Monday, May 10, Marin Chapter Meeting

“Experimenting with New and Old Native Plants and Cultivars for the Home Landscape”

by guest speaker Pete Veilleux

Pete left a 20-year career in social services and international development to pursue his love of gardening with native plants in 2002. Since then, he’s founded East Bay Wilds, a landscape design/installation/maintenance company and native plant nursery.

In addition to attending presentations and lectures and collaborating with knowledgeable horticulturists, ecologists, and botanists, he received his education while exploring our local wild places. His favorite places to explore extend from the high Sierra to the Livermore Hills and Mount Diablo.

He considers his most important tool to be his camera. When he started his business, he was a self-professed lifetime cameraphobe, but in those years, he’s developed quite a good eye for plant and habitat photography. One of his goals is to help people make the

Above: Native landscape in Castro Valley, designed and photographed by Pete Veilleux

connection between their yards and the greater, wild world around us. He wants people to experience the beautiful harmony that he sees around him when exploring the woods, meadows, and high rocky outcrops around the state.

May meeting:

5:45 p.m. Join friends and meet our speaker for a no-host dinner at Gira Polli of Mill Valley, 590 East Blithedale Ave. at Camino Alto. Please call Gerd or Kristin Jakob at (415) 388-1844 at least one day ahead to be assured of a seat with our group.

7:30 p.m. Meet at the Redwoods retirement home, 40 Camino Alto, Mill Valley. Books, posters, cards, and native plants from our speaker’s East Bay Wilds nursery will be for sale before as well as after the meeting. Lecture starts at 8 p.m.

Above: Mule’s ears (Wyethia glabra) by Pete Veilleux

MARIN CHAPTER PLANT SALE RECAP

On a blustery April Saturday at the lovely Richardson Bay Audubon Center, our Marin CNPS chapter held its 34th annual plant sale. For the first time, we offered a selection of native annual and perennial wildflowers from Annie’s Annuals, which proved to be very popular, thanks in large part to Annie’s wonderful signage. Thanks to Charlotte Torgovitsky, we were

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also able to offer seeds of native plants. Doreen Smith led a well-attended native plant walk around the grounds, and Wilma Follette spoke on “Spring Around California.” Many thanks are due to both Wilma and Doreen, as well as all the plant donors and other volunteers who made the sale possible: Stacey Pogorzelski, with books; Gerd Jakob, with cards and posters; Daniel Kushner and Mary Stevens, cashiers; Carolyn Longstreth, membership sales; and super senior, Ken Howard, who again showed us that the love of native plants can keep you younger than your chronological years! Jeanne Lau and Dabney Smith helped on Thursday with setup, labelling, and pricing, as did Vivian Mazur, who also donated numerous shade-loving plants propagated from her garden in Inverness. On Saturday, Annette Anzaloni, Lynn Lozier, and Marian Love proved invaluable with arrangement, signage, and plant sales. Robert Feist again transported books to the sale site and assisted customers with take out. Thelma Arlom and Paul Kryloff assisted with take down.

While we sold many plants, we do have some plants remaining; we will be offering these at the monthly membership meetings. If you are looking for native plants for your garden, you can contact Kristin Jakob (kristinjakob@pacbell.net) for a current availability list.

From the CNPS Marin plant sale chairs, Renee Fittinghoff and Kristin Jakob

GGNRA RARE PLANT MONITORING

Rare plant monitoring programs in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) need volunteers. Help gather crucial data on rare plant populations in the GGNRA while enjoying some of the most spectacular areas of the park. All dates, times, and locations subject to change.

Monitoring sessions are limited to 20 participants, so please RSVP at least two days in advance by calling (415) 561-2857 or sending an email to Michael Chassé at michael_chasse@nps.gov.

Saturday, May 1, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
San Mateo, Mori Point (Leptosiphon parviflorus, Astragalus nuttallii var. nuttallii). Meet at entrance to Mori Point at Bradshaw Wy. and Mori Point Rd.

Thursday, May 6, 9 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
Tennessee Valley (Cirsium andrewsi, local rarities). Meet at the Tennessee Valley parking lot.

Thursday, May 13, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Presidio, San Francisco (Clarkia franciscana). Meet at the Inspiration Point parking area, near the Presidio’s Arguello gate.

Thursday, May 20, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Presidio, San Francisco (Clarkia franciscana). Meet at the Inspiration Point parking area, near the Presidio’s Arguello gate.

