

the MAY 1985 NEWSLETTER

South Coast Botanic Gardens  
26300 Crenshaw Boulevard  
Palos Verdes Peninsula

MEETING DATE: Sunday May 12 - Board Meeting at 12:30 P.M.  
Regular Meeting at 1:30

PROGRAM: Slides of Past Shows and '85 Show Update!

Refreshments: Joining Verna McCarty will be Carol Kennedy, Dorothy MacArthur, Tom Rische, Ede Ryberg and Jack Wadleigh. Thank you to all.

Bragging Table: Bring your bloomers and whatever is looking good or interesting for Bob to discuss.

Sales: Supplies and such for sale to members as usual.

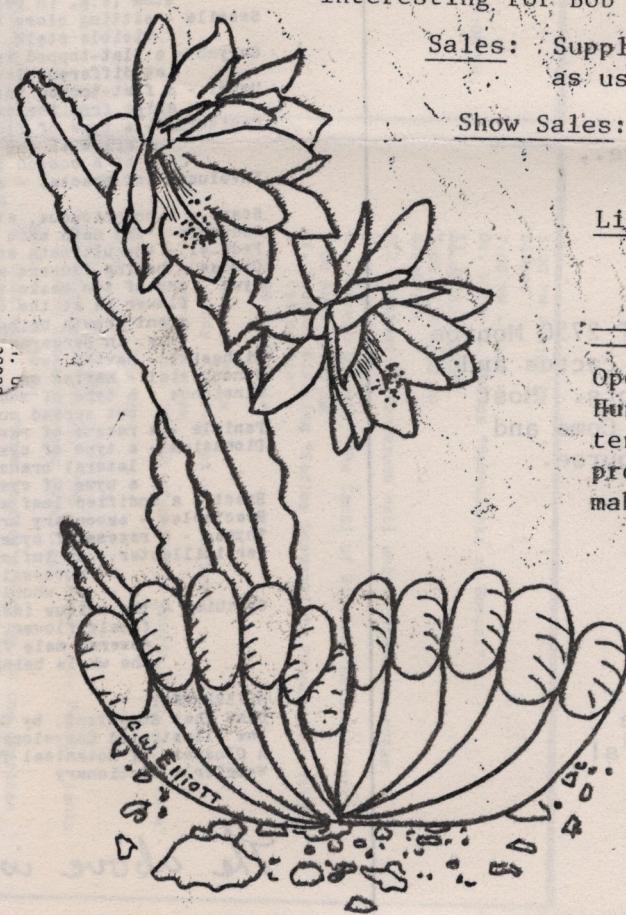
Show Sales: Don't forget to pot up your donations. And save shoe boxes etc.

Library: There are lots of books to help you name your show plants.

Opening this Tuesday: The new Huntington Conservatory for rare and tender succulents. Hours will probably be 2 - 4, but call first to make sure (818-405-2100).

south coast

Cactus &  
Succulent  
Society



WITH SYMPATHY

Our condolences to Bert Muensterman on the loss of her husband. We're all thinking of you and hope you'll soon be with us again.



Editor for this N.L. is  
Carol Wujcik, 10860 El Mar Ave.,  
Fountain Valley, Ca. 92708.

CACTUS FOR SALE: Laurie Baker of 2750 Monroe Ave., Anaheim (714-995-8250) has cactus and succulents for sale as well as pots. Most items are from \$3.00 to \$15.00. Come and make offer. But call first of course.

GOOD NEWS

From MaryBelle: Thank you to Everyone for sending all those good wishes and get-well-soon's!

May 18 & 19 - Orange Cty. C & CW Elliott if you'd like to come meeting.

\* \* \* \* \*

UNDERSTANDING PLANT LIFE

This month's terms are for those succulents.

GLOSSARY - Flower arrangement

Inflorescence - the mode of developing flowers on an axis; the axis

Raceme - having flowers arranged in a raceme

Raceme - one of two basic types of inflorescences; the other is spike

Spike - a raceme in which the flowers are arranged at intervals along the stem (e.g. in peperomia)

Sessile - sitting close upon the stem

Corymb - a flat-topped inflorescence in which the flower stalks arise at different levels up the stem

Umbel - a flat-topped inflorescence in which the flower stalks arise from the same level

Capitulum - a type of flower-head in which the flower stalks arise at the same level

