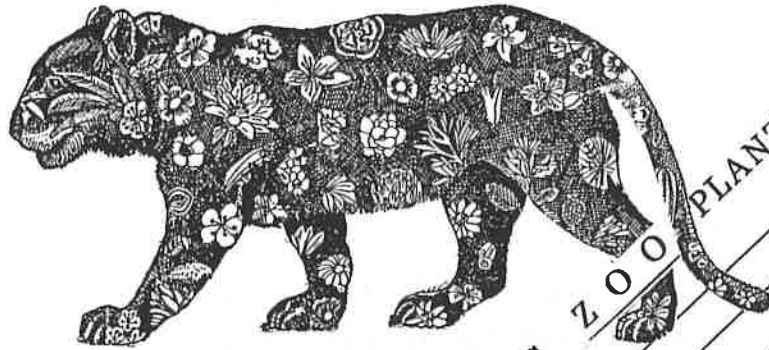


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LONG BEACH CACTUS CLUB NEWSLETTER
APRIL 1988



This weekend!
April 16 & 17

April 23 & 24
Overnight
Car Caravan

Visit our booth at the LOS ANGELES ZOO PLANT SALE!

LBCC'S FIRST TWO-DAY FIELD TRIP: TO THE EAST MOJAVE!



ALSO IN THIS ISSUE: Terry Goewert tells us how not to look for cacti in Baja! PLUS more photos - from Terry & Clem, from Jim Hanna, and from your editor. PLUS c & s show & sale info., and of course news of and for members. PLUS who knows what else!

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 To the above and those chairpersons we don't have room to list, THANK YOU!

Dues: Regular membership is \$8, senior membership is \$5, and each same home membership is \$1.50. Please contact your membership chairman: Marge Snyder 199009-308 Laurel Park Rd., Dominguez Hills, CA 90220, or Terry Dew, 5328 Carita, Long Beach CA 90808.

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Newsletter: Carol Wujcik (714) 963-3146, 10860 El Mar Ave., Fountain Valley, CA 92708.

The time is transparent:
 even if the bird is invisible,
 let us see the color of his song.

- Octavio Paz

GET WELL QUICK! Ted Taylor is scheduled for a cataract operation on this Tuesday the 12th! We wish him a speedy recovery and trust his remarkable "vision" is soon matched at least in part by his eyesight!

NEWS OF AND FOR LBCC MEMBERS!

PREVIEW: MAY MEETING -- Sunday May 22 (the 4th Sun. not the last Sun.) -- Following the Program and meeting, there will be a **SPECIAL RAFFLE OF DONATED PLANTS**. Like last year, members bring extras they no longer have room for and would like to donate, and they are raffled at the end of the meeting! Last year there LOTS of good plants. For the sake of this moneyraiser, and to avoid confusion, there will be no member sales. But there will be birthday & door prizes as usual.

Note: Newsletter is **early** (hopefully) so as to be in time for the Zoo Sale, and to add to **your** preparation time for the Field Trip.

LBCC APRIL ACTIVITIES: This page - ZOO! Next pages - FIELD TRIP!

