



ADIRONDACK CHAPTER

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March 2020

March 21: Dr. Kevin Nixon



Terry Humphries, Program

Cushion Steppe and Alpine Zone Flora of Patagonia

Dr. Nixon teaches and conducts research on a wide variety of topics related to plant biology to Cornell graduate and under graduate students. He has particular interest in plant systematics, reconstructing the evolutionary history of plant life. He has developed an online identification herbarium and is a world-renowned taxonomist.

Although his research on theories of phylogenetic analysis and molecular diagnostics sound very intense, he feels strongly that teaching is an important aspect of maintaining an active and vigorous research program. His focus in teaching has been on graduate courses in advanced Plant Systematics. For the last ten years he has taught an undergraduate course entitled “Global Vegetation and Plant Biodiversity” intended for students with

a minimal botanical background. This course emphasizes the factors controlling the distribution of vegetation and addresses issues of plant biodiversity from the context of climate and human disturbance. Associated with this program is an optional field course which spends three weeks in Patagonia studying vegetation. He and his students visit a diverse set of ecosystems in southern Chile and Argentina while learning to identify dominant species, collect and press herbarium specimens and perform analysis on flora density. Based on responses from students, many consider this trip to be the most significant aspect of their Cornell education.

For our program, Dr. Nixon will present on Patagonia Flora, emphasizing the cushion steppe and alpine zone plants that he feels would be of particular interest to our group.



From the Chair



John Gilrein, ACNARGS Chair

I wouldn't say yet that spring is here, but it's coming on. My first *Cyclamen coum* is blooming, and *Adonis* is blooming in another member's garden. And the blackbirds arrived today (male redwings) at the bird feeder. A little taste of what's to come. I didn't intend to have sprouting seeds inside quite yet, but a few pots of NARGS seed have already sprouted. They were supposed to have just a week inside in the warmth of the house before being put outside to stratify; maybe not so bad that they were eager to germinate as I do have a light table.

This is the first of many notices about the October 2020 meeting and program. We're planning another NARGS speaker, Gerard van Buiton from The Netherlands on **Sunday, October 4**. We'll likely have two talks, so the first one will be in the morning followed by lunch. The NARGS speaker program is a great benefit to us; a donor provided funds to cover travel expenses so your chapter will only pay the standard speaker fee. We do have to adjust our meeting date, as to make this work for several chapters the speaking engagements are compressed into a shorter amount of time.

Another upcoming benefit from NARGS is that the Adirondack Chapter will receive some of the surplus seeds left after the completion of the Seed Exchange. I will bring to seeds to several chapter meetings, so you'll have a shot at some of the 2019 surplus seeds. In case you thought the seed exchange only included alpine plants, available seeds this year included *Acer griseum* (paperbark maple), *Magnolia sieboldii* (Siebold's magnolia), and *Anemonopsis macrophylla*, three plants much valued by botanophiles. Phase 2 of the seed exchange is starting, so the surplus seeds are not yet available.

Creativity is a virtue that most gardeners have in some degree. We would hope that some of the Plant of the Month offerings provide fodder for your creativity and inspire a little adventure. Ideas to spark your creativity can come from visiting other gardens, reading plant catalogs, and garden books. One of my creative ventures that succeeded was planting a fern in a trough (*Dryopteris intermedia*, evergreen wood fern). The trough is in a fairly bright shady spot and need little care (watering) since it's in the shade the fern isn't especially thirsty. I don't need another plant in a pot outside that needs to be watered in the summer! I've thought about growing moss in a trough in a shady spot but I haven't followed through on this yet. One of my plans, which I'm committed to following through on, is to plant a polypody fern (*Polypodium virginianum*) on top of an igneous bolder. I need to create a barrier to hold the planting medium on top of the bolder (which isn't flat unfortunately). This should be an almost no care plant, as it lives in the humus and duff on top of rocks in the Adirondacks, where there can be a sheet of it. It can get bone dry and recover when rain returns.

Hope to see you in March.

Plant Of the Month

Marlene Kobre

Like snow drops, winter aconites, and witch hazels, resuming our POM Program in March is, for me, another exciting harbinger of spring. This month we are offering two choices, both from Arrowhead Alpines in Michigan: ***Sedum sieboldii*** and ***Trillium cuneatum*** 'Sessile.' Nursery sources in March are still somewhat limited since many will not ship that early to our zone, so I am grateful to Brigitta Stewart, the owner of Arrowhead Alpines, on two counts. She is willing to ship the sedum grown in a small pot in mid March, and she also offers bulk orders of bare-rooted woodland plants, including the Trillium I have chosen. The bulk orders are very reasonably priced and, as an extra bonus, are shipped free of charge. Brigitta has even agreed to include the sedum under free shipping.



