SOUTH COAST CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY REGULAR MEETING, DECEMBER 14, 1975; 1:30 P.M.

SOUTH COAST BOTANIC GARDENS 26701 Rolling Hills Road Palos Verdes Peninsula

Stan Oleson, President

Happy Holidays

CHRISTMAS PARTY: All the members bring finger foods for a feast. Everyone who wishes to participate in the gift exchange will bring a gift of minimum value of \$2.00 which is either a plant or connected with plants, such as planters. And in keeping with this Club's love of friendly competition, there will be a contest for best holiday decoration using succulent plants.

TROPHY DESIGN CONTEST: This month we vote for the best entry for the picture to be used on our trophys in our future shows. Entries should include the name of the Club and be on 82 X11 paper (no smaller than one fourth that size).

INSTALLATION OF 1975 OFFICERS: The last order of business for the December meeting is installation of officers for the coming year. They are:

President: Eleanor Barker

First Vice-President: Goniene Alvarez

Second Vice-President: Mary Belle Wallenhorst

Secretary: Carole Kennedy Treasurer: Bess Lesovsky

DUES ARE DUE: Dues for 1976 are due in December. If you can't be there, they can be mailed to Bess Lesovsky, 2231 Sunnyside Ridge Rd, Rancho Palos Verdes, Ca, 90274. The dues are \$2.00 a year plus \$1.00 for each additional family member at the same address.

LAST MONTH: Margaret Emery presented a beautiful slide shown Death Valley. We almost missed the last few slides because of difficulty with the projector, but the trouble was overcome and we enjoyed some of the nicest slides of the presentation. These last included some of Chet Emery's wonderful imagination.

CONSERVATION: The CSSA Board of Directors passed a resolution in support of the Smithsonian Report on Endangered and Threatened Plant Species of the United States, House Document No. 94-51, Serial N. 94-A. This report includes recommendations for action. It would help if members would write to the Secretary of the Interior, Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C. 20240 urging action upon this Report. Copies of any letters written should be sent to Dr. Edward S. Ayensu, Botany Department Chairman, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. 20560. More information on this can be found in the Affiliate Reporter for October-November, 1975, which is in our Library. Following is a list of endangered and threatened plant species in the State of California.

ENDANGERED SPECIES

Senecio layneae
Echinocereus engelmannii var. howei
Ferocactus viridescens
Opuntia basilaris var. treleasei
Dudleya bettinae
Dudleya cymosa ssp. narcescens
Dudleya candelabrum

Dudleya multicaulis
Dudleya nesiotica
Dudleya stolonifera
Parvisedum letocarpum
Euphorbia platysperma
Nolina interrata

THREATENED SPECIES

Senecio bernardinus
Senecio ganderi
Senecio hesperius
Coryphantha vivipara var. alversonii
Coryphantha vivipara var. rosea
Tchinocereus engelmannii var. munzii
Opuntia basilaris var. brachyclada
Opuntia munzii
Opuntia parryi var. serpentina
Opuntia phaeacantha var mojavensis
Dudleya blochmanae ssp brevifolia

Dudleya blochmanae ssp. insularia
Dudleya densiflora
Dudleya parva
Dudleya variegata
Dudleya viscida
Sedum niveum
Sedum laxum ssp. heckneri
Euphorbia hooveri
Euphorbia ocellata var. rattanii
Agave utahensis var. nevadensis

(KEEP THIS LIST -- ANOTHER NOTE ABOUT IT NEXT MONTH)

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President Stan Oleson called the meeting to order at 1:35. The Promptness Prize, Cryptanthus roseus pictus, was won by Mary Belle Wallenhorst.

Jack Hughes won the Door Prize, Aeonium Black Prince.

Betty Causey introduced the guests: Jack Hughes, Clara Schmida and Anna Osborn.

Birthday plants were given to Gladys Axcell, Bob Causey, Verna McCarty and Mary Belle Wallenhorst.

The Salute to the Flag was given.

The contest for the drawing to be used on our trophies in the future was won by Jonniene Alvarez with a beautiful drawing of Lophophora williansii.

A motion to dispense with all business except installation of officers was approved.

Bob Causey installed the officers for 1976. They were:

President Eleanor Barker First Vice-President

Second Vice-President Mary Belle Wallenhorst

Secretary Carole Kennedy Treasurer Bess Lesovsky

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 and Verna McCarty presided over our Christmas Party.

Stan Oleson won the prize, Echeveria funkii, for the best holiday decoration using succulents.

There was a gift exchange.

It was announced that one of our Charter Members, Don Skinner, had died.

Stan Oleson reopened the meeting at 3:30 and proposed a motion be made to allow the new President to purchase a gavel. The motion was made and passed. The meeting was then adjourned.

The plant table was one of Bob Causey's specials - one \$1.00 donation, one nice plant.

Secretary

Jonniene Alvarez