The beginning of another wildflower season is filled with promise with the restoration of groundwater that continues even as this edition is being penned. Reports of the desert in 100 year bloom has three of our members off to witness firsthand this festival of color and we eagerly await their reports and hopefully images to share! Meanwhile, locally, we have planned some more trips for appreciation of the flora closer to home.

The upcoming wildflower show at Oak Grove Regional Park Nature Center, sponsored by our subchapter of CNPS will be a good opportunity to educate the public to the beauty to be found within a half hour or hour’s drive from home here in the central valley.

If you can spare time the day before the show to help with collecting or setup, or if you can help staff the tables on either day of the show, please call Martha at (209) 477 3966.

If you can’t help we would still like to see you at the show.
UPCOMING EVENTS & TRIPS... For trip information contact:  
Bob Stahmer (209) 943 2277  vbromper@aol.com

Chico Grunder’s Table Mountain (east of Oakdale)

Friday, March 25, 2005 - Owl Creek Ranch
Bring a sack lunch and join our annual pilgrimage to Chico’s spectacular hilltop overlooking the Stanislaus River.

Wildflower Display

Nature Center - Oak Grove Regional Park  
April 9-10, 2005.  
12 noon - 7 pm

Volunteers, Please! We need folks to help gather the species for our wildflower display. Collecting will take place on Friday, April 8, when we’ll go to various locations around the valley.

Also, we need to borrow vases of all sizes and shapes.

If you can help, please phone Martha at (209) 477 3966.

Wildflower Show & Plant Sale

Sacramento  
April 16-17, 2005  
Let’s carpool on Sunday.

Merced River Canyon (east of Merced)

Date to be arranged  
Winding our way through the redbud-covered foothills, we’ll arrive at the colorful Hite’s Cove trail along the Merced River.

Bring lunch.

Arena Plains (west of Merced)

Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 1pm to 4pm  
A ranger-led trip to discover some of California’s most beautiful vernal pools and the other half of Half Dome!  
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