SEDUM SIEBOLDII

This is, hands down, not only my favorite sedum, but also one of my top 3 perennials. Given sufficient light and very well-drained soil, it is easy to grow. And it is a beautiful addition to the garden, whether placed in a rock garden, at the front of a perennial bed, or trailing over the edge of a raised bed or stone wall. Though it's a bit large for smaller troughs, you can also grow it alone in a container where it will dazzle you with its glaucous leaves and bright pink flowers spilling over the edges of the pot.

A Note About Names: The genus formerly named *Sedum*, a member of the Crassulaceae family, derives from the Latin verb "to sit," probably denoting its low, arching growth habit. The specific name *sieboldii* refers to von Siebold, the 19th-century plant explorer who introduced it to European gardens. I regret to report that those fickle taxonomists have once again decided to reclassify and rename the genus, so this plant is now known, alas, as *Hylotelephium sieboldii*.

The common names are more user-friendly: Stonecrop, (because it grows so well among rocks and stone walls), and October daphne, a tribute to the beauty of its autumn flowers.

Hardiness Zone: 5

Height and Growth Habit: Stems to 12", but they gracefully arch to form a waterfall effect.

Leaf and Flower Color: Fleshy powder blue leaves are arranged in whorls of 3 around the stem, and the scalloped edges can turn reddish-purple if grown in enough sun (at least half a day). In spring they emerge as a tight bun hugging the earth, and then gradually elongate into a weeping form. In the fall clusters of lovely bright pink star-shaped flowers with five petals emerge at the ends of the stems. The display is stunning enough to deserve its common name of 'October Daphne.'

Bloom Time: September-October

Sun Exposure: Full sun (though I grow them in part sun and they do fine).

Soil Type and Watering: Lean, gritty, and well drained (add coarse sand/perlite/grits). Drought tolerant once established. Dislikes wet soil.

Other Virtues and Requirements: Late-season pollinators, especially the bees, will go crazy feeding on the flowers and drugging themselves into a stupor. It is also easily **propagated** by stem cuttings and division.

Keep on the lookout for snails and slugs, which may call for some form of slug repellent.

Origin: Native to Asia, probably Japan.

TRILLIUM CUNEATUM ‘SESSILE’

This trillium is known commonly as wood lily, sweet Betsy for its mild fragrance, and Toad Shade, a probable allusion to the shelter its large leaves might offer to toads in a woodland setting.

The genus name comes from the Latin word “tres” (meaning three), which reminds us that all trillium share a similar structure: leaves, petals, and sepals all come in groups of 3. The rhizome sends up a single stem of 12-18”, topped by a terminal whorl of 3 leaves. Some species produce the flower on a stalk (known as “peduncled”) while others lack a stalk (known as “sessile”).

Trillium cuneatum is a sessile (stemless) form. The species name “cuneatum” comes from a Latin word for “wedge shaped,” which might describe the leaf base.



Hardiness Zone: 5-8

Height and Growth Habit: 12”-18” high and 9”-12” wide.

Bloom Time: Late March-May.

Leaf and Flower: Three large (3-7” long) deeply veined oval leaves, mottled with blotches, create a snug nest to cradle the single stemless 3-petaled maroon flower that is surrounded by 3 smaller green sepals.

Light: Part shade to full shade.

Soil and Moisture: Plant in a deep, organically rich soil that is well drained but consistently moist. Apply a leaf mulch in fall.

Problems: No serious pests or disease issues, but watch out for slugs and snails.

This trillium does want to be disturbed if it is to spread, albeit slowly, into a larger clump.

Origin: Native to southeastern U.S. but definitely hardly to Zone 5.

Source for Trillium Information: Missouri Botanic Garden Website.

HOW TO CARE FOR BARE ROOT PLANTS

The Trillium from Arrowhead will be shipped bare rooted, so here are some tips about caring for them. If the ground is still frozen when they arrive, you can dampen the packing medium with water and store the bag for a few days in a cold but not freezing basement, garage, or fridge. If the ground remains frozen, you can also get a head start by potting the plants in a container a couple of inches wider than the root ball and growing them in a bright window (unless you’re lucky enough to have a greenhouse). Before transplanting outside, preferably when the temperature has reached the 40s, gently rinse the potting medium from the roots and soak them for 30 minutes or so in a bucket of tepid water to plump them up.