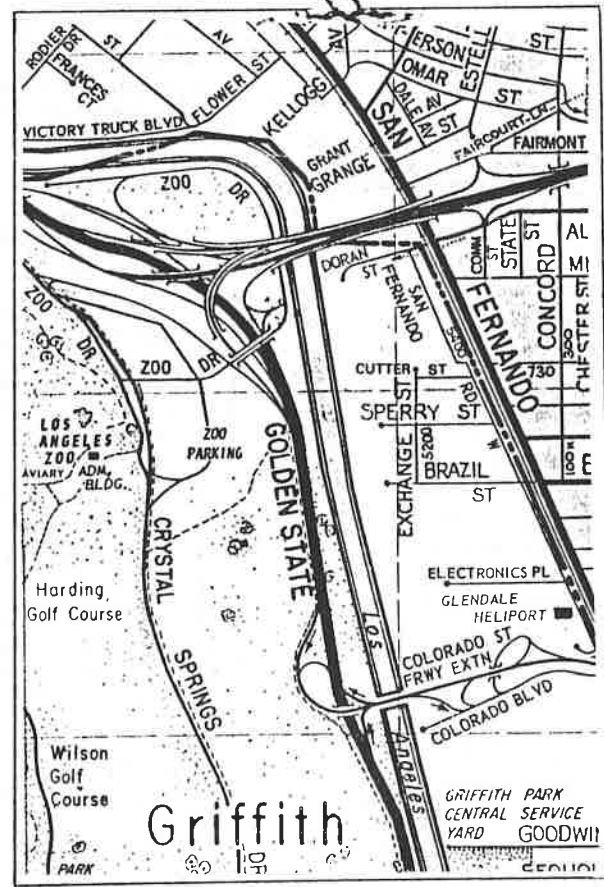
Los Angeles Zoo Annual Plant Sale

Saturday, April 16 and Sunday, April 17, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Located in Griffith Park on Zoo Drive at the junction of the Ventura and Golden State Freeways. (213) 666-4650.	Bromeliads Cacti Camellias	Epiphyllums Fuchsias Herbs	House Plants Orchids Roses	Original Ceramic Pots and other Plants, Shrubs, & Trees
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VISIT THE L.A. ZOO ANNUAL PLANT SALE -- BIGGER THIS YEAR THAN EVER. AND THE LONG BEACH CLUB WILL PARTICIPATE. COME SEE OUR BOOTH AND BUY SOME PLANTS!



For the price of admission you can also see the landscaping, and if you have time, see the animals! (Ted does point out that there are hills -- this zoo is not as accessible for the handicapped as some others.)

MAP -- If you are traveling north on the Golden State, you will find that the Zoo Drive exit is actually an exit off of an exit! Watch signs closely.

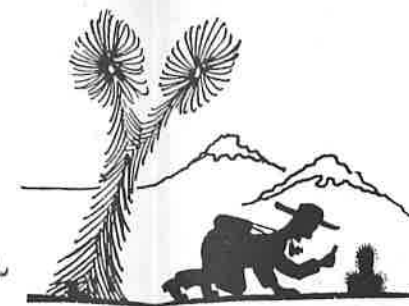
Quality of the plants at the Zoo Sale in past years has been very high. Many specialty plant societies participate, which means you may find unusual plants.

For information about the zoo, please call (213) 666-4650. For information about our booth, please contact Jim Hanna, our Treasurer.

You will find all kinds of plants at THE ZOO PLANT SALE -- and that includes CACTI & SUCCULENTS.

**LBCC FIELD TRIP TO THE EAST MOJAVE!
TWO-DAY VEHICLE CARAVAN
SATURDAY & SUNDAY APRIL 23 & 24**

- 6AM - Leave the Library WITH A FULL TANK OF GAS.
Take 605 north, to 91 east, to the 60 east, to the 10east.
This should take about 2 hours.
- 8AM - According to the AAA map, there is a rest stop just after the turnout (111) to Palm Springs and just before Whitewater. Turn in and stretch legs and see if you can see any Mam. tetrancistra. Those wishing to join the caravan at this point should be here by 8 AM.
- 8:15 Take the 10 east, to the 62 north, to 29 Palms. Turn left or north on Utah Trail (opposite direction from the turn into Joshua Tree - main entrance). Turn right very soon onto Amboy Road. Take this all the way to Amboy.
- 10AM Hang a right at Amboy onto Old Nat'l Trail Hwy 66
Gas up at Essex.
Cross the 40 & continue to Fenner then Goffs. Name of road unreadable! But we split from 66 at Essex.
- 11AM Turn left onto Lanfair Rd. & travel maybe 30 miles of good unpaved road to the NY Mountains.
- AT THIS POINT, WE MUST FOLLOW OUR LEADER - THERE ARE NO DIRECTIONS SO WE MUST BE TOGETHER.
- GASOLINE: Possible change of plans: The caravan at the rest stop near Whitewater (see info. next to 8 AM) will have to decide where to gas up. Supplies beyone 29 Palms "might" be iffy
- * * * * *
- At this rest stop, we'll also have some handouts & a map or two, but everyone should carry maps of their own. Also, please be responsible for your own food & supplies (see March NL insert
- * * * * *
- The Auto club has a good San Bernardino County map - but maps and other info. can also be obtained from the BLM in Riverside or Needles. 2 maps cover the area - \$1 each.
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- A caravan such as this one requires we follow the designated leader. On this trip Larry Grammer is our trail guide & wagon master. If you have questions, call him at (213) 599-0856.
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- In a car caravan, the driver in front keeps an eye on the vehicle just behind him. Anyone with difficulties will flash their headlights. Each car in front will do the same. & all will pull over. We go at our own risk, but so do we every day. We will be in a group after all.



