them. Microscopes are also available.

The next meeting dates are **Fridays, August 2 and 30, from 6:30pm - 8:30pm**. We meet at the Peninsula Conservation Center (PCC), 3921 E. Bayshore Road in Palo Alto. For more information, please contact Dave "Tex" Houston at 350co2now@gmail.com or (650) 303-2777; or Sally Casey at (408) 377-0989.

Directions to PCC: From Hwy. 101 take the San Antonio Rd. exit and head north. Take your next left onto East Bayshore, which will curve left then right. Take your next right onto Corporation Way. Your next left is the entrance to the PCC parking lot. The meeting rooms are on the first floor.

Conservation Committee: LIVECoRPs

In the May-June issue of this newsletter we asked members to ask their legislators to not weaken CEQA, the California Environmental Quality Act. You responded, and the bill that would have gutted CEQA (SB 787) did not make it out of the Senate.

Eleven bills affecting CEQA are still alive, most of which are reasonably good bills. Two good bills that did not make it (AB 953 and SB 617) would have overturned the judicial ruling in the case of the Ballona Wetlands. That ruling said the CEQA did not require projects to consider natural site hazards such as floodplains, faults, etc. The state chamber of commerce and the building industry association lobbied heavily against the bills that would overturn this ruling. A lot more lobbying by environmental organizations will be necessary if this ruling is to be reversed.

The good news is that the CEQA Works coalition now has 182 members, including CNPS. This makes it the largest such environmental lobby group ever.

Please come to our upcoming LIVECoRPs (Conservation Committee) meetings. We meet on the third Tuesday of the month, 7pm at the Peninsula Conservation Center in Palo Alto (PCC). Our next meetings will be **July 16 and August 20**. For questions, comments or concerns, please contact LIVECoRPs Chair Linda Ruthruff at ldruff@hotmail.com. For **directions** to the PCC, please see the Keying with Natives article above.

BOOK NEWS

Flora and Published Checklists

By Andy Butcher, Chapter Books Chair

Did you ever plan a field trip to a local park and wonder what plants it contained? Have you planned to study a particular genus of plants and wonder where you could find that plant in the field? Did you ever get tired of lugging your Jepson Manual and wonder if there was some lighter book that covered plants specific to the area you were visiting?

You may find the following books to be helpful. A "flora" covers plants in a particular area. A "checklist" is a list of plants for a particular area.

Author	Title	Year First Pub., notes
Toni Corelli and Zoë Chandik	The Rare and Endangered Plants of San Mateo and Santa Clara County	1995 Photographs and illustrations
Toni Corelli	Montara Mountain A Checklist of Plants	1996
Best, Howell, Knight, Wells	A Flora of Sonoma County	1996 Families
Toni Corelli	Woody Plants of Edgewood Natural Preserve	2000 Drawings by Judy Mason
Linda Beidleman and Eugene Kozloff	Plant Families of the San Francisco Bay Region	2003 Keys and photographs
Toni Corelli	Illustrated Field Guide to the Woody Plants of the Santa Cruz Mountains	2005 Keys, descriptions
Randall Morgan & Santa Cruz Flora Committee	An Annotated Checklist of Santa Cruz County, California	2005 By family

Howell, Almeda, Follette, Best	Marin Flora	2007 Communities, Families, Taxa
Toni Corelli and others	Plants and Plant Communities of the San Mateo Coast	2009
Toni Corelli	Checklist of the Vascular Plants of San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties, California	2011 By family, specific locations listed
Mary Ann Matthews	Illustrated Field Key of Monterey County	1997, 2006 Families, drawings
Toni Corelli	Flowering Plants of Edgewood Natural Preserve	2nd Ed. 2004 Keys and descriptions by families
Barbara Ertter and Lech Naumovich	Annotated Checklist of the East Bay Flora	2nd Ed. 2013

Online sources with similar information include:

- Natural Resources Database - www.nrdp.org - searchable database of observations of flora and fauna made at parks and preserves in the greater San Francisco Bay Area.
- CalFlora - calflora.org - search for plant observations by name and other features. Lots of photos.
- Jepson Herbarium eFlora - ucjeps.berkeley.edu/IJM.html - on-line version of the Jepson Manual.

You may examine and purchase the listed flora and checklists at our Chapter book table, present at many Chapter events. (We'll carry the Barbara Ertter book soon.)

State CNPS lists floras for sale here: cnps.org/store.php?crn=64 and CNPS Native Plant publications here: www.cnps.org/cnps/publications/index.php#cnps_press. For more information contact Andy at spermophilus@gmail.com or (408) 203-5828.

