

April 2003

Roadrunner News

Newsletter of the Long Beach Cactus Club

Founded 1933; Affiliate of the Cactus and Succulent Society of America, Inc.

CRASSULACEAE

PROGRAM: TOM GLAVICH will present a slide lecture on the CRASSULACEAE FAMILY. He will offer us a tour of the entire family in Africa, the Mediterranean area and the New World. He will explain what's different and what's the same between *Crassula*, *Kalanchoe*, *Adromischus*, *Echeveria*, *Dudleya*, *Sedum*, *Tacitus*, *Aeonium*, *Sempervivum* and others and why they all belong to the same family.

Tom is a long time collector of cacti and succulents. As well as being a member of our club, he is a co-chair of the Inter-City Show for the San Gabriel C&SS. He has spoken to us previously on Bromliads and Aloes.

LOCATION: Dominguez Adobe, 18127 South Alameda Street, Rancho Dominguez, CA 90220. Take the 91 Redondo Beach/ Artesia Freeway and exit south on Alameda. Signs for the Adobe are posted on the freeway and on Alameda. Coming from the freeway, the entrance to the Adobe is on the right or west side of Alameda. We will meet in the cafeteria in the northeast of the big building next to the garden.

TIME: Sunday, April 27, 2003 at 1:30 p.m. Our use of the cafeteria is limited to the hours 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Because of this constraint we will follow this schedule: 1:30 to 2:00 -- setup and refreshments, 2:00 to 4:00 -- general meeting and program, 4:00 to 4:30 -- cleanup.

PLANT-OF-THE-MONTH: Cactus: *Gymnocalycium*
Succulent: *Haworthia*

REFRESHMENTS: We will follow the alphabet to determine who is to bring the snacks and finger foods. This month, those with last names starting with the letters **M** through **R** are asked to bring the goodies. Please feel free to bring something even if you don't fall into this group.

DOOR PRIZES, BIRTHDAY PLANTS & PLANT SALES: Free plant for first time visitors.

PLANT RAFFLE: Tickets are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. Members are asked to donate any plants they would like to pass along that they think others would like to buy. Previous months' raffles have been big successes with several dozen plants available.

NEXT MONTH'S (May 18) PROGRAM: Petra Crist on "Namibia". (Please note that this is the third Sunday due to Memorial Day.)

SPECIAL THANKS to all who participated in the Garden Work Party last month: John and Edwina Caceres, Bob Gillett, Laverne and Reed Pitzer and Hank Warzybok

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DIRECTORS, in alphabetical order, are John & Edwina Caceres, Bob Gillett, Dick Hulett (Past President), and Dot Miller.

COMMITTEES:

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			Dot Miller

MEMBERSHIP

SEND APPLICATIONS to Sandra Fletcher, (310) 538-4078, P.O. Box 3366, Gardena, CA 90247-7066. Dues are \$10 per year for regular membership, seniors \$7; each associate member (same household) \$2.50 additional. (Senior membership is for retired persons, 65 and older.) Checks should be made out to LBCC.

IF FOUR OR FIVE OR MORE MEMBERS are interested they may order official Long Beach Cactus Club member badges. The cost is \$6.50 per person. Please see treasurer, Sandra Fletcher, at the meeting.

NEWSLETTER

IF YOU HAVE ANY STORIES, cultivation tips, information about upcoming calendar events or news in general about cacti and succulents that might interest our members, please send them in or give me a call. Comments and suggestions are always welcome. Remember, this is your newsletter. The address is: E. Lisa Smith, 2075 E. Appleton St. #24, Long Beach, CA 90803-6205. Telephone: (562) 439-8056.

CLARENCE B. WRIGHT MEMORIAL DESERT GARDEN

COME AT 12:00 P.M., AN HOUR BEFORE THE REGULAR MEETING and help plant, water and maintain our garden. Find out what's blooming each month and get ideas for your home garden.

SPECIAL THANKS to the CLARETIAN ORDER for allowing us to use the grounds of the DOMINGUEZ SEMINARY for our auction and the cafeteria for our monthly meetings. We appreciate the pleasant setting as well as being able to meet near our garden.

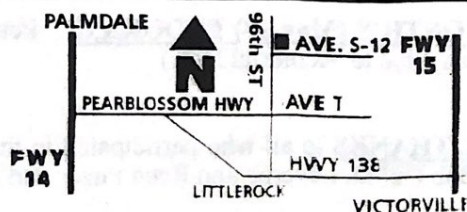
CDP's Annual Spring Sale

This year our traditional Spring Sale will be
on Sat. May 10th from 9:00 to 5:00

You may draw your discount from 10% to
50% off your total purchase and one person
will get their entire order for **FREE**.

We are fully stocked with a great selection of rare and show quality plants.
We also expect to have our new African plants available at this time.

CACTUS DATA PLANTS
9607 AVE S-12
LITTLE ROCK, CA 93543
661-944-2784



2003 PLANT-OF-THE-MONTH RULES

At the November, 1996 meeting, the following rules were adopted for the Plant-of-the-Month (POM) competition:

- A maximum of three plants may be entered in each category (cactus and succulent).
- There will be three classes for entrants: advanced (blue tag), intermediate (pink tag) and beginner (yellow tag).
- Advanced and intermediate entrants must have had the plant in their possession for at least six months, beginners for three months.
- Entrants will receive 6 points for first place, 4 points for second place, 2 points for third place and 1 point for showing a plant that does not place.
- At the discretion of the judges there may be up to three third places in a category. If plants are not deemed to be of sufficient quality, no third place will be awarded.
- For an entrant to receive points, the entry tags must be collected by the person in charge of record keeping for POM.
- At the annual Christmas party, award plants will be presented to the ten highest cumulative point holders regardless of class.

