General Meeting
OCTOBER 7, 2015
Wednesday 7:30 pm
Butte County Library, PARADISE
5922 Clark Road
(east side between Nunneley and Elliott)

Make Your Yard
WATER-WISE and HABITAT-FRIENDLY

Three speakers will talk about how you can select and plant native plants to create habitat-friendly and water-wise places in your yard. They are Melinda Teves with the Altacal Audubon’s Neighborhood Habitat Program, our own Woody Elliott of Mount Lassen Chapter CNPS and Nancy Praizler.

Melinda has been certifying and photographing yards that meet Altacal’s rigorous criteria for a habitat-friendly yard. She’ll give you the details of that program, how to become certified, and will show photos of the many yards that qualified.

Woody has been working with CNPS member and Master Gardener, Cindy Weiner, on the CNPS Horticulture webpage that they developed for the first Fall Garden Tour, coming on September 27. He’ll showcase the new information on the webpage and show how you can use it to successfully select and manage your native plants.

Nancy has recently had her yard approved for a Calwater lawn-replacement rebate. She navigated the multi-step process and will tell you how it was done. While Calwater’s funds for the program have been spent, the state of California is also offering a rebate program more generous than Calwater’s. She’ll have information about that program too.

Presented by
MELINDA TEVES, Altacal Audubon Society
WOODY ELLIOTT, CNPS
NANCY PRAIZLER, CNPS
Field Trips

WES DEMPSEY and GERRY INGCO, Co-chairs

BUTTE CREEK BLM TRAIL
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

October 4  Sunday
Meet at Chico Park & Ride west lot (Hwys 32/99) in time to leave by 9 am. Bring a light jacket, lunch, water, insect/sun protection, and money for ride sharing. We’ll drive east on Hwy 32 to Garland Rd, then south to the trailhead in Butte Creek Canyon. Easy 3 mile round trip, walk along a scenic Upper Butte Creek. The trail stays close to the stream, has several wooden bridges and a structured steel stairway. The trail winds through a narrow band of riparian vegetation containing a variety of flowering plants and a mixed coniferous forest extends up the rugged canyon walls. There is evidence of historic gold activity along the creek. Call for alternate meeting place, 530-893-5123, 530-342-2293

MAIDU MEDICINE WALK
UPPER BIDWELL PARK, CHICO

October 18  Sunday
Meet at 8 am at Horseshoe Lake parking lot E in Upper Bidwell Park with sunscreen, hat, and walking shoes. See about 30 plants that local Maidu used for medicine, food, and crafts. Lemonade berry for basketry and a refreshing drink, soap plant for suds and brushes, foothill pine for skin salve and food, and many others. We’ll stroll about a mile thru the foothill woodland ending up in the Big Chico Creek riparian at noon. Rain cancels. 530 342-2293

FOREST LAKE
LASSEN VOLCANIC NATIONAL PARK

October 24  Saturday
Meet at Chico Park & Ride west lot (Hwys 32/99) in time to leave by 8:30 am. Bring lunch, water, insect/sun protection, and money for ride sharing. We’ll travel Hwys 32 and 89 about 68 miles to the Forest Lake-Brokeoff Mountain trailhead just inside the south boundary, 6,500 ft ele. We’ll climb 1 1/2 miles for a 700 ft ele gain through an open Red Fir-Jeffrey Pine forest, following a cascading mountain stream. A short distance off the trail we find tree-ringed Forest Lake at the base of towering cliffs. Call for alternate meeting place, 530-893-5123.

THANK YOU EVERYONE that gave a donation through the Annie B’s Community Drive.
All monies donated to Mount Lassen Chapter from Aug 1 - Sep 30 was allotted back to our chapter and an additional percentage based on the total monies donated to us was granted.

NOMINATIONS to MLC BOARD 2016 Sought
by Suellen Rowlison
Nominating Committee Chair

Please, step up and nominate yourself, or someone else with their consent, to one of the open positions for the MLC Board. Elections will be held on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at the monthly MLC Program Meeting. Terms begin in January with the first Board Meeting on January 20, 2016. Board Meetings are held monthly except for June, July and Dec. That gives us all a little break to catch up. One can serve two consecutive one year terms and Treasurer 4 consecutive one year terms before moving off the Board or to another position.

ELECTED OFFICERS open - President, VicePresident, Secretary, Treasurer, and 3 or 4 Members-at-Large

CHAIRS open - Education, Horticulture, Rare Plants. Some of the other chairs would like a co-chair and split some of the duties. See page 5. to check out the entire list of Elected Officers and Chairs.

Please contact the Nominating Committee; Suellen Rowlison, Paul Moore or Woody Elliott if you are interested. Anyone is welcome to attend Board Meetings to check us out. The next meeting is October 21, 2015.

THANK YOU for your consideration. All of you, whether on the Board or not, are vital to our ongoing efforts to promote native plants and their habitat.
HECTIC TIME

As of this writing (Sept 5) the California Legislature is going through its annual period of chaos in dealing with huge numbers of bills in the last few days of its session. Under the Legislature’s 2015 calendar September 11 is the last day for any bill to be passed. Governor Brown will then have until October 11 to sign, approve without signing or veto bills sent to him after September 11. Overriding his veto requires a two-thirds majority vote in both the Assembly and Senate.

CNPS has been following 30 environmental bills, but has not made its positions in support or opposition available online. As information becomes available, it will be reported in future Pipevines.

CHICO SCIENCE FAIR

I wanted to thank you so much for the cool field journal and sketching guide I received from you at the Chico Science Fair. I have been using it a lot this summer. I have been practicing how to do sketches of different plants and environments I see when I am out on hiking and camping trips. I carry the journal with me on all of my Boy Scout trips.

I enjoyed doing my science fair project on the effects of wildfire on native soils and plants and I am excited about doing more research. I love science, it and history are my two favorite subjects! This summer I have been studying how Star Thistle effects the range lands in foothills around our home. Plus I learned some cool history about why we have Star Thistle.

Thank you again for supporting the Chico Science Fair. I appreciate the neat things your chapter awarded me. Look for me at next year’s fair.

Sincerely,
Trenten Dewell, CORE Butte Charter School

(This is a letter from the Grade 4 Special Award winner from MLC. His project was Fun with Burnt Dirt, The Changes in Soil after a Wildfire.)
UPCOMING EVENT
HARVEST FESTIVAL
and PLANT SALE

NOVEMBER 7, SATURDAY

Looking for NATIVE PLANTS to sell at the upcoming Harvest Festival. If you have any please contact Janna @ 530 228-0010 or jlathrop4mlc@comcast.net.

We are also gathering MILKWEED SEEDS. We plan to hand out small seed packets to promote growing native milkweed to help dwindling MONARCH habitat.

AMAZON

Did you know that you can help CNPS while shopping at Amazon? The online retailer has a new program which donates to selected charities through AmazonSmile, but you must begin your shopping excursion at http://smile.amazon.com. On the first visit you’ll be asked to sign into your existing account and to select a charitable organization to support. Select CNPS and then shop as usual. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. Eligible products are marked “eligible for AmazonSmile donation” on their product detail pages. This is an easy way to support a cause we all care about.

NEW MEMBERS 2015

Lee Aykin
Toni Carl
Kailey Clarno
Michael Condon
Bill Gardner
Linda Presley
Shane Romain
Robin Rober
Noreen Thompson

For information about becoming a member of MOUNT LASSEN CHAPTER CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY contact Membership Chair KarroLynn Yells 530-534-3551, KarroLynnY@att.net or use the application on last page of this newsletter.

HOSPITALITY

Thank you J. Danforth, Janna Lathrop and Meryl Bond have graciously volunteered to supply the General Meetings with cookies during the next three months. KarroLynn Yells at 530 534-3551 or karrolynnY@att.net

These businesses support the goals of the CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY MEMBERS GET 10% DISCOUNT
FRIENDS of the HERBARIUM

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

October 10, 2015.
FALL HARVEST: EDIBLE & MEDICINAL ROOTS, BARKS,
AND FRUITS OF CALIFORNIA
TELLUR FENNER will explore the diverse array of edible/medicinal plants found growing throughout California, with an emphasis on those native to the region. Topics include botany basics from a plant family perspective, plant id in the field, medicinal/edible/utilitarian uses, California ethnobotany, legal/ethical harvesting guidelines and information about at-risk medicinal plants, safety issues and tips on how to avoid toxic/ poisonous plants, sampling of a variety of edible/medicinal plant preparations, and more! He is a clinical herbalist and educator from Mendocino County where he runs his business, Blue Wind Botanical Medicine Clinic and Education Center. This workshop will be from 10am to 4pm

MEMBERSHIP MLC
If you have changed your . . .
address, phone number or e-mail
or leave temporarily
please notify Mount Lassen Chapter CNPS
Membership Chair, KarroLynn Yells at
530 534-3551 or karrolynny@att.net
This will help eliminate returned Pipevines
from the Post Office.  Thank You, KarroLynn

Keep up with MLC Activities
on our website and Facebook

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

I wish to affiliate with the Mount Lassen Chapter

Name ________________________________
Address ________________________________________
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State ______ Zip ________ Phone _______________________

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Send Membership Application to:

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Phyllis would say Join Today!

Calendar 2015

September
27 - Water-Wise GARDEN TOUR
30 - Annie B Community Drive Ends

October
4 - Butte Creek BLM
7 - General Meeting PARADISE
18 - Maidu Walk Upper Park
18 - Ditch Your Lawn Workshop
21 - Executive Board Meeting
24 - Forest Lake Lassen VNP

November
4 - General Meeting CHICO
7 - Harvest Festival PLANT SALE
18 - Executive Board Meeting

Student / Limited Income ......... $25
Individual ................................ $45
Family / Library ...................... $75
Plant Lover ............................... $100
Patron ........................................ $300
Benefactor ................................. $600