Annual Picnic

OUR ANNUAL PICNIC WILL BE ON SUNDAY, JUNE 14TH FROM 2 TO 4:30 PM.

The place will be new and interesting - the Patrick Ranch Museum, south of Chico. This will be a pleasant and enjoyable time together and a chance to seek answers to plant questions, share ideas, suggest nice places to go. The Patrick Ranch Museum is starting a native plant garden, something worth taking a look at ... maybe you'll have some good ideas for it, or get some ideas for your own yard.

PLEASE BRING - a dish to share, you might want to barbeque, your own utensils, drinks, and chairs.

The Patrick Ranch is located at 10381 Midway, west side, just south of the intersection of Oro-Chico Highway.

More than just a meal, this is the best chance all year to enjoy unhurried time with your fellow members in a relaxing setting. We hope to see you there.
EAGLE ROCK AND HUMBOLDT SUMMIT
LASSEN NATIONAL FOREST
June 6    Saturday
Meet at Chico Park & Ride west lot (Hwys 32/99) at 8:30 am. Wear sturdy shoes, bring lunch, water, sun/insect protection and money for ride sharing. We’ll drive northeast 27 miles on Hwy 32, then 12 miles north on paved county road to the Butte Meadows area where we’ll see some insect capturing plants. Then we’ll drive through Jonesville and take gravely Humboldt Rd 3 miles up to the 6600 ft summit. The Pacific Crest Trail contours without switchbacks along the rim of the caldera of Mt Yana. We’ll inspect some outcrops for the pink flat-stemmed onion, buckwheat, steer heads, and Spirea, as we head up to the 6800 ft Eagle Rocks, 1.5 miles from the trailhead. We’ll pass expanses of arrow-leaved balsam root, with a few three-leaved Lewisia, among picturesque, ancient Jeffrey pines. At the top will be pink rockfringe and cycladenia. On the return trail, we can make a short side trip to the top of Humboldt Peak at 7087 ft ele. Call for alternate meeting place. Leaders: Gerry Ingco 530-893-5123, Wes Dempsey 530-342-2293

SUMMER FIELD TRIPS on pages 4. and 5.
President’s Message
by CATIE BISHOP, President

This will be the last Pipevine before our summer lull. It’s been a very busy winter and spring, coming on the heels of our fall Horticulture Symposium. We had our Conservation Conference, 50 year CNPS Anniversary, Oroville Wildflower and Nature Festival, our Wildflower Show, and Endangered Species Fair. But we have two more events before we can take our vacations, the State Chapter Council meeting on May 29-31 in Quincy and the June chapter picnic.

Chapter Council happens 4 times a year, and is the opportunity for the Chapters to come together to discuss not only the goings-on of the State Programs, but also to share among the Chapters what we are doing, and how to better serve our local members. All members are welcome and encouraged to add their insights to any and all discussions. There is a field trip up Caribou Rd on Friday, Chapter Council meeting on Saturday, a banquet on Saturday evening with a speaker, and a field trip on Sunday to Butterfly Valley. For more information go to the State website, cnps.org, click on “admin” in the upper right corner, then on “Chapter Council” and you’ll see the Chapter Council meetings listed.

As usual, we are having a June picnic in lieu of a general program. It is a potluck picnic and always a good time to visit with other members in our Chapter and the Executive Board. This year it will be at the Patrick Ranch Museum and the details can be found on the front page of this Pipevine.

I hope you all have a great time this summer on trips to see our native California flora. Be sure to check out our three pages of Field Trips and please bring back pictures to share with everyone at the September Meeting when we return.

I’ve enjoyed all our interactions this last winter and spring, and we hope to be able to offer more interesting programs, workshops, and other public events this fall. Thanks to all who have attended and organized our events, and participated in staffing tables. Keep an eye on our website to see new things that might be of interest, because native plants don’t go on vacation, and there are always new opportunities to get involved.

HAPPY SUMMER!

Executive Board Meeting
SUMMER BREAK
Until August 19, 2015 at Nancy Praizler’s

Legislative Notes
by DAVID ANDERSON

BEWARE DROUGHT LEGISLATION

CNPS is currently tracking 29 environmental bills pending in the California Legislature. As of this date (i.e., May 5), however, CNPS has not posted on its website the positions taken on these bills. The September Pipevine will contain a review of the surviving bills on which CNPS has taken positions.

Hopefully, legislative approval of emergency projects to alleviate drought conditions will not include unwise suspensions or special exemptions from the environmental protection laws. We cannot save our environmental heritage by protecting the environment only when it is convenient to do so. Ask your legislators to follow this policy. See telephone book for their telephone numbers and addresses.

