GENERAL MEETING & PROGRAM

Friday, September 20 at 7:30 PM
Los Altos Library Program Room
13 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos

New Calflora Tools for CNPS Users
a talk by Cynthia Powell of Calflora

Join Calflora’s Executive Director Cynthia Powell to discuss new Calflora tools for CNPS members. Calflora’s plant database hosts over two million plant occurrences, some of which come directly from our CNPS Chapter members. Cynthia will go over Calflora’s plant photo project, Planting Guide, population monitoring tools and email alerts, and speak more generally about the uses of Calflora for CNPS chapters. She would also like to know how Calflora can better serve our Chapter, and looks forward to answering our questions.

Members are encouraged to try out Calflora’s Planting Guide, at www.calflora.org/entry/palette.html, and bring your feedback to the talk.

The following Sunday, September 22, join Cynthia and our field trip chair Joerg Lohse for a rigorous and hands-on data collecting field trip at Edgewood Park and Natural Preserve. See details on page 7 in this newsletter’s field trip section.

After three years as Calflora’s GIS Project Manager, Cynthia Powell is now Calflora’s Executive Director. She graduated with her BA in Biology and her MS in GIS in 2010, forecasting Mokelumne River water supply based on MODIS remote sensing snow pack images. She’s been examining what was under that snow – plants – ever since. She coordinates all Calflora programs, research, outreach and advocacy, as well as fundraising and management.

Directions: From Foothill Expy., travel ½ mile on San Antonio Rd. towards the Bay, cross Hillview and turn right into the driveway; library is on the left. From El Camino, 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 Madeline Morrow at past-president@cnps-scv.org or the Chapter phone (650) 260-3450.

Save the Date!
Our November General Meeting will include our annual potluck dinner, a vote on updated Chapter guidelines, and Chapter elections. It will be held on Saturday, November 9 at the Shoup Garden House in Los Altos.

Horticulture Symposium September 21:
Gardening for Biodiversity in a Climate Crisis
Join us at our Chapter’s one day symposium, to be held at Foothill College. It features keynote speaker Doug Tallamy, author of Bringing Nature Home, and Bart O’Brien, Director of the Regional Parks Botanic Garden.

Learn to be part of our climate crisis solution: Visit cnps-scv.org/symposium for more information and to register.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Native Plant Sale October 19 at Hidden Villa & Call for Volunteers
Our fall plant sale will be held on Saturday, October 19th from 10am to 3pm at our CNPS SCV Native Plant nursery.

Variable checkerspot on blue dicks: “Garden as if life depended on it.” – Doug Tallamy
In addition to a wide selection of plants from our nursery and Grassroots Ecology, there will also be books, t-shirts and posters. Coyote Brush Studios will offer their popular prints, cards, stickers and temporary tattoos. Larry Voss will be selling bulbs. For more information, please see the enclosed poster or visit www.cnps-scv.org/plant-sale.

Once again we’re asking everyone who can to come and help with the sale. Before the sale, you may help prepare the nursery at a few special nursery workdays, including labeling plants and weeding the garden outside the nursery. On the day of the sale you may help with setup before the sale opens, parking, headcount, box check, answering customers’ questions, writing sales tags, helping customers to carry out their purchase, and cleaning up after the sale.

Most of the tasks don’t require expert knowledge of plants, and you can choose to work one or two hours or all day. To volunteer, check our Chapter website’s Plant Sale page (www.cnps-scv.org/events/plant-sale) for a link to our Plant Sale Volunteer Signup on SignUpGenius.

The plant sales are always lots of fun to work at, and we provide lunch to volunteers. If you have questions please contact:

Coordinator: Toni Gregorio-Bunch at tidytip.lp@gmail.com or (408) 373-4497  
Nursery: Melanie Cross at melanicross@earthlink.net or (650) 847-1350  
Writing sales tags: Georgia Stigall at georgiastigall@yahoo.com or (650) 941-1068  
Parking director: Stephen Buckhout at stephen@yscottie.com or (408) 255-6233

After the sale, the nursery will resume its usual Wednesday workdays, from 11 am to 2 pm.

The next Monthly Member Sales will be held on Wednesdays, August 28 and September 25, 11 am to 2 pm. There will be no member sale in October.

As a reminder, member sales are credit card only payment, while cash and checks are also accepted as payment at the public plant sale. An inventory of available plants will be updated before each sale. Visit www.cnps-scv.org and go to Events, then Plant Sale.