EDUCATION NEWS

2013-2014 Chapter Scholarship Recipients

By Nora Monette, Scholarship Chair



Laney Widener

Beetle on Tiburon Paintbrush (*Castilleja affinis* ssp. *neglecta*) at Ring Mountain May 2013

The Chapter awarded three \$1,500 graduate student research scholarships and one \$1,000 undergraduate research

scholarship in May 2013. This is our first year awarding an undergraduate scholarship and the 14th year our Chapter has supported graduate student research. Two of the graduate students, Miranda Melen and Laney Widener, were able to attend the May General Meeting to receive their awards from Vice President Madeline Morrow.

The recipients of the 2013-2014 graduate student scholarships are:

Maya Hayden, University of California, Berkeley [Conservation Scholarship].

Maya is working in the riparian ecosystem of California's Central Valley along a reach of the Sacramento River. In this area, human impacts have affected linkages between physical processes and vegetation dynamics. Her studies involve the evaluation of refugia for sustaining pioneer riparian trees in these disturbance dependent communities. A goal of her research is to develop a suite of management recommendations for conservation and restoration efforts.

Miranda Melen, University of California, Santa Cruz [Conservation Scholarship].

Miranda's studies are focused on the threatened ecosystem of the Zayante Sandhills in Santa Cruz County. Her research will assess the importance of pollinator "service" to the reproductive success of the endemic Ben Lomond wallflower (*Erysimum teretifolium*). The conservation implications of her research include helping land managers and conservation programs to better prioritize critical activities to restore and conserve genetic diversity of this highly threatened plant community.

Laney Widener, Northwestern University, Chicago.

Laney is studying the reproductive isolation and genetic divergence in the *Castilleja affinis* subspecies complex. This complex includes *Castilleja affinis* ssp. *neglecta* (Tiburon Indian paintbrush), an endangered serpentine endemic found on Coyote Ridge in Santa Clara County. Her major professor at the Chicago Botanic Garden looks forward to the results on this high diversity complex, for which there are limited studies.

Our first undergraduate student scholarship was awarded to **Taryn Baer, University of California, Berkeley.**

Taryn will be undertaking herbarium, field and laboratory studies of the systematics of *Romanzoffia* (Boraginaceae: Hydrophylloideae) as part of a long-term research effort with oversight by Professor Bruce Baldwin and graduate student Genevieve Walden. Taryn notes the presence of plant species in this genus in the Bay Area (including San Mateo County) and that the taxonomy and genetic analyses of evolutionary relationships of this genus have not been revised for one hundred years.

The Scholarship Committee is impressed with the range and quality of research being undertaken by students working with native plants in Central California. We look forward to hearing more from the scholarship recipients in the future newsletters. Congratulations to Maya, Miranda, Laney, and Taryn!

RARE PLANT NEWS

Tallying Up the Score

By Donald Mayall, Rare Plants, Santa Clara County

Last year our Chapter trained forty members in techniques for identifying, documenting and reporting the rare plant occurrences in our area. This spring was the time to see if this effort paid off. The results look good. We conducted surveys at fifteen locations in our two-county area and documented the presence, condition, and extent of twenty-five species, nine of which were previously unreported to the state Department of Fish & Wildlife or CNPS rare plant staff in Sacramento.

Twenty-seven individuals took part in the surveys; fourteen had undergone our Chapter training last year. We had four professional biologists working as volunteers, two park staff, one academic botanist and

several students. Three surveys were specifically requested by public agency staff. It looks like we are pushing the rare plant program forward substantially. We are generating valuable data, engaging the public, and getting buy-in from land managers.

Karen Cotter, a Chapter member and resource technician for Santa Clara County Parks, invited us to check on the



Toni Corelli

Rockaway Headlands, San Mateo Coast, rare plant survey April 2013

conditions at the County's Motorcycle Park on Metcalf Road. Our survey crew was joined in this effort by Justen Whittall of Santa Clara University, student Aaron Thom, and Creekside Center for Earth Studies botanist Christal Niederer. There is known to be a colony of the very rare Metcalf Canyon jewelflower, listed as endangered by the US Fish & Wildlife Service, at the motorcycle park. We found 3,000 individual plants flourishing in a meadow adjacent to trails traveled five days a week by off-road bikes. This population seems as healthy and extensive as in past years, doubtless due to sensitive protection efforts by County Park staff.

At the San Antonio Valley Ecological Reserve east of Mt. Hamilton, we surveyed two populations of the San Benito pentachaeta, not previously documented in our area. We had the enthusiastic support of the ranger at this state-owned hunting facility.

Our largest group effort took place at Rockaway Headlands on the San Mateo coast, where fifteen volunteers gathered to count the Franciscan wallflower. Information we gathered may help the state rare plant program identify a rarer sub-species of the wallflower. This event was observed and reported by UC Santa Cruz student Rina Shaik-Lesko. You can read her write-up at outfog.com-/2013/04/18/californias-botanical-spring-fling/.

Editor's note: Botanist Toni Corelli conducts our rare plants training. She may be reached at corelli@coastside.net or (650) 726-0689.