Involucule (of bracts) - a ring of bracts subtending the flower head

Scape - a conspicuous, almost or quite upright axis supporting the flower head

Peduncle - the main axis of an inflorescence

Pedicel - the ultimate stalk supporting a flower

Cymose - having flowers arranged in whorls around the stem

Cyme - one of two basic types of inflorescences; the other is spike

flower is at the center and subsequent growth being from one side (e.g. in Bergeranthus)

Dichasial - having two flower stalks arising from the same node

Monochasial - having only one main flower stalk

Cincinnus - a type of monochasium in which the flower stalks are spread out in different directions

Panicle - a raceme of racemes (e.g. in corn)

Dichasium - a type of cymose inflorescence in which the flower stalks grow laterally from the main axis

Bract - a modified leaf at the base of a flower stalk

Bracteoles - secondary bractlets between the flower stalks

Thyrse - a raceme of cymes (e.g. in elder)

Verticillaster - an inflorescence consisting of whorls of flower stalks

Cyathium - the unique inflorescence of the genus Cyathula; it consists of a female flower, reduced to a single flower, surrounded by several male flowers, each flower being enveloped by a whorl of bracts

REFERENCES:

Name That Succulent, by Gordon D. R. Morrison  
The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Succulents, by C. A. Bentall  
A Glossary of Botanical Terms, by C. A. Bentall  
Webster's Dictionary

The above is from

& S Soc. Show, open to all - see Show Chmn.  
compete or display. Flyers available at

JUST OPENED: Living Color House  
and Patio Plant Store at 1921  
Artesia Blvd, Redondo Beach,  
will be selling Broms, Orchids,  
Succulents and Palms. Dick  
Anderson is the proud owner.

DESCRIPTIONS AND KEYS

Part five

of you who like the "other"

Development and arrangement of flowers on a bearing flowers in a raceme of inflorescence in which the axis tip, the oldest flowers being at flower bears a distinct stalk along a stem (e.g. in Haworthia) flowers are sessile along an unbranched body that supports it, without any

ence in which the flower stalks arise the axis (e.g. in *Sedum spectabile*) in which three or more pedicels (e.g. in *Brachystema barbarea*) in which many small sessile flowers are on a flattened axis, surrounded of bracts (e.g. in *Senecio*) protective, leaf-like organs, such surrounding a capitulum quite leafless peduncle inflorescence carrying the pedicels bearing a single flower

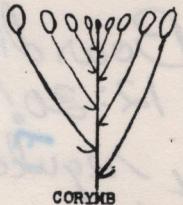
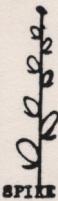
inflorescence in which the oldest terminates the main axis, subse- e or more branches beneath it

in st... in which flowers arise alternately different planes (e.g. in *Pachyphytum*) g. in *Aloe fosteri*) inflorescence in which two opposite out from beneath a terminal flower; in *Hereroa*) use of a peduncle or pedicel between bracts and flowers in *Crassula multicava*) consisting of compact dichasias at giving the impression of a series flowers (e.g. in *Labiatae*) type of Euphorbiace in which a single ovary, is surrounded by each reduced to a single stamen, used in an involucle

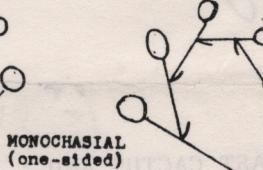
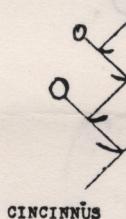
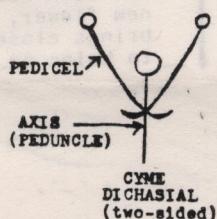
Rowley, 1980  
succulents, by Gordon D. Rowley, 1978  
Cyril A. E. Parr

INFLORESCENCES - Flower Arrangement

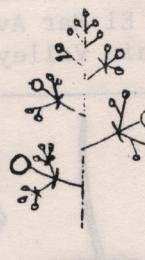
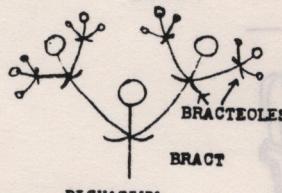
A. SIMPLE  
a. Racemose



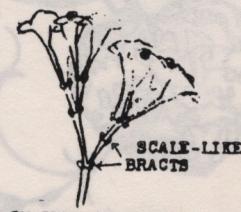
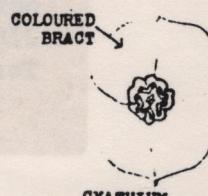
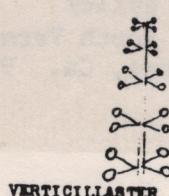
b. Cymose



B. COMPOUND



SPECIAL TYPES:



From the Wisconsin C+S Club Newsletter, Feb. 1983.

