



The Shooting Star



Figure 2. Rock Fringe just below Dana Plateau (see Page 2 for article). Photo: Douglas Krajnovich



Figure 3. Cassiope at Hall Natural Area (see Page 2 for article). Photo: Douglas Krajnovich

CNPS NATIVE PLANT SALE OCTOBER 21st

We are in special need of volunteers with trucks or SUVs to load plants the night before and deliver them the morning of the sale. Reminder that volunteers get to select plants before the sale is open to the public. We also need cashiers and tag pullers. So email Stephanie at sjgarcia@mlode.com to volunteer.

Our sale is on Saturday, October 21, from 9 am until Noon. We will be at the same location: Rocca Park, Main Street, Jamestown. We will have many dif-

ferent species of shrubs and perennials that need minimal water, once established, during our hot summer months. At the sale, there are always many knowledgeable people to answer your questions and help you

FALL PLANT SALE

OCTOBER 21

9:00 to 12:00

Rocca Park, Jamestown

choose the appropriate plant for your location.

CALENDAR OF CNPS EVENTS

October 5— CNPS Sierra Foothills Chapter General Meeting at 6:00 pm. Program: To Be Announced. Location: Tuolumne County Library, 480 Greenley Road, Sonoma, CA 95370

October 14—Fall Colors Field Trip Leader: Jennie Haas. Hiking level: very easy

October 21— CNPS Native Plant Sale, Rocca Park, Jamestown 9-12

If you change your mailing or e-mail address, be sure to send a note to Jennie Haas. This will keep your newsletter on time!

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Field Trips

The field trip season is winding down. Our last field trip of the year will be our annual Fall Colors field trip. Instead of heading over one of the passes and finding colors on the east side of the Sierra, we'll stay closer to home and look for the colors in the Stanislaus National Forest.

October 14 – Fall Colors. Leader: Jennie Haas. Hiking level: very easy (car tour with limited walking). We're going to try something different this year. We'll do a car tour of our local fall colors in the Stanislaus National Forest. The actual route will firm up as the time gets closer but it might include areas such as Bell Meadow, Road 3N01 out of Long Barn and perhaps Cottonwood Meadow, providing road conditions allow access. Meet at 9:30a.m. at the parking lot between the KFC and Kohl's in the Junction Shopping Center in east Sonora. Sign up in advance to ensure you get the latest information on the trip. To sign up or for more information, contact Jennie at 209-962-4759, jhaas953@gmail.com.

-- Jennie Haas, Field Trip and Membership Coordinator

Everyone probably knows that *Cassiope mertensiana* was John Muir's favorite wildflower. If I had to name my Top 4 High Sierra wildflowers, I would name Sky Pilot #1; Alpine Columbine #2; Cassiope #3; Rock Fringe #4. On August 29-30, I took two walks: one from Tioga Lake to the Dana Plateau, another from Sawmill Campground into the Hall Natural Area. I didn't get high enough to see Sky Pilot, but I saw *huge* numbers of Alpine Columbine and Rock Fringe just below the Dana Plateau; and a beautiful patch of Cassiope in the Hall Natural Area (Figs. 1-3).



Figure 1. Alpine Columbine below Dana Plateau. Photo: Douglas Krajnovich

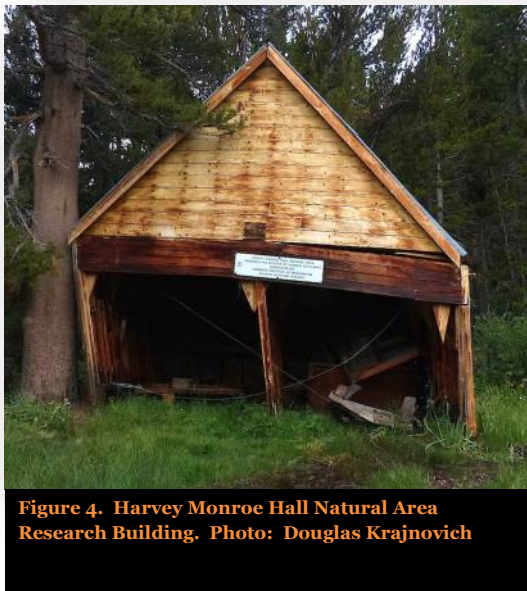


Figure 4. Harvey Monroe Hall Natural Area Research Building. Photo: Douglas Krajnovich

If you have driven between Tioga Pass and Lee Vining this summer, you know that the Tioga Pass Resort is closed due to damage sustained last winter. The Saddlebag Lake Store & Restaurant is closed for the same reason, and up-for-sale. On my August 30 walk, I saw that the Harvey Monroe Hall Natural Area Research building also got nearly destroyed (Fig. 4). The flowers didn't seem to care. Orchids, Larkspurs, and Onions were taking over what's left of the building.

-- Douglas Krajnovich

Gardening with Natives Symposium - A Success!



Bart O'Brien of Tilden Park

The September 9 Gardening with Natives symposium was a great success. We had 98 people in attendance, including volunteers. All seven speakers were excellent. We're very grateful to Bart O'Brien, George Kirk, Susie Kocher, Rob Carlmark, Toby O'Geen, Bonnie Bladen and John Whittlesey for providing us with very informative presentations. Additionally, John Whittlesey provided us with a second projector so that we could use two



Jennie Haas

screens and he generously donated several plants for the raffle. Other donators for the raffle included Calaveras Lumber, The Nest Nursery in Twain Harte, Master Gardeners and our own chapter. We deeply appreciate these donations which helped us raise funding to help offset the costs of the symposium.



Ken Fowkes, Margaret Klein, Nancy Morton

We appreciate the exhibitors, Master Gardeners, Calaveras Lumber and the Tuolumne Resource Conservation District, who provided information and educational materials.



Becky Chimene & Tuolumne Co. RCD

We could not have pulled off this symposium without the volunteers who did things from setting up and taking down the room, registering the audience, selling books, making sure we were well fed and refreshed, and conducting the very successful raffle. We thank Anthea Nelson, Cathy Calef, Paolo Maffei, Jack Myrick, Pat Gogas, Linda Reavley, Ken Fowkes, Evelyn Gordon, Toots Van Ruiten, Francesca Simons, Becky Chimente, Minou Alexander, Karen Gustafson, Janet LaFrance, Carolynn Beard, Nancy Morton, Sheila Deeg, Sue LaFollette and Veda Scherer. We are especially grateful to Jim Brugger, a member of the Northern San Joaquin Valley Chapter, who worked as a volunteer expertly staffing the membership table.



Veda Scherer and Tuolumne Co. RCD



Steph Garcia and Jim Brugger



John Whittlesey

Finally, I want to thank the planning committee who did an outstanding job. They were a pleasure to work with. The planning committee included Diane Williams, Debbie Jacobson, Val Myrick, Nancy Piekarczyk, Bob Dean, Margaret Klein and Stephanie Garcia.

Jennie Haas, Planning Committee Chair



Karen Gustafson and Diane Williams

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