Directions: Hidden Villa is located at 26870 Moody Road west of Foothill College. From I-280 in Los Altos Hills, take the Moody Road 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 Dana Center parking lot to your right. Continue walking a short distance on that road and you will see the CNPS SCV Nursery ahead of you, just past the Dana Center building. Parking is free while volunteering or attending a Member Sale.

GWN Potluck Social at Hidden Villa  
Sunday October 6  11 am – 3 pm
Please join us for the first Gardening with Natives (GWN) Potluck Social. Let’s go offline and meet in person! This is your chance to meet fellow Native Plant Gardening enthusiasts face to face. In addition to good company and conversation, there will also be an opportunity to view the CNPS Nursery demo garden and preview the CNPS Nursery ahead of our public sale.

We don’t want people to be too frustrated by only being able to look, so we’ll even let attendees purchase one plant (you’ll have to wait for the sale for more than that).

We’ll have a projector set up at the Dana Center, so there will also be an opportunity to share pictures or video of your gardens.

We’ll provide the beverages and venue; we’re hoping you’ll help us with the rest! Bring your own picnic service, finger foods and/or appetizers and invite your friends. If you’d like to help with planning or setup, please let us know: contact Vivian Neou at president@cnps-scv.org. To attend, please RSVP at Evite: evite.me/m2b2t8qCCG.

Gardening with Natives  
Gardening with Natives (GWN), a special interest group within the Chapter, includes beginning and seasoned native plant gardeners, along with landscape architects and designers. GWN offers over 35 free talks throughout the year at public libraries in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties.

For more information, visit www.cnps-scv.org/gwn. These programs are made possible by co-sponsoring libraries and volunteers who help with program logistics. If you would like to help organize similar programs at a library near you, please email gwn@cnps-scv.org.

Garden Wisely to Help Global Cooling  
a talk by Sherri Osaka

Thursday, Sep. 12, 7-8:30 PM, Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View  (650) 903-6337
The decisions we make as gardeners affect our planet. We can make choices that will help lower the carbon in our atmosphere and select which products and companies we want to support. Learn which is the largest “crop” in the United States and a variety of actions you can take to lower your carbon footprint outside. The speaker will be using the book *Drawdown: The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming*, edited by Paul Hawken, and other resources.

**Sherri Osaka** is a licensed Landscape Architect, Bay Friendly-Qualified designer, and a member of the Santa Clara Valley Water District’s Landscape Board. She is GWN co-chair and started her company, Sustainable Landscape Designs, over 20 years ago. In 2018, she received the Water Champion distinction from the Silicon Valley Water Conservation Award Coalition.

**Juanita Salisbury** has a Ph.D. in Biopsychology from the University of Florida (1988), as well as a Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture from West Virginia University (2000). In 2009 she established Juanita Salisbury Landscape Architecture after working for commercial and residential design firms.

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**Creating Native Pollinator Gardens**

* a talk by Juanita Salisbury

**Thursday, September 19, 7:30 PM, Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave, Sunnyvale (408) 730-7300**

Native plants are integral to an effective pollinator garden design. Based on functions within the ecosystem, the speaker will explore the interrelationships between plants, pollinators, other insects and animals. The goal is to allow you to design pollinator gardens, thereby leveraging California’s wealth of biodiversity into more resilient and beautiful landscapes.

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**Poachers Stealing Native Succulents**

* a talk by Stephen McCabe

**Tuesday, September 24, 7-8:30 PM, Saratoga Library, 13650 Saratoga Ave., Saratoga (408) 867-6126**

You’ve read about it in the paper and this talk will explain the recent rash of thefts of native succulents, (Dudleya sp.), from the wild and what can be done about it. National and international media and law enforcement have been in contact with the speaker about the topic. In some ways, the last couple of years have been a bit like CSI: Native Succulents! The speaker will also display several Dudleya species and describe how to grow them in our area.

**Stephen McCabe** has been on the board of the Santa Cruz Chapter of CNPS for over 30 years, where he has helped protect habitat and rare species. He also worked at the UC Santa Cruz Arboretum for 30 years, where he is Emeritus Director of Research and is currently a researcher with the Environmental Studies Department. When not scrambling to see “duds” in the wild, he can sometimes be found scaling granite cliffs in the Sierra.

Editor’s note: Stephen McCabe was our program speaker at our March 2017 General Meeting. Read more in the March-April 2017 issue of the Blazing Star.

