

SOUTH COAST CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

LONG BEACH AND SOUTH COAST CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY HOLIDAY PARTY

Sunday, December 14, 2008 , 12 P:M., South Coast Botanical Gardens Classroom

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Prime Rib and Honey Baked Ham provided by Long Beach and South Coast Clubs

Bring food prepared from you r favorite recipe to accompany the entrees
Your chosen food should serve at least eight people

Paper plates and utensils will be provided

Gift exchange: optional. If you wish to participate, bring a gift (preferably re-
lating to plants) ten to fifteen 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—Carol Causey
NEWSLETTER—Vera Thaxton

MINI SHOW WINNERS IN 2007

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 plants (dead or alive) and they are placed In competition: the tallest, fattest, most lopsided, etc. There is more laughing involved with This competition than anv other you have ever encountered! The 2007 Plant-of-the-Year Was the *gymnocalycium spegazzinii*.

SCC&SS OFFICERS: President: Dale La Forest _____, 1st V. Pres. Hank Warzybok , _____ ; 2nd V. Pres.: Gary Duke _____ ; Treas. Marsha Huebner, _____ ; Sec: Phillip Ross _____ Show Chr. Dale La Forest; Sunshine Chr. Irma Rennie, _____ ; Refreshments: Carol Causey _____ ; Newsletter: Vera Thaxton: _____

President's Message

Best wishes for the coming holidays. I hope you and your plants are thriving; and plants that need extra warmth are getting it. I also hope to see you all at our December Holiday party. As in the past, Long Beach Club members have been invited. Please extend them a warm welcome. I encourage you to find somebody you don't know and introduce yourself.

As usual, the entrées will be Prime Rib and a Honey-Baked ham. The club will provide paper plates, cups and plastic utensils. We will also provide coffee, tea and a variety of carbonated and non-carbonated drinks. If you want something special to drink - bring it, but remember alcohol is not permitted.

Every member/family is encouraged to bring a potluck dish - make it for about 6-8 people. Please bring your dishes before 11:45 - or earlier if they must be heated.

It would be helpful if a few folks showed up about 11:00 to help set up the room. It is possible the tables will need to be cleaned - especially if someone used the room on Saturday. A covering will be provided for the buffet table, but not the dining tables (unless I find a good deal). By the way, seating will be on both sides of the tables to making chatting easier.

I will try to start the meeting at noon and say a few words of welcome.

After we finish eating . . .

The "Annual Plant" contest will be held. Remember to bring your *Gymnocalycium spagazzinii* - dead or alive - to be judged. South Coast and Long Beach entries will be judged separately, even though I think we have the same species. And Mini-show winners will be announced and surprise plants will be awarded.

If you want to participate in the gift exchange bring a wrapped gift suitable for a plant hobbyist in the \$10-15 range.

Before we adjourn, the current club Officers will be re-installed. I wish to thank them all for their efforts this past year in support of our wonderful club and willingness to serve another year. Committee Chairs will be announced at the January meeting, when we will have more time.

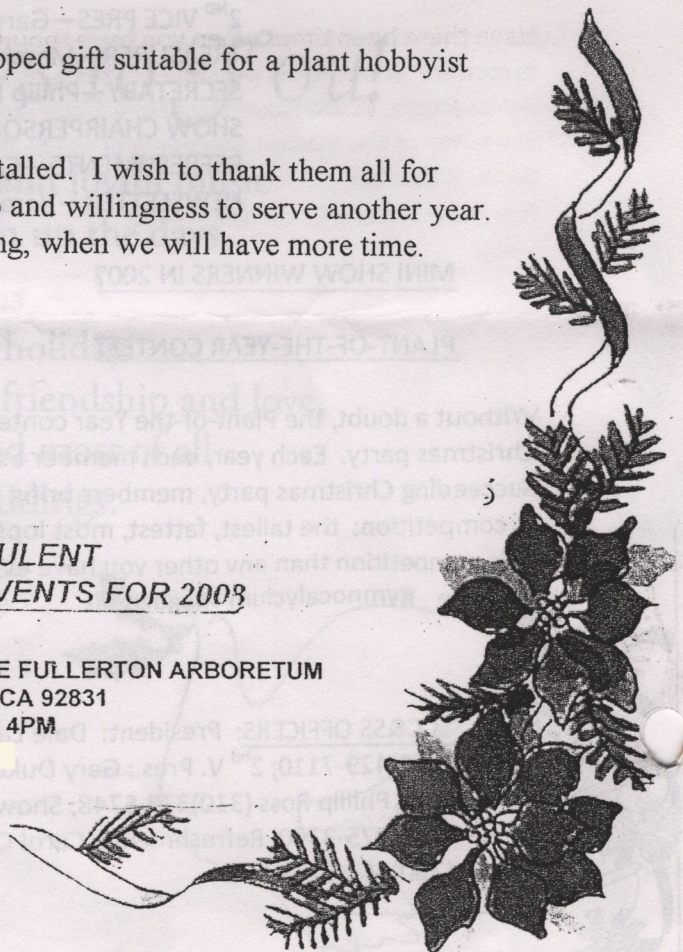
Hope to see ya'll there.