Thursday, May 27, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
To be announced.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

• Sunday 5/2, 2 p.m.
  Chapter Field Trip: Samuel P. Taylor State Park

• Sunday 5/2, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
  Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour

• Tuesday 5/4, 7 p.m.
  Marin Chapter Board Meeting at Marin Recycling

• Saturday 5/8, 10 a.m.
  Tiburon Invasive Weed Removal Party

• Sunday 5/9, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
  Chapter Field Trip: Joe Kohn Memorial Hike, Rock Spring

• Monday 5/10, 7:30–9:30 p.m.
  Marin Chapter Meeting: Pete Veilleux on “Experimenting with New and Old Native Plants and Cultivars for the Home Landscape”

• Saturday 5/15, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.
  Fourth Annual Marin Eco-Friendly Garden Tour

• Sunday 5/16, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
  Chapter Field Trip: Point Molate Grassland (Contra Costa County)

• Wednesday 5/19, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
  Chapter Field Trip: Alpine-Kent Pump Road

• Sunday 5/23, 9 a.m.–2 p.m.
  Chapter Field Trip: Hidden Lake, Mt. Burdell

• Friday 5/28–Monday 5/31
  Joint Chapter Field Trip: Mendocino Memorial Day Weekend

• Monday 6/14, 7:30–9:30 p.m.
  Marin Chapter Meeting: Michael Chassé on “Rare Plants of the GGNRA and Rediscovery of Franciscan Manzanita”

CHAPTER NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ONLINE!

You can find a color PDF edition of this newsletter on the Marin chapter website by visiting www.marin.edu/cnps/newsletters.html.
RARE PLANT OF THE MONTH
Text and photos by Doreen Smith
In the new edition of the *Marin Flora* (2007), there are listed 35 species of clover (*Trifolium*), plus a few of their varieties. Of these, 21 species are native to California. For several years, I’ve been trying to pick a date for a field trip to explore and even key-out as many species of clover as can be discovered in any one site. Maybe on one of our upcoming outings the Trifoliums will be abundant, not as stunted as they have been in the recent dry years.

Above and below: Showy Indian clover (*Trifolium amoenum*)

The most showy of our annual clovers has quite large heads of flowers, but many are very small plants and require a 10x hand lens to see details of the inflorescence. The one pictured here is Marin’s rarest species, *Trifolium amoenum*. Once widely distributed in the grasslands of the central California coast range, it is now reduced to only one known population (except for a restoration project on Pt. Reyes). This is in the Dillon Beach area of Marin, on private land. The site is cliff-side and prone to erosion. If anyone wants to see it when it flowers in May, arrangements have to be made with the landowners.

GARDEN TOURS
Fourth Annual Marin Eco-Friendly Gardens Tour
*Saturday, May 15, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.*
Take your pick at visiting over 30 gardens in Marin (from Tiburon to Novato). Check out demonstrations on plant propagation, sheet mulching, making slatted walkways, and creating compost. Meet authors Annie Spiegelman and Nancy Bauer. Talk with landscape professionals.

Garden Highlights:
- Native, drought-tolerant, fire-resistant, and creekside plants
- Native no-mow lawn and lawn-free landscaping
- Edible organic gardens
- Rain gardens and cisterns
- Smart irrigation controllers
- Permeable surfaces and swales
- Creekbank restoration and erosion control measures
- Graywater systems
- Living roof
- Habitat for wildlife
- Pollinators (bee hives)
- Vineyard and farms

Free organized tours, demonstrations, and presentations at select locations. Find carpool information at http://www.rideshare.us; use lookup code Marin Eco Tour.

Registration required—reserve your place today! Cost is $10 per person; free passes for students and low-income individuals on request.

Contact Gina Purin (MCSTOPPP) at (415) 499-3202 or gpurin@co.marin.ca.us for more information, or visit http://www.mcstoppp.org/EFgardentour2010.html.

Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour 2010
*Sunday, May 2, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.*
The Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour is seeking volunteers who will spend a morning or afternoon greeting tour participants and answering questions at this native plant garden tour. More than 50 gardens located throughout Alameda and Contra Costa counties will be showcased on this tour.

Benefits to volunteers include invitations to Garden Soireses, in which tour gardens are open for leisurely, private viewing by hosts and volunteers; a pre-tour meeting with the owner and private tour of the garden you will be staffing; a guaranteed tour reservation for the half day you are free; and a Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour t-shirt. For more information, please email Kathy Kramer at Kathy@KathyKramerConsulting.net, or call (510) 236-9558 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.
MAY 2010 NATIVE PLANT WALKS  
Marin Chapter Field Trip News and Policies

Make some seedy pals with the Marin chapter of the California Native Plant Society. All hikes are free and open to the public, so please invite your friends.

Come prepared for any type of weather or conditions, dress in layers, have non-slip footwear, and bring rain/wind protection just in case. Although it may be sunny and warm when you leave home, the weather could be cold and foggy when we reach our destination. Bring lunch and plenty of water, binoculars and/or hand lenses, and your favorite field guides. Please contact hike Leaders with any questions about the hikes.

Field Trip Plant Lists
Plant lists compiled by Marin CNPS for many Marin localities are available on the Marin Chapter CNPS website at http://www.marin.edu/cnps.

Samuel P. Taylor State Park  
Sunday, May 2, 2 p.m.

Meet in the group picnic area parking lot at the start of the Pioneer Tree Trail (across the creek from the main picnic/parking area). We will walk the Pioneer Tree Trail and part of the Cross Marin Trail, identifying trees, shrubs, and flowers. We should see coast trillium, elk clover, fairy bells, clintonia, anemones, mission bells, and violets among the flowers. Trees include redwoods, oaks, alders, maples, and California nutmeg. The walk is gentle, with a few hundred feet rise and drop over 1.5 miles and then 0.5 miles level.

From 101, go west on Sir Francis Drake Blvd. through Fairfax and the village of Lagunitas into the park. Take a left into the main picnic area a couple of miles after entering the park (there is a fee). Park and walk across the bridge to the group picnic area. Meet at the far end of that parking lot, where the trail starts. Co-sponsored by the East Bay chapter of CNPS.

Leader: David Margolies—divaricatum@gmail.com, (510) 393-1858 (cell).

Joe Kohn Memorial Hike, Rock Spring  
Sunday, May 9, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Take a walk on the mild side and celebrate the life and love of nature of our friend, Joe Kohn. Enjoy the wildflowers, diverse habitats, and mountain views that were his passions. Bring layers, lunch, water, snacks, and stories. Meet at the Rock Spring parking lot on Mount Tam, at the junction of Pantoll Rd. and Ridgecrest Blvd.

For some photos of Joe with his many friends, go to http://www.tinyurl.com/joekohnphotos.

Leader: Dabney Smith—(415) 320-9229.

Point Molate Grassland (Contra Costa County)  
Sunday, May 16, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

The grasslands of the Potrero Hills at Point Molate are one of the last undeveloped landscapes on San Francisco Bay with intact native coastal bunchgrass prairies. These grasslands are currently threatened by a proposed mega-casino development under consideration by the City of Richmond and the U.S. Department of the Interior. The Potrero Hills form an “almost-island” peninsula in the narrows of San Pablo Bay in the rain shadow of the high hills of Marin County, with a spectacular view of Mt. Tam, San Francisco, and San Pablo Bay. On the knolls and swales overlooking the Bay are precious coastal prairie meadows transitioning into valley grassland. California oatgrass grows with purple needlegrass, squirreltail, junegrass, and red fescue adjacent to patches of California fescue and the unique robust form of creeping wildrye.

Above: Purple needlegrass (Nassella pulchra) © Kristin Jakob 1995

On this trip, we will revel in the as-yet undisturbed beauty and discuss what can be done to save it. The California Native Grasslands Association is encouraging Bay Area residents to get involved in the fate of this unique and special place.

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Point Molate is just north of the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge. From Marin, take I-580 across the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge. Just after the toll plaza, take the Richmond Pkwy/Point Richmond exit. Merge onto East Standard Ave. Take the ramp back onto I-580 West. Exit on Western Dr. toward Point Molate. Proceed straight on this road rising over a hill that curves more towards the north. As the road descends the hill, park at the parking lot on the right just before the “Point Molate Restricted Area” open gate/chain link fence. Bag lunch, sunscreen, hat, and water are essential; hand lens and camera are good options.

Cosponsored by CNPS East Bay and Marin Chapters.

Leaders: David Amme and Lech Naumovich.

Marin contact/co-leader: Stacey Pogorzelski—spilogales@hotmail.com, (415) 789-0475.