Purdy’s fritillary, Fritillaria purdyi on May 11, 2015

checkout the upcoming field trip on July 19 to Plaskett Meadows
by Woody Elliott
Field Trips

PANTHER MEADOWS
SHASTA TRINITY NATIONAL FOREST
July 12  Sunday
Meet at Chico Park & Ride west lot (Hwys 32/99) at 7:30 am. Wear walking shoes, bring lunch, water, sun/insect protection, a light jacket, and money for ride sharing. We’ll drive north on Hwys 99 and I-5, 131 miles to Mt Shasta City, then east to Everitt Memorial Highway, 14 miles up the west slope of Mt Shasta to Panther Meadows. At 7500 ft there are two meadows, one slightly above the other. Near timberline are surrounded by conifers: Shasta red fir, mountain hemlock and whitebark pine. Mt Shasta at 14,179 ft towers above and views westward of Castle Crags and Trinity Mountains are spectacular. A well maintained path leads through each meadow for about a mile. Expect to see cobwebby penstemon, giant-red paintbrush, Shasta beardtongue, western anemone with its plume covered fruits, mountain violet and mountain jewelflower. Options are to have dinner in in one of the restaurants in Mt Shasta City and/or stay overnight in the immediate area. Call for alternate meeting place. Leaders: Gerry Ingco 530-893-5123, Wes Dempsey 530-342-2293.

JONESVILLE MEADOWS WALK
LASSEN NATIONAL FOREST
July 5  Sunday
Meet at Chico Park & Ride west lot (Hwys 32/99) at 9 am. Bring lunch, water, sun/insect protection and money for ride sharing. Wear foot gear suitable for slogging in marshy ground for short hikes. We’ll drive northeast on Hwy 32 for 27 miles and then 12 miles north on paved county road to the Butte Meadows area where we begin our field trip at about 4800 ft ele. We expect to see a great variety of wetland flowers like camas, leopard lily, little elephant heads, Veronica, Tofieldia, and bog orchid. Call for alternate meeting place. Leaders: Janna Lathrop 530-228-0010, Gerry Ingco 530-893-5123.

PLASKETT MEADOWS RECREATION AREA
MENDOCINO NATIONAL FOREST
July 19  Sunday
Meet at Chico Park & Ride west lot (Hwys 32/99) at 8:30 am. Wear sturdy shoes, bring lunch, water, sun/insect protection and money for ride sharing. We’ll drive west via Dayton Rd, Ord Ferry Rd, Hwys 45 and 162, cross Hwy I-5 and stop at Walmart parking lot. We’ll follow 162 west thru Elk Creek, north 5 miles, and turn west to the end of 162 which changes to Forest Rd F-7. This is 31 miles from Chico. We follow road F-7 up into the Mendocino National Forest, peak ele. 6,400 ft. Plaskett Meadows Recreation Area is 28 miles from the start of Forest Road F-7. Consists of a small campground in mixed species of pine and fir. Two small four acre lakes for trout fishing. Swimming is not recommended. The meadows and surrounding area has long been an attraction because of its broad array of plant life. Call for alternate meeting place. Leaders: Gerry Ingco 530-893-5123, Wes Dempsey 530-342-2293.
SAUCER AND GREEN ISLAND LAKES
LASSEN NATIONAL FOREST
August 2    Sunday
Meet at Chico Park & Ride west lot (Hwys 32/99) at 8:30 am. Wear sturdy shoes, bring lunch, water, sun/insect protection and money for ride sharing. We'll drive northeast 27 miles on Hwy 32, then 12 miles north on paved county road to Butte Meadows, then 9 miles on unpaved graded roads to Sunflower Flat trailhead. See California asters as we hike 1.5 miles down to Soda Creek, then up 400 ft to Green Island Lake at about 6200 ft ele. The 5 acre lake has a floating mat of vegetation rimmed with huckleberry, buckbean and potentilla. The delightful spring feeding the lake has a display of yellow monkey flowers. California fuchsia is in flower along the trail to Saucer Lake. On the way back we stop at tiny Frog Lake and step out on its tiny floating island. We've seen Pileated Woodpeckers on this delightful hike. Round trip is 4 miles, difficulty is rated moderate due to uphill climbs and the high elevation. Call for alternate meeting place. Leaders: Gerry Ingco 530-893-5123, Wes Dempsey 530-342-2293

WILLOW LAKE & TERMINAL GEYSER
LASSEN NATIONAL FOREST
August 29    Saturday
Meet at Chico Park & Ride west lot (Hwys 32/99) at 8:30 am. Wear sturdy shoes, bring lunch, water, sun/insect protection and money for ride sharing. We'll drive Hwys 32 and 36 about 65 miles to Chester, Plumas Co for a reststop. Then Forest Service roads to Willow Lake. The last 9 miles is an unimproved dirt road most suitable for high clearance vehicles. Willow Lake, at 5500 ft ele is called a fen. Mats of floating sphagnum moss support interesting plants and life forms. From Willow Lake we'll hike 1.6 miles to Terminal Geyser, a thermal area just inside Lassen Volcanic National Park, 5845 ft ele. Call for alternate meeting place. Leaders: Gerry Ingco 530-893-5123, Wes Dempsey 530-342-2293.