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Plan your outings carefully. Tell someone where you are going and your route of travel. Stay with your planned itinerary. Should you have trouble and need assistance, you will be easier to locate.

→ **Wildlife water sources** are scarce in the desert. For this reason, camping, picnicking, or otherwise occupying for more than 30 minutes the lands within 600 feet of wildlife watering places is prohibited by the State Fish and Game Code.

Hobby rock collecting is permitted. Rocks, minerals, gemstones, and common invertebrate fossils may be removed by hand in reasonable quantities for personal collections. Removal for commercial sale or by means of mechanical equipment requires a permit.

Rattlesnakes, scorpions and some spiders can be hazards and are best viewed from a distance. Never walk or put your hands where you cannot see.

Help keep the Resource Area clean by taking all trash home with you.

Pets are permitted but should be kept under control at all times in consideration of other visitors and the protection of wildlife.

Vehicle camping is permitted on public land within 300 feet of any route of travel but no closer than 600 feet to water sources.

Spring and fall can be variable, being balmy some days and windy on others. Always be prepared for cool, crisp nights. ←

Many areas accessible to desert travelers exceed 4,500 feet in elevation, where temperatures are much cooler than on the desert floor. Summer daytime temperatures rarely exceed 95 degrees. Always plan on cool evenings while visiting the desert's pinyon/juniper woodlands.

Thanks to members Ellen & Bill Low, we are able to reproduce part of their checklist of supplies for a trip to Baja. We're not going to Baja, but the list is very helpful for any trip away from major towns. Plus, who knows, we may one day all be driving to Baja.

THINGS TO TAKE TO BAJA

FOR CAR OR TRUCK

- Extra belts, fan, AC, and alternator
- Jack and lug wrench
- Radiator coolant
- Extra motor oil
- Tools
- Soft tool gas and radiator repair kits
- Instant gas tank repair will stick to "gasoline-wet" metal.
- Tire pump or tire inflator
- Tire or tube repair kit
- Nylon tow strap
- Extra gasoline if unleaded is necessary

FOOD

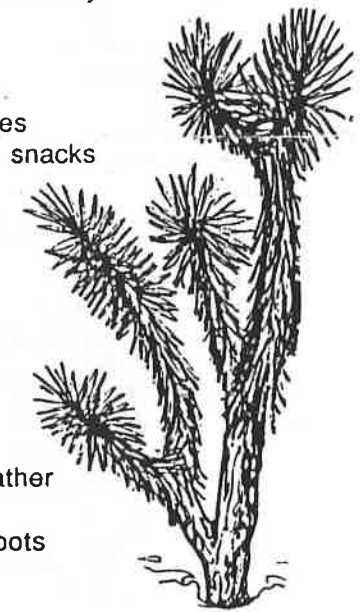
- Ice chest or equivalent
- Water 5 gal + in 1 gallon bottles
- Enough food for 3 meals a day + snacks
- Camp stove
- Lantern and/or flashlights
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Canteen
- Canned drinks

CLOTHING

- Casual dress
- Be prepared for hot or cold weather
- Swim suit
- Good walking shoes or hiking boots
- Gloves

SAFETY

- First aid kit
- Snake bite kit
- 12oz bottle of Pepto Bismol (1 tbs/day min.)
- Lomotil 2.5mg
- Tweezers, needle nose pliers
- Sun screen
- Pocket comb for removing opuntias from skin



FIRES - COOKING

Depending on the specific fire hazard situation for a season, campfire permit requirements are established. These requirements are based on three stages:

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- > Stage 0 - No restrictions. Campfires, BBQ's, and gas stoves are allowed without permits. This normally applies to all desert lands in winter months, low elevation areas in summer, and all developed recreation sites year round.
- > Stage 1 - Campfires and BBQ's are allowed by permit only and gas stoves are allowed without permit. This normally applies to higher elevation desert lands during the fire season.
- > Stage 2 - No fire use is allowed and gas stoves are allowed by permit only. This usually applies to forested and brush covered lands during the fire season.