# 1985 CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY OF AMERICA CONVENTION

Next Door in San Diego  
JULY 8 - 12

5 JUN 9  
The following CSSA Convention schedule is TENTATIVE. Changes are certain and will be listed in the next newsletter; so please save this sheet and place with your earlier Convention Info. handout. Only 20 people from the LA area were registered as of last Thursday. Can you believe? Needless to say Pat Mooney was quite concerned.

If you only want to go for one or two days, there is a daily rate of \$20/day - payable at the door (hospitality desk) where events are taking place. (Map next month). Meals are NOT included in this price, but there is a campus cafeteria.

Exception: If you want to go JUST on the bus trips Wed., you can pay for the one day only, BUT you will have to pay and register in advance with Pat. That's Pat Mooney, CSSA Convention Registrar, 97 'K' Street, Chula Vista, Ca. 92011.

Please refer to your previous convention handout sheet for full convention info. and registration form. If you've lost this, there will be more at this May meeting. Questions? Contact Pat, see address above.

## TENTATIVE CONVENTION SCHEDULE, SAN DIEGO '85

7 July Sunday 9:00 AM CSSA Show/Sale, Arcadia, bus departs. Return, 5:00 PM.

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Registration, Tenochca Residence Hall

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Buffet Lunch

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Dinner

8 July Monday

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Breakfast

8:00 AM - 12:00 AM Registration, Tenochca Residence Hall

12:30 - 1:30 PM Lunch

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM, Casa Real

Steven Brach "Cacti of the Southwest; Carlsbad Caverns,

Guadalupe Mountains and White Sands"

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM, The Backdoor

Henry Varney "Introducing Adromischus"

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM, Casa Real

Jane Dice "The Genus Dudleya"

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM, The Backdoor

Paul Thoma "The Netherland Antilles; Land, People and Plants"

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM, Casa Real

Dorothy Dunn "The Baja Barrels; The Ferocacti of Baja,

California"

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM, The Backdoor

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM  
Dinner

7:00 PM - 7:50 PM  
Dr. Leroy N. Phelps "Succulents as Bonsai"

11 July Thursday

7:00 AM 0 8:00 AM  
Breakfast

All Programs in Montezuma Hall unless otherwise noted.

9:00 AM - 8:50 AM  
Dr. Kenneth D. Heil "The Cacti of Big Bend National Park"

9:00 AM - 9:50 AM  
Dr. Roberto Kiesling "Carlos Spegazzini, Pioneer Argentine  
Cactophile"

9:50 AM - 10:30 AM  
Break

10:30 AM- 11:20 AM  
David Hardy - Title not yet confirmed

11:30 AM - 12:20 PM  
Dr. Dave Bramell "Origin & Evolution of Canarian Succulent Flora"

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM  
Lunch

1:45 PM - 2:35 PM  
Dr. Charles E. Russell "The Versatile Prickly Pears: Plants  
With Great Economic Potential"

2:45 PM - 3:35 PM  
Dr. Charles H. Uhl "Some Species & Hybrids in the American  
Crassulaceae"

2:45 PM - 3:35 PM  
Joseph Clements "Show Judging"

3:35 PM - 4:00 PM  
2:45 PM - 3:35 PM Casa Real  
Joseph Clements "Show Judging"

