

SPECIAL "HOLIDAYS IN THE GARDENS" EDITION

Please join in and contribute to the club's display depicting "Yuletide Greeting From Near and Far." We will have two tables and the Club has decided to focus on three geographical areas-- Asia, America, Europe -- displaying plants and objects d'art from each area. The tables will be divided into three sections with gold screens. There will be battling to be used as snow and its possible we may be able to use festive lights in our display. Please bring any blocks of wood or bricks you have that could be used to sit plants on. Our display depends completely on the plants and decorations that you contribute. Be creative! Here are some suggestions by club members:

- Asia - bonsai succulents decorated with origami, tinsle trimmed Hoyas.
 - Europe - wooden shoes planted with succulents, alpine sempervivums potted that can be arranged to resemble a snow covered mountain, traditional European ornaments.
 - America - all those native cacti, Echeverias, plus art objects, baskets, woven cloth, pottery.
- Most important: Plants and objects must be brought to the garden on Friday, Dec. 4th from 2-5pm and on Saturday, Dec. 5th from 10am-5pm. It is vital that you bring your contribution as early as possible each day. The display must be arranged by the club's President on Saturday afternoon. "Holiday in the Gardens" will be held the week of December 6th - 13th. You'll be able to retrieve

your plants after our December Christmas party.

SOUTH COAST CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY'S
December Christmas Party to be held December 13, 1981 at 1:30 P.M. in the seminar room of the office at the South Coast Botanic Garden located at 26300 Crenshaw Blvd., Palos Verdes Peninsula.

We'll celebrate the season with finger foods and festive company. Many activities are planned. (Due to limited space members who wish to bring decorated plants are encouraged to enter them instead into our display at "Holidays in the Gardens".) There will be a gift exchange for all who wish to participate. Just wrap and bring that gift you want to exchange and you'll receive a gift in return. The gift should have a maximum value \$3.00. Please enclose your name with your gift when you wrap it. Don't forget to bring your favorite easy to serve finger foods -- both hot and cold. Come eat and be merry!

Last Month: President Karen Holley presented her slides of the Royal Botanical Gardens at Kew located in England near London.
-- Stan Oleson shared a real treat with us -- fruit from his opuntia. This was the first time many of us have had the opportunity to taste this interesting, exotic-looking fruit.
-- The club held its annual election and the officers for 1982 will

be installed.
Listing of the 1982 Officers will appear in the January newsletter.

-- 1982 DUES ARE DUE! --
Fill out and return the membership form you received with your November newsletter to our Membership Chairman, Norma Holley. Don't delay any longer!! Pay your dues now!! Don't miss any newsletters and don't miss being included in the 1982 Membership Roster. Deadline is January 15th!

to:
The South Coast Cactus & Succulent Society

