I bet that most San Diegans have at least glimpsed the intense colors of wildflowers growing on the slopes and burned areas along the freeways, and that they have realized that they were seeing something special. CNPSers zipping along at 70 mph might also recognize the brilliant orange swaths of California poppy, the subtle yellows of goldfields, and the lavender spikes of lupines. I hope you’ve all been able to take some time to immerse yourself in this extreme show.

I had the great pleasure of spending a couple of days this week (early March) walking through flower fields while looking for the host plant of an endangered butterfly. It was a joy to witness nature’s profligacy in acres of delicate white popcorn flowers, bursting goldfields, and lazy red maids. Beneath the carpet of color would often lay another layer of young green leaves holding buds just forming that will paint next month’s fresh palette. I learned that Cryptantha, in the hundreds of thousands, has a sweet, slightly fetid scent, which must be intoxicating to bees.

Nature seems to be in a giving mood this spring. Let’s be sure to enjoy it as much as possible. I hope that it invigorates and inspires us to make such experiences much more common, both by educating our neighbors about the natural wealth around us and by working to protect the places where it still can be found.

Dave Flietner

Healthy Backyard Habitat:
Encouraging birds and butterflies with a native plant garden
By Mel Hinton and David Kimball
Tuesday April 15
doors open 6:30, meeting 7 pm, program 7:30

This presentation demonstrates how to make a California garden into a slice of natural landscape that requires minimal maintenance, conserves water, and best of all, attracts wildlife. This bird friendly habitat has the right mix of native plants and the three things all birds need: food, water and shelter. By using California native plants there will be fewer insect and disease problems and best of all, birds and butterflies are naturally drawn to these plants. This program is designed to get you started on planning your own native plant garden - one that benefits both people and wildlife.

Mel Hinton had a career as an airline pilot flying for TWA. Seeing the impact of development and pollution across the country from 33,000 feet made him a conservationist and after retiring he decided to do something about the problem. He joined the San Diego Audubon Society (SDAS) and became a member of their Board of Directors in 2002 and president in 2005. As an active Audubon volunteer he has been involved in a number of conservation issues including coastal sage scrub restoration and environmental advocacy.

David Kimball is on the Board of SDAS and has been an active gardener for many years. He manages the restoration program at Sunset Cliffs Natural Park and has worked on several other habitat restoration projects. He is Co-chair of the Friends of Famosa Slough in Point Loma area and has been instrumental in the restoration effort at this wetland. David is a Stanford graduate and was an Engineering Manager at Lockheed Martin Corporation.

CALENDAR

Apr 9 (2nd Wed) CHAPTER BOARD MEETING, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Tecolote Nature Center. Take the Sea World Drive/Tecolote exit from I-5. Proceed east until the road ends at the Tecolote Nature Center. Board Members, please e-mail Carolyn Martus if you are unable to attend. Members are always welcome at the board meetings, please RSVP.

Apr 15 (3rd Tue) CHAPTER MEETING & PROGRAM
Meeting at 7:00 p.m., Program at 7:30 p.m., Room 101, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park.
CONSERVATION GOALS

Cindy Burrascano passed the Conservation chair to me, Carrie Schneider, last year after several years of watchful service. Cindy will continue to be an active member of the committee and a valued source of information about San Diego plants, rare and otherwise.

The Conservation committee’s goals, as stated on the State CNPS website (www.cnps.org/cnps/conservation/), are to ensure that laws, regulations, and ordinances that are intended to protect native plants on public and private land are followed. We also contribute to the formation of good policy for native plants by advocating for science-based management practices.

To that end, my goal is to enroll more members in this advocacy and oversight process by providing training and mentorship in, for example, how to evaluate an environmental review document for its effects on native plants. Each month we get a stack of documents for review, covering all parts of the county. We review the biological resources section and evaluate whether native plants have been provided sufficient protection as specified by laws like the California Environmental Quality Act. I plan to start having a committee meeting each month, before the General meeting, for us to get together and go through these documents together. In addition, I recently purchased the “Community Guide to CEQA” to provide assistance in writing good comment letters.