Botanical Society of San Joaquin Valley

7:00 PM - ? Montezuma Hall	4:00 PM - 4:45 PM Dr. Charles H. Uhl "Chromosome Hybrids & Evolution in the American Crassulaceae"
Opening Banquet Susan Carter Holmes "East African Safari" 9 July Tuesday	4:00 PM - 4:45 PM Casa Real Joseph Clements "Show Judging"
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Breakfast	5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Dinner
All Programs Will Be In Montezuma Hall Today	7:00 PM - 7:50 PM Dr. Werner Rauh "The Cactus & Succulent Vegetation of Brazil"
8:00 AM - 8:50 AM Dr. Michael W. Hawkes "Succulents of the Pacific Northwest"	8:00 PM - 8:50 PM Dr. Yair Elber "Succulent Plants & Halo-Succulents of Israel & Their Cultivation"
9:00 AM - 9:50 AM Dr. Carlos N. Ostolaza "Cacti and the Ancient Peruvians"	9:00 PM - ? Delegates' Meeting
9:50 AM - 10:30 AM Break	12 July Friday
10:30 AM - 11:20 AM Dr. Werner Rauh "Peru and its Cacti"	7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Breakfast
11:30 AM - 12:20 PM Dr. Roberto Kissling "The Cacti of Argentina"	8:00 AM - 8:50 AM Faith Campbell "Evaluation of Rules & Regulations Affecting Cacti & Succulents: The First Ten Years"
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch	9:00 AM - 9:50 AM Dr. Alain Taylor "A Hardy Desert Garden One Mile High"
1:45 PM - 2:35 PM Faith Campbell "Conservation of Endangered Species, An Update"	9:20 AM - 10:30 AM Break
2:45 PM - 3:35 PM Hernando Sanchez-Mejorada "Status of Conservation of Mexican Cacti"	10:30 AM - 11:20 AM Dr. Carlos N. Ostolaza "In Search of the Lost Cacti"
3:35 PM - 4:00 PM Break	11:30 AM - 12:20 PM Dave Hardy - Title not yet confirmed
4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Dave Grigsby "Round Table Discussion...."	12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Dinner	1:45 PM - 2:35 PM Dr. Dave Bramell "Habitat, Ecology, & Cultivation of Canarian Succulent Flora;"
7:00 PM - 7:50 PM Dr. Karl A. Johnson "Growing Succulents in the Land of the Kiwi"	2:45 PM - 3:35 PM Susan Carter Holmes "New Euphorbias From East Africa"
8:00 PM - 8:50 PM John Lavranos "Botanizing on the Socotra Archipelago"	3:35 PM - 4:00 PM Break
9:00 PM - ? Rare Plant Auction	4:00 PM - 4:50 PM John Lavranos "Botanizing in Southern Yemen"
10 July Wednesday	7:00 PM - ? Farewell Mexican Fiesta
7:30 AM (1) North County Growers (box lunch) bus departs. Returning SDSU 5:00 PM	12 July Saturday
7:30 AM (2) North County Growers (box lunch) & Wild Animal Park with Dinner, bus departs. Returning to SDSU 10:30 PM	7:00 AM - 9:00 AM Continental Breakfast served in Tenochecha Residence Hall
7:30 AM (3) Huntington Botanical Gardens (box lunch) bus departs. Returning to SDSU 5:00 PM	11:00 AM At this time you must be checked out of SDSU unless you have made other arrangements with SDSU.
7:30 AM (4) Huntington Botanical Gardens (box lunch) & Wild Animal Park with dinner, bus departs. Returns SDSU 10:30 PM	BYE-BYE -- SEE YOU IN '87 AT PHOENIX
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch	4:30 PM (5) Wild Animal Park with dinner, bus departs. Returning SDSU 10:30 PM.



Everyone! Board <sup>FB</sup> meeting at 12:30!  
Followed by regular  
meeting at 1:30.

SOUTH COAST CACTUS AND  
SUCCULENT SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

from Eleanor Barker's CSSA NEWSLETTER: "The following is from THE FAMILY CACTUS AND SUCCULENT CLUB OF DES MOINES, IOWA Newsletter, Dec. 1984, V.5 #10, Poem by Debra Khattab written as a birthday present to her mother.

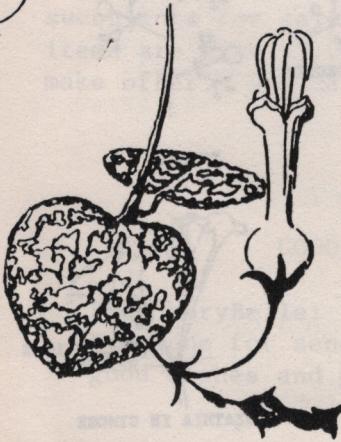
#### OLD FRIEND

These cactus are counted old friends.  
Time has healed some to see June day  
and scattered others over winter frost.  
A sense of calm and order  
Has settled in the house of cactus.  
Gone are the days  
when board was put to board  
the light of new enthusiasm  
striking the curving thorns  
of golden barrel  
in a shelter built of glass.  
Now the eye of the beholder  
is on the beauty  
of a flower  
girding its wings to blush a new dawn  
from its guard of thorns.  
How do you grow them?  
I cannot count the ways  
but each new crest,  
new flower, new plant  
brings closer the cactus  
to being an old dear friend.



FIRST CLASS

Norma Holley



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY