June Chapter Meeting:

**Finger Foods and Gardens Gone Native! Virtual Tour**

No utensils needed! Just bring yourself for a relaxing evening. Or, if you like, you may bring a favorite finger food or non-alcoholic beverage to share. We'll provide napkins, plates, and cups—but feel free to be really earth-friendly and bring your own re-usable dishes.

Snack time will be followed by a short virtual “Gardens Gone Native” tour. This virtual tour will showcase a few of our own CNPS member gardens that were showcased on the April tour. The garden owners will take the microphone and tell us about their gardens and how they did it. We hope these stories will inspire you to build or expand upon your own native plant landscaping.

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**Chapter meetings are free and open to the public.**

Books are available for purchase at meetings. Refreshments provided!

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The mission of the California Native Plant Society is to conserve California native plants and their natural habitats, and increase understanding, appreciation, and horticultural use of native plants.
Field Trips

Dog Valley, Verdi
Saturday June 9
Dog Valley is located in a convergence zone between the east slope Sierra Nevada and northern Great Basin high desert. The Dog Valley area is characterized by a large meadow surrounded by flats of low sage which are then surrounded by yellow pine forest. We will spend most of our time exploring the low sage flats which are home to a variety of rare plants. This is Great Basin “rock garden” flora at its finest. Carol Witham is leading this trip along with butterfly expert Greg Kareofelas. See below for contact information.

Lower Carpenter Valley near Truckee
Sunday, June 24
Lower Carpenter Valley was one of the topics at the January 2018 Chapter Meeting presentation by Ed Smith of The Nature Conservancy. Lower Carpenter Valley is one of the best examples of a properly functioning meadow in the Tahoe area. When the snow melts, Lower Carpenter Valley puts on a wildflower show that is unrivalled in the area. This area was in private ownership until 2017. More information about the valley can be found at http://tdlandtrust.org. Four docents from Truckee Donner Land Trust will accompany us. Public visits before the trail system is completed in 2020 are confined to the former ranch road. Visit www.SacValleyCNPS.org under the Field Trips page for more information and to sign-up. Or email John Schmidt at john_waif@msn.com. Meeting time and location will be posted on the web or emailed. There is a group size limit.

Ongoing

2nd Wed. of the month, 7 p.m. (Jan.–June; Sept.–Nov.)
Chapter Meeting & Guest Speaker
Shepard Garden & Arts Center, McKinley Park, Sacramento
See page 1. Contact John Hunter, botanyjohnhunter@gmail.com for more information.

4th Wed. of the month, 7 p.m. (Jan.–June; Sept.–Nov.)
Chapter Board Meetings
Shepard Garden & Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Park
Contact: John Hunter, botanyjohnhunter@gmail.com

Elderberry Farms
Native Plant Nursery
Located at Soil Born Farms
2140 Chase Drive, Rancho Cordova
We pot up seedlings and learn plant propagation techniques. Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches provided. RSVP to Chris, cnpschris@gmail.com.

Friday Walks 9 a.m.–noon.
Plant identification, photography, art and fun! Go to sacvalley.cnps.org, find Friday Walks under Events and Field Trips.

Habitat 2020
Day and Time TBD
For information contact Glen Holstein, holstein@cal.net; (530) 758-6787.

Ceanothus—Collaborative Plant Identification Workshops
3rd Sat. of the month, 9 a.m.
UC Davis Herbarium (Center for Plant Diversity)
Michael Bower, (530) 902-8721
Bring any plants you’re curious about and the Jepson Manual. Visit www.ceanothus.org for more information. Email questions to ceanothusfieldbot@gmail.com.

Garden Work Days at the Native Plant Demonstration Garden
Sacramento Historic City Cemetery
1000 Broadway, Sacramento
Bring a hat and water and wear garden-appropriate clothes. Gardening tools available for use and refreshments provided. A plant will be available to take home. For more information, contact Cassandra at cnpsgarden@gmail.com

Other Items of Interest

Friends of the Chico State Herbarium
Upcoming Activities:
Butte County Butterflies and their Host Plant Affinities
Thur., June 7 Optional trip June 8. 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m
Photography Workshop: Native Flowers as Compositional Elements
Saturday, June 9
Introduction to the Willows of California
Saturday, June 23
Mountain meadows
Saturday, August 25
For more information and how to register go to: www.friendsofthechicostateherbarium.com/eventsviewcalendar/

Calflora Training
Friday June 22 in Mammoth Lakes
The class will be a combination of lecture and field exercises on importing, exporting, GIS applications, and using Calflora data. Discussions include collecting data in the field using Calflora apps for Android and iOS devices, creating history stacks to track changes over time, and mapping. The classroom portion will take place in the meeting room at the Sierra Nevada Aquatic Research Laboratory at Mammoth Lakes, and the hike will take place in the Eastern Sierras. For more information go to https://www.calflora.org/newsletter/2018Mammoth.pdf.
Horticulture Outreach

The Sacramento Valley CNPS Chapter now has a Horticulture Outreach program and would like you to be a member. We are partnering with other agencies and programs to facilitate the promotion of the use of native plants in general landscape horticulture. This includes water districts; regional Master Gardener programs; professional landscape organizations; and park and recreation districts. Please consider participating. Send questions to Tim Crowley at timcrowley@pacbell.net (please write CNPS Outreach as the subject to distinguish from spam mail) or call 916-645-7881.

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Visit the Stockton subchapter’s website for latest news: eepurl.com/u8mNj Use this link to subscribe to the Stockton sub-chapter e-mail list: eepurl.com/u8iTb

CNPS members living in Stockton who would like to find others in the area to carpool to chapter activities in Sacramento should contact Martha Mallory, (209) 477-3966.
Submit content for the September Hibiscus by August 11!
Be sure your membership is current! See your address label for your renewal date.

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The Sacramento Valley chapter newsletter, Hibiscus, is published January, March, May, September, and November. Deadline for Hibiscus contributions is midnight of the Friday before the monthly meeting for possible inclusion in the next month’s newsletter. Please send your submittals to editorhibiscus@gmail.com.

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