YouTube has lots of videos demonstrating the exact techniques for digging the hole and planting a bare root specimen. Most of them recommend creating a mounded cone of soil in the center of the hole and sitting the crown on top of the cone, with the roots spreading down its sides. With the crown ever-so-slightly above ground level, backfill the hole with soil and water thoroughly.

Dormant plants that have only been stored a few days in a cold place should tolerate early spring temperature fluctuations, but if the plants have sprouted, as they probably will if you’ve potted them, you might need to harden them off gradually and protect them from heavy mid-late spring freezes.

Trough Workshop, March 28

Carol Eichler

Make a trough to welcome the new gardening season! We have scheduled a trough-making workshop at Carol Watson's Greenhouse for Saturday, March 28th beginning at 2pm. This workshop is customized for our Chapter and will be taught by their resident expert. It's been many years since we last held a trough workshop there. I remember it was loads of fun to work in the greenhouse amidst blooming brugmansias and other tropicals. And I would expect the same this time.

Bring your own mold or one can be provided for you. We will be building on the inside of the form. Wear old clothes and bring a sturdy pair of rubber gloves, a board of some sort to carry your new creation home and plastic to cover it. The cost of the workshop will be determined by the size of the trough you make. It is estimated that a good-sized trough will cost you ~\$35. To sign-up contact carolithaca@gmail.com ASAP (by March 15th please) so we can guarantee the minimum of 7, but there's room for plenty more. We will also circulate a sign-up at our March 21st meeting.



Carol Watson's Greenhouse is located at 2980 Sentinel Heights Road, Lafayette, NY.

Extreme Rock Gardening – Part 3

Bill Stark

In the first article in this series, I described using an air bag (a modified water hose) to split off the 50,000 pound top of a boulder. The 2nd article described splitting the middle of the boulder into 3' x 20" x 10' blocks using expanding demolition grout. This last article describes an easier and less expensive method for splitting smaller rocks using a 3 part steel tool that has a variety of names; Plug & feather, feather & wedges, pins & feathers.

The tool consists of a central wedge and two tapered feather shims that together fit snugly inside a drilled hole. When the wedge is driven deeper into the hole with light hammer blows, the two feather shims push the rock apart. Typically, many feather wedges are inserted into a line of holes spaced 4" to 6" apart so that the tools can work together to split the rock.



The 7' long stone in the photo below is to be split into 4 long pieces for curb material for our new driveway. Sedimentary stones like this piece of limestone will split more reliably along a "bedding plane", which is an original surface of the seafloor where the stone was formed. The flat sides of this stone are bedding planes, so I first drilled a line of holes along a central bedding plane as shown. It's likely that I would have ruined the stone if I had first rotated it 90 degrees and drilled through the bedding planes. The stone would have cracked in uncontrollable directions because of its thickness. Scoring the break line will increase the chances for a straight break. Drill your holes at least 1/4" deeper than the length of the central wedge. It takes 20 seconds to drill a 5/8" hole 4 1/2" deep in limestone with an SDS Max hammer drill.

First grease the central wedge and then place the assembled feather wedges in the holes with the side feather shims perpendicular to the break line. Lightly tap the feather wedges in sequence along the break line until they tighten up in the holes. Starting at the thinnest end where a crack can most easily start, lightly strike the central wedges in sequence along the stone. You may see or hear a crack starting to form. A pause of a few minutes between each series of strikes allows a crack to form and propagate and can lengthen the life of your tools. If all goes well, a wide crack should develop as seen in the photo below.



You can now wiggle the point of a crowbar into the crack and separate the two halves of the stone. Make sure that the rock doesn't fall on your feet! At this point, it is safer to split the stone perpendicular to the bedding plans because the stone is now thinner. A limitation of feather wedges is that they can reliably split rocks that are only 4 to 6 times the length of the central wedge. I've been using 5/8" feather wedges that fit into a 5/8" diameter hole. The central wedge is 4" long so the maximum rock thickness that I should try to split is in the 16" to 24" range. Don't buy 9/16" tools because it's very difficult to find 9/16" masonry bits for sale. A set of ten 5/8" feather wedges costs about \$30 at Amazon.

You should also examine a rock carefully before you begin drilling. If a rock already has cracks or weak seams, it is likely to break on the crack or seam regardless of where you want it to break. Try to use existing cracks and seams to your advantage so that you don't reduce the rock to useless gravel. The next photo shows a section of the curbing on our new driveway.

Many of these curb sections are 10' long and were moved with a skidsteer. But if we were building a wall, we could have continued the splitting to form 2' long blocks that we could move with a handtruck. In general, the different methods of stone quarrying that I've discussed in this series of articles can save you considerable effort and expense. You can save hundreds of dollars if you can use a handtruck instead of a backhoe or use a backhoe instead of an excavator to move your stone. You save further when you can multiply your stone supply by splitting them.

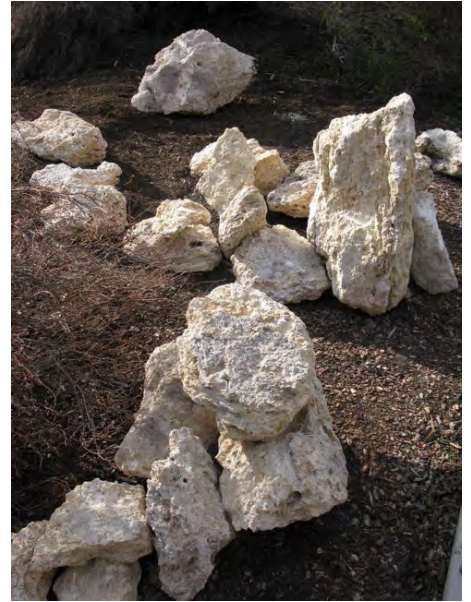


Tufa Sale

Bill Stark

Back in 2013, I tried to arrange a bulk tufa purchase from Joseph Ferdula's quarry in Iliion NY. We were never able to reach agreement on price and the effort failed. I think it's time to try again because we will be hosting the June 2020 NARGS AGM here in Ithaca. A tufa sale at the meeting will boost attendance and our club will benefit. The additional sales to AGM attendees will boost the size of our tufa purchase - allowing us to negotiate a lower price per pound so that we benefit again. I recently spoke to Joseph about the AGM. He likes the exposure the AGM will give to his quarry and anticipates future sales – so everyone benefits.

It's likely that the tufa will be stockpiled at our garden in Lansing for local pickup and that we will have a skidsteer or backhoe to help with loading. If you have a truck, we may be able to arrange pick-up at the quarry at a slightly lower price. I'm not doing this for profit. I prefer to not touch the money. You will be paying the lowest price we can negotiate from the quarry plus transportation costs plus loading costs (if any).



The density of tufa varies greatly. A cubic foot weighs around 30 pounds. I can stuff about 300 pounds into my Subaru Outback. You may wish to refer to the February 2013 Green Dragon Special Tufa Edition at acnargs.org. In that article, I discussed how many pounds of tufa were used in building several different types of gardens.

Our first step is to estimate how much tufa local gardeners will want to buy at \$0.40/lb. (the lowest price in 2013). Already, 15 people have signed up for 5,510 lbs. So if you're interested, please email me at mes2@cornell.edu. Tell us how many pounds you want, whether you want to pick it up at the quarry or at Lansing, whether you will need help loading or if you have a strong back and will help others load. At this point, there's no obligation. Later, when we have prices set, I'll ask you to commit.

Membership

Mary Stauble, Membership Coordinator

Please welcome new member **Alyssa Stevens** of Owego - she comes to us from the Delaware Chapter of NARGS! Also welcome **Linda Daly** of Cato - George and Carol Fearon found her painting her barn; Linda farms over 2,300 acres.

If you have not renewed for 2020, you should do it now so you'll be eligible to purchase the plant-of-the-month at our meeting. You can renew at the March meeting or by mail. The renewal form is at <http://www.acnargs.org/join.pdf>. Your membership status is reported to you in the email with the newsletter link. Contact Mary Stauble at mes2@cornell.edu if you have any questions.

Foresight 2020 Conference Line-up

Conference Planning Committee: John Gilrein, Terry Humphries, Marlene Kobre, or Carol Eichler

As of this newsletter deadline, registration for the NARGS national conference that we are hosting this summer has topped 124 registrants, even at this early stage. We are well on our way to reaching our capacity of 135 and to surpassing attendance at the last two NARGS conferences. We should feel very good about these numbers! If you are thinking about attending, don't delay; register now. (If need be, we will be generating a waiting list).