Comment letters can be very effective in protecting plants – here is an example. A couple years ago, the City of San Diego proposed an update to the brush management zones and claimed that no mitigation was required for the added impacts to the City’s habitat preserve, the MSCP. We contributed to comment letters from several groups about the insufficiency of this plan, given that the habitat preserve was set aside in exchange for increased development. The US Fish and Wildlife Service agreed, and the City of San Diego is expected to purchase another 715 acres of habitat preserve.

On another note, we commend member Diane Green, who has volunteered to represent our chapter on the task force that is working out the details of the East County habitat plan, and Cindy Burrascano, who volunteers on the working group to preserve Rancho Guejito.

Carrie Schneider

VERNAL POOL WORKSHOPS

CNPS is proud to present two workshops on Vernal Pools: Vernal Pool Plant Taxonomy, April 14-16 and Vernal Pool Plant Communities, April 17-18.

VERNAL POOL PLANT TAXONOMY

Apr 14-16, UC Davis and several Central Valley vernal pools

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Participants will acquire a higher level of knowledge and confidence in identifying vernal pool plants both in the laboratory and in the field. They will learn characters used to distinguish species beyond those used in the typical dichotomous plant key and gain field identification skills to make participants more efficient and effective at vernal pool vegetation assessments, floristic surveys and rare plant surveys.

INSTRUCTORS: Carol Witham, Jennifer Buck, Ellen Dean, and Robert Preston

REGISTRATION FEE: CNPS members $525 Non-members $550 Late registration additional $50 after March 28, 2008 Three days of classroom and field exercises Fees include lunches (3) and transport in vans (2 days)

VERNAL POOL PLANT COMMUNITIES

Apr 17-18, UC Davis and Central Valley vernal pools

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This is an intensive and pragmatic 2-day course on plant community identification, sampling design, and ecology. The course also reviews general plant community attributes and the relationship between vernal pool community classification and rare species occurrence, conservation, restoration, and vegetation mapping. The course is designed to accommodate consultants or agency staff individuals with diverse backgrounds who want or need to improve their knowledge of, and skills with, vernal pool vegetation and habitats. The class is being designed to specifically accommodate the needs of the California Department of Fish and Game and the USDI Fish and Wildlife Service. INSTRUCTORS: Michael Barbour, Ayzik Solomesheh, Stephen Rae, Carol Witham, and Jennifer Buck

REGISTRATION FEE: CNPS members $425 non-members $450 Late registration additional $50 after March 28 2008 Two days of classroom and field exercises Fees include lunches (2) and transportation in vans (2 days)

Go to http://cnps.org/cnps/education/workshops/index.php for full details and registration.

CLASSES AT JOSHUA TREE NP

The Desert Institute presents a HUGH selection of outdoor adult weekend classes for spring 2008 at Joshua Tree National Park.

Come to Joshua Tree and learn with the experts about this exciting desert wonderland. Over the weekend classes are open to all skill levels.

Call (760) 367-5535 for information, to get a catalog, or for registration: (or visit www.joshuatree.org)
Ever wonder how an all volunteer organization works? It’s a lot of hard work and dedication on the part of members who don’t just belong to the organization but contribute their time and talent to help it succeed. In 2007, a total of 2,541 volunteer hours were recorded in support of the many functions and activities of the chapter, including meetings, fundraisers, outreach, local restoration, education, field trips and surveys.

We’re always looking for members to contribute to the success of the chapter; are you willing to help out? It’s a great opportunity to become an active member and learn more about the organization and our objectives.

Mary Kelly
Volunteer Membership Chair

Strategies and Solutions for Protecting Private, Public and Native American Lands from Off-Road Vehicle Abuse
Join desert residents, leaders and public officials with an interest in addressing the problem and seeking solutions.

SPECIAL GUESTS:
Welcome by Ernest Siva (Serrano) Morongo Indian Tribe; and, Cahuilla Bird Singers

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Howard Wilshire
Saturday, April 5th 9:30am to 5:00pm
Joshua Tree Community Center
6171 Sunburst Road in Joshua Tree
Free admission -- for more information go to www.orwatch.com or call (909) 827-2506

Sixteenth Annual Joshua Tree National Park Art Festival
April 4, 5 & 6, (9:00 am to 5:00 pm each day)
Joshua Tree National Park Visitor Center
74485 National Park Drive, Twentynine Palms, CA 92277
(760) 367-5500

Funding awarded for a Conservation Plan for Agave shawii and Frankenia palmeri in San Diego County.

Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden offers a degree-granting graduate program in Botany as part of Claremont Graduate University. One of the course offerings is Rare Plant Conservation; a class that spans two semesters and results in each student producing a conservation plan for a particular species. The purpose of such conservation plans is to compile all of the relevant data (current and historical), to identify the current threats to specific taxa, and recommend future actions for their preservation.

Our Chapter awarded $500 to Students Carrie Kiel and Sula Vanderplank to undertake field work, visit and census the existing populations, and update records in the California Natural Diversity Database for the species Agave shawii subsp. shawii (Agavaceae) and Frankenia palmeri (Frankeniaceae). These species were selected by the students, from a shortlist of ‘species of concern’ based on the limited number of occurrences and the rapid depletion of their natural habitats. Both species are listed as CNPS 2.1 taxa (rare in California but common elsewhere) however neither are state or federally listed. Although their presence is more abundant in northern Mexico, the only known occurrences of these species within the United States are in the San Diego County coastal region.

The projected completion of the plans is scheduled for late April/early May of 2008; rapid publication is highly desirable in light the imminent impacts of the triple border fence (anticipated Summer 2008) on both species. For more information on the project or to help volunteer and assist with field work, please contact Sula Vanderplank at sula.vanderplank@cgu.edu.

We are able to fund important scientific projects and encourage further botanical research that are important for conservation because of our successful fundraising activities. When you purchase books, posters, seeds, or plants from the California Native Plant Society, you are supporting the conservation of our native flora. You can make your purchases on-line through the CNPS bookstore at www.cnps.org or in person at our monthly meetings and biannual plant sales. You can also support these programs directly by making a donation to CNPS and indicate that your donation is for conservation.

Carolyn
Something for everyone this month. Three field trips for CNPS members only and three for members and the general public.

First the members-only field trips:

**April 5, 9:00 – 1:00 p.m.** Carlsbad Oaks North. Preserve Manager Patrick McConnell will lead us through southern maritime chaparral and oak woodlands with lots of sensitive plants, including Nuttall’s scrub oak (*Quercus dumosa*), summer holly (*Comarostaphylis diversifolia*), San Diego thorn mint (*Acanthomintha ilicifolia*), thread-leaved brodiaea (*Brodiaea filifolia*) Palmer’s grapplinghook (*Harpogonella palmeri*), and small-flowered morning glory (*Convolvulus simulans*). The Preserve is off-limits to casual hiking and other activities for the near future, so this is a rare opportunity. Exit I-5 east at Palomar Airport Road; left on El Camino Real; right on Fara-day Ave; left on Orion; right on Safety Center Dr., (a one-way street to the Fire and Police Depts); turn right into parking lot just past the Skate Park.

**April 12, 9:00 – 4:00 p.m.** San Miguel Mountain. Organized by the Orange County chapter, led by Fred Roberts. This nearly 3,000 foot mountain burned in the Harris Fire in October 2007. Many unusual and disjunct plants occur here because of unusual soils and we should have a spectacular assortment of fire-following wildflowers. This is a Reservations Only trip. Email Rich Schilk, birdGuy@naturalista.net, to reserve your place and get directions.

**April 26, 9:00 – noon.** Torrey Pines State Park. Vince Scheidt will lead a walk along the Guy Fleming Trail. It’s hard to say what will be in bloom, but we hope to see sea dahlia, coast violet, and lots more. Meet at the State Park Visitor’s Center. Exit I-5 west at Carmel Valley Road, turn right onto Hwy 101 continue south to Park entrance.

For the general public, we offer “plant walks” that are focused on the common native plants in our local canyons, their uses and natural history.

**April 5, 10 am to noon.** Manzanita Canyon (City Heights). Julie Miller and Matt Jones lead. Meet at the Azalea Park parking lot (TG: 1269- H7) Exit I-15 east at University Ave., right onto 43rd St.; just after 43rd joins Fairmount, take the second right at five-way intersection onto Poplar St. and continue to the end.

**April 12, 10 am to noon.** Navajo Canyon (Allied Gardens). Betsy Cory and David Di Donato lead. Meet at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church parking lot (TG 1250-B6). Exit I-8 north onto Waring Rd; right onto Eldridge St.(which becomes Easton Ave.;) then right onto Easton Court and continue to 6801.

**April 26, 10 am to noon.** Dove Canyon (Hillcrest). Dave Flietner and Paul Hormick lead. Meet at First Unitarian Universalist Church (TG 1269-A5). Exit I-5 east at Washington St; left (north) onto First St; left onto Arbor St. Two paid parking lots in the area. Meet at the circular driveway north of the church.

Dave Flietner, Field Trip Chair

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**HIKES IN HELLHOLE CANYON**

Docent led Hikes are held monthly (except Aug) on every 3rd Saturday, 9am from the Preserve parking lot. For information call us at 760-749-5320 or visit website www.hellholecanyon.org

The Preserve address, (which can be keyed into satellite directional systems), is: 19324 Santee Lane, Valley Center

Next guided hikes will be: April 19, May 17, and June 21

For a great and safe hike, we suggest you bring the following: lots of water, hat, sunglasses and sunscreen, longsleeved shirt and pants, sturdy hiking shoes, snack foods, binoculars, camera, guide / Reference books.

Please note that the Preserve can get warm and then hot quickly compared to the earlier morning start times. Be Safe and See you there!!

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**NHM-CANYONEER WALKS**

The SD Natural History Museum’s Canyoneers offer many interpretive nature walks throughout the year. Check online (www.sdnhm.org) for directions, the most current info, and any updates.

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A GREAT SPRING SALE!

March 1. The day began cold and damp with a heavy overcast that looked like rain. We arrived early and got a briefing from Tree of Life (TOL) personnel so we knew where plant varieties were located, and where visitors were not allowed for their own safety. TOL had prepared for many visitors by expanding parking spaces along the many roads in the nursery. The shelves were fully stocked with plants native to coast, chaparral and desert.

The weather didn’t seem to keep those interested in the beauty and harmony of native plants from coming and buying. We met CNPSSD members from Ramona who because of the long drive can’t attend the monthly meetings but emphasized that they never miss a sale! We met people who recently traded their lawns for a native habitat and were buying more plants because of the changes they were enjoying -- the new plantings attracted more birds and butterflies than ever before. And, of course, we saw a large number coming just to hear Connie Beck’s talk on Backyard Habitats.

Connie’s workshop scheduled for 11:00 AM emphasized the synergy between the native plants and the birds and butterflies they attract. She particularly emphasized how the birds control the pests on the plants so insecticide is not necessary. The presentation was received with enthusiasm especially when the plants that attract hummingbirds and the other plants that attract butterflies were described. Habitat requires food, water, cover, and places to raise young. The role of California native plants in providing this habitat was clearly and enthusiastically described. TOL provided the plants Connie discussed on tables at the front and folding chairs for the audience. We had an overflow crowd of 50 to 60 people.

About 2:00 PM I took a break for lunch and was enjoying my sandwich when a bearded man sat down at the table. He introduced himself as Mike, one of the owners (Mike Evans). He said he was very impressed with the performance of the volunteers and the smoothness of the entire sale. His retail staff was impressed with the skill and professional attitude of the CNPSSD volunteers. My congratulations to (in alphabetical order) Connie Beck, Cindy Burrascano, Judy Dunning, Sandi Feiock, Amy Huie, Sue Marchetti, Don Miller and Coolidge Sharkie. The depth of the questions from visitors suggests many people may have ventured out on a blustery day because they knew CNPSSD members would be present and available to discuss their areas of interest.