Remember, areas where fire restrictions apply can change, so be sure to check with the BLM prior to your desert visit. Fire stage information will be posted on major access routes and will be available at all BLM offices. Campfire permits may be obtained at any BLM office or Ranger Station, and from BLM Rangers on patrol.

- Dress properly. In summer, you slow dehydration and minimize exposure if you wear layered clothes instead of minimal clothing. In winter, temperatures can often drop below freezing. Bring extra warm clothing.
- Carry plenty of water for personal consumption and vehicle use. Ten gallons, used wisely, will last two people a weekend.
- Don't ration your water. It will only do you good if you drink it.
- Make sure your equipment is in good order before you leave. A flat spare tire or a water can with a leak won't do you much good.
- Test the ground before driving through washes. A few minutes of caution can save you a few hours of digging out.
- Watch out for flash floods. Don't attempt to cross flooded areas.

The following list of emergency equipment could save your life. Don't venture out in the desert without them.

★ Vehicle Related

★ Human Related

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INFO

- extra gasoline
- extra fan belts
- jumper cables
- wood blocks
- duct tape/electrical tape
- siphon hose
- fire extinguisher
- tow strap
- shovel
- tools
- wire
- water

*The Needles
office is
closest to
our destination*

- good walking shoes/boots
- extra water
- sunglasses
- map of the area
- waterproof matches
- blankets
- headgear
- signal mirror
- first aid kit
- work gloves
- flashlight
- sunscreen
- knife
- flares

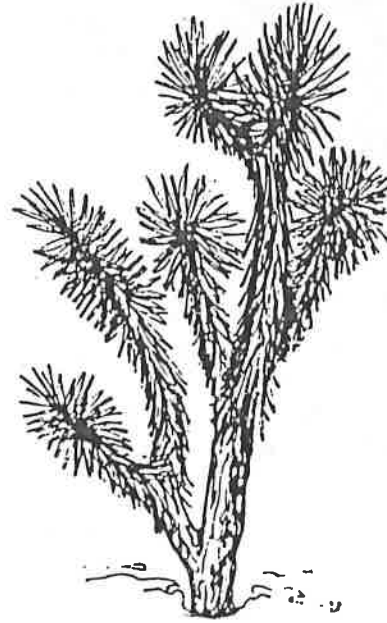
CALIFORNIA DESERT
DISTRICT OFFICE
1695 Spruce Street
Riverside, California 92507

NEEDLES RESOURCE
AREA OFFICE
101 Spikes Road
P.O. Box 888
Needles, California 92363



MORE NEWS continued

GOOD NEWS: Loehman's Cactus Patch is open again on weekends. Call first to confirm they are there! (213) 633-1704. Address is 8014 Howe Street, Paramount, CA 90723.



CORRECTION: There were several errors in last month's newsletter, but your editor has (happily?) (gratefully?) forgotten all but the following. In the list of what to bring on our field trip, I wrote "containers for granite - see previous page." This gave the incorrect impression that we were going to mine the area or something! We are not. The containers were for dg or decomposed granite obtained en route to but having nothing to do with BLM land. Since it would be best not to go all that distance with dg weighing us down even a little bit, we won't stop for it. As for rock-hounding on BLM land, it's ok if it's for personal use and not for selling, and if it's done within reason! See Zoo Sale & Field Trip insert.

Drawing of Joshua Tree is from the Desert Botanical Garden volunteer newsletter for Dec. 1986.

TWO SISTERS: One of these ladies is a young Sadie Ball, and one is Lillian de Tisne! Sadie Ball is on the far left, and Lillian is the lass with the dark hair! Thanks to Lillian for loaning us this photo!