2003 LBCC PLANTS-OF-THE-MONTH

MONTH

January

February

March

April

May

June

July

August

September

October

November

December

CACTUS

Ferocactus

Rebutia, Sulcorebutia

Melocactus

Gymnocalycium

Ariocarpus

Favorite Cacti

Echinocereus

Cereus and other columnars

LBCC AUCTION

Mammillaria clusters

Minatures under 3"

HOLIDAY PARTY

SUCCULENT

Crassula

Aeonium

Aloe

Haworthia

Sedum

Favorite Succulent

Gasteria

Echeveria

Mesembs other than *Lithops*

Minatures under 3"

2003 POM YEAR-TO-DATE STANDINGS THROUGH MARCH

Advanced

1. Fletcher, H.&S. 40
2. Hanna 27
3. Hulett 24

Intermediate

1. Miller 42
2. Warzybok 27
3. Pitzer 20
4. Caceres 7

Beginner

1. Gillett 42
2. Crowley 22
3. Wagner 18
4. Jaskulski 17
5. Larson 6

MARCH PLANT-OF-THE-MONTH WINNERS

Judges: Carol Wujcik, Joy Blair, Bob Gillett

Cactus - Advanced

1. H. & S. Fletcher *Melocactus violaceus*
2. Dick Hulett *Melocactus glaucescens*
3. Dick Hulett *Melocactus violaceus*
- HM H. & S. Fletcher *Melocactus matanzanus*
- HM Dick Hulett *Melocactus matanzanus*

Cactus - Intermediate

1. Hank Warzybok *Melocactus disciformis*
2. Dot Miller *Melocactus sp.*
3. Laverne Pitzer *Melocactus longiformis*

Cactus - Beginner

1. Bob Gillett *Melocactus azureus*
2. Bob Gillett *Melocactus matanzanus*
3. Bob Gillett *Melocactus matanzanus*

Succulent - Advanced

1. H. & S. Fletcher *Aloe albiflora*
2. Jim Hanna *Aloe descoingsii*
3. Jim Hanna *Aloe 'Warren'*
3. Dick Hulett *Aloe suzanneae*
- HM H. & S. Fletcher *Aloe 'Blue Elf'*

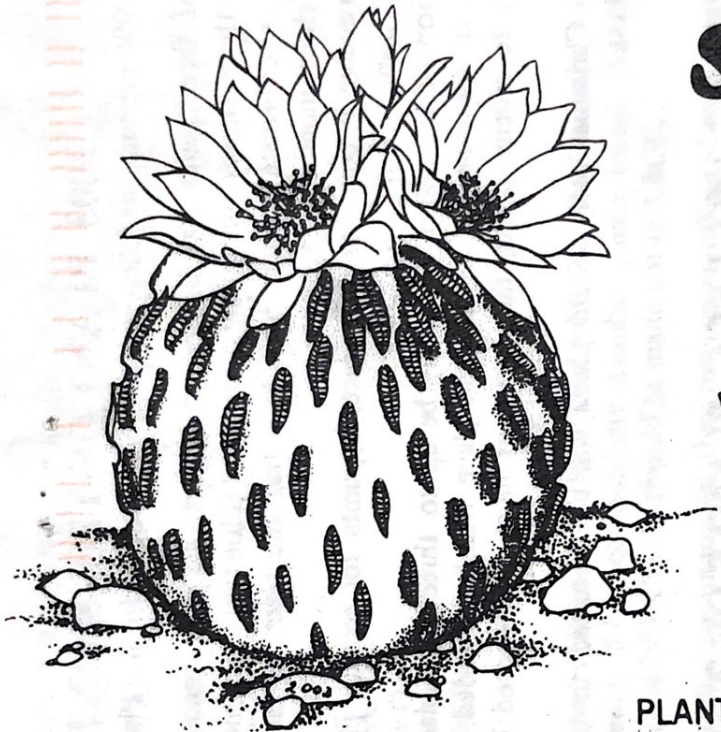
Succulent - Intermediate

1. Dot Miller *Aloe haworthioides*
2. John Caceres *Aloe descoingsii*
3. John Caceres *Aloe variegata*
3. Dot Miller *Aloe 'Winter Sky'*
- HM Laverne Pitzer *Aloe congolensis*
- HM Hank Warzybok *Aloe X 'Dorian Black'*

Succulent - Beginner

1. Bob Gillett *Aloe rauhii*
2. Bob Gillett *Aloe congolensis*
3. Phyllis Jackulski *Aloe squarrosa*
- HM Phyllis Jackulski *Aloe harlanii*

CACTUS & SUCCULENT SHOW & SALE



MAY 3 - 4

... free admission ...

**SPECIAL: LA BALLONA BROMELIAD SOCIETY
SHOW & SALE**
(Auditorium) Same location/date.

PLANT SALE: SATURDAY 10 - 5
SUNDAY 10 - 4

SHOW: SATURDAY 12 - 5
SUNDAY 10 - 4

Information: 310/822-1783



Club Meetings: 1st Tuesday of each month
(except July & August) at 7:30 PM
Burton W. Chace Park, 13650 Mindanao Way
Marina Del Rey

**garden room, veteran's memorial bldg.
4117 overland (at culver), culver city**



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