It looked like it was not going to be a great day for a sale, however by the end of the day we could say the day was a great success.

Ray Feiock

FALL PLANT SALE

Our Fall Plant Sale is on Saturday, October 18th and we are looking for a few volunteers interested in working in a team environment. No plant experience necessary, we just need a few organized and reliable folks.

1. We need a few volunteers to assist with the pre-planning phase of the plant sale.
2. We need a volunteer to take over the seed and bulb table. This means ordering and packaging the seeds and managing a team of volunteers.
3. We welcome members or anyone to propagate plants for the sale. Just let us know what you might propagate so that we don’t order it.

For more information on plant propagation, you can contact plantsale@cnpssd.org.

Carolyn

MASTER GARDENER SEMINAR

This seminar does have some classes aimed at California native plants. You can check it out at www.mastergardenerssandiego.org

A seminar aimed at improving the gardening practices of San Diego County residents who grow ornamental and edible plants for personal use. The program is designed to provide home gardeners with practical information on horticulture and related topics. Proceeds from the seminar are used to pay related expenses and to support Master Gardener public education activities.

Although Pre-registration closed on March 25, registration on the day of the seminar is $15 per class for those classes still open.

Parents are asked not to bring babies or small children to the seminar and any minor must be supervised by an adult. You can bring your own lunch or buy one at a nearby eatery. Bottled water will be available for purchase.

Schedule
7:30 a.m. REGISTRATION - Hahn University Center Foyer
8:35 - 8:45 a.m. Announcements - in session A class
8:45 - 10:15 a.m. Concurrent Session A (classes 10-18)
10:15 a.m. Break
10:45 a.m. Concurrent Session B (classes 20-28)
12:15 p.m. Lunch & Sale by Vendors
1:40 p.m. Concurrent Session C (classes 30-38)
3:10 p.m. Adjourn

Class descriptions, speaker information and the registration form available at www.MasterGardenersSanDiego.org
**SD HORTICULTURE SOCIETY**

On Monday April 14, Duane Johnson will discuss bio diesel fuels and other plant-derived products: “Developing Bioenergy from Camelina, A ‘New’ Crop for the U.S.”. We’re used to thinking of plants and blooms as the end product. For a different point of view, join us at this free meeting of the San Diego Horticultural Society, at 6 p.m. at Surfside Race Place, Del Mar Fairgrounds on Jimmy Durante Blvd, in Del Mar.

For more information, visit www.sdhortsoc.org or call (760) 295-7089

**WILDFLOWER LINK**

http://interactives.signonsandiego.com/wildflowers/

Check out the link above for photos of wildflowers and a short video of Tom Chester (CNPS member) talking about some of the wildflowers in Anza-Borrego!!

Hopefully the link works.

**WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS**

The much needed rain this year will produce fuel for another season of wildfires...this is the reality we live in.

Don't miss this new course about wildfire preparedness for professionals. Sign up today Call 619.255.0203 or go online.

*Reducing Property Risks, Habitat Losses, and Costs*

Learn about the physics of fire behavior, the ecology of southern California’s fire regimes, and how they relate to structure ignition and property losses.

Understand the reasons behind local codes for building ignition-resistant structures and managing 100-foot defensible space, and the costs of excessive vegetation reduction.

Get clear examples of building design, exterior materials, landscaping practices, and quick, low-cost property maintenance and modifications to reduce property risks.

WHEN: 1:30–5:30 PM Choose from one of the following dates:
April: Fri. 11, Thur 17; May: Thur 15, Wed 21.
WHERE: San Diego Natural History Museum, 1788 El Prado, Balboa Park

Tuition is $80 for an individual and $60 for two or more attendees from the same organization who register at the same time.

Presented by: Business and Ecology Consulting

**SO CAL WETLANDS RECOVERY PROJECT**

**SAVE THIS DATE FOR THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WETLANDS RECOVERY PROJECT**

**2008 WETLANDS SYMPOSIUM MAY 6-8**

San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, CA May 6-8

Please join us on the beautiful San Diego waterfront for three days of seminars and discussions on Southern California wetland and riparian restoration and watershed issues.