**Michael Uhler** spoke on poaching of Cedros Island Dudleya. Read more in the September-October 2018 issue.

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**Easy-to-Grow Native Plants**

* a talk by Rebecca Schoenenberger

**Thursday, Oct 3, 7-8:30 PM, Mitchell Park Library, 3700 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto (650) 329-2436**

Are you new to growing drought-tolerant native plants? Do you want to include them in your garden for beauty, habitat and sustainability, but don’t know where to begin? Come to this talk and learn about the many easy-to-grow native trees, shrubs, perennials and annuals for the home garden. Many of these plants are native to our local area and will thrive with just a little water and care.
Owner and designer at California Nativescapes, **Rebecca Schoenenberger** has a diverse background in sustainability and natural systems. With an Associate of Science in Park Management and a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies, she has an extensive knowledge of native plants, including selecting plants that will thrive in specific locations. Since 2011, Rebecca has also been a volunteer Santa Clara County Master Gardener.

### Pruning Native Perennials
**a talk by Patricia Evans**

Thursday, October 10, 7-8:30 PM, Cupertino Library, 10800 Torre Avenue, Cupertino (408) 446-1677

Pruning is one of the garden tasks that requires the most skill, timing and labor in the garden. Proper pruning affects the health and vigor of plants, and can take a garden from “good” to “great.” Learn when and how to prune your perennials and see examples of good and bad pruning done right before your eyes.

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

### Creating Native Seed Balls
**a talk by Deva Luna**

Wednesday, October 23, 7-8:30 PM, Campbell Library, 77 Harrison Ave., Campbell (408) 866-1991

Join us to learn how to create seed balls. These small packets of seeds are protected by clay until the rains come and wash the coating away. Learn which wildflowers do best in our area, where you can place these balls, and where they shouldn’t go. Also learn how these annuals can help our native pollinators.

**Deva Luna** is a sustainable and Bay Friendly-certified landscape designer who has been teaching and speaking about horticulture for over 20 years. She has a degree in Plants and Art from U.C. Davis and works for EarthCare Landscaping ([www.earthcareland.com](http://www.earthcareland.com)) in Cupertino.

### Creating a Native Rain Garden
**a talk by Sherri Osaka**

Thursday, October 17, 6-7:30 PM, Los Gatos Library, 100 Villa Ave, Los Gatos (408) 354-6891

Get ready for the rain! Typically, our first rain is at the end of October. We shouldn’t let it go to waste running off roofs and into the streets, storm drains and creeks where it could cause flooding. Instead we should direct that rainwater into our gardens, allowing it to percolate downward, recharging our local aquifers and purifying the water as it passes through the soil. Learn how rain gardens keep water on site and solve drainage problems and which California native plants are best suited for them. Did we mention there is also a rebate for installing them?

**Note the earlier start time.**

See Sherri Osaka’s bio above, in the September 12 talk description.

### Making a Native Wreath for Fall
**a talk by Deva Luna**

Tuesday, October 29, 7-8:30 PM, Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave, Sunnyvale (408) 730-7300

By selecting a variety of native foliage and berries from your garden, you can create a beautiful fall wreath and recycle materials that you have on hand. Come watch while the speaker discusses what types of native plants to use, shows how to secure your greenery to a frame, and then demonstrates how to tie a big beautiful bow before hanging it up.

See Deva Luna’s bio above.

### Keying with Natives
Join us as we learn and practice methods of identifying the native plants of our region (aka keying). We use the current edition of *The Jepson Manual*. Bring your own copy and a hand lens, plus plant samples if you have them. Microscopes are also available.

The upcoming meeting dates are **Fridays, September 27 and October 25**, from 6:30 to 8:30pm. We meet at the Peninsula Conservation Center (PCC), 3921 E. Bayshore Road in Palo Alto. For more information please contact Joe Cernac at joecernac@sbcglobal.net or (408) 292-5465.

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

Photography Group
Our Photography Group is a great place to meet other native plant enthusiasts while improving your photographic skills and learning more about our native plants. We announce activities to our online discussion group (groups.io/g/CNPS-SCV-Photography), so if you’d like to receive updates, please join via the web interface or by email. Learn more by visiting the Photography Group page at our website: www.cnps-scv.org/field-trips/336-photography.