Emma Reid & Rose Wey (with Treasurer Jim upper right). Emma was our Bragging Table Chairperson for years! Emma,



(con't.) can we call you our "Matrarch"!? Rose Wey is our Birthday & Door Prize Chairperson & was our Refreshments person! In the above photo is the delightful Lillian True, who with quick wit & generous heart, has given so much to our society not to mention several botanic gardens. She is currently the affiliate rep. for LBCC. To the right is Pat Kelley, who was our 1987 secretary. More recently she has had to work weekends, but we have been glad to see her the last few meetings.

We are fortunate indeed to have all these fine members!

A CACTOPHILE'S FIRST TRIP TO MEXICO.....By Terry Goewert

This cactophile went to Mexico for the first time in January, all the way down to Ixtapa. I had great hopes that the area would offer a needed rest, warmth, not too many tourists, and CACTUS. Well, got off the plane, lots of coconut groves--Don't they like humidity? That wasn't a good sign. On our crazy ride to the hotel (and they always told me Massachusetts drivers were the worst in the world), I see dryness, lots of dust. That looked promising.

It was early evening when we arrived, and too late to go "hunting". The next morning at breakfast at the Hotel, I was greeted by interesting centerpieces on the tables. Little pots of different succulents--Opuntia Microdasys, other small Opuntias, Euphorbia Trigonas, Haworthias, and a few other plants. Well, of course I had to take pictures of these, so I went to the restaurant at mid-day (when they weren't doing much) and took a bunch of photos of the centerpieces. The restaurant workers gave up looking at me strangely, after the third or so picture. I'm sure they thought that I was a "gringo loco".

I probably should back up and mention how upset I was when I discovered that I couldn't remember the Spanish word for Cactus, and the two books that we had bought didn't have such a useful word, either. On the plane down, I asked the Mexican American fellow sitting next to me, what was the word for cactus. Who cares if I could order food or not, being able to say, "Donde esta los (or las--I never asked the gender) nopales?" was important! Unfortunately, four years of high school Spanish didn't teach me useful words like cactus, either.

I used my new found (ha) Spanish memory to asked the people at the Hotel how I could find "big" cactus to photograph. One fellow told me how I could rent a car & go a ways and see lots of tall ones. Hmmm. We ended up on a small tour and I ask my trusty "donde esta los Nopales?" of the tour guide. "Oh, you will see them at the farm." Opuntias, big deal, not even interesting ones. Also on this tour, we stopped for lunch at a little fishing villiage (where I was eaten by the fleas that ate the cats that ate the fish). Near the beach, was a "big Cactus". I had to go and take a picutre of it. Im sure there are a lot of natives that thought I was a loco for sure. Well, it was big. It was also scabby, had bug holes, etc. Couldn't put that in a show! They really grow this way?.

The next day, we went on a deep sea fishing trip that Clem got roped into. We got no fish, Clem got "Neptune's Revenge". And not too many cactus sightings five miles into the ocean. Pretty scenery, though. We did see some more succulents in the Hotel yard, Boy, were they dirty, scabby & ugly. This is what they really look like? We also saw a couple of Euphorbias growing in a Tourista shopping area.

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Our grand finale was to rent a jeep (at a mere \$106 for 6 hours). It had no gas. The gaskets were blown, so we got a faceful of smoke while riding, and it had no muffler. Oh, yes, the steering wheel had a play of 6 inches. This was our "real" Mexican adventure. Oh boy! Off we go in search of Nopales. We went up a bumpy, awful road (normal so they say), and saw a hillful of what appeared to be the big cactus that I saw at the fishing village. Clem was afraid to stop the jeep due to "whatever might happen to us". I convinced him to stop long enough for me to take pictures of some interesting insulators (my other addiction) on a high power line. We turned around and went toward Acapulco. Saw some different opuntias in bloom, and saw an interesting, tall columnar cactus that appeared to have a cephalium or a mass of horizontal spines on the top 6-12 inches of the plant. Any ideas what I saw? I have a couple of pictures. Somehow we got the jeep and ourselves back to the hotel in one piece.

