

August 2003

# Roadrunner News

Newsletter of the Long Beach Cactus Club

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## NEW MEXICO'S BIODIVERSITY

**PROGRAM:** GARY DUKE will present a slide lecture on the **DENSITY AND DIVERSITY OF THE JARILLA MOUNTAINS: THE NORTHERN CHIHUAHUAN DESERT OF NEW MEXICO**. The Jarilla Mountains are half way between El Paso and Alamogordo. We will see how the density of two dozen cacti and succulents in four different areas have changed over a period of ten years. Genera will include *Echinocereus*, *Mammillaria*, *Opuntia*, *Epithelantha*, *Echinomastus*, *Escobaria*, *Agave* and *Yucca*.

Gary describes himself as a "cactus stalwart" (He has very few other succulents.) who has been collecting since the fifth grade. A long time member of our club, he became interested in the plants on this program while hiking with the New Mexico club when he was stationed in the area with the Air Force between 1987 and 1993. He retired from the Air Force in 1993. Last year he spoke to us about natural hybrids of *Echinocereus* in New Mexico.

**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.

4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY NOT LAST SUNDAY!!!

**TIME:** Sunday, August 24, 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: *Cereus* and other columnars  
Succulent: *Echeveria*

**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 P** 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:** Our Annual Auction, Sunday, September 28, 2003.

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## INTERCITY SHOW - AUGUST 16-17

That's right: our club's major fund raising event is coming up this Saturday and Sunday! Setup begins Wednesday at 1 p.m. If you haven't picked up a Show Schedule or the Pre-Show Newsletter, information is inside this newsletter. It's not too late to get your plants ready for the show or to sign up to help out; security at the back gate during the show is a special priority this year. As we team up with the San Gabriel and Los Angeles clubs, let's make this year's event a big success.



## LBCC OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2003

**PRESIDENT** Hank Warzybok (562) 429-7110      **SECRETARY** Lisa Smith (562) 439-8056  
**VICE-PRESIDENT** Laverne Pitzer (562) 429-3271      **TREASURER** Sandra Fletcher (310) 538-4078

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

### COMMITTEES:

<b>AFFILIATE REPRESENTATIVE</b>	Lisa Smith	<b>NEWSLETTER</b>	Lisa Smith
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<b>LIBRARY</b>	Carol Causey	<b>SHOW &amp; TELL TABLE</b>	Frances Gillett
<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	Sandra Fletcher	<b>SUNSHINE</b>	Carol Causey 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.

## 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Intercity Cactus and Succulent Show

### Judging Scale

Condition of plant - 60 points	Size and degree of Maturity - 15 points
Staging and presentation - 20 points	Nomenclature - 5 points
Arrangements and Displays will be at the Judges option.	Points awarded towards trophies;
First = 6 points, Second = 3 points, Third = 1 point	Special Ribbons will be used as tie breakers

### Show Rules

- The Inter-City Show is open to anyone wishing to enter. Those wishing to enter, who are not members of one of the host clubs should contact a Show Chairman at least one week prior to the show.
- Plants entered in the show competition should have been in the owners possession a minimum of 6 months.
- All plants must be free of pests and the show committee may remove any unsuitable material from the Show or Sale at any time.
- Exhibits should be marked with the owners name not visible to the judges.
- Exhibitors are responsible for placing entry cards with exhibits prior to the judging.
- Awards and exhibits must remain until the end of the show Sunday August 17, 2003.
- All judges decisions are final and the Show Committee decisions are final.
- The three host clubs and the show committee will not assume responsibility for the loss or injury of property.
- The show committee reserves the right to move or adjust plants or categories, or displays, to improve or facilitate a better show.
- All commercial growers or individuals wishing to sell in the Inter-City show must either enter a display or enter a minimum of 10 plants in the Open class. All sellers must contact a show Sales Chairman as to their needs at least one week prior to the Show week.
- Inch measurements as indicated in the show categories refer to the inside diameter of the pot.
- Plants with 30% or more Variegation, Crest or Monstrose may only appear in such categories.
- A Rookie novice is one who has not shown more than 10 plants cumulative.
- Plant stands may only be used in the Bonsai class or with plants that cascade below the bottom edge of the pot.
- For odd shaped pots, size is determined by adding the length and width together and dividing by two.



# 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Intercity Cactus and Succulent Show

2003, The World of Cacti and Succulents  
Walks and Talks

## Schedule of Events

Saturday August 16<sup>th</sup>

11:00 Basic Cultivation with Bill Hagblom - Learn how to keep what you just bought alive!

12:00 2002 Trophy Table Tour with two of this year's judges. Hear why the trophy winners are the best.

1:00 Cycads Karen and Paul Sternberg talk about Cycads and their cultivation.

2:00. Argentina with Victor Turecek Argentina native Victor Turecek will entertain you with stories of plants and people of his homeland.

3:00 Mexico with Vince Basta - Vince Basta describes some of the plants and habitats of our cactus and succulent rich neighbor.

### HELP Wanted!

You are needed! Lots of help is needed for setup, teardