

**75th Anniversary
 Fall Plant Sales**

see page 3 for details

Plant Faire and Sale

Saturday, September 24

Member sale, 9–11 a.m.

Public sale, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

- *Special feature: 75 favorite plants chosen by Arboretum members, volunteers, and staff!*

Growing a Green Future

Sunday, October 9, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

- *Find great plants for your sustainable home landscape*

Arboretum Celebrates Diamond Jubilee

Diane Cary, Communications Director

Looking back, looking forward for 75th anniversary

The academic year 2011-12 marks the 75th anniversary of the UC Davis Arboretum, founded in 1936 to strengthen the biological sciences at the University of California at Davis. We are planning a year of festivities to celebrate the collections and gardens of the Arboretum and to thank the members, donors, volunteers, and other supporters who keep this wonderful place growing. The kick-off will be our two 75th anniversary plant sales this fall.

From its modest beginnings as a small collection of trees and shrubs planted by students and watered with buckets, the Arboretum has developed into a vibrant living museum with nearly 100 acres of gardens, a documented collection of more than 60,000 plants representing almost 2,500 species and varieties, a rich menu of public programs, and a crucial role supporting research and teaching on campus and promoting sustainable landscapes throughout the state. See the sidebar on page 2 for some key milestones in the Arboretum's history.

CAMPUS AS PUBLIC GARDEN

In addition to looking back at how we've grown, the 75th anniversary is an opportunity to look ahead and plan for a strong future. We're starting the year with some exciting news. Building on the Arboretum's successes in forming strong academic partnerships and developing creative strategies to keep moving forward in a difficult economic climate, our administrative unit, Campus Planning and Com-

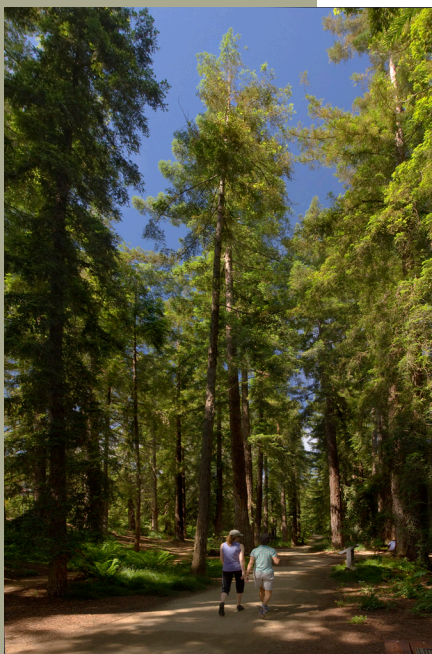
munity Resources (CPCR), is restructuring around the concept of "the campus as public garden." The Arboretum, Grounds & Landscape Services, and the Putah Creek Reserve are being integrated into a single operating unit under the direction of Arboretum Director Kathleen Socolofsky.

The goals of this reorganization, as presented by Campus Planner Bob Segar at a July meeting of the entire CPCR staff, are to

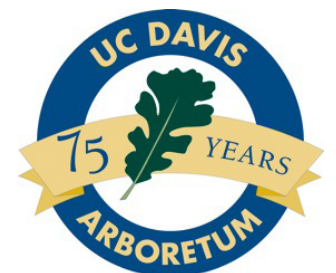
- create a more visitor-friendly campus
- focus on sustainability
- make the academic programs visible
- leverage our resources, both people and dollars.

The new organizational structure will enable us to expand the Arboretum GATEways (Gardens, Arts and The Environment) Initiative to increase innovative teaching and learning opportunities in outdoor spaces throughout the campus.

The public garden project will begin with the conversion of some campus landscapes to sustainable plantings, using the Arboretum All-Stars and other climate-appropriate plants.



These trees in the Redwood Grove were among the first planted in the Arboretum. There was no money for hoses, so students watered the first plantings with buckets.



75TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

We're kicking off the celebration with a special 75th Anniversary Plant Faire and Sale on Saturday, September 24 and a plant sale focused on Growing a Green Future on Sunday, October 9 (see page 3). We plan to invite donors and supporters to "hard-hat tours" of garden construction sites and special behind-the-scenes receptions at performances, lectures, and family events. Keep your eye on this space and the Arboretum website (arboretum.ucdavis.edu) for details on other upcoming 75th Anniversary events.

BUILDING A SECURE FUTURE

One of our main goals for the anniversary year and beyond will be to ensure a strong future for the Arboretum. We have launched the Warren G. Roberts Arboretum Legacy Society to recognize people who have created endowments or included the Arboretum in their estate planning. For information, please contact Martha Ozonoff at (530) 752-1504 or mjzonoff@ucdavis.edu. If you would like to make a current-use, memorial, or tribute gift to the Arboretum Enhancement Fund in honor of our 75th anniversary, please contact Suzanne Ullensvang at (530) 752-8324 or sullensvang@ucdavis.edu. Thank you for your support!



The Arboretum Headquarters building and the young conifer collection, seen from the south side of the creek looking east, ca. 1966.

STAY CONNECTED

- Visit our website: arboretum.ucdavis.edu.
- From the homepage, sign up for the free monthly e-newsletter, *The Leaflet*.
- Become a fan on Facebook.
- Search "UC Davis Arboretum" on Flickr to see photos others have taken and post your own.
- Subscribe to "The UC Davis Arboretum" channel on You Tube to view videos of the Arboretum and post your own.
- Submit a review of the Arboretum on yelp.com.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE UC DAVIS ARBORETUM

- 1936 First plantings—ceanothus, toyon, redbud, oak, bay, redwood—on Cal Aggie Labor Day, Feb. 29
- 1942 World War II: campus turned over to U.S. Army's Western Signal Corps; soldiers train in the Arboretum; explosives tested in the creek
- 1948 Army Corps of Engineers dams the north fork of Putah Creek at both ends to prevent seasonal flooding.
- 1954 Renowned landscape architect Lawrence Halprin designs new landscape plan to integrate Arboretum into campus.
- 1956 Horticulturalist Don Sexton becomes first full-time staffer. Budget: \$3,500 for one man and \$1,200 for one horse.
- 1962 Peter J. Shields Oak Grove dedicated to honor Judge Shields' 100th birthday
- 1965 Carolee Shields White Flower Garden dedicated; Botany professor John M. Tucker named acting director
- 1968 Creek bed widened and dredged, creating Lake Spafford and the lagoon at the west end; paths paved with asphalt; footbridges constructed.
- 1969 Fire destroys Arboretum headquarters building; plant records, seed collection, entire photographic record lost
- 1971 Gov. Ronald Reagan slashes UC budget as a response to campus unrest during the Vietnam War; all funds for Arboretum cut
- 1971 Friends of the Davis Arboretum organize to raise funds, advocate for the Arboretum, and volunteer
- 1972 Arboretum funding restored; Warren G. Roberts becomes superintendent
- 1980 Ruth Risdon Storer Garden dedicated
- 1985 Kerry J. Dawson, professor of landscape architecture, becomes director
- 1988 National Endowment for the Arts funds national design competition for Arboretum entry garden
- 1992 Acacia grove named for Eric C. Conn; campus's Long Range Development Plan identifies planning theme "Campus as Arboretum"
- 1998 Kathleen Socolofsky becomes first full-time director
- 2000 Arboretum Terrace Garden constructed
- 2001 Long-range planning process using Drucker model; Arboretum's ten-year plan created: Vision 2012
- 2004 Redwood grove renovation
- 2005 Arboretum GATEways Project launched; Arboretum All-Stars introduced
- 2006 Major grant funds national GIS project (digital collection maps, plant records)
- 2007 First Art/Science Fusion mosaic project, "Tree of Life"
- 2008 Arboretum Teaching Nursery grand opening; Arboretum Ambassadors environmental leadership internship launched; Acacia Grove renovation
- 2009 Native American Contemplative Garden dedicated; Australian/New Zealand collection renovation
- 2010 Shields Oak Grove renovation; Oak Discovery Trail opens
- 2011 Friends 40th anniversary; Arboretum 75th anniversary; UC Davis Public Garden launched

75th Anniversary Plant Sales: Connecting through Gardening

Ellen Zagory, Director of Horticulture

Seventy-five years ago, forward-thinking academics decided to create an Arboretum at the University Farm in Davis and began planting trees along the then-untamed north fork of Putah Creek. As a result of that decision, UC Davis now hosts a premier public collection of plants and gardens where visitors flock to experience nature's beauty, to learn about the best and most beautiful plants, and to take home that knowledge to create their own Eden at home.

Critical to the popularity of our garden and programs are the connections we have with the people in our community. Hundreds of volunteers collaborate with staff and each other in crews that meet weekly to provide much-needed help with garden installation and maintenance, educational outreach, record-keeping, plant production and fund-raising. In return they meet like-minded individuals, grow friendships, learn about plants, and learn new skills. This important community of volunteers promotes and supports our efforts to disseminate knowledge and information about preserving existing natural landscapes and creating sustainable, diverse and beautiful new landscapes throughout California.



Ellen Zagory

The Thursday volunteer gardener crew at the Arboretum Teaching Nursery: (left to right) Kathryn Shack, Caren Cohen, Bette Swarts, Evelyn Healy, Laura Balestrieri, Joe Frankenfield.

As part of the 75th Anniversary of the UC Davis Arboretum we are asking our members and volunteers to tell us about their favorite plants. We will feature 75 of our volunteers' favorite plants at this fall's plant sales on Saturday, September 24 and Sunday, October 9. Special signage will highlight these plants at the Teaching Nursery, with quotes from our dedicated gardeners describing what it is that they love about their selected plants, why they grow them, and the special uses they have found for them. Horticultural and management staff will also tell us about their experiences and favorite plants in the Arboretum and we are excited to hear what they will have to say.

SOME OF OUR 75 FAVORITE PLANTS

Jim Fowler, a dedicated nursery volunteer and also an active Yolo County Master Gardener, selected *Miscanthus sinensis*



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Miscanthus sinensis 'Morning Light' (back)

'Morning Light,' a lovely, fine-textured grass with golden summer and fall blooms. Jim says, "The striped leaves of this grass give this plant a lovely "glow" especially in the morning and evening light. Persistent flowers provide vertical structure and interest year-round in the garden. It spreads slowly, remains largely clumped and is easily maintained." *Miscanthus*, or eulalia grass, is tough and heat tolerant and makes a beautiful fountain shape useful as contrast with rounded shrubs or in the back of the perennial border.

Nancy Foster, another of our dedicated nursery volunteers, selected the purple smoke bush, *Cotinus coggygria* 'Velvet Cloak,' as one of her favorite plants. "I love the purple leaves that stand out against the greens in the garden," Nancy says. "Unusual flowers look like puffs of 'smoke' in summer." An avid gardener, Nancy also recommends the Baby Sun tickseed, *Coreopsis lanceolata* 'Sonnenkind.' "It has bright yellow flowers that bloom forever. I like to use the flowers in bouquets because they make the other colors pop." *Coreopsis* is great for summer color and regular deadheading will keep it blooming a long time.



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Cotinus coggygria 'Velvet Cloak'



Kees Hiddinga

Coreopsis lanceolata 'Sonnenkind'

Gale Chester Whittington



Veronica 'Georgia Blue'

Leonora Enking



Origanum 'Kent Beauty'

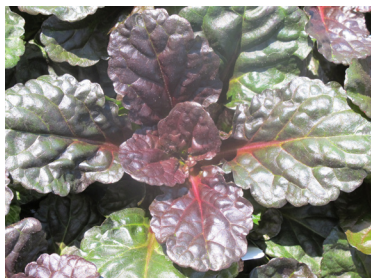
Some volunteers like Lyn Taylor selected plants with interesting foliage texture and color. Lyn says about our Arboretum All-Star succulent *Sedum palmeri*, “I like the beautiful yellow flowers and the fact that I can’t kill it. It is easy to propagate and share. “It also looks great with the dark foliage of *Ajuga 'Black Scallop'*, another of her favorites. About *Ajuga 'Black Scallop'* Lyn says, “I really like the dark purple-black foliage and the dynamite deep blue flowers.” Gray foliage and yellow flowers on *Sedum palmeri* make a dramatic contrast with the dark-leaved *Ajuga* selection and are sure to brighten a dry, shady spot.

Mia Ingolia



Sedum palmeri

Ellen Zagory



Ajuga 'Black Scallop'

The long-time Tuesday volunteers led by Nancy Crosby and Pat Miller have helped the Arboretum grow for 40 years through their dedication, hard work and leadership. Nancy picked two shade-tolerant, blue-flowered plants as among her favorites. About *Veronica 'Georgia Blue'* she says, “It grows almost anywhere with little to moderate water and dark purple flowers cover it in spring over green foliage with purple tones. It transplants easily too.” A long-time enthusiast for plants in the genus *Campanula*, or bellflower, she also selected *Campanula poscharskyana 'Camgood'* (Blue Waterfall). Nancy likes it because “it has really long, trailing flower stalks that hang down and are perfect for containers. The flowers are a beautiful medium-blue color.” Another trailing plant she recommends is *Origanum 'Kent Beauty'*, “a good plant for trailing over a wall or container with soft, subtle colors. It is a profuse bloomer and a tidy plant when not in bloom.”

Ellen Zagory



Rosa 'Pink Gruss An Aachen'

by Chris Denton, sales floor volunteer, and chosen to grace our 75th anniversary promotions. The orange-red flowers of this incredibly tough, sun-loving native bring a much needed spot of color to the fall garden. Chris' favorite is the dwarf prolific bloomer 'Everett's Choice,' which unlike some varieties does not spread from runners.

CELEBRATE 75TH ANNIVERSARY PLANT PICKS AT FALL SALES

The UC Davis Arboretum plant sales are planned to provide you with a diverse choice of plants to meet your particular garden needs, and to supply expert advice on what grows in gardens in our region. New signs at the fall sales will highlight the special nature of our 75 favorite plant picks and also celebrate the knowledge and expertise of our dedicated community of volunteers. Come and learn the favorite plants of our staff and volunteers and why we love them. Along with our 75 special plants, you will find all your regular favorites like Arboretum All-Stars and other environmentally-friendly and regionally-appropriate plants for the Central Valley. We look forward to seeing you and celebrating people, plants, and creating community through beautiful gardens, both in the past and into the future.

shiny, grass-like foliage, native to Australia. She says, “I love the velvety flowers and delicate yellow stamens. They are prolific and pop out of the ground brightly.” For shady areas she selected the long-blooming flowering maple, *Abutilon 'Apricot.'* “I love the cute little red ‘hat’ that tops the delicate orange flower. It grows quickly and fills in a shady spot.”



Abutilon 'Apricot'

Missy Borel, program director for the California Center for urban Horticulture, and Linda Schmidt, a dedicated curatorial assistant, both selected *Rosa 'Pink Gruss An Aachen'*. Missy said “it has exceptionally beautiful flower color, is practically thornless and almost evergreen. In the right conditions it is also pest free.” This is the featured Arboretum All-Star plant for the year.

One of our most in-demand plants, *Epilobium canum*, the California fuchsia, was selected

Ellen Zagory

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Epilobium canum

arboretum *Stories*

In honor of the Arboretum's 75th anniversary, we invite you to share stories, reminiscences, and thoughts about your experiences with the Arboretum. Stories will be featured in the newsletter, on our website, and on signs in the garden. To share your story, email arboretum@ucdavis.edu; be sure to include your name and phone number, and include a photo if possible.



When I started in 1957, UC Davis had about 2,200 students. 1960 was a leap year. The tradition was that every four years, February 29 was called "Labor Day." Each residence unit (dorm floors, fraternities, off-campus) was assigned a work party detail somewhere on campus. In 1960, many residence units were assigned to plant the arboretum.

At that time, Putah Creek was a tiny trickle on the outer edge of campus. It certainly was not a destination or a beauty spot on campus. It was muddy in the winter and bred mosquitoes in the summer.

That particular day was cold and drizzly. We were given hoes, rakes and shovels and many trees, some bare root and some in five-gallon buckets. Each residence unit was given a specific area to clean out and plant.

It was a day of team-building and camaraderie that culminated in a campus barbeque on the quad, all of us rubbing sore muscles unused to that type of work.

Even though I don't remember exactly where 5th floor Malcolm planted trees, when I returned for Picnic Day 2011 to celebrate my 50th year reunion, I walked the arboretum with a sense of pride and wonder about the vision that created such a lovely space on campus so many years ago.

—**Sue Chelini**, '61



Chuck Foster

One evening on an adventure to tour the Storer Garden to get plant ideas, we saw next to the garden a camel being led! We did a double take—the camel being eight feet tall—and it really was a camel! Only in Davis would you see a camel in the Arboretum!

—**Nancy Foster**
Arboretum volunteer

Chuck Foster (Nancy's husband) adds: I was there when we were in Storer Garden and saw the camel on June 12, 2009. I joined Warren Roberts for a "Walk with Warren" three weeks later and mentioned the camel sighting. He too had seen the camel and had checked with the Vet School to see if they knew anything about it. Warren said they told him that the camel had had surgery and was recovering when we saw it walking just west of Storer.

My wife Jamie Madison, our son Miles, and I moved to our current home and garden at the end of 1987. We built a house on 21 acres of land on the south bank of Putah Creek about three miles upstream from campus, directly opposite the Glide ranch. When we moved into our new home, the land around the house was completely bare. So establishing a garden was a formidable challenge and opportunity, especially since there are no clear boundaries, no fences, and the north end of the garden area merges seamlessly with the wild riparian woodland.

This is where the Arboretum plant sales have come to the rescue. During the last 23 years I have rarely missed a sale and I

have never left empty-handed. More often than not, my truck returned home loaded to the gills with native California plants, Mediterranean, South African, and Australian specimens. So that by now much of my garden resembles the Arboretum on campus, but less systematic and fairly random.



Jamie Madison

Having been fascinated by birds since my earliest childhood, I have cultivated my garden with birds firmly in mind. And now, 23 years after moving to a sterile,

almost birdless piece of land, I have a garden that attracts an amazing number and variety of birds. A team lead by Holly Ernest from the Vet School has set up a bi-weekly hummingbird banding program that so far this year has resulted in the banding of an amazing 250+ hummingbirds, a number likely to grow substantially by the end of this season. The many salvias, large patches of California fuchsias, bladderpod bushes, aloes, desert willow, red hot pokers, and other tubular flowers attract an ever-increasing number of these endlessly fascinating tiny birds. Every nook and cranny seems occupied by bird nests, hard to count, but certainly over 100 every season. Every year, the number of lizards and snakes (gopher, racer, garter, sharp-tailed) also increases.

All this as a consequence of establishing a climate appropriate, semi-wild habitat that supports the food chain on which all these animals depend. If you plant it, they will come. And planting the right plants was made easy by the folks at the Arboretum and their wonderful plant sales.

—**Manfred Kusch**
Sr. Lecturer Emeritus, Dept. of French and Italian



CALENDAR OF EVENTS FALL 2011

Science Café

MEDICINES FROM NATURE: DRUGS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

Professor Ted Molinski, UCSD Dept.
of Chemistry and Biochemistry
Wednesday, Oct. 12, 5:15 p.m.,
Wyatt Deck

Rain location: Envir. Hort. 146

Co-sponsored by Prof. Jared
Shaw and the UC Davis Department
of Chemistry, with funding from the
National Science Foundation.

Guided Tours

Free, no reservation required

ABUNDANCE AND WATER CONSERVATION

Sat., September 3, 10 a.m., Gazebo

PLANT SALE PREVIEW TOUR

Saturday, September 17, 10 a.m.
Arboretum Teaching Nursery

IT'S OAKTOBER!

Saturday, October 1, 10 a.m., Gazebo

KNOW OUR NATIVE PLANTS

Sat., October 15, 10 a.m., Wyatt Deck

ADAPTING TO SEASONAL CHANGE

Saturday, November 5, 2 p.m., Gazebo

WALK WITH WARREN

Wed., November 9, noon, Gazebo

CONTAINER PLANTS FOR WINTER COLOR

Saturday, November 19, 2 p.m.
Arboretum Terrace Garden

PLANTING FOR POLLINATORS

Saturday, December 3, 2 p.m.
Arboretum Teaching Nursery

WALK WITH WARREN

Wed., December 14, noon, Gazebo

UNDER THE REDWOOD CANOPY

Sat., December 17, 2 p.m., Wyatt Deck

75th Anniversary Plant Sales

Get expert advice on working
with your garden conditions from
Arboretum staff and volunteers.

Join at the door for 10% member
discount and a free plant!

PLANT FAIRE & SALE

Saturday, September 24

Member sale 9–11 a.m.

Public sale 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Arboretum Teaching Nursery

Come celebrate! Enjoy live music
and free children's activities.

GROWING A GREEN FUTURE

Sunday, October 9

Public sale: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

Arboretum Teaching Nursery

Hundreds of kinds of great plants
for your sustainable garden. The Plant
Doctor will diagnose plant problems:
bring samples sealed in a plastic bag.

Family Programs

TURTLE TALK & TOUR

Professor Brad Shaffer
Dept. of Evolution & Ecology
Sunday, October 2, 1–3 p.m.
Wyatt Deck

Learn about the interactions of
native and introduced turtles.

Storytime Through the Seasons UNDER THE REDWOOD

Sunday, November 6, 2–4 p.m.

Wyatt Deck

Rain location: Envir. Hort. 146

Join us for a free, outdoor reading
program exploring the cultural
world of Native Californians. Enjoy
traditional stories, games, and arts. All
ages are welcome!

Arts & Letters

Poetry in the Garden

VANESSA NIÑO-TAPIA & FRANCISCO DOMINGUEZ

Wed., Oct. 5, 12–1 p.m., Wyatt Deck
Rain location: Envir. Hort. 148

C. J. SAGE & J. P. DANCING BEAR

Thur. Nov. 3, 12–1 p.m., Wyatt Deck
Rain location: Envir. Hort. 146

Co-sponsored by Rebecca Morrison

OPENING NIGHT

Readings by Creative Writing Faculty

Thursday, Oct. 6, 7 p.m., Wyatt Deck
Rain location: 126 Voorhies

Joshua Clover, Lucy Corin,
Greg Glazner, Pam Houston, and Joe
Wenderoth. Co-sponsored by the
UC Davis Department of English.

Davis Shakespeare Ensemble

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

Directed by Rob Salas
September 15–October 2
Thurs.–Sun. 8 p.m. & Sun. 2 p.m.
Arboretum Gazebo, Garrod Drive
\$15, students \$10, 12 and under \$5

HALLOWEEN WALK

Wed.–Mon., October 26–31
8 p.m., Oak Grove
\$12, students \$8, 12 and under \$5

The scary side of Shakespeare—
ghosts, villains, and black magic.

DECEMBER SHAKESPEARE (Play TBA)

December 1–18

For information or to reserve tickets:
shakespeare@gmail.com, 530-802-
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FOLK MUSIC JAM SESSIONS

Alternate Fridays, Sept. 16, 30;
Oct. 14, 28; Dec. 9
Noon–1 p.m., Wyatt Deck

Folk musicians play together
informally. All skill levels welcome,
listeners invited.

Donations *May-July 2011*

We extend our sincere gratitude to these donors

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From the Director



Dear Friends,

Happy Anniversary! When Davis students and faculty planted the first trees in the Arboretum in 1936, they probably didn't imagine that, 75 years later, in the next century, we would be looking back and thanking them for their labor. When they carried buckets of water to irrigate the saplings, they probably could not foresee the lush, beautiful gardens and rich plant collections we enjoy in 2011. We tip our hats to those founders, and we invite you to join us for a year-long celebration of the Arboretum's 75th anniversary (see page 1).

As we look ahead to our next 75 years, we have exciting news! The campus is moving forward with a new initiative: the UC Davis Public Garden. Under the leadership of the Arboretum, the entire central campus will transition to a more sustainable landscape, with ties to academic teaching and research. Look for more information on this brand-new development as the year unfolds.

We will officially kick off the celebration at the 75th anniversary Plant Faire and Sale on Saturday, Sept. 24 (see page 3). There will be live music, free children's activities, and garden experts who can help you choose the best plants for your garden conditions. A special feature of this sale will be signs identifying 75 favorite plants chosen by our members, volunteers, and staff, and explaining why they are great successes in local gardens. Our plant sales provide crucial income to support Arboretum gardens and programs, and they are a community outreach program, helping us promote sustainable gardening for the Central Valley and beyond. Come on out to help us celebrate and get some great plants for your "green" home landscape.

In honor of the 75th anniversary, we are collecting Arboretum Stories from our supporters. You can see samples on page 5. We invite you to share your story—tell us something funny or surprising or meaningful that YOU think of when you think of the Arboretum! We will use the stories on signs at events and in the gardens, in the newsletter, and on our website during this anniversary year.

Be sure to look over the calendar of events on page 6, to see what's coming up this fall. We have an array of exciting programs scheduled, from a Turtle Talk to a Science Café to the scary side of Shakespeare, just in time for Halloween!

Finally, and most important of all, I want to thank you, our members and supporters, who make it all possible. Your gifts of time, your financial support, your help in spreading the word about our important work are invaluable.

I look forward to seeing you at some Arboretum events, or out in the gardens, enjoying the changing season.

Best regards,

Kathleen