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Sacramento Valley Chapter Newsletter

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**FEBRUARY 2011**

## FEB. MEETING:

Wed., 2/9 7:00 p.m.  
Shepard Garden &  
Arts Center  
McKinley Park  
3330 McKinley Blvd.,  
Sacramento 95816

Sabrina Okamura Johnson,  
President (916) 929-7896

*Our chapter meetings are free and  
open to the public.*

Wildflower seeds, books and  
Sacramento Valley Chapter t-shirts  
are available for purchase at meetings.  
Refreshments provided!



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## FEBRUARY PRESENTATION:

# Raising Environmental Literacy in California Classrooms

by Kay Antunez, *California Project  
Learning Tree*

**W**hat's happening with California's efforts to provide environmental education to our school age youth? Have you heard about the 2003 landmark Education and the Environment Initiative (AB 1534 and 1721) that is bringing new efforts to help teachers better prepare children to understand how to make choices that affect the future of a healthy environment?

Join us for an update of these and other California and national efforts to advance environmental literacy, with a focus on programs for kindergarten through high school youth.

Kay Antunez de Mayolo has been a CNPS member since her Cal Poly days in the late 1960s. She chaired our chapter during the early 1980s and formed the first statewide education committee, which sponsored native plant poster art contests for school age children. For 22

years she has been the State Coordinator for California Project Learning Tree, a program sponsored by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (aka Cal Fire).

Kay has followed her passion for education by working with children in formal and informal settings in California, Honduras and Peru.



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For a schedule of  
Project Learning Tree  
workshops go to [www.plt.org](http://www.plt.org)  
Click on the calendar of  
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from the "State" drop down  
menu

*The mission of the California Native Plant Society is to conserve California native plants and their natural habitats, and increase understanding, appreciation, and horticultural use of native plants.*

## Elderberry Farms Native Plant Nursery

by Christina Lewis, Nursery Leader

**Nursery workdays** continue to be on Wednesdays, but our volunteers are ever-changing! People come and go for a host of reasons (Paul, how's your puppy? Joanne, congratulations on your new job!).

The bottom line is, we can always use your help. Contact Chris at lewisc916@yahoo.com. Join our listserv by sending e-mail to Elderberry\_Farms\_Native\_Plant\_Nursery-subscribe@yahoo.com



**Nursery walks** continue on Fridays (9:30 – 11:30 during winter). Generally four to six of us meander up and down the trails on the American River Parkway, but our first walk of 2011 was a wonderful surprise! Fourteen nature lovers braved the cold and gloom to walk the trails of Snipes-Pershing Ravine. We had a fun moment when someone spotted some tiny Pipevine flowers! The beauty of that little flower was magical. To join us, sign up on the listserv above.

*The Snipes Ravine crowd admiring Pipevine includes at left: Robin, Diane, Tad, Bobbie, Sue, Ariana, Julie, Dean. At right: Jim, Linnea, Vicki, Carolyn, Gin, Terry, and John.*



Right: The object of their affection: the lovely Pipevine flower

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Below, a more formal portrait of the fans of Pipevine.



## Wildflower Weekend Returns at New Location: Soil Born Farms April 2 & 3, 2011

The celebration and spring plant sale that started as Wildflower Weekend, then spent a couple of years as the one-day Wildflower Wonders at Earth Day, is returning to its roots—a two day event held in Rancho Cordova.

For the first time, the event will bring guests outdoors and into native plant habitat, at Soil Born Farms' American River Ranch in Rancho Cordova, the site of Elderberry Farms Native Plant Nursery.

This year will once again feature a hosted plant exhibit and the spring native plant sale. New will be interactive sessions such as connecting pollinators and native plants and guided walks near the American River.



A family enjoys the Native American uses exhibit at WW 2006

Photo © 2006 Barbara F. Wolf

The spring plant sale will be on Elderberry Farms Native Plant Nursery grounds, where we will also offer a series of dynamic garden talks and plant clinics led by subject specialists.

Enjoy learning in sessions such as "Create a Thriving Ecosystem in Your Yard—Learn How to Garden for Habitat and Wildlife" by educator Julie Serences; and "Beauty and Sustainability with Native Plants" by Alison Shilling, and experienced gardener. More topics to be announced!

To be involved in Wildflower Weekend planning or lead an activity, contact Chris at lewisc916@yahoo.com.

## Notes from the Demo-Garden:

by Sabrina Okamura-Johnson and Donna Caye

### Winter Aisle Work with AmeriCorps!

In January the Sacramento City cemetery staff delivered wood chips to the native plant garden, and we can expect more for the next eight weeks, according to cemetery supervisor Tom Thornton.

Sharon Patrician (Old City Cemetery Committee Volunteer Coordinator) and Mary Lynn Perry (City Volunteer Coordinator) connected with Erin Blobaum, Assitant Program Director/ Training, AmeriCorps NCCC Pacific Region, to provide a team of AmeriCorps members at the demo-garden for three weekdays. The **AmeriCorps team "Blue 4"** joined Sabrina at 8 a.m. on two Fridays in January to lay down the precious wood chips. With the team's help we "chipped up" about a third of the garden area aisles (see photo below from Jan. 7). It was a lot of hard work but we had a great time.

**Volunteer Help Still Needed.** The winter work continues in the garden and we can use all the help we can get to continue with hoeing weeds in the aisles and spreading wood chips in the aisles. We also continue to need volunteers to help with weeding the plots (the oxalis has gotten out of control in

a few plots). Sabrina can only be out at the garden on Sunday mornings, so we urgently need volunteers to come out on Saturday too. Please contact Sabrina to get this work done! Help with our ongoing garden activities, pruning, mulching, weeding, deadheading, plantings and seeding would be much appreciated.

**Needs/Wish List.** We are still in need of: new or lightly used garden hoses, arborists with access to equipment to prune/top our large Pacific Sunset Fremontias, "handy man" to repair our blue-bird boxes, gloves, hand tools, pruning equipment and knee pads.

Thanks to all who responded with one-gallon pots, it really helped replenish our inventory. Thanks again to our dedicated volunteers: **Bridgette Dinaberg, Renate Sperlich, Dana Nolan, Mitchell Alford,** and our weekday weeders. We also thank **Tom Thornton, Sharon Patrician, Mary Lynn Perry, Erin Blobaum and the "Blue 4" AmeriCorps team** that came out in January.

As always, we hope to see you in the garden soon.

## School Garden Success

by Valary Bloom,

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

**A**s a biologist and a parent of a second grader at Hubert Bancroft Elementary School in the College Greens area of Sacramento, I initiated a Schoolyard Habitat Project there a few years ago. The school expanded the scope of the project, raised additional funds (including a \$100 CNPS grant for school native gardens!) and construction began.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Schoolyard Habitat Program awards grants to local schools to create naturalized habitat areas on their campuses. These habitats are ecologically sound, integrated into the teaching curriculum and designed to encourage long-term stewardship by the students and the larger community.

The program's development was, in part, triggered by a recent movement led by Richard Louv, author of *Last Child in the Woods*, to reconnect kids with nature.

Louv writes, "... A growing body of research indicates that direct exposure to the natural world may prove a powerful antidote to many of the things that ail kids today. ... Nature inspires creativity in a child by demanding visualization and the full use of the senses. Given a chance, a child will bring the confusion of the world to the woods, wash it in the creek, turn it over to see what lives on the unseen side of that confusion. ... In nature, a child finds freedom, fantasy, and privacy; a place distant from the adult world, a separate peace."

The Schoolyard Habitat project at Bancroft Elementary strives to improve the connection between children and nature by utilizing native plants to provide habitat for butterflies, dragonflies, bees, hummingbirds, songbirds, bats, and other pollinators while providing maximum benefits to all grade levels and members of the community.

This project includes installing a native grassland, and constructing a pavilion as an outdoor setting for envi-

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*AmeriCorps-Team at Demo-Garden: Front (kneeling): Scott Degner; Second row (l-r): Warith Muhammad, Luke Rafferty, Zach Chamberlain, Tony Volpini, David Owens, Kate Welle, Janaille Spence, Jessika Osborne, Brent Wallen*





# Calendar of Events

See our calendar online at [www.sacvalleycnps.org](http://www.sacvalleycnps.org) for more, updated events and happenings!

