

SOUTH COAST CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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CHRISTMAS PARTY-INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS-MINI SHOW WINNERS PLANT-OF-THE-YEAR CONTEST

Sunday, December 10, 2006, 12:00 P.M., South Coast Botanical Gardens

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Potluck dinner—entrée provided by the Club
For the potluck, if your name begins with:
A thru L—bring a casserole or main dish
M thru Z—bring a salad or dessert

Utensils and paper plates will be provided

Gift exchange—optional—if you wish to participate, bring a gift (preferably relating to plants) not exceeding ten dollars in value

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



PRESIDENT—Dale LaForest
1st VICE PRES—Hank Warzybok
2nd VICE PRES—Gary Duke
TREASURER—Marsha Huebner
SECRETARY—Philip Ross
SHOW CHAIRPERSON—?? ?
REFRESHMENTS—?? ?
NEWSLETTER—Vera Thaxton



MINI SHOW WINNERS IN 2006

PLANT-OF-THE-YEAR CONTEST

Without a doubt, the Plant-of-the-Year contest is one of the most enjoyable aspects of the Christmas party. Each year, each member attending the party is given a plant. At each succeeding Christmas party, members bring their 1 plants (dead or alive) and they are placed in competition: the tallest, fattest, most lopsided, etc. Without a doubt, there is more laughing involved with this competition than any other you have ever encountered!

Plants-of-the-year:

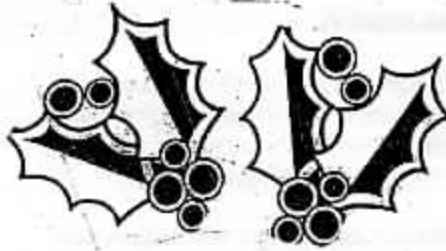
99-euphorbia obesa
00-fockia edulis
01-meslaktrema macrohizeum
02-obregona dengrie
03-dyckia (brittle star)

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO YOU!



PLANT OF THE MONTH RULES

- * A maximum of three plants may be entered in each category (cactus and succulent).
- * There will be two classes of entrants: novice and advanced.
- * Intermediate entrants must have had the plant in their possession for at least six months; beginners, for three months.
- * Entrants will receive 6 points for first place, 4 points for second place, 2 points for third place, and 1 point for third showing a plant that does not place.
- * There may be up to three third places in a category. If plants are not deemed to be of sufficient quality, no place will be awarded.
- * Entry tags must be collected by the person in charge of recordkeeping
- * At the annual Christmas party, award plants will be presented to the ten highest cumulative point holders, regardless of class.



PLANT OF THE MONTH TOTALS -- 2006

CACTUS		TOTALS		CACTUS		TOTALS	
ADVANCE	CACTUS NOV			NOVICE	CACTUS NOV		
Duke	6	71		Capaldo		35	
Fletcher		32		Ponce	9	26	
LaForest		4		Danny'		3	
Gardner	1	1		Hulett	11	11	
Hanna	8	8					
SUCCULENTS				SUCCULENTS			
ADVANCED	NOV			NOVICE	NOV		
Duke	11	21		Capaldo		24	
Fletcher		39		Hulett	10	30	
Gardner	2	7		la Forest		12	
Hanna	4	57		Ponce	4	28	
LaForest	6	10		Ross		5	
kohlschreiber	1	2					
Woodley	2	2					

DUES: Are your dues paid yet? In case you have forgotten, fill in the form below, make out a check (\$10 for one; an additional \$2 for each extra family member), and send it to MARSHA HUEBNER, 1043 E. Joel, Carson, 90743. Make the check payable to SOUTH COAST CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY.

MEMBERSHIP NEW _____ RENEWAL _____
NAME _____
STREET ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ ZIP _____
TELEPHONE (____) _____



HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO YOU!

Already the festive decorations and joyful music
of the holiday season brighten up the days.

This year, all of us
wish you a very special holiday!

We wish you abundant happiness, friendship and love,
health and good fortune, and most of all
peace and many glad tidings.

Happy Holidays!



*CACTUS AND SUCCULENT
CALENDAR OF UP COMING EVENTS
Tenative for 2007*

- FEB. 10th SAN DIEGO WINTER SHOW AND SALE 9to4pm
RM. 101 CASA DEL PRADO, BALBOA PARK, SAN DIEGO
- APR. 7th & 8th SOUTH COAST CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW &
SALE AT SO. COAST BOTONICAL GARDENS
26300 CRENSHAW BL., PALOS VERDES, CA # 310-832-2262
- APR. 22 SOUTH BAY EPIPHYLLIUM SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE
SAME ADDRESS AS ABOVE Info. CALL 310-831-1209
- APR 21 & 22 GREEN SCENE PLANT SALE—AT THE FULLERTON ARBORETUM
- May 5 & 6th SUNSET CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE
VETERANS MEMORIAL CENTER, GARDEN ROOM
4117 OVERLAND AVE. CULVER CITY, CA. INFO. #310-822-1783
- MAY 20 HUNTINGTON PLANT SALE 10 TO 5 HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL
GARDEN 1151 OXFORD ROAD, SAN MARINO, CA 626-405-2160
- MAY 20 EPIPHYLLIUM SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARBORETUM, ARCADIA, CA 310-831-1209
- MAY 25-30 CSSA 32ND BIENNIAL CONVENTION—SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
- JUNE 9th GATES CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY 29th SHOW AND
SALE—SAT. 9 TO 4 SUN. 9 TO 4 ———SAT. SHOW STARTS AT 1 PM
JURUPA MOUNTAINS CULTURAL CENTER, 7621 GRANITE HILL DRIVE
GLEN AVON, CA INFO. 909-360-8802
- JUNE 2 & 3rd SAN DIEGO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY -SHOW AND SALE
BALBOA PARK, ROOM 101, SAN DIEGO, CA. INFO.—#619-477-4779
- JUNE 29th-
July 1st CSSA ANNUAL SHOW AND SALE -HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL
GARDENS AT 1151 OXFORD ROAD, SAN MARINO, CA.
626-405-2160 or 2277 PLANTS SALES START JUNE 30TH THRU JULY 2ND
THE SHOW OPENS ON THE JULY 1ST THRU THE 2ND TO THE PUBLIC
- JULY 14&15 LOS ANGELES CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE
SEPULVEDA GARDEN CENTER, 16633 MAGNOLIA BL., ENCINO, CA.
SHOW INFORMATION-CALL 818-363-3432
- AUG. 18 & 19 21st ANNUAL INTERCITY SHOW AND SALE-LA COUNTY ARBORETUM
301 NO. BALDWIN AVE., ARCADIA, CA. INFO. CALL TOM GLAVICH
AT 626-798-2430 or GENE OSTER AT 818-998-9306
- SEPT. 2 HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS SUCCULENT SYMPOSIUM
ALL DAY AT THE HUNTINGTON
- OCT. 13 & 14 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY
SHOW AND SALE— LA COUNTY ARBORETUM ADDRESS ABOVE.

CSSA Promotional Article (2006, No. 2)

CSSA's big event in a non-convention year is the Annual Show and Sale held at the Huntington Botanical Garden on 4th of July weekend. According to long-time aficionados, the show this year was the best in a dozen years and, indeed, it featured some of the most spectacular succulent plants I've ever seen. Sales, with over 20 vendors represented, were brisk, even though the weather was hot by California (not Texas) standards, but I haven't been informed as to whether they were as good as the previous year. Most board members, even those from elsewhere in the country, were on hand to help out in any way we could and that's a long-standing tradition. Folks in other parts of the country may well say that the show and sale is just a southern California affair, which it largely is, but the board has been discussing the possibility of regional shows sponsored by CSSA, so maybe someday there will be one in your neighborhood.

My last promotional article featured the CSSA Journal, so I thought it might be appropriate to say a bit about the CSSA Newsletter, "To the Point," a publication which CSSA members also receive along with the journal. Under the able editorship of Peter Bockenthien, the newsletter features a number of articles of interest to the general cactus and succulent hobbyist. Perusing recent issues, one can see that there are several regularly appearing columns, one by fellow board member Tom Glavich, who writes a beginners column on the cultivation of various groups of succulents, recently straight-spined mammillarias, agaves, and North American cerioid cacti. Another regularly appearing feature is the column by Roger Brown, retired veterinarian and talented succulent grower from the Omaha area. He offers much valuable advice on growing our favorite plants and occasionally provides always illuminating philosophical comments. Dan Mahr, our peripatetic president usually has interesting observations on plants he meets during his travels, as well. (See his column "Points to Ponder").

Each issue of the newsletter tends to feature a calendar of upcoming events and at least once a year an informative list of all the CSSA Affiliate Societies appears. Updates on seed availability from the Seed Depot appear quite regularly, as well.

Other articles of particular interest in recent issues include a lengthy two-part series on "A Four Corners Odyssey," a pre-convention tour offered with the Scottsdale Convention in 2005; an article on the history of greenhouses; and a summary of the results of the Affiliate Member Survey conducted in 2005. Here you can find out what CSSA members find of value in their CSSA membership. So, hopefully from this brief survey, readers will see that there is much information of value provided by the CSSA Newsletter. Join CSSA and receive your very own copy.

Good Growing,



Fullerton Arboretum

The Potting Shed & The Orange County Cactus & Succulent Society

Cactus & Succulent Show & Sale



Saturday - Sunday ~ December 2 - 3
SALE HOURS: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



The sale features thousands of cactus and succulent varieties from many different vendors for collectors and home gardens. Experts will be on-hand to answer questions.

The show will highlight beautiful specimens of cactus and succulents, all displayed on the Pavilion of the new Orange County Agricultural and Nikkei Heritage Museum at the Fullerton Arboretum.

- Thousands of plants for sale (perfect for holiday gifts)
- Hand crafted living succulent wreaths
- Beautiful cactus and unusual succulents
- Dozens of vendors selling cactus and succulent plants

HOURLY TALKS

- 11:00 a.m. General Succulent Cultivation (Q & A Format)
12:00 Noon How to Pick a Pot for your Plant
1:00 p.m. Top Plants at Top Shows
2:00 p.m. Succulent Bonsai



Admission and Parking FREE

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