MOUNT HARKNESS
LASSEN VOLCANIC NATIONAL PARK
August 16    Sunday
Meet at Chico Park & Ride west lot (Hwys 32/99) at 8 am. Wear sturdy shoes, bring light jacket, lunch, water, sun/insect protection, and money for ride sharing. Bring your Park Pass if you have one. We'll drive Hwys 32 and 36 for 65 miles to Chester in Plumas Co for a rest stop, then 12 miles to the trailhead. The last 5 miles is moderately steep and has a washboard surface. The hike to Mt Harkness, at 8046 ft ele. See great panoramic vistas from the lookout tower. The open areas above may be covered with blossoming blue silver-leaved lupins. The gain in elevation hiked to the summit is 1,236 feet over the 1.9 mile trail. Participants should be in good health, since the 8.3% trail is moderately steep. Call for alternate meeting place. Leaders: Gerry Ingco 530-893-5123, Wes Dempsey 530-342-2293.

DRAKESBAD TO DEVIL'S KITCHEN
LASSEN VOLCANIC NATIONAL PARK
September 6    Sunday
Meet at Chico Park & Ride west lot (Hwys 32/99) at 8:30 am. Wear sturdy shoes, bring lunch, water, sun/insect protection, and money for ride sharing. Bring your Park Pass if you have one. We'll drive Hws 32 and 36 about 65 miles to Chester, Plumas Co for a rest stop. Then drive about 18 miles to the trailhead in the park. The 4.6 mile round trip trail to Devil's Kitchen begins next to the Warner Valley Campground. The trail wanders through flowered meadows along lovely Hot Springs Creek. Level of difficulty is moderate with a 300 ft gain in elevation. Devil's Kitchen is a hydrothermal area featuring mud pots, steam vents and hot springs. Vegetation is sparse in the thermal area, but there are interesting plants and shrubs that survive in a very harsh environment. Call for alternate meeting place. Leaders: Gerry Ingco 530-893-5123, Wes Dempsey 530-342-2293.
Volunteers make spring outreach events a success
by Janna Lathrop, Events Chair

In addition to our own Wildflower Show and Plant Sale in April, Mount Lassen Chapter was represented at other area events this spring. A small contingent of members setup and staffed tables for:

Oroville Wildflower and Nature Festival on April 4
Bidwell Park’s Celebrate the Jewel on April 18
Earth Day Events on April 22
   at Butte College Main Campus
   and Sierra Nevada Brewery
BEC’s Endangered Species Faire on May 2

Thank you
Ron Coley, Nancy Praizler, Carla Moreno, Suelen Rowlison, Nathan Lathrop, Ann & Woody Elliott, and Catie & Jim Bishop who helped at one or more events.

Hospitality help needed
by Karrolynn Yells, Hospitality Chair

Fall General Meetings

Bakers are needed to bring cookies to the General Meetings from Sept - Dec 2015
Please contact KarroLynn Yells at 530 534-3551 or karrolynnY@att.net
Thank you!
FRIENDS of the HERBARIUM

2015 WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS & REGISTRATION FORMS
Chico State Herbarium, csuchico.edu/biol/Herb/Events.html

June 13, 2015

RIPARIAN VEGETATION: Individual Plant Species’ Adaptations to River Processes. TOM GRIGGS plans to explore Willow Bend Reserve to examine the structure of riparian plants from the edge of the channel upslope to the top of the floodplain.

Please register in advance.

July 16, 2015  (optional field trip July 17)

INTRODUCTION TO NATIVE BEES AS POLLINATORS

ROB SCHLISING and ROBERT IRWIN will showcase native bees for people who like nature and for those who are involved in land management and conservation.

Please register in advance.

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Phyllis would say
Join Today!

Calendar 2015

June
6 - Eagle Rock/Humboldt Summit
13 - Butterfly Valley BA
14 - Annual Picnic at Patrick Ranch
21 - Valley Creek SIA

July
5 - Jonesville Meadows
12 - Panther Meadows
19 - Plaskett Meadows RA

August
2 - Saucer/Green Islands Lakes
16 - Mount Harkness LVNP
19 - Executive Board Meeting
29 - Willow Lake

September
2 - General Meeting
6 - Drakesbad LVNP
16 - Executive Board Meeting