Dale

CACTUS AND SUCCULENT CALENDAR OF UP COMING EVENTS FOR 2003

DEC. 6 & 7

ORANGE COUNTY SHOW AND SALE AT THE FULLERTON ARBORETUM
1900 ASSOCIATED ROAD, FULLERTON, CA 92831
SHOW AND SALE OPEN FROM 10AM TO 4PM
FOR INFORMATION CALL



CONGRATULATIONS TO MINI SHOW WINNERS!!

Winners in the Advanced Category this year include: Novice:

Cactus: 1. Duke 70 points
2. Woodley 21
3. Capaldo 14
4. Kohlscrieber 6
5. Causey 1

Cactus: 1. Ohlinder 42
2. LaForest 24
3. Capaldo 20
4. Ross 12
5. Caplan 5

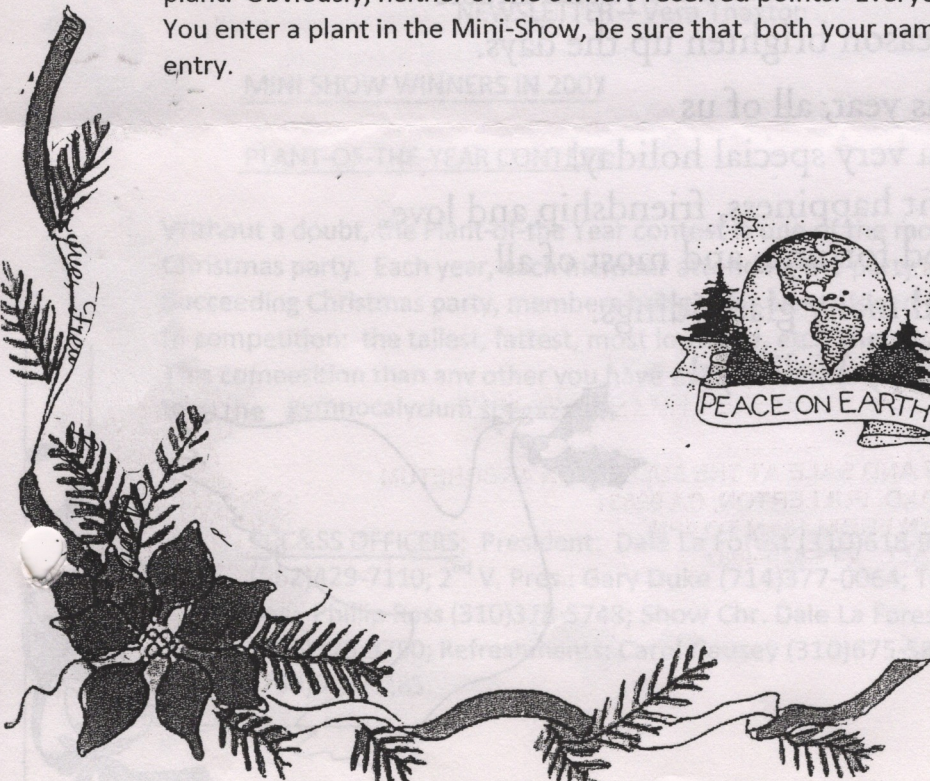
Succulents: Advanced

Hanna 59
Duke 22
Wooley 19
Capaldo 15
Gardner 5

Succulents: Novice

Ohlinder 37
Capaldo 17
Ross 10
Hutchison 6
Caplan 4

Have there been times when you have thought you should have received more points than were recorded? It's entirely possible as your entry has to be filled out completely in order to be recorded. For example, in the November Mini Show, one entry was made out with the name of the plant but not the name of the owner; another was made out with the name of the owner but not the name of the plant. Obviously, neither of the owners received points. Everyone wants to be a winner so next time you enter a plant in the Mini-Show, be sure that both your name and the name of your plant are on the entry.



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, [REDACTED]. 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!



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