Alpine-Kent Pump Road

Wednesday, May 19, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Alpine-Kent road slopes gently from Alpine Dam to the upper reaches of Kent Lake. We’ll amble along this riparian corridor and enjoy the diverse flowers, butterflies, and birds of this unique area. If the hikers are willing and the timing is right, we’ll eat our noon repast next to a babbling brook with sun-dappled pools—one of the best lunch spots in the county. Bring layers, lunch, and water. Meet at Alpine Dam about eight miles south of Fairfax on Bolinas Rd.

Leader: Brad Kelley—fieldtrips@bradkelley.org, (415)-459-0569.

Hidden Lake, Mt. Burdell

Sunday, May 23, 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

What’s up in Marin’s largest vernal pool? Hidden Lake on Mt. Burdell has our only population of *Navarretia leucocephala ssp. bakeri*, which should be in flower by this date, plus other interesting plants, including *Isoetes howellii*. On the way are mixed evergreen forest and grassland plant communities. A trail map is available online as a PDF file at www.mappery.com.

Meet at the San Andreas Dr. entrance gate to the Mt. Burdell Open Space Preserve in Novato. San Andreas Dr. branches north off San Marin Drive at a shopping center. There is plenty of curbside parking, but there are no restroom facilities. The route goes gently uphill on fire roads about 1.5 miles to Hidden Lake (approximately 800 ft. elevation).

We’ll be botanizing at least until lunch, so come prepared. If the weather is hot, be sure to bring sufficient water.

Leader: Doreen Smith—dlsmith@lvha.net.

Mendocino Memorial Day Weekend

Friday, May 28–Monday, May 31

Joint us for all or part of this weekend for short day hikes jointly with four other CNPS chapters (North Coast, Sanhedrin, Dorothy King Young, and Milo Baker). We’ll explore several favorite botanical sites, including the Pygmy Forest, the Mendocino Botanical Garden, and local state parks. Make reservations in parks and motels as soon as possible. Leaders: Carol Ralph, Sue Smith, and Wilma Follette.

For a detailed schedule and other information, send a self-addressed stamped envelope before mid-May to Wilma Follette, One Harrison Ave., Sausalito, CA 94965.

For plant lists for the local parks, visit the Dorothy King Young chapter web site (http://www.dkycnps.org).

OPEN SPACE DISTRICT HIKES

For information, visit the Marin County Open Space District website at http://www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/PK/Main/mcosd/os_walks.asp or contact David Herlocker at (415) 499-3647.

HELP SAVE TIBURON’S RARE PLANTS—INVASIVE WEED REMOVAL PARTY

Saturday, May 8, 10 a.m.

The serpentine soil on the Tiburon Middle Ridge Open Space parcel supports four plant species—Tiburon jewelwflower, Marin dwarf flax, Tiburon paintbrush, and Tiburon buckwheat—that are recognized by Federal and State governments as needing protection.

Help protect these plants that are severely threatened by invasive weeds—volunteer with the Tiburon Weed Brigade.

Local botanist, CNPS Conservation Chair, and Tiburon resident Eva Buxton will give an account of the rare plants and describe the threats to them from non-native species.

Where to meet: At the junction of Gilmartin Dr. and a fire road, 0.35 mile from Tiburon Boulevard in Tiburon, just before Gilmartin’s sharp turn to the right. Parking is available below the double yellow lines on Gilmartin Dr. From US 101, take the Tiburon Blvd. exit; go east on Tiburon Blvd. for approximately three miles; turn left onto Gilmartin Dr.

Contact Eva Buxton at evabuxton@sbcglobal.net for more information.
LECTURES, WORKSHOPS, AND SYMPOSIA

Jepson Herbarium Weekend Workshops, 2010

These public programs, supported by The Friends of the Jepson Herbarium, are designed to provide members of the systematics, ecological, and conservation communities access to specialists in their field of study. The following workshops in the series are still available. Unless otherwise specified, workshops are held at UC Berkeley.

- **May 7–9**: Brassicaceae—Ihsan Al-Shehbaz
- **May 21–23**: Poaceae (McLaughlin Reserve, Lower Lake)—Barbara Wilson, Nick Otting, and Richard Brainerd
- **May 27–30**: Seaweeds of Northern California (Bodega Marine Laboratory, Bodega Bay and surrounding locations)—Kathy Ann Miller
- **June 3–6**: Rare Flora of the Kings River Canyon (Canyon View Campground, Kings Canyon National Park and Sequoia National Forest)—Dana York

For more information on the workshops, or to register, please consult [http://ucjeps.berkeley.edu/workshops](http://ucjeps.berkeley.edu/workshops), call (510) 643-7008, or email jepsonworkshops@berkeley.edu.

CNPS Workshops and Professional Training

The Plant Science Training Program specializes in providing workshops for professional botanists, biologists, and ecologists to teach the skills and provide the tools and resources for conducting sound scientific surveys for rare plants, rare plant communities, vegetation, wetlands, and invasive plants. Discounted registration fees are offered to CNPS Members.

**May 4–6: Measuring and Monitoring Plant Populations**

Three-day combination of lecture and field exercises. Using classroom and field exercises, the workshop will focus on the role of plant population monitoring for adaptive management. Participants will learn how to develop good management objectives. Topics cover principles of sampling and several sampling designs, field techniques for measuring vegetation, analyzing monitoring data, and presenting results. Participants will receive a copy of the BLM-published book, *Measuring and Monitoring Plant Populations* by Caryl Elzinga, Dan Salzer, and John Willoughby.

**Location**: TreePeople’s Cold Water Canyon Park (located on the ridgeline between Beverly Hills and Studio City)

**Instructor**: John Willoughby

**Cost**: CNPS Members ($410) | Non-members ($435)

**May 18-20: Riparian Ecology and Restoration**

Please join CNPS and Stillwater Sciences for a three-day, riparian ecology and restoration workshop. The first day, at UC Davis, includes lecture and discussion that provides a conceptual framework for riparian ecology and the natural processes that sustain riparian systems. The remaining days will include at-site lectures and field visits to riparian areas in Marin County and the Central Valley. In the field, we will see how riparian systems function from the source waters to the river mouth, and visit restoration sites that demonstrate a broad range of approaches and techniques. The strengths and concerns associated with each will be discussed, as well as the practical challenges (and solutions) that arise in the planning, implementation, and monitoring phases of riparian restoration and management.

**Instructors**: Bruce Orr, Amy Merrill

**Cost**: CNPS Members ($395) | Non-members ($420)


The long-awaited second edition of *A Manual of California Vegetation* is now available. This workshop will provide an overview of the additions and changes in the manual, including new vegetation types recognized or redefined across many habitats. We also will discuss the new components of the vegetation descriptions and how you can use this book. Conservation and management are main themes of these descriptions. Time, weather and location permitting, we may take a walk to view some vegetation types described in the new manual.

Workshop registrants will have the opportunity to purchase a copy of the *Manual* at the list price of $82 + tax. The instructors will have boxes of books available for people to buy and to borrow during the workshop. Julie Evens will also have CNPS order forms for purchase of books by credit card, check or cash.

Visit [www.sercal.org/conference.htm](http://www.sercal.org/conference.htm) for details. All net proceeds from this workshop will go to CNPS.

**Location**: Mountainside Conference Center, Mammoth Lakes, CA

**Maximum # of Registrants**: 30

**Instructors**: John Sawyer, Todd Keeler-Wolf, Julie Evens

**Cost**: SERCAL or CNPS Members ($110) | Non-Member ($135) (includes hosted lunch)

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June 1-3: Wetlands Plants and Ecosystems

First evening presentation followed by two field days interspersed with lab identification exercises. California is rich in wetland ecosystems. They are found across all geographic regions of the state where a combination of topography and hydrology result in saturated conditions at least part of the year. The valleys and rugged terrain of eastern Mendocino County are an ideal location for the study of wetland systems commonly found across the state. These include perennial streams, ponds, and marshes, as well as small intermittent tributary streams, vernal pools, seeps, and springs. This workshop will include field trips to the Hopland Field Station and Little Lake Valley north of Willits to observe plant communities and soil characteristics of different wetland types, and the influences of topography and hydrology. Plants of the sedge (Cyperaceae), rush (Juncaceae), and grass (Poaceae) families are well represented in this region and will be the focus of the class. Participants will have the opportunity to identify difficult plants during scheduled day and evening lab sessions.

