



BULLETIN
THE CALIFORNIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
San Francisco County Fair Building
Ninth Avenue at Lincoln Way
San Francisco, California 94122



November 17, 2003

4:00 PM Botanical gardens walk with speaker at Strybing Arboretum. Parking is available behind the San Francisco Co. Fair Building and on 9th Ave.

5:30 PM NO HOST Dinner will be at Park Chow Restaurant, 1249 Ninth Ave., San Francisco.

7:15 PM Meeting will be held at Strybing Arboretum in the San Francisco County Fair Building at 9th Avenue and Lincoln Way

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Monday, November 17, 2003

“All Plants Strange and Wonderful”

Presented by

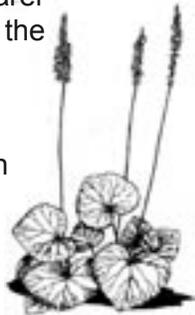
Lawrence Lee, UC Botanical Garden, Horticulturist & New Plants Program Coordinator
& owner of ‘Plantopia Nursery’

Strange is not always wonderful but it can be! Join Lawrence Lee for a celebration of some weird, bizarre, and simply wonderful members of the plant kingdom suitable for home and garden. Many rare and little known perennials, succulents, bulbs, grasses, shrubs, and subtropicals will be featured including some oddities recommended by well known and off-beat horticulturists and garden connoisseurs. A choice selection of these unusual and uncommonly beautiful plants will be offered for sale by Plantopia Nursery, “where all plants strange and wonderful find a home.”

The Plant Drawing each month provides an important source of funds for the Grants and Scholarships Program. In November, the drawing will include donations from **Plantopia Nursery**, Castro Valley, courtesy of Lawrence Lee; **Sloat Garden Center of San Rafael**, courtesy of Teresa Packer and **Strybing Arboretum & Botanical Gardens**, courtesy of Dr. Don Mahoney. Our appreciation to **Suncrest Nursery**, Watsonville, courtesy of Michael Craib; **Geraniaceae**, courtesy of Robin Parer and to **Strybing Arboretum**, courtesy of Dr. Don Mahoney for the outstanding plants donated for the October meeting.

December 2003

There is no monthly meeting. Our very best wishes to you and yours for a happy holiday season and for a rewarding New Year filled with new plant treasures for your gardens.



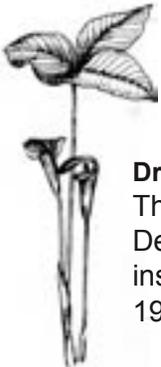
Monday, January 19, 2004

Plant collecting in China:

“A biodiversity inventory of the Gaoligong Shan mountain range of western Yunnan”

Presented by

Dr. Bruce Bartholomew, Senior Collections Manager, Botany Department, California Academy of Sciences
The speaker has worked with the Academy since 1982 and has supervised all aspects of the Botany Department. In addition to these duties, he has an integral role in the *Flora of China Project*, a multi-institutional international project to produce the first English language flora of China. Dating from 1975, he has made numerous botanical expeditions to China.



President's Letter

by Katherine Henwood

*"Oh Wild West Wind, thou breath of Autumn's being,
Thou from whose unseen presence the leaves dead
Are driven like ghosts from an enchanter fleeing,
Yellow and black, and pale, and hectic red,
Pestilence-stricken multitudes! O thou
Who chariotest to their dark wintery bed."*

Shelley, "Ode to the West Wind"

I sometimes wonder at modern reporters and their casual reshaping of the English language, but it would appear that the romantic poets could do it, too! It seems strange these last days of October, with the weather warm and mild (actually hot in Scenic Pacifica today, 89°F in the shade house!) to be talking of winter arriving momentarily. However, the west wind was blowing today, our on shore air conditioner working to keep the temperature comfortable in spite of the thermometer. And it is true that the maple tree is dropping a few leaves around. In a few more weeks, it will be a deluge of leaves and I'll be forever picking them up.

According to the *Sunset Western Garden Annual* from 1995, you should be dividing perennials, feeding your lawn, planting cool weather annuals, perennials, putting in cold hardy shrubs, ground covers, trees and vines. But you know all that. And if this weather keeps up, water! I have duly planted pansies, Iceland poppies and a whole lot of yellow primroses down the east facing bed. My very own primrose



path! You know I have a terrible time staying with one color, but primroses are easy, mine are always yellow.

Last month the ractetycoon children ripped the wire cover we had on the fish pool, so we added a layer of hardware cloth, thus making it impossible to see the pool surface. Of course, it also kept the marauders out. Our son, who lives down the block, couldn't stand the looks and came up with a way to put an electric fence around the pools. Difficult, because both of them have concrete and bricks on two sides. Anyway, he figured it out. It has now been 9 days in place and so far, no depredations have occurred. Dare I hope the problem is solved? It is SO nice to be able to see the pool surface unobstructed for the first time in years.

At our last meeting, the Nominations committee presented the candidates for next years Council. They are Diana Ross, running for a second term, Scott Medbury, Dan Carlson and Josh Schechtel. There were no nominations from the floor. Election will be at the November Meeting.

Our very own panel of travelers took us on their trip to South Africa this last month. The pictures were great, and their "take" on the trip was delightful. I'm sorry if you missed it.

Our November Program will present Lawrence Lee, of the UC Botanical Garden with "All things Strange and Wonderful" This promises to be a great program to wrap up the year. Remember we start with The Walk at 4:00 PM, rain or shine. I hope to see you all!

Botanical Tours

January 22–February 4, 2004

Drakensbergs—a floral treasure—South Africa in Summer. In support of The Botanical Society of South Africa for flora conservation.

May 11–23, 2004

Botanical Excursion in Eastern Macedonia & Thrace (Northeastern Greece) with noted greek botanist George Sfikas & Richard Turner. A *Pacific Horticulture* tour.

May 16–June 3, 2004

Botanical & Cultural Treasures of China's Sichuan & Yunnan Provinces. Escorted by Kristin Yanker-Hansen in support of California Horticultural Society. www.calhortsociety.org for full itinerary.

For information please call (800) 624-6633 or visit www.geostartravel.com.

Volunteer Corner

Being a volunteer-run organization, Cal Hort is always in need of people with various skills and talents to help out. Look below to see how you can help our Society to grow!

Hospitality Committee: Tasks include showing new members the different areas and aspects of the monthly meetings. This is a great way to get to know new people and have fun at the same time. The only pre-requisite is having attended one previous meeting. *We really need people here!* Contact Renee (reneeef@worldpassage.net) or Diana (lambeaux@pacbell.net) for info.

Open Garden Coordinator: We're again looking to start up our popular Open Gardens Program where members open their gardens on specific days to other members. This is a great 'tidy-up' motivator and also a great way to share our gardens and see different garden styles. Contact Renee (reneeef@worldpassage.net) if interested in opening your garden or coordinating the openings.

Newsletter: The *Bulletin* is always happy to accept stories, articles or fun garden-related tidbits. If you would like to start a column, write something or even just run across an interesting item, share it with the rest of us! Contact Bruce at editor@calhortsociety.org or (415) 824-1833.

October Plant Forum by Don Mahoney

"A picture is a worth a thousand words." Fully believing the old adage, color photos are available on our website at www.calhortsociety.org in the 'Plant Forum' section.

1. *Anchusa capensis*

BORAGINACEAE

Don Mahoney, San Francisco

This beautiful forget-me-not relative has vibrant true blue flowers and is a perennial from a deep tap root so it is also remarkably drought tolerant. It blooms throughout the spring and with supplemental water it continues to bloom late into the fall. As with most forget-me-nots, its flowers are rather small but they are produced in abundance. It hails from South Africa and is hardy at least into the high 20's. Old stems die back as new ones are produced.

2. *Aralia balfouriana*

ARALIACEAE

Barbara and John Hopper, Kenwood

The ARALIACEAE is known for its bold and decorative foliage plants and this species is one of the prettiest. Also known as *Polyscias balfouriana*, this plant is best grown as a cool greenhouse or house plant. It stays small for a long time and is slow growing although in tropical Asia and the Pacific where as a native it can reach 25 feet. The mature leaves have three rounded scalloped leaflets that are edged in white, giving a very decorative effect. The plant needs careful watering, protection from temperatures under 50°F, and bright filtered light.

3. *Protea neriifolia* 'Pink Mink' and 'Pink Ice'

PROTEACEACE

Don Mahoney, San Francisco

The mink proteas are among the easiest to grow and are highly recommended for coastal California. The flowers are 6 inches long by 3 inches across and the tips of the flowers are fringed with many hairs. They are in a group called the bearded proteas. 'Pink Ice' is pink covered with white hairs while 'Pink Mink' has white hairs over a burgundy beard. These can become imposing plants up to 15 feet across and 6 feet high and are in bloom in late fall through spring. From South Africa, they are hardier than most proteas and can survive a light freeze. They need well drained acid soil and want no fertilizer.



Proteas 'Pink Ice' & 'Pink Mink'



Erica blanda

4. *Dombeya* 'Seminole Pink'

MALVACEAE

Kristin Yanker-Hansen, Danville

Dombeyas are usually large evergreen landscape shrubs with pastel flowers so this selection is very special because of its small size (to 2 feet) and its bright deep pink flowers. It is useful as a container plant as it has attractive large maple-like leaves and the small (to 1 inch) hollyhock like flowers are held upright in head-like clusters. It hails from South Africa and is probably hardy down to a light frost.

5. *Erica blanda*

ERICACEAE

Don Mahoney, San Francisco

Many South African ericas are strikingly beautiful but difficult to grow. This species, however, is both beautiful and so far, easy to grow. It has soft grey-green needle like leaves and 1 inch long soft pink flowers in abundance on upright stems to 3 or 4 feet. Like most ericas it needs sandy well-drained yet acid soil. When well-established it is drought tolerant if in partial shade but needs occasional supplemental water in full sun. Like most South Africans it is hardy only to light frosts.

The Plant Forum is a traditional feature of our monthly meetings. Members are strongly encouraged to bring new plants or old favorites from their gardens to tell about and share. Something old-hat to you might be a brand new wonder to another member. What's putting on a display in your garden this fall? Bring it in a share it with us!

Host a Speaker

Please let us know if you would be willing to host a monthly speaker. Many of our speakers live out of town or the state and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to stay for one night with one of our members. Please contact Barbara Hopper (707) 833-2078 or Bruce Peters (415) 824-1833, bruce@calhortsociety.org.

Botany in South Africa at 60 Miles An Hour: Plant I.D. In the Fast Lane

with Richard Ward, Betsy Clebsch, Jana Olson, David Feix, and Robin Parer.

The esteemed group, among them nursery owners, an international *Salvia* authority, a garden designer, and an antiques dealer, presented their parallel experiences traveling together through the botanical wonderland of the southwest and western Cape Province of South Africa. Like California, the southwest Cape occupies one of the Earth's five Mediterranean climate zones. However, it's far more dense with botanical gems. To quote Conservation International:

The Cape Floristic Region is home to the greatest non-tropical concentration of higher plant species in the world, with 8,200 species found in a relatively small land area. An incredible 5,682 (69 percent) of these species are found nowhere else in the world. The region [...] encompasses an entire floral kingdom, with six of South Africa's 10 endemic plant families and 193 endemic genera found within its borders.

Each presenter began her or his slide series with a breathtaking establishing shot of the coast near Capetown, providing a repeated and emphatic picture of beauty for the audience.

David Feix started us off with a survey of some of the marvelous specimens at Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden, on the eastern slopes of Table Mountain at Capetown. This is the place to be. Feix made it there five times, and still couldn't get enough of a garden that contains not only encyclopedic living collections of the native flora, but also exquisite examples of sculpture, stonework and landscape structures. Besides radiant *Leucospermums*, shimmering *Leucodendrons*, and winsome *Mimetes* among the *Proteaceae*, Feix showed an impressive old branched *Cussonia paniculata*, a spiky big *Strelitzia juncea*, the tree ferns *Blechnum tabulare* and *Cyathea dregei* and a range of showy pea-family shrubs. He also provided a glimpse of the big faunal attraction where the Indian and Atlantic Oceans intermingle, the Jack-ass Penguin. They're stinky, loud and cute.

Our second presenter was Richard Ward, whose interest in succulents might be predicted by the stock of his Oakland nursery, The Dry Garden. With a slide parade of arboreal *Aloes* in the Namib (along the Atlantic north of Capetown) like *A. dichotoma* and *A. barbarae* (formerly *A. bainesii*), and tour of *Euphorbias* and *Cyphostemmas*, he satisfied our suspicions. What's more, he introduced us to the historic 1730 Dutch-colonial farm where the group stayed along with a colony of bats.

Salvias in their peculiar, often shrubby, South African forms occupied the center of Betsy Clebsch's suite of slides.

