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NEWSLETTER OF THE MT. LASSEN CHAPTER
CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

SEPTEMBER 1994

Executive Board Meeting
Rose and Paul Reiling's House
822 Wagstaff Road,
Paradise, CA 95969

Wednesday, August 31, 1994
7:30 PM

General Meeting
Butte County Library
Sherman and First Avenue, Chico

Monday, September 5, 1994
7:30 p.m.

Annual Members Show and Tell
A few of your favorite slides of the summer.

This is your chance to show off some special place or some special plants that you have seen during the past year. By request we would also like to see your trials and tribulations and successes with growing native plants in the garden. Come join us as we entertain each other with this annual event and get caught up on what happened during the summer.
The Book We've Been Waiting For Is Now In Print
and available through your Mt. Lassen Chapter.
Pick one up at the next General Meeting.

Manual of the
VASCULAR PLANTS
OF
BUTTE
COUNTY,
California

By
Vernon H. Oswald
IN COLLABORATION WITH
Lowell Ahart

Those of you who have seen one of the numerous draft versions of this book, or who were lucky enough to actually possess one, already know what a wonderful and essential source this book is about the plants of Butte County. For those of you who haven't, I will attempt to describe it. This flora is the result of more than eight years of intensive field and herbarium study of the plants of Butte County, their taxonomy, distribution, and habitats. The bulk of the book's 345 pages are devoted to keys of all the 1890 species and 133 varieties and subspecies of vascular plants that are known from the County, plus common name, detailed distributional information including the elevational range, the habitat and plant community in which the species is found, its blooming period, and reference to different names used in the other common California State floras (Vern's use of plant names is based upon The Jepson Manual released last year). In addition the book includes a valuable appendix on plant names and pronunciation, and a fascinating glossary of the meanings of plant names. The book is a handy size, too, at 5 1/2 by 8 1/2 inches.

Personally, I never go anywhere without a copy of Vern Oswald's Manual of the Vascular Plants of Butte County, California. In fact, I have a copy in my car, a copy in my office, a copy at work, a copy at home...

Get your copy for $14.95 plus $1.08 sales tax at any General Meeting, or by mail adding $2.19 for shipping costs ($18.22 total), send or call your order to Ruth Cunningham, 660 Paseo Companeros, Chico, CA 95928, telephone (916) 891-8462. Make checks payable to CNPS, Mt. Lassen Chapter.

Lawrence Janeway, President
Late Summer Field Trips

Sept 4 - Sunday. Red firs and floating bogs at Frog, Green and Saucer Lakes. Bring lunch and water to Park & Ride in Chico at 8:00 AM or meet at the intersection of Humbug Summit road and Jonesville (Scott John) road at 9:30 AM. A four mile moderate hike. Leader Wes Dempsey 342-2293.

Sept 11 - Sunday. Willow Lake and Terminal Geyser hike. A fantastic floating bog with 3 species of sundew and the newly rediscovered Scheuchzeria palustris. Bring lunch and water to Park & Ride in Chico at 8:00 AM or meet at the Chester Firehouse (Highway 36 and Juniper Lake Road) at about 10:30 AM. An easy 3 mile hike. Leader John Ost 343-2417.

CNPS CONSERVATION AND EDUCATION WORKSHOPS

A Conservation Workshop will be held in conjunction with the State Board Meeting at Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, Carmel, California starting at 8:30 AM on September 10, 1994. There will be a discussion and clarification of plant protection under the California Endangered Species Act followed by a session on the economic relationships. The California Endangered Species Act is under fire from user groups and developers and economics will be playing an increasing role in future urban and natural resource planning.

That afternoon an Education Workshop will follow, starting at 1:00 PM. This is an excellent opportunity to find out what the CNPS is all about, and what it is doing. Topics are varied covering things like Programs at Botanical Gardens and Schools, Herbarium Specimens, Plant Sales, Landscaping, Invasive Exotics and other things most of us, to some degree or other, get involved in.

A detailed agenda is available from the Newsletter Editor for anyone interested in attending.

POSTERS

The prices of CNPS Posters have gone up to $12.00 for un laminated and $15.00 for laminated. While our supply lasts, however, we will hold our prices to $6.00 un laminated and $8.00 laminated for members only. Non-members will be charged $2.00 more.

Let Us Know!

Do you have something you want to share with others in the Chapter? Any comments about your experiences with native plants, field trips or other trips, photographs, writings, sketches, etc. would be welcome. Send to Newsletter Editor, Paul Reiling, 822 Wagstaff Road, Paradise, CA 95969; or simply deliver at any Board or General Meeting.
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