## FEBRUARY

Sat. 2/5, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

### Elderberry Farms Native Plant Nursery Special Work Day

All hands on deck to help build our new greenhouse structure. We've got the plans and materials. You bring the labor, we'll bring the lunch! Contact Chris Lewis for more information. (916) 812-2876 or [lewisc916@yahoo.com](mailto:lewisc916@yahoo.com).

Sun., 2/13, 8:30 a.m.

### Trees In Winter American River Parkway at William Pond Park

Leader: John Huls  
([johnhuls@sbcglobal.net](mailto:johnhuls@sbcglobal.net);  
916-284-7021)

My friend the vet tech says he can identify dogs by their bark. Can you do the same with trees? We will explore the natural history, identification and folklore of valley trees. Bring your binoculars as this is a great birding area. William Pond Park is at the east end of Arden Way in Carmichael. We'll meet in the very last parking lot by the big pond. County Parks Pass or \$5 day fee required at kiosk/drop box.

Sun., 2/27, 8:30 a.m.

### Those Amazing Weeds American River Parkway Upper Sunrise

Leader: John Huls (see 2/13 for info)  
We will talk about weed definitions, philosophy, ecology and ID. From Sunrise Blvd. just south of the American River, take S. Bridge Street (by the raft rental place) to the park entry. Follow the road past the kiosk and through the stop sign. Keep with the right hand sweep of the road and then turn right just before the boat launch ramp. Proceed approx. 1.5 miles to the end of the road. County Park Pass or \$5 fee at kiosk/drop box required.

Wednesdays, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

### Elderberry Farms Native Plant Nursery Work Days

Located at Soil Born Farms  
2140 Chase Drive, Rancho Cordova

Contact Chris Lewis (916) 812-2876 or [lewisc916@yahoo.com](mailto:lewisc916@yahoo.com) for work day schedule. To join the garden listserv, send a blank e-mail to: [Elderberry\\_Farms\\_Native\\_Plant\\_Nursery-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:Elderberry_Farms_Native_Plant_Nursery-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

Fridays, 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**American River Parkway Walks**  
We walk different areas of the Parkway, depending on what is in bloom or in seed and who knows where they are. Rain or shine. To sign up for the Nursery's listserv send an e-mail to: [Elderberry\\_Farms\\_Native\\_Plant\\_Nursery-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:Elderberry_Farms_Native_Plant_Nursery-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) or contact Chris at [lewisc916@yahoo.com](mailto:lewisc916@yahoo.com).

## ONGOING

**Native Plant Demo-Garden  
Old City Cemetery  
1000 Broadway, Sacramento  
Sundays, 9 a.m.-11 a.m.**

Wear hat, long-sleeved shirt, boots and bring water, gardening tools, gloves, and knee pads. To volunteer during the week contact Sabrina (916) 929-7896 or [soj@surewest.net](mailto:soj@surewest.net).

**Chapter Meeting & Guest Speaker  
2nd Wed. of month, 7:00 p.m.  
(Jan.-June; Sept.-Nov.)**

Shepard Garden & Arts Center,  
McKinley Park, Sacramento  
See page 1. Meetings are free and open to the public. Books, wildflower seeds, and our SacValley t-shirt always available for purchase. Refreshments. For info: Sabrina Okamura-Johnson (916) 929-7896 or e-mail [soj@surewest.net](mailto:soj@surewest.net).

**Chapter Board Meetings  
4th Wed. of month, 7 p.m. SMUD Art  
Gallery & Community Center, 6301 S  
Street, Sacramento, CA95817  
(Jan.-June; Sept.-Nov.)**

For more information contact Sabrina Okamura-Johnson (916) 929-7896 or [soj@surewest.net](mailto:soj@surewest.net).