GOING NATIVE GARDEN TOUR

Chapter GNGT Gardens in CNPS Flora
The CNPS Flora magazine summer 2019 issue includes seven photos of Going Native Garden Tour (GNGT) gardens!

The article is “Be Inspired: Highlights from the 2019 Native Garden Tours” on pages 6-11. CNPS members received their hardcopy in the mail late July. Or choose and view the online version from www.cnps.org/publications/flora/.

Congratulations to the gardeners/photographers whose photos appear in the magazine – see their linked garden names in the next table – and thanks to everyone who made a submission!

| Ashini Fernando                          | Deborah Praisewater                      |
| Sand Box Garden                         | Suburban Oasis                            |
| #WolfeSages_GNGT                        | #Oasis_GNGT                               |
| Cynthia Typaldos                        | Larissa Williams                          |
| GreerDucky                               | Tranquility Walk                          |
| #GreerDucky_GNGT                        | #TranquilWalk_GNGT                        |

All gardens may be found at gngt.org: click on View Gardens from Year 2019 and do a webpage search for the garden name.

GNGT Seeks Gardens for Spring 2020
The Going Native Garden Tour showcases up to 60 gardens featuring California native plants. This Santa Clara Valley community-based tour is free of charge to the public. Most gardens are private home gardens, which are open on tour day in a do-it-yourself, open house format.

The gardens on the tour demonstrate reduced water use, reduced chemical and pesticide use, improved habitat, and the unique aesthetic appeal of gardens designed primarily with California native plants. Garden owners are given 50 free high quality plant labels (and can order more at cost). The labels are automatically printed from the plant list.

The tour is seeking gardens to show on the 2020 tour, slated for Saturday May 2 and Sunday May 3, from 10am-4pm. (Each garden is on the tour only one of these days.) We would love to have new gardens on the tour so please consider filling out an application at gngt.org. Please also share this information with neighbors and friends who have native plant gardens. The garden owners do not have to be CNPS members. The application submission deadline is Thursday, October 31, 2019.

CONSERVATION CORNER

Conservation Committee
Our Chapter’s conservation committee will be meeting on Tuesdays, September 10 and October 8 at 7:30pm at the PCC Library in Palo Alto.

Please join us in our important work! For questions, comments or concerns, contact Conservation Committee Chair Carolyn Dorsch at cdorsch1@aol.com or (650) 804-6162. For directions to the PCC, see the previous Keying with Natives article.

CHAPTER SERVICE OUTINGS
Edgewood Restoration
Help restore habitat at Edgewood Park and Natural Preserve, known for fabulous wildflowers and amazing diversity near Redwood City. Sturdy gloves are recommended; you might also want to bring sunscreen, water, a hat, layered clothing and wear long sleeves/pants.

Our **5:30pm Wednesday sessions** continue until the end of Daylight Savings Time. We also weed year-round every **Friday at 9am**. For more information including meeting places, visit [www.cnps-scv.org/restoration/edgewood-park](http://www.cnps-scv.org/restoration/edgewood-park), contact Wednesday leader Ken Himes at (650) 591-8560 or Friday leader Paul Heiple at pheiple@gmail.com or (650) 854-7125.

Alum Rock Park Volunteers
Come help us weed out invasive plants at this natural gem of San Jose. Our habitat restoration efforts allow the native plants to “come to light.”

We have weeding sessions **every Monday morning** and an **Inspiration Point Walk-and-Weed Day the third Saturday morning** of each month. Please visit the Yahoo Group “Alum Rock Park Volunteers” to check the schedules. The group introduction lists what to bring and gives directions to the meeting places.

Steve Rosenthal sends us the following report from the project in early August.
We have found a dozen new California buckwheat (*Eriogonum fasciculatum*) at the Todd Quick Trail restoration site: we planted a bunch of locally native seed last year, but never noticed the seedlings until late July. Now after doing detailed weeding we’ve identified the new plants that have germinated. Most are 2-4 inches across.

In the last couple of weeks we’ve had two separate extra work days attacking stinkwort (*Ditrichia graveolens*) both in and adjacent to Alum Rock Park. There are still LOTS of plants outside the park, but we stuffed many of them into 30-gallon bags for disposal.

Steve’s created and posted a short video on progress at the Todd Quick restoration area. **Watch to learn a lot about** local habitat restoration in just five minutes! [www.youtube.com/watch?v=GYg2X4pwedc](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GYg2X4pwedc).