As volunteer coordinator, I have personally contacted many of our members about volunteering. There are still some open slots so if you want to help out and be part of the action, don't be shy about approaching me. We'll find a job for you. The biggest need at this point is for what I call "runners." These are people who will be "on call" at our welcome table at critical times (first thing in the morning, late afternoon for a couple hours) all throughout the conference to respond to any needs that come up.

Take for example the year that I left my handbag at a rest stop on our field trip day. A volunteer drove me back to retrieve it (it was Colorado so a 60-mile round-trip journey seemed like going to the grocery store to him). Or the time in Steamboat Springs when the van service they had contracted to shuttle people to private gardens never seemed to be where they needed to be and when. So volunteers came to the rescue and used their cars to transport us around.

While I don't anticipate a situation like the latter, you just never know what will come up. We want to be prepared for whatever gets thrown at us. And just as importantly, we want to make our guests feel welcome on our home turf. So one of our functions will be there to answer questions, make recommendations, for places to eat/things to do, or simply to direct them to the next activity and room.

We love our logo and all volunteers will receive a beautiful conference t-shirt (mock-up shown here) and are invited to attend - and to freely purchase - plants at the plant sales being held Thursday June 18 from 3:30 – 5:30pm and Friday June 19 from 4 – 6:00pm. We have some great vendors coming from near and far, many of whom will be offering alpine and dwarf plants especially for this sale: Cayuga Landscape (choice primroses), Coldwater Pond Nursery, Garden Vision Epimediums (from Massachusetts), Private Gardens (from Indiana including her papercrete troughs), Topiary Gardens (Japanese maples), and Wrightman Alpines. For more information, look up their websites.

Got a spare bedroom? a sleeper-sofa? Would you be willing to accommodate one or more of our out-of-town ACNARGS members who are attending the Conference? Please contact Carol Eichler, carolithaca@gmail.com if you are willing to help out. Likewise, if you are looking to save money on lodging – or save time by not having to drive back and forth from home each day, let me know (Carol Eichler). This will help me match up roomers with boarders.

Here's the Conference Schedule as it stands today:

Conference Schedule

Thursday, June 18

8:00am – 3:00pm	Optional Pre-conference – Day trip to 3 Syracuse area gardens; pre-registration required and additional fee of \$45. Filled and wait list is being generated.
2:00 – 6:00pm	Official Conference check-in (early & late registration by prior arrangement)
3:00 – 6:00pm	AdCom and NARGS Board meetings
3:30 – 5:30pm	Plant sales and book sales/signings
4:30 – 5:30pm	Taste of NY gathering at Kay Residence Hall: wine and light snacks
6:00 – 7:00 pm	Dinner at (Robert Purcell Marketplace Eatery)
7:15 – 9:30pm	Evening Talks, CBG horticulturists & designers
9:30 – 10:30pm	After-hours mini-talks (attendance optional)

Friday, June 19

7:00 - 8:00am	Breakfast Robert Purcell Marketplace Eatery
8:00am – 4:00pm	All Day Field Trips; gorge walk and 3 private gardens; box lunch included
4:30 – 6:00pm	Plant sales & book sales/signings
5:30 – 6:15pm	Cash bar
6:15 - 7:30pm	Catered banquet
7:45- 8:00pm	Evening program: Harry Jans
9:15 -10:15pm	After-hours mini-talks (subject to submissions)

Saturday June 20

7:00 – 8:30am	Breakfast at Robert Purcell Marketplace Eatery
9:00 – 10:00 am	Talk by Kaj Andersen
10:00 – 10:30am	Walk or carpool to Cornell Botanic Gardens
10:30am – 12:00pm	Tour Cornell Botanic Gardens with their docents
12:00 – 7:00pm	Box lunch & free afternoon; dinner on your own
12:00pm	Chapter Chairs meeting begins
7:00 – 8:00pm	Annual Meeting & Awards
8:00 – 9:15pm	Talk by Harry Jans. Conference concludes

Sunday June 21

7:00 - 8:30am	Breakfast at Robert Purcell Marketplace Eatery
10:30 – 3:30pm	“On-your-own” tour to members’ private gardens

Upcoming 2020 ACNARGS Programs

Mark your calendars! Unless otherwise specified, all local events start with a brown bag lunch at noon with the program following at 1 pm, and take place at the renovated Whetzel Room, 404 Plant Science Building, 236 Tower Road, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY.