Her thesis? "South Africa is one beautiful place. It quite took my breath away." No one can prepare us for the fields of wildflowers after a winter of ample rains. But one must be prepared for new discoveries, this time *Salvia thermara*,

the Goudini Sage, a stoloniferous, sunbird-pollinated species thriving in sandy granitic soil and named for the Goudini Spa, where it was discovered. Other species she featured: *S. disermis*, *S. africana caerulea*, *S. dentata*, and *S. lanceolata*. And right where the Indian and Atlantic Oceans meet grows *S. africana lutea*, wind-pruned its blooms in yellow and burnt sugar.

Next stop: Jana Olson's overview of the trip, with more details on the enchanting farm accommodations occupied since the 1780s by the same family. One slide showed a room furnished almost entirely in animal products – gut, fur, and horn. She also took dramatic shots of tannic local waters, first percolating in a stream, then looking a bit more tea-like in a tub. On the botanical side, Olson furnished a gallery of that favorite South African geophyte genus, *Gladiolus*, including *G. carophylloides*, *virescens*, the brown-gold *liliceus*, and the orange *equitans*.

Robin Parer's bailiwick is *Geraniaceae*, the name of her nursery in Kentfield and the family she tracked down on the trip. There's no shortage in South Africa, in the form primarily of *Pelargonium* species, of which many she showed survive their arid conditions with summer dormancy. In the fynbos, the chaparral-like shrublands of the southwestern Cape, one showy, woody species Parer displayed, *P. cucullatum*, regrows from the roots after fire. Other delights included scarlet *Pelargonium fulgidum*, the desert succulent *P. salicifolium*, and a geophytic species with cerise flowers. Parer shared the gratification of fulfilling her childhood ambition of reaching the banks of the Orange River to see the *Monsonia* and *Sarcocaulon* in habitat.

By the end of the journey with our five botanizing voyagers, the audience, too, was gratified.



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A Plant Lover's Field Trip

Christie Hastings & Barbara Hopper

Barbara and John Hopper worked their magic again on behalf of some three dozen Cal Hort members and friends who accompanied them on two crisp, sunny days of garden visits in and around Watsonville, Carmel and Santa Cruz. Almost every host commented on the fine weather and absence of fog that the group seemed to have brought with them!

The first stop on Saturday was at Suncrest Nursery, dating from 1991 in Watsonville and open only to the trade, where not only were we welcomed by Jim Marshall and invited to purchase at a courtesy discount, but treated to morning coffee and goodies as well. An hour and forty-five minutes was hardly enough to cover some 42 acres of shrubs, trees, native plants and bulbs, all laid out in meticulous rows and columns, and several greenhouses with many bamboo varieties and specialty plants to examine.

Bob Jones, of Town and Country Landscape, led the caravan next to Pebble Beach to visit two very different private gardens in woody settings. The first had many ferns and unusual trees around a spacious lawn surrounded by strong deer fencing but adjacent to a colorful garden area from which the deer were not excluded—a “live and let live” philosophy that said a lot about the owners. The second house was quite different, almost palatial (and on the market for \$13.7 million!). Much credit goes to Bob Jones for creating a landscape that respectfully married the woods with the large traditional home. His *piece de resistance* was a spectacular garden overlooking the sea where colorful grasses, succulents, California natives, Australian and South African plants have been skillfully blended.

After a leisurely lunch around the pool and under the shady pergolas of a home in Sleepy Hollow, the caravan visited Griggs Nursery in Carmel Valley, then set out down the coast to see another garden with spectacular ocean views.

On returning to Carmel, the next visit was to Frances Hassenyager's garden surrounding her charming French Manor House. Based on inspirations from a visit to Sissinghurst, the garden is divided into a variety of garden rooms featuring unique water features and beautiful statuary. Roses in enviable colors were all lovingly labeled.

We especially thank Tom and Camilla May who hosted us in their garden for refreshments. The last visit of the day was just across the street at the home of Tom and Camilla May, where the ample wine and hors d'oeuvres (including Camilla's famous cheese ball. [See recipe]) were enthusiastically welcomed by a tired group.

Sunday was a leisurely start at 8:15 a.m. at “Seedhunt,” Ginny Hunt's home and gardens where she collects and grows some 250 different seeds, from *Abelmoschus manihot* to *Wattakata sinensis*. Everyone wanted to buy her spectacular restios that were, unfortunately, breeding stock and not for sale.

Jeff Rosendale of Sierra Azul welcomed the group with a brief history of the nursery and the new directions he hoped it would take in coming years. Although not yet labeled and in the shop area, restios he had. With urging by many Cal Hort members, he got in his truck and went to fetch them. Such determination and such a gracious response!

Mid morning found the group in Santa Cruz at a garden entitled “A fantasy of the tropics” with a recently installed

water feature billed as “A fantasy of a sub-alpine Sierran lake at around 7000 feet.” All this on a modest city lot, plus a new greenhouse in the rear for cacti, succulents, caudiciforms and tropical fruits. The owner and his wife were generous with information, use of their home and even cuttings for some envious Cal Horters.

The extraordinary home of Gail Page near the UCSC Arboretum was the setting for a shady lunch before a tour of the garden that filled the ravine behind the house. Many different kinds of bamboos, fuchsias, ferns and water plants grew there, and most notably the largest monkey-hand tree (*Chiranthodendron pentadactylon*) in the United States towered overhead. Another “accepting” gardener, our Gail grows bamboos “because the gophers like to eat them,” and she trusts that they will leave other tasty plants alone!

Our next stop was at Martha Benedict's large woodland garden featuring plants used today and in former times for medicinal and nutritional. We learned of many plants that are important hosts for butterflies, and birds as well as those that are valued for their herbal uses. Much information on horticulture was shared as we saw, smelled and sometimes tasted the plants she grew.

A visit to the University of California Santa Cruz Arboretum which specializes in Southern Hemisphere drought-tolerant plants was the exciting capstone of our tour. The proteas from Australia, New Zealand and South Africa are truly impressive, but for many the great variety as well as the beauty of the *Grevilleas* in the Arboretum was the most rewarding revelation.

This truly was a “fantasy field trip” and another good reason to be a member of Cal Hort.

Look online for fantastic photos of this trip.
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November 6

Native Plant Sale—Ninth annual sale of San Francisco area native plants by the Yerba Buena chapter of the CNPS. 7:30 PM, Rec room, County Fair bldg. (415) 282-5066 or www.cnps.org

November 20

Year-End Review: Pests to Plan for in 2004—SF Professional Gardener's Association. Env. Hort Dept CCSF. (415) 558-8036

November 25

Gardens of Kyoto, Japan—Robin Parer. A Kipping slideshow/potluck at SFCFB, 7 PM. Please bring dish to serve 8.

December 6

Holiday Plant Sale—Featuring houseplants, cacti and succulents. 10 AM – 2 PM at the UC Berkeley Botanical Garden, 200 Centennial Drive, Berkeley. (510) 642-0849 or www.botanicalgarden.berkeley.edu

December 6 – 7

Fungus Fair—An exciting exhibition showcasing hundreds of local wild mushrooms, slide lectures, and information booths sponsored by the Mycological Society of San Francisco. 10 AM – 5 PM and noon – 5 PM at the Oakland Museum, 10th and Oak Streets, Oakland. Adults \$6, students and seniors \$4. (415) 759-0495 or www.mssf.org

January 17

Annual Scion Exchange—An annual event to share grafting wood and cuttings of wonderful and uncommon fruits. Demonstrations and a plant raffle too. Sponsored by the Golden Gate Chapter of the California Rare Fruit Growers. Noon – 3 PM. A \$2 donation is requested. (510) 843-1657 or www.cfrg.org.

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November 8

Plant Sale—End of the season sale featuring a year's worth of odds and ends. 10 AM – 1 PM at the nursery.

November 18

Peonies for the SF Bay Area—Wayne Demmel will lecture and show slides on the many varieties of species peonies, which are suitable for growing in our area. 7 – 9 PM at the County Fair Building. Members \$15, non-members \$20.

December 6

Permaculture Fundamentals—A daylong seminar with David Blume. 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM at the CFB. Members \$65, non-members \$75.

December 13

Plant Sale—Featuring holiday greens, gifts and a wreath

making workshop. 10 AM – 2 PM at the County Fair Bldg.

January 12 – February 18

Taxonomy for Gardeners—A six-session certificate course with J. Charmain Guiliani. 6:30 – 9:30 PM plus two fieldtrips. Members \$200, non-members \$240.

U.C. Santa Cruz Arboretum

(831) 427-2998 □ www2.ucsc.edu/arboretum

November 15 – 16

Dried Flower Wreath and Cacti & Succulent

Sale—Stock up on lovely hand-made wreaths for your holiday decorations. 10 am – 4 pm and 10 AM – 2 PM at the Horticulture Building.

December 7

Plants that Pay their Rent: Notes from a Mediterranean Garden Landlord—Jeff Rosendale will present a slide talk and a raffle of his nursery plants. 1:30 PM at the Horticulture Building. Members \$10, non-members \$15.

January 7 – February 11

Docent Training for Volunteers—A series of six classes to orient new volunteers and those interested in becoming arboretum docents. 9:30 AM – noon at the Horticulture Building.

January 11

Planting CA Native Annuals—Annie Hayes discusses easy natives to plant in your garden. 1:30 PM at the Horticulture Building. Members \$10, non-members \$15.

HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS:

November 20

Learn to make an everlasting wreath with Carmen Pekelsma and Kathy Ladra. 10 AM – noon in the Carriage house at the Elizabeth Gamble Garden 1431 Waverly Street, Palo Alto. Members \$44, non-members \$55. (650) 329-1356 or www.gamblegarden.org

November 21

Holiday floral demonstration with Najat Nicola at the Gardens at Heather Farm. 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM, 1540 Marchbanks Drive, Walnut Creek. Members \$15, non-members \$20. (925) 947-1678 or www.gardenshf.org

November 23

Get in the wreath-making mood with Gretchen McCondochie at the Gardens at Heather Farm. 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM, 1540 Marchbanks Drive, Walnut Creek. Members \$15, non-members \$20, plus a \$10 material fee. (925) 947-1678 or www.gardenshf.org.

December 7

Wreath making from the garden with Gretchen McCondochie. 10 AM – noon at the Regional Parks Botanic Garden in Tilden Regional Park, Berkeley. Members \$10, non-members \$15. (925) 935-8871 or www.nativeplants.org

December 12

Make a holiday wreath using foliage from Strybing Arboretum's collection. With Margorie Dunbar and Andy

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Stone. Noon - 4 PM in the County Fair Bldg. Members \$45, non-members \$55. Contact information below.

December 13

Drop in to the family wreath-making workshop with Margorie Dunbar during the Holiday Greens sale at Strybing Arboretum. 10 AM - 2PM. Cost depends on size of wreath or \$15- \$25. Contact information below.



A beautiful Banksia flower photographed on the Cal Hort Fantasy Field Trip Oct 14 & 15. See all the color photos on our website.

Seed Exchange reminder

Remember to bring your seeds to our next meeting or mail them before thanksgiving to:

Dave Tivol
130 Locksunart Way #4
Sunnyvale CA 94087



It's not mandatory, but if you can take a picture of the plant in leaf or flower, it could be posted on our web site, where it would help illustrate the beauty (or other pertinent feature) of the plant. Digital photos can be sent to seeds@calhortsociety.org. Prints can be sent in with seeds; we will digitize them and return the originals. Thanks for supporting our Seed Exchange!

Dues for 2004 are now due and payable. Members are requested to use this dues form for remittance. A return envelope to Elsie Mueller, 1847 34th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94122 is enclosed for your convenience. Those interested in providing additional funds to expand the work of the society are invited to do so by choosing special categories of membership. Endowment

and Grant funds are tax-deductible. If you wish your *Bulletin* to be mailed to you first class for speedier delivery, please add \$4.00 to your membership remittance. For those who wish to have their membership card mailed to them, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Other membership cards will be available at the desk at the monthly meeting.

Board action requires that student members are enrolled in a full-time accredited horticultural program and that they may be classified in the student membership status category for a maximum of five years.

Be sure to pick up your 2004 membership card promptly so you will not be delayed in presenting it for admission to the monthly meetings.

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A thoughtful gift to a gardening friend that will last the whole year is a membership in the California Horticultural Society. Each month they can enjoy great horticulture slide lectures and be informed of local gardening events and topics in our *Bulletin*. They will also get the opportunity to select additions to their gardens from our ever popular Seed Exchange, join exciting Field Trips (both locally and abroad) and enjoy a subscription to *Pacific Horticulture*. What a gift package!

Send your check and the recipient's name and address by December 15th to Elsie Mueller, 1847 34th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94122-4109. A holiday greeting and acknowledgment will be sent in your name. (You may enclose this with your 2004 dues.)

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