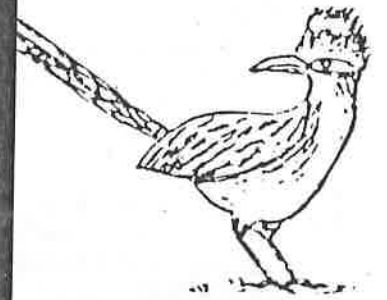
I left Mexico, with a desire to return, but I'm not sure when or where. Maybe it's just safer to go north to Abbey Garden & look at cactus!



Cephalocereus (Backebergia) militaris, photographed by Terry Goewert and mentioned in her article. If you could see the color photo, you'd be able to see that the top stems are shrunken and tan. In fact, this impressive giant is on its way out of this world. The "caps" or cephalia (the flowering part of the plant or, in a sense, the inflorescence) which you can see in the photo, have sometimes shown up in the plant market as novelties - but in reality most of the plant is missing!



WHAT IS IT? Giant cactus-munching snails? Mutant sea-cacti? Terry photographed these plants in Mexico. The cactus-stuffed shells will make fine centerpieces!



Below is one more photo from our Inter-City Show Meeting at Rowena Thompson's. This is her beautiful in-ground cactus garden, which uses a variety of plant and rock and wood materials - with everything in scale.



QUOTE FROM WEBSTER'S: "ARCHIVE" - A place in which public records or historical documents are preserved; also, the material preserved.

QUOTE FROM PAUL SIMON: "Mama, don't take my kodachrome away!"

HOW LONG WILL YOUR COLOR PHOTOS LAST???

According to an anonymous source within the Huntington, not long. If sun hits your photos everyday, they'll start to go in months. But they may realistically last 5 - 10 years with normal care; longer if you store your color prints within a frost-free refrigerator. The processing technology exists to make color prints last longer, but there's really no incentive to make cost-conscious high volume labs use it. So what about those photos you really love? How can you make them last longer?

Cibachrome is a color processing which will make a color print that lasts, but it is expensive...and it's hard to find a lab to do it. Cibachrome is made most easily from your color slides, and in fact you can have Cibachrome slides made first. Otherwise a special negative must be made from your color print negative. Then it can be processed.

Another way to go is to have black & whites made of your special photos. However, to make them from color print film so that they last, a black & white negative must be made first. Then it should be processed using special fiber-based paper of archival quality. Again you will probably need to find a custom lab.

What about storage? Whether or not you go to the trouble of the above for those important photos, these and all the others you want to save need to be stored. The materials used for the mounting paper or the container you put them in make a difference. Wood is acid and paper is made from wood. However, special archival paper can be purchased, and special glues are either acid-free or at least not as harmful as tape and regular glue. Photos mounted on this paper can be covered by clear polypropylene or clear mylar and put in an album, or there are easily obtained clear polypropylene pocket pages -- with pockets the size of your prints. These also can come in sizes for slides and negatives...and protecting your negatives is especially important. Just make sure it's polypropylene you're buying. Most good camera supply outlets carry these. Also, you can store your prints and negatives in metal boxes. Not wood, which is acid. Remove them first from the paper or plastic they came in as these are probably not archival. As for the magnetic albums, some now have the polypropylene plastic, but the paper and the "stickum" used for mounting the photos are probably harmful.

As for obtaining acid-free paper, apparently some of it is also buffered to help it resist atmospheric conditions. This means it's somewhat alkaline, which may not be too good for color prints. However it can probably be used for mounting, and a mylar or polypropylene cover used over it. Or use a paper which is acid-free and nonbuffered.

All of this may be too much trouble for most photos, but for those you want to last a lifetime, taking the time and trouble now may be well worth it!

A source for acid-free and archival products of all types is: Light Impressions, 439 Monroe Ave., Rochester, N.Y. 14607-3717. 1-800-828-6216. Service appears good...so far!

Carol



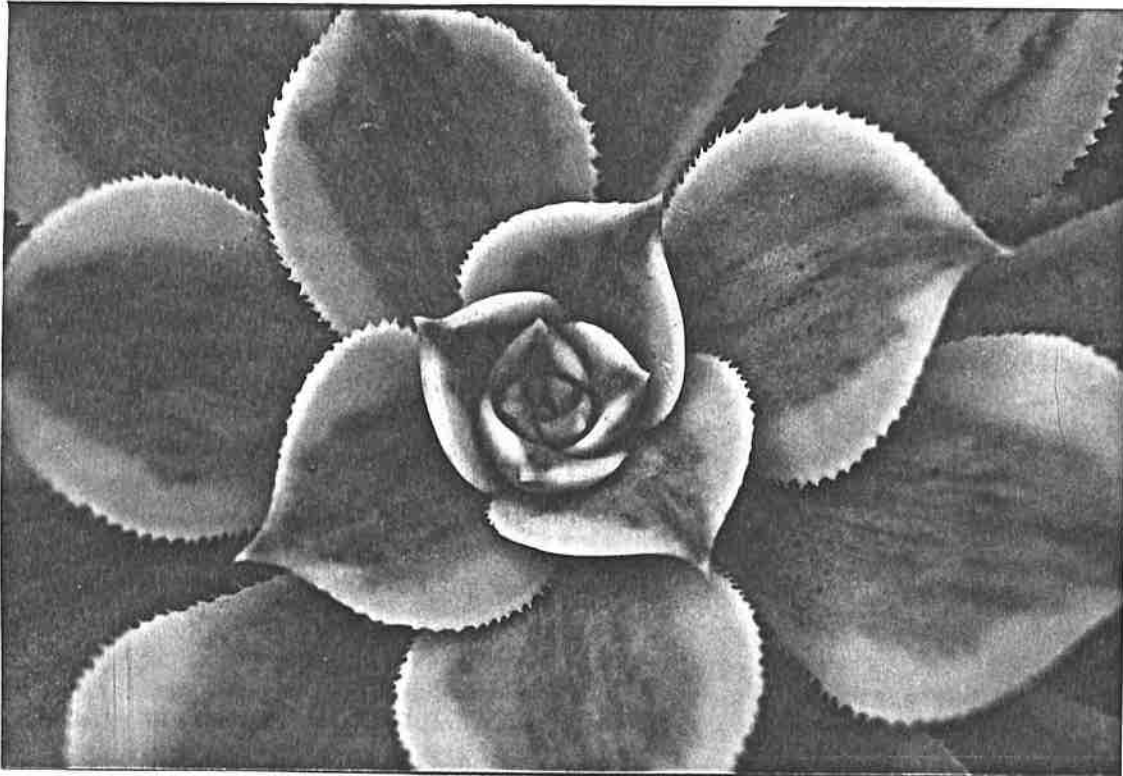
Joe Wujcik, potter & fanatic bicyclist (not really a cactophile tho married to one!) after weeding frenzy at our Adobe Garden last month. Alas, only a few people were able to come help. Those who did had a great barbeque.

To the right is Ted Taylor and Virginia Martin (with new member Ginger in the upper left). Ted of course is our "Jr. Past Prez," & both he & Virginia are Past Presidents of CSSA. Both continue to chair CSSA committees, & both have served the cause intelligently & energetically & diplomatically for years!



Eleanor Barker, LBCC Past Prez, Director of CSSA, our national C & S organization, and CSSA Newsletter Editor.





AEONIUM 'SUNBURST'

This beautiful cultivar of *Aeonium decorum* is variegated a mottled blue/green, edged with a golden yellow, and flushed pink/rose at the leaf tips. Its history is no less complex and colorful. Bill Baker is distributing it, but he credits Fred Lenert as the "originator," as it was a plant of Fred's which developed this form. The "parent" was unusual too - it was a variegated crest which in turn developed on a "normal" crest obtained from Rogers Weld's Fernwood. Therefore, if "ex" means "from", the history of this plant reads: *Aeonium 'Sunburst'* = cultivar of *A. decorum* variegated ex Baker ex Lenert, ex variegated crest ex normal crest ex Fernwood (Rogers Weld). Photo is by Jim Hanna of his own plant (ex Bill Baker ex etc. etc. etc.!).

Gordon Rowley, in his book *NAME THAT SUCCULENT*, says of national succulent plant societies, that "almost all of these are run by volunteer labor - often in spare moments by a tiny band of fanatics..." Amen. It is also true of local societies.