- Pre-symposium field tours and workshops, May 6
- WRP Board of Governors Meeting, May 6
- WRP Ten Year Celebration Reception, May 7
- Plenary and concurrent sessions, May 7-8

**NOT ALL WILDFLOWERS ARE NATIVES**

In our Feb newsletter (on page 2) a list of ‘wildflowers’ seen on 31 January was given.

I hope the impression is not left that wildflowers are necessarily native because several of those listed were certainly not native to this area, nor to any part of California. They included: *Trapauleum majus*, *Erodium cicutarium*, *Nicotiana glauca* and *Schinus molle*

These are not only non-native but they are also invasive weeds. *Carpobrotus chilensis* is also listed. In this case there is some dispute about whether it might be native. Even if it is, which many doubt, it is a highly invasive plant.

I hope we can get all this corrected for our readers next month.

Andrew Wilson

**CAPE IVY**

This is my annual appeal to CNPS coastal chapters afflicted with Cape ivy (all coastal chapters are afflicted) to consider contributing to the USDA Agricultural Research Service Cape Ivy Biocontrol research program. We had expected to have released the two biocontrol agents into the wild by this time, but the transfer of USDA APHIS (Animal-Plant Health Inspection Service) to Homeland Security brought advancement of the program to a halt. We think we are beyond that awkward stage and can proceed with only the usual, routine, governmental delays.

Jake Sigg
Please note that the TIME has changed for our workshops!
April 12, – 9:30 AM
Butterflies
May 10, (day before Mother’s day) – 9:30 AM
Create-Your-Own Container
For more details about any of these workshops and other events at TOLN, www.treeoflifematernity.com

REMINDER
Tree of Life Nursery currently extends a 10% retail discount to CNPS members. To show your membership status, bring your most recent CHAPTER newsletter with your name and address on it when you go to shop at the nursery.

OLD TOWN PLANTING
On Saturday, April 12, 2008, anytime from 9 am to 3 pm Please come and help dozens of volunteers plant native plants in the Old Town State Park Native Plant Garden at the corner of Taylor St. and Congress St., immediately east of the Old Town Trolley Station and just north of the McCoy house.

This is a CNPS project in conjunction with State Parks, San Diego River Park Foundation and the San Diego River Conservancy.
Interpretive signage will follow the planting at a later date, after considerable additional consultation with State Parks. I welcome the thoughts and experience of any members who have worked through sign issues with the state to help me. I plan to announce this event on the list-serve. San Diego River Park Foundation will advertise and widely post the opportunity.
I am hopeful the Master Gardeners can join us to help train and oversee volunteers as well. Please come to this event. I would really appreciate all the feedback and help you give.

There is quite a bit of work to be done prior to April 12. Kay has given me a task list, and I may need help with some of the work.
Su Kraus at Moosa Creek has provided a bid for some of the plants. RECON can provide others. I do not know where to get Juncus textilis (basket rush) or Cattail or Tule.
Peter St Clair

OUT OF THE WILD
Out of the Wild & into the Garden
California’s Horticulturally Significant Plants
A Symposium
Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (RSABG)
1500 N. College Avenue in Claremont.
April 16–19, 2008

Socials, keynote speaker, Friday dinner, garden tours and plant sale will be held at Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (RSABG), 1500 N. College Avenue in Claremont.
The symposium presentations, breakfast and lunch on Thursday and Friday will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel and Conference Center at 555 West Foothill Blvd. in Claremont, two blocks west of RSABG. Garden. Saturday sessions and lunch will be held at the Galileo Theater on the Harvey Mudd College Campus, Claremont Colleges.
To Register by Phone: You may register with Visa or Mastercard by calling Cotton Coslett at 909-625-8767 ext. 224 Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden www.rsabg.org

WELCOME

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Mary Kelly
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Membership includes informative publications, free field trips and monthly programs and discounts on books and posters. Also included are *Fremontia*, a quarterly journal with articles on all aspects of native plants, the *Bulletin*, a quarterly statewide report of activities and schedules, and the chapter newsletter. Please call the membership chairperson for more information.

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