Eleanor Barker President

ROGRAM: Beautiful cactus and succulent flower slides coming up. With slides projected on a screen, one gets a really close look at the flower. No one will want to miss this.

CONTEST: We will have our Name the Show Contest this month, so be thinking of a good name.

PLANT OF THE MONTH: Lewisia, native to California (and points north and south) will be the subject. These plants have very pretty flowers, but for some reason, even though they are native to California, we seldom see the plants. Maybe Bob can tell us why?

*** BRING YOUR BRAGING PLANTS ***

DUES ARE DUE: Dues are \$2.00 plus \$1.00 each for any additional members in the same household. If you have not yet paid and will be unable to attend this meeting, dues may be mailed to Bess Lesovsky,

Oa, 90274.

COMMITTEES: If you would like to work on a committee or want off one, please call Eleanor Barker, Show Committee is one that is in need of a Coordinator (it consists of numerous other committees so no one has too much to do). This is not a difficult job really -- there are a lot of people ready and willing to help with this.

WHITE ELEPHANT TABLE: Bring in those lovable items you have fallen out of love with -- and buy some more!

LAST MONTH: We had our Christmas Party with lots of good things to eat, gift exchange and Contest of Succulent Plants used in Christmas Decorations. First was won by Mary Belle Wallenhorst: Second, Stan Oleson; Third, Mary Belle.

And Stan Oleson presided over the shortest, nicest installation of officers in history: he introduced the 1977 officers and declared them installed! They are:

President Eleanor Barker Secretary Carol Kennedy

First Vice-President Bess Lesovsky

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Treasurer Rosalind Hancock
Second Vice-President Bess Lesovsky

WRITE LETTERS: The big problem is what to write to try to get the best rules adopted to protect threatened and endangered species. It seems to me that the letters should include:

 These plants produce more seed than will ever survive in nature and they are not difficult to grow by nurserymen and individuals.

 It is possible with a minimum amount of training to differentiate between collected and nursery or home grown plants.

3. To require mountains of paperwork by nurseries will be so costly they will be driven out of business and the unscrupulous will be encouraged to raid natures garden.

4. Too much paperwork will make research so costly and time consuming it may not be accomplished at all. And it is this research that may very well lead to better ways to preserve the plants in question.

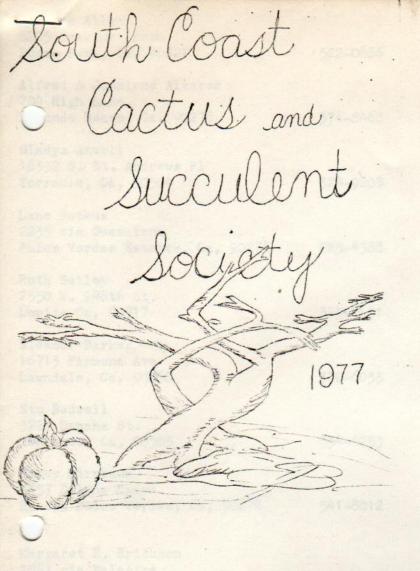
5. We all know from experience that a bad law is worse and more damaging than no law at times, and in this case, a bad law could be disastrous.

The addreses to write to are in the November newsletter, the September-October CSSA Journal or call Eleanor Barker,

THANKS TO ALL OF US: 1976 was a good year for the Club. It could not have been without all the work the members put into it. An organization is people and what they put into it -- officers do not make a club, the entire membership does, and this wonderful group has built a very good Club.

We look forward to another good year -- even better...

HAPPY NEW YEAR



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