Rowley also writes, under the heading *CHERISH YOUR LABELS*, "It will be evident that finding the correct name of even the genus of a succulent can involve much time and trouble. All the more reason, therefore, to make sure that the labeling on plants in cultivation is maintained, and that labels are replaced as soon as they begin to become illegible...A name one lost can be replaced often only with difficulty, if at all. The conservation-minded will need no second prompting to preserve the label as much as the plant, and to avoid the spread of false names." Amen.

SHOW & SALE INFORMATION

- Apr. 30 & May 1 - A POPULAR WEEKEND! Includes the following:
- o The Sunset Succulent Society 25th Annual Show & Sale, free adm. Garden Room, Veterans' Memorial Building, 4117 Overland Ave., at Culver, in Culver City. Hours: Sat. 12 - 5 PM and Sun. 10 AM - 4 PM. ALSO, in the auditorium of the same building is the La Ballona Bromeliad Society show & sale. Same day! Lots of parking. For further info. call (213) 826-4017 or (213) 467-8319.
 - o ALSO, the Baldwin Bonanza at the LA Arboretum in Arcadia is May 1, Sunday, from 9 - 4:30, all kinds of plants for sale.
 - o ALSO, the Sacramento C & S Soc. is holding their show & sale Sat. from 2 - 6 PM & Sun. 10 - 5 PM at the Shepard Garden & Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento. Free adm. For more info. contact Ron Burnight (916) 736-2142.
 - o ALSO, the Monterey Bay Area C & S Soc. Show & Sale.
- May 7 & 8, Sat. & Sun. - C & S Soc. of San Jose Show & Sale at the Town & Country Village, Winchester & Stevens Creek Rds., San Jose.
- May 8, Sun. - San Diego Epi Show & Sale in Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park.
- May 14 & 15, Sat. & Sun., Orange Cty. C & S Soc. Show & Sale in the Yorba Linda Library, Yorba Linda. Unlike the Sunset Show, this is an OPEN show. You need not be a member to enter. To enter, contact show chair. C.W. Elliott, (714) 522-6996. NOTE: The Inter-City Show is an open show also!

MORE MAY SHOW INFO NEXT NEWSLETTER!

HUNTINGTON PLANT SALE: MAY 15, SUNDAY, from 10 AM to 4PM.
THIS YEAR FEATURING VARIEGATED PLANTS OF ALL TYPES
ESPECIALLY SUCCULENTS - ALSO CRESTS & MONSTERS &
CAUDICIFORMS. Huntington Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Rd., San Marino, CA 91108.

ADMISSION: Members of the Friends support group are admitted at 9AM. (To find out about joining, call 818-405-2124). However a limited number of free invitations for admission at 10 AM are available by writing to the Plant Sale, at the above address. Each ticket admits two people to the sale. When you write, please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope. Or see your editor.

LOTS OF "NORMAL CACTI & SUCCULENTS" AND "NORMAL REGULAR" PLANTS FOR SALE! as well as the weirdos!

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April 16 & 17, Sat. & Sun. - LA ZOO ANNUAL PLANT SALE with the LBCC Club participating. Plan to stop by - 10 AM to 4PM, in Griffith Park on Zoo Dr. at the junction of the Ventura & Golden State Freeways. (213) 666-4650, zoo #. Plants of all kinds will be for sale, including our booth of cacti and succulents. While you're there, take a look at the zoo landscaping under the care of Gary Lyons, and of course the animals. There is a holding station for your purchases, & a delivery service to the parking lot. Because zoo is built on slopes. Map & info. inside this newsletter.

April 23 & 24, Sat. & Sun. - LBCC's FIRST FIELD TRIP - TO THE EAST MOJAVE! Please see more info. inside this newsletter. For those planning to stay at home, you might enjoy visiting the Library where we usually hold meetings, as there will be a fine bromeliad show & sale in progress by the Lakewood Brom. group - each April we are "bumped" out of the Library to accomodate this show.

APRIL † MAY-CACTI & SUCCULENT SHOW & SALE SEASON BEGINS.
Please see information inside this newsletter.

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REMINDER FOR THOSE WHO CAN GET AWAY TO THE DESERT: THE LOWER DESERT IS ALREADY IN BLOOM. FOR MORE INFO. CALL THE WILDFLOWER HOTLINE: 818-768-3533.