March 21: Dr. Kevin Nixon, *Cushion Steppe and Alpine Zone Flora of Patagonia*. Whetzel Room 404. Brownbag lunch at noon, program starts at 1:00 p.m.

April 18: Christine Froehlich, *Working with the Environment*, Rochester-based garden designer, consultant, and lecturer.

May 16: Garden Fair and (our) Plant Sale, Ithaca High School.

June 18-20, 2020: Foresight 2020: Exploration and Inspiration, NARGS Annual General Meeting, hosted by ACNARGS in Ithaca, NY.

June 21: Members’ private garden tour. Schedule TBD.

August, Members Plant Sale and Picnic. Date and location TBD.

September 19: Teri Dunn Chace, *Seeing Seeds*, Lecture and book signing.

October 4, SUNDAY, presentations at 11:00 & 1:00: Ger van Buiton, Netherlands. *The Rock Garden at Utrecht Botanic Gardens* and *Peatbeds, a Perfect Place to Grow Woodlanders and Plants of Alpine Meadows*.

November 14: Darren Heinbecker, Whistling Gardens, Canada’s newest botanic garden.

Calendar of Select Events & Programs

March 12-15: [Gardenscape](#) flower show, Henrietta.

March 19-22: [Plantasia](#) flower show, Hamburg.

April 4-5: VaVa Bloom Garden Show, Dickman Farms, Auburn.

April 25: 24th Annual Gathering of Gardeners Symposium, Rochester.

May 8 – 17: [Rochester Lilac Festival](#).

May 10: [Sycamore Hill Gardens](#) open; also open **June 20**.

May 16: [Spring Garden Fair & Plant Sale](#) at Ithaca High School.

May 23, 24, 30, 31, and June 6, 7: [Linwood Gardens](#) Tree Peony Festival, 9-4.

June 19: [Der Rosenmeister](#) open house 4-7.

June 27: Dryden Open Gate Garden and Art Tour, 9-2.

June 28-July 8: [Chrys Gardener's Ireland Garden Tour 2020](#) – Clare and Galway.

July 11 or 12: Southern Cayuga Garden Club Summer Tour in the Genoa area.

July 11: [Garden Conservancy Open Days](#), Ithaca area, 10-4.

July 12: Fall Creek Garden tour, usually 11-4.

Aug. 8: [Garden Conservancy Open Days](#), Ithaca area, 10-4.

Check out additional gardening programs of these organizations below.

Practical Earthkeeper, Home Gardening Program, [Cornell Cooperative Extension](#)

[Finger Lakes Native Plant Society](#) monthly meetings

[Cornell Botanic Gardens](#) events

[Liberty Hyde Bailey Garden Club](#)

To have a garden event in your area listed send all pertinent information to David Mitchell at david_mitchell_14850@yahoo.com

About Us, ACNARGS

We are an all-volunteer organization and one of thirty-eight NARGS affiliated chapters active in North America. Our annual Chapter activities include 5 program-speaker meetings, the *Green Dragon* newsletter, web and Facebook pages, garden visits, overnight garden trips, hands-on workshops, two plant sales a year, and frequent plant giveaways. Our meetings are informal, friendly gatherings that provide a wealth of information and offer a source for unusual plants, plus the opportunity to be inspired by other gardeners. The public is always welcome.

Chapter membership starts at \$15 a year based on the calendar year. Membership includes these benefits: newsletter sent to you electronically (or option by mail for an extra fee), opportunity to travel on our planned overnight garden trips, annual membership directory, and plant sale discounts and member only sales, including Plant-of-the-Month sales. Download a membership form at www.acnargs.org/join.pdf.

About NARGS National

NARGS National is our parent organization: We encourage you to join (online at www.nargs.org) for only \$40 a year. Benefits include a seed exchange, a quarterly publication focused on rock gardening, and an online website featuring an archive of past publications, a chat forum and a horticultural encyclopedia. NARGS National also conducts winter study weekends and holds its Annual Meeting in interesting places where attendees have the opportunity to visit gardens and take field trips, often to alpine areas, as well as hear talks by outstanding plants people from around the world. More recently, NARGS is offering botanical tours each year, both within the US and abroad.

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If you want to **volunteer**, we'd love to hear from you!

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