Join us to continue encouraging native plants to return to this patch of earth. We welcome new volunteers. For more information contact Stephen Rosenthal at sailinsteve@sbcglobal.net or (650) 260-3450.

Lake Cunningham Native Garden
The California Native Garden project in Lake Cunningham Regional Park controls invasive plants in a 1.5-acre area and beautifies it with California native wildflowers, perennials, shrubs and trees.

Workdays take place every **Saturday, 9am - noon.** Volunteers are welcome by appointment. To sign up, visit [lakecunninghamnativegarden.org/volunteer](http://lakecunninghamnativegarden.org/volunteer). The park is located at 2305 S. White Road in San Jose. For **directions**, visit [lakecunninghamnativegarden.org/directions](http://lakecunninghamnativegarden.org/directions). For more information, contact Arvind Kumar at chhaprahiya@gmail.com or (408) 715-7020.

**Sat Oct 26 10am – 12:30pm Fountain Thistle Work Party (San Mateo)**
Join Don Thomas for the return to our ongoing restoration work at this site, at the intersection of I-280 and Hwy. 92.

Our work at this site is a restoration success story. Once almost completely displaced by jubata grass (Andean pampas grass), the federally endangered fountain thistle (*Cirsium fontinale var. fontinale*) has largely recovered, as a result of the work done by CNPS volunteers. Fountain thistle grows in an unusual specialized habitat, serpentine seeps, and is only found here and in few other nearby locations on the Peninsula.

However, fountain thistle is still under threat from other non-native plants, such as yellow star-thistle, sow thistle and wallaby grass (*Rhytidosperma caespitosum*) and by woody plants trying to convert the area to shrubland or woodland.
Sturdy gloves are recommended; you might also want to bring sunscreen, water, a hat, layered clothing and wear long sleeves/pants. Tools will be provided.

We meet at the end of Lessingia Court in San Mateo. If you can’t locate it on Google or Mapquest, contact Don at don_e_thomas@yahoo.com. Optional camaraderie over Greek pizza afterwards.

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.

Cell service is mainly restricted to cities and major highways. To find your way to an outing do not rely solely on your phone.

Check our field trips page www.cnps-scv.org/activities/field-trips for changes, cancellations and additional field trips.

Sun Sep 22 9am - Noon Beginner’s Bird and Plant ID Walk at Lake Cunningham Park (San Jose)
As fall begins, join us for a beginner’s bird and plant identification walk through Lake Cunningham Park. The lake is a major destination for waterfowl and migratory birds, and the park’s native garden draws many birds for its habitat value. On this walk, Vicki Silvas-Young will show you how to identify the common birds of our area, as well as the native plants they depend on for food, shelter and nesting places.

The distance will be 4 miles round-trip on a level path. Bring a hat, water, your plant and bird lists and binoculars. Wear comfortable walking shoes. Parking fee is $6.

Space is limited. Please RSVP through the CNPS SCV Meetup site: www.meetup.com/California-Native-Plant-

Society-Santa-Clara-Valley-Chapter. This walk is organized jointly by CNPS, Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society and Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority.

Directions to the trailhead are on the Meetup page.

Sun Sep 22 10am - 2pm Data Collection with Calflora at Edgewood (Redwood City)
Join Calflora’s Cynthia Powell and our field trip chair Joerg Lohse for a rigorous and hands-on data collection hike, following up on Cynthia's September 20 program (see p. 1).

Install the Calflora Observer Pro app on your smartphone before the field trip to be ready to record info. Bring lunch and water for the day. For more information, contact Joerg at joerg4cnps@gmail.com.

Directions: We’ll meet at 10am at the Bill and Jane Lane Education Center in Edgewood Park and Preserve, located at 10 Stage Coach Road in Redwood City, CA 94062.

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Save a Tree!
Blazing Star newsletters are always online at the Chapter website’s newsletter page: www.cnps-scv.org/blazing-star-newsletter. Please contact membership@cnps-scv.org if you would like to receive this newsletter by email only.

To join our Chapter news email list please visit www.cnps-scv.org/about-us/contact-us.

DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT BLAZING STAR
Saturday, October 5

carol.mattsson@gmail.com or (408) 255-3767
Santa Clara Valley Chapter California Native Plant Society  
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Palo Alto, CA 94303-4326

Join CNPS Today! 
Members receive the Fremontia, the Bulletin, and the Chapter newsletter, and other benefits listed at www.cnps.org/membership

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