CHAPTER SERVICE OUTINGS

Habitat Restoration at Edgewood Park

Come help remove non-native weeds from Edgewood Park and provide critical habitat for the endangered Bay checkerspot butterfly. Non-native grasses are being reduced by a rotational mowing and dethatching program and CNPS volunteers hand-pull weeds like yellow star-thistle. Removing these non-native plants leaves room for native plants such as the butterfly's host plants dwarf plantain and owl's clover.

Our **9am Friday** sessions run year round; **5:30pm Wednesday** sessions continue through Daylight Savings Time. Our next **9am Saturday** sessions will be **July 20 and September 28** -- meet at the West Kiosk.

For Edgewood Weed Warrior (EWW) schedules, meeting places, and other details, visit edgewood.thinkersrus.net; contact Paul Heiple at (650) 854-7125 or pheiple@gmail.com

.com; email John Allen at jcakwa@comcast.net for Friday info; or contact EWW program chair Drew Shell at shell@corp.webtv.net for Wed/Sat information.

CHAPTER FIELD TRIPS

Chapter field trips are free and generally open to the public. They are oriented to conservation, protection and enjoyment of California native plants and wildlife, and we adhere to all rules and guidelines for the lands on which we are visiting.

In our region it is very important to be prepared for hiking on rugged and steep terrain, wide temperature ranges and rapidly changing conditions at any time of year. All participants should wear sturdy footwear and carry sufficient water, sun protection, food, clothing layers, personal first aid and other supplies you may need. If you have any questions about your ability to participate in a particular field trip, please contact the trip leader in advance.

Fri-Sun Aug 9-11 Western Sierra Camping Trip

Camping in the Sierra this summer? Save the 3-day weekend of August 9-11 for a western Sierra camping trip. As we get closer to the date we will select the location. Right now we are thinking of heading up toward the Tahoe Hwy 88/89 area, but we want to get some scouting reports before selecting a place.

If you are interested in going on a trip that weekend, contact Carolyn Dorsch at cdorsch1@aol.com or call (650) 804-6162 (eves).

The **day hike schedule** is taking a little break over the summer months. We will have activities in the next newsletter issue, so rest up for the fall hiking schedule.



Carol Mattsson

Or join docent-led hikes by our friends at MROSD (www.openspace.org), Santa Clara County OSA (www.openspaceauthority.org) and Santa Clara County Parks ([www.sccgov.org/sites/parks/Hike Here](http://www.sccgov.org/sites/parks/Hike%20Here)).

DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT *BLAZING STAR*

Saturday, August 3, 2013

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FIRST-CLASS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS (page # in parentheses)

Jul 11 Thu GWN – Meadows – Von Feldt (3)
Jul 16 Tue LIVECoRPs (conservation) meeting (5)
Jul 17 Wed GWN – Maintenance - Wong (3)
Jul 20 Sat Edgewood Saturday weeding (7)
Jul 26 Fri **General Meeting – Hickman** (1)
Jul 31 Wed GWN – Easy-to-Grow - Thekkath (3)
Aug 1 Thu GWN – Year-Round Color - Osaka (3)
Aug 2 Fri Keying with Natives (4)
Aug 3 Sat **Newsletter submittal deadline** (7)
Aug 5 Mon GWN – Hedgerows - Veilleux (4)

Aug 8 Thu **Chapter Board meeting**
Aug 9-11 Fri-Sun Western Sierra camping trip (7)
Aug 14 Wed GWN – Habitat – Howard (4)
Aug 20 Tue GWN – Easy-to-Grow – Evans (4)
Aug 20 Tue LIVECoRPs (conservation) meeting (5)
Aug 22 Thu **Newsletter Mailing Party - 10am PCC**
Aug 23 Fri **General Meeting – Corelli** (1)
Aug 30 Fri Keying with Natives (4)
Wed & Thu 10am-1pm Nursery work sessions (2)
Fri morns., Wed eves. Edgewood Park weeding (7)

The next Chapter **Board meeting** will be **Thu., August 8 at 7:00pm** at the PCC, 3921 E. Bayshore Road in Palo Alto.

Chapter Board meetings are open to all Chapter members and their guests.
 For more information contact Stephen Rosenthal at sailinsteve@sbcglobal.net.

The California Native Plant Society is a statewide non-profit organization of amateurs and professionals with a common interest in California's native plants. The Society, working with its local chapters, seeks to increase understanding and to preserve the rich heritage of the native flora for future generations. Membership is open to all. Individual memberships are \$45.00 per year. If you have questions concerning a new membership, renewal of a current membership, or if you wish to report a **change of address**, please contact the Membership Chairperson, CNPS, 3921 East Bayshore Road, Palo Alto, CA 94303 or email membership@cnps-sc.v.org.

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