**Ceanothus - Collaborative Plant  
Identification Workshops  
3rd Sat. of month, 9 a.m.  
Davis Center for Biological Diversity.**

**Michael Bower, (530) 902.8721**

Bring any plants you're curious about, the Jepson Manual, and your enthusiasm! Visit [www.ceanothus.org](http://www.ceanothus.org) for upcoming workshop dates, locations, and directions. Free. Questions to [ceanothusfieldbot@gmail.com](mailto:ceanothusfieldbot@gmail.com)

**Habitat 2020**

**Day and Time TBD**

For information contact Chris Lewis (916) 812-2876 or [lewisc916@yahoo.com](mailto:lewisc916@yahoo.com)

## Save these Dates!

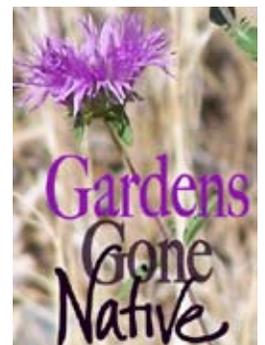
**"Wildflower Weekend"  
April 2 & 3, 2011**

See page 2 for details!

**"Gardens Gone Native"  
May 1, 2011**

The Sac Valley chapter's first, free, self-guided native plant garden tour, will highlight local native landscape gardens.

To volunteer your garden, work on the tour organizing committee, or be a garden host during the tour, please contact Maria Kochis ([kochism@csus.edu](mailto:kochism@csus.edu)) or Dennis Dahlin ([arbornet@sbcglobal.net](mailto:arbornet@sbcglobal.net)).



## 2011 CNPS Workshops

Contact Josie Crawford for more information. Further details at <http://cnps.org/cnps/education/workshops/>

**Feb 15**

**Rare Plants of the Central Valley  
UC Davis**

**Instructors: Carol Witham and Aaron Sims**

Fees: CNPS members \$150;  
Non-members \$175

# California Native Plant Society

Sacramento Valley Chapter  
Stockton Subchapter



Hibiscus welcomes news and listings from our Stockton subchapter, serving San Joaquin Valley CNPS Sac Valley members. If you would like to contribute, please contact Martha Mallery at (209) 477-3966 or Bob Stahmer at (209) 943-2277.

**Stockton subchapter outings will start again in March.**

**Stay up to date on Stockton subchapter activities by visiting them on the web:**  
<http://www.sacvalleycnps.org/stockton/stockton.html>

## Celebrating Native Plant Week

On April 16 and 17, the Stockton subchapter will co-sponsor a native plant display at the Nature Center in Oak Grove Regional Park with the Oak Grove Docent Council and the Nature Center.

If you can help collect, identify and display wildflowers on Friday, April 15, please contact Martha Mallery at (209) 477-3966.

And be sure to visit the display during the weekend!



## School Garden Success, *continued from page 3*

ronmental education. The project also features a valley-wise alphabet garden which supports (primarily native) drought-tolerant plants starting with each letter of the alphabet. The program emphasizes tying in curriculum to the new habitat; increased involvement of the community at Bancroft; and students' developing a sense of stewardship over the project.

We strove for 100 percent native plants and achieved about 80 percent natives. All are valley-wise and nearly all have already attracted native pol-

linators. To see the school project site or learn more about it, contact Valary Bloom at [nativebloom@comcast.net](mailto:nativebloom@comcast.net)

*Valary Bloom works in the Endangered Species Division at the Sacramento Office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. As a Bancroft parent, she served as primary contact, but Shannon Holbrook and Karleen Vollherbst of the Schoolyard Habitat Program were the project leads. Valary credits their great contributions to making this project a success.*

## OTHER EVENTS

### UC Davis Events

**Volunteer Sunday Afternoons at the UC Davis Center for Plant Diversity**

Feb. 20, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

1026 Sciences Laboratory Building, UC Davis Campus.

Please contact Ellen Dean at [eadean@ucdavis.edu](mailto:eadean@ucdavis.edu) or 530-752-1091. Driving directions and map available at <http://herbarium.ucdavis.edu>.

Sat., Feb. 26, 9 a.m.- 1 p.m.