Instructors: Kerry Heise, Gerri Hulse-Stephens, Joel Butterworth

Cost: CNPS Members ($310) | Non-members ($335)

June 15-17: Treasures in an Ancient Landscape: Rare Plants of the Eastern Klamath Ranges

First evening presentation followed by two field days. This field-based workshop will focus on regional endemics of the Eddys, Scott, and Trinity Mountains, within the triangle circumscribed by the towns of Redding, Mt. Shasta, and Weaverville. This landscape is not only geologically and topographically complex, but is also very old. We will see many rare plants that are confined to ultramafic (“serpentine”) substrates, and will also see rare plants that are generalists. Habitats we will visit include Jeffrey pine/incense cedar woodlands, mixed conifer-oak forests, extensive rock outcrops, and Darlingtonia wetlands.

Instructors: Jim Nelson and Julie Nelson

Cost: CNPS Members ($310) | Non-members ($335)

For detailed course descriptions, registration forms, and workshops for the rest of 2010, visit http://cnps.org/cnps/education/workshops.

If you have further questions after visiting the website, contact Josie Crawford at jcrweford@cnps.org or (916) 447-2677 ext. 205.

SPRING CLASSES 2010—East Bay Regional Parks Botanic Garden

Unless otherwise noted, all classes take place at the Regional Parks Botanic Garden at Wildcat Canyon Rd. and South Park Dr. (South Park Dr. is closed November–March), Tilden Regional Park, Berkeley.

Saturday, May 1, 10 a.m.—4 p.m.

The Spring Color Palette with Andie Thrams
(Class Full)

Sunday, May 2, 10 a.m.—4 p.m.

Watercolors in the Field with Andie Thrams
(Class Full)

Sunday, May 16, 10 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Botanizing California: Mount Vision at Point Reyes National Seashore with Glenn Keator
(Class Full)

Saturday, June 5, 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Winged Visitors in Your Garden Sanctuary with Charlotte Torgovitsky

Now that you’re planting California natives for their habitat value, you have probably noticed increased activity in your garden sanctuary. Perhaps you would like to know more about all those creatures. We’ll take a slide show tour through a year of birds and butterflies, learning unique and identifying features of the species most likely to be seen in gardens. You’ll learn interesting facts about each species, its life cycle, and the important associations these creatures have developed with certain plants. Each student will take home a milkweed plant to provide food for monarch caterpillars.

Cost: $30 Garden members/$35 nonmembers

Saturday, June 19, 10 a.m.—12 p.m.

Introduction to Botanical Drawing for Kids with Gretchen McCondochie

Come have fun finding art in the garden! In this two-hour workshop for children ages 8-12, we will look at shapes, colors, and textures in the garden and then learn how to make drawings of what we see. No experience is needed; drawing materials and sketch pads will be provided. This is the first in a series of classes for kids at the garden.

Cost: $10 for children of Garden members/
$15 nonmembers

To register, visit http://www.nativeplants.org/events.html. For additional information, contact John Rusk at (510) 528-0526 or john@rusk.com. Advance registration is required for all classes. Drop-ins are not permitted.


**BOARD NEWS**

**Chapter Secretary Needed!**

Paula Dawson, Chapter Secretary for many years, has decided to “retire” from this position. We thank Paula for all her work and dedication! The duties of the Chapter Secretary include taking the minutes at our Board meetings as well as being a voting member of the Board; the meetings take place the first Tuesday of the month (eight months/year) from 7 to 9 p.m. in San Rafael. Please contact Stacey Pogorzelski at (415) 789-0475 to find out about this opportunity!

**Plant Advocacy Group Forming!**

Are you interested in getting involved in protecting our native flora and fauna? Many decisions are made by our cities, counties, state, and nation that impact our native plants. Being involved could entail writing letters, making calls to legislators, or speaking at county board meetings. This group was the idea of Joe Kohn, and we are hoping some members will be interested in carrying his idea forward! To learn more about how to get involved, contact Stacey Pogorzelski at (415) 789-0475 or spilogales@hotmail.com.

**Book Transportation Still Needed**

Many thanks to Doyleen McMurtry, who is helping Daniel Kushner with book sales at our meetings! We could still use some help transporting the books between the membership meetings and where they are housed in Mill Valley.

Please contact Kristin Jakob at (415) 388-1844 or kristinjakob@pacbell.net if you have questions or may be able to help.

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WE’D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you would like to make a suggestion for a chapter meeting program, field trip, plant identification workshop, or anything else, please contact us. You can phone or email your ideas to any of the board members listed on page 8 of the newsletter.

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