

The Cypress Cone

California Native Plant Society Santa Cruz County Chapter



Isla de Cedros: The Island of Fog

A Talk by Mike Uhler



In January 2015 at the State CNPS Conservation Conference, participants had the opportunity to hear presentations on Northwest Baja California. With over 2,000 native plant taxa, of which 1,092 are endangered, endemic or rare, Northwest Baja California, Mexico, is one of the most important, and least protected, parts of the California Floristic Province. In 2013, the CNPS founded its first chapter in over a decade to encourage the understanding and protection of this region.

Michael Uhler will walk us through his personal floristic tour of images of this desert island, located off the west coast of the Mexican state of Baja California. Michael is an avid plant lover and perennial adventurer. He works at the East Bay Regional Parks Botanic Garden located within Tilden Park in the Berkeley Hills. ∞

Sale of Artist's Note Cards Supports CNPS

Local artist Peggy Edwards has donated beautiful note cards each showing one of twelve plants from the Lewis and Clark expedition. All sales benefit our chapter. Available at public meetings, or by contacting Peggy Waters at 831-336-9283.



Welcome Bryophyte Chapter

The Bryophyte group has made such a great contribution to CNPS in its study of non-vascular plants - it's now a full voting chapter—and the only non-geographical one!

Restoration

Linda Brodman

Summer time is here, and volunteer restoration work slows down a little. I will try and have a couple of projects during the summer months, but have not set any further dates. Continue to check the web site for added projects. Have a wonderful summer.

Membership News

Ann Garside

The Santa Cruz County Chapter of CNPS would like to welcome our newest members—Jenni Gomez, Katayun Salehi, and Connie Unsicher. We wish them well as we pursue the common goal of protecting and preserving California's native trees, forbs, grasses and bryophytes (kudos to the new Bryophyte Chapter!) Prefer to receive newsletters via email instead of snail mail? Feel free to notify me at aegrdwds@calcentral.com to make the switch.

Stomp Out That Stinking Stinkwort!

Jackie Pascoe

Tf you pull stinkwort (*Dittrichia graveolens*) NOW, before

Iflower buds form, it won't go to seed and you can leave it in place, or compost it etc. This is a noxious, rapidly spreading recent invasive weed! For a set of photos and more about control and removal, search for "Flickr recognizing stinkwort" to view my album of photos and how-to information (compiled with input from Ken Moore).



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Donations to your chapter are tax-deductible and support special projects such as publication of the county Checklist, and conservation activities that preserve important habitats and species in our area. You may earmark gifts for specific areas. (Your membership is also tax deductible, minus \$12 for the journal Fremontia, three issues per year.) Make checks payable to CNPS and send to: CNPS, P.O. Box 1622, Santa Cruz, CA 95061.

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Your membership includes Fremontia, a quarterly journal with

I articles on all aspects of native plants; the Bulletin, a statewide

report of activities and schedules; and the Cypress Cone.

Regular Chapter Events

In summer, some activities (not all) take a break, due to vacations and the warm, dry season. Please do check our web site (**cruzcnps.org**) for details about programs, and for any late additions not listed at time of writing the newsletter.

Native Plant Propagation Third Sunday of the month.

Keying Club Learn to ID plants like a botanist!

Habitat Restoration Help to keep invasives out!

Field Trips Learn more about natives as you hike!

Volunteer at the Herbarium Prepare plant collections

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