**Horticultural Workshop: The Botany and Ecology of How Plants Grow by Ernesto Sandoval, Director, UC Davis Botanical Conservatory**  
To enroll see <http://greenhouse.ucdavis.edu/conservatory> or call (530) 751-0569. All proceeds benefit the Conservatory.

Sat., 3/5, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Plant Name Changes with Dan Potter UC Davis Center for Plant Diversity Herbarium**

3067 Sciences Laboratory Building, UC Davis Campus.

Emphasis will be placed on name changes that are forthcoming in the second edition of The Jepson Manual.

**Fee:** \$40 Davis Botanical Society members/\$60 non-members. More information and registration at <http://herbarium.ucdavis.edu> or e-mail Ellen Dean at [eadean@ucdavis.edu](mailto:eadean@ucdavis.edu). All proceeds benefit the herbarium.

### Friends of the Chico State Herbarium

For workshop registration, details and 2011 offerings, visit [www.csuchico.edu/biol/Herb/Events.html](http://www.csuchico.edu/biol/Herb/Events.html)



Photo courtesy of Valary Bloom



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## OTHER EVENTS

### Effie Yeaw Nature Center -February 2011

Ancil Hoffman County Park, 2850 San Lorenzo Way, Carmichael, CA

#### Interactive Exhibit: Bountiful Harvest: An Exploration of Maidu Culture

Park entrance fee: \$5.00 per car or FREE to ARNHA members.

Hours: Wed., Thurs. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. (4 p.m. starting Jan. 26);

Fri., Sat., Sun., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

The Nature Center may be closed in stormy weather. Please call to confirm hours.

www.effieyeaw.org or (916) 489-4918 www.sacnaturecenter.net

Sat., 2/5, 10:30 a.m.

#### Animal Tracks and Signs

Animal-made signs in the woods reveal who has used the trail. Play tracks and scat games, then take a walk to find animal signs in the Nature Area.

Sat., 2/12, 10:30 a.m.

#### Coyote Tales

Join us for a Native American story about Coyote, get a close-up look at a coyote pelt, skull and mounted specimen and take a walk in coyote habitat.

Thursday 2/10, 6 p.m.

#### Nature Center Fundraiser:

#### IMAX Theater Hubble 3D

Explore the mysteries of our celestial surroundings and accompany space-walking astronauts. **Tickets:** \$15 each; family pack of 6 for \$75. Each ticket

includes one small popcorn and one small soda. Parking validation available.

Sat., 2/19, 10:30 a.m.

#### Turkey Vultures

What bird eats meat but can't kill its own food? These relatives of the condor and stork are intelligent, family-oriented, and play games together! Learn more about these amazing birds and their importance to our ecosystem.

Sat., 2/26, 10:30 a.m.

#### Hawk Talk

Come learn about these amazing raptors that have color vision eight times better than humans. Get a rare close look at a red-tailed hawk and learn more about the hawk family, which includes eagles and kites.

#### Lecture and Field Trip Series:

### Birds of Winter in the Sacramento Valley

**Ed Harper**, long time educator, tour guide, and noted birder of the Sacramento area, will teach the finer points of identification, natural history, and calls of the many species of birds resident in the Sacramento region in winter. Both beginning and experienced birders will improve their knowledge and skills.

**Fee:** \$80 for all lectures and field trips. Pre-registration is required.

Call Effie Yeaw Nature Center at 489-4918 to register.

More information at [www.sacnaturecenter.net](http://www.sacnaturecenter.net)

#### Lectures

Thursdays, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

2/24, 3/3, and 3/17

Effie Yeaw Nature Center

#### Field Trips

Saturdays

2/26, 8:00 a.m.–noon, Ancil Hoffman Park

3/5, 7:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m., Linden Raptor Route

3/19, 8:00 a.m.–noon, Yolo Basin Wetlands

#### Help support the Nature Center, a community service of the American River Natural History Association (ARNHA)

ARNHA provides critical support for the Nature Center's mission to introduce thousands of schoolchildren each year to the beauty and diversity of the Parkway. Due to the loss of County funding, the Nature Center needs your help more than ever. Join ARNHA at the Nature Center or at [www.arnha.org](http://www.arnha.org).

### New Visual ID key to Sedges of North America

Announcing a new, interactive visual identification key to the Carices of North America with over 1200 images in a "resolution-free" format. Requires Microsoft Silverlight and best experienced with a scroll mouse to zoom-in on images. <http://www.herbarium2.lsu.edu/aaa/index.html>

## Get your Garden on! Easy-to-grow natives for the Sacramento area

by Barbara Wolf

If you're new to gardening with natives, or just insecure like me, here are recommendations for some (relatively) fool-proof, water-wise natives from experienced chapter members.

For hummingbird lovers, Chris Lewis, Elderberry Farms Nursery leader, suggests spring-blooming **foothill penstemon** (*Penstemon heterophyllus*) and fiery red fall **California fuschia** (*Epilobium canum*).

Alison Shilling, who gardens in Davis, also endorses fuschia, adding that it can grow from one to four feet tall, depending on species. Flame red tubular flowers bloom from July to October. Bumble bees love them, but steal the nectar by biting through the tube! Penstemon and fuschia also make the Sacramento Old City Cemetery Demonstration Garden's Top 20 list, as do the selections below.

Aromatic and evergreen, **Cleveland sage** (*Salvia clevelandii*) with its gray-green fuzzy leaves and purple-blue flowers also got the experts' votes.

At the golden end of the spectrum, try the Central Valley species of **Monkeyflower** (*Mimulus aurantiacus*).

Species of **California lilac** (*Ceanothus spp.*) come in a wide range of sizes. Its shiny green leaves offer good looks year-round throughout the state. Ceanothus flowers in early spring with clusters of white through deep blue.

For an easy flourish in the yard, plant **deer grass** (*Muhlenbergia rigens*). A drought-tolerant large bunch grass traditionally and still used for basketry, it can make a dramatic focal point in a small area, reaching four feet or more in diameter.

**Western redbud** (*Cercis occidentalis*) takes the form of a shrub or small tree. It attracts hummingbirds and other pollinators during its spring bloom.

As you plan your garden, find photos of these and hundreds more natives at CalPhotos, <http://calphotos.berkeley.edu/>.

Thanks Chris, Alison and Sabrina!

## 2010 Accomplishments for Habitat 2020

Sean Wirth and Rob Burness, 2011 Co-Chairs

### Friends of ECOS is now Green

**Incubator, Inc.** Green Incubator is the 501(c)(3) fiscal agent for Habitat 2020, a coalition of environmental organizations collaborating on common issues in the Sacramento region. Habitat 2020 acts as the Habitat Conservation Committee of Environmental Council of Sacramento (ECOS), working to protect the lands and waters where our wildlife and native plants live in the Sacramento region.

### 2010 Habitat 2020 Highlights

- Received a grant for \$5,000 from Northern California Grassroots Environmental Fund to curb sprawl and preserve the world-class natural resources of the Sacramento Valley with comprehensive regional conservation vision for parks and agriculture.
- Organized a successful rural forum March 27 in Herald to focus on dialogue between farmers, ranchers, landowners, and environmentalists

about agriculture and habitat opportunities.

- Updated and revised Heartland Project presentation materials, worked on mapping capabilities and gave presentations about the Heartland Project during the year. Participated in Mayor Johnson's Greenwise Initiative and put forward the Heartland Project to be included in that Initiative.
- Sustained participation in the County General Plan update on land use and environmental impact issues, including EIR review and comment. Continued participation in the South Sacramento County Habitat Conservation Plan development. We also won a victory at the Board of Supervisors this year on a rural rezone.
- Supported the leadership of member Save Our Sandhill Cranes in presenting the Wild and Scenic Environmental Film Festival on Tour in Sacramento, February 4, 2010

and planning for the next WSE Film Festival in Sacramento tentatively scheduled for April 28, 2011. This event has provided a significant donation to Habitat 2020.

- Supported the Grassroots Working Group effort to protect regional park and open space led by SARA.

*Note: The CNPS Sacramento Valley chapter participates in Habitat 2020 and provides financial support to the coalition. If you would like to become involved, please contact Chris Lewis, lewisc916@yahoo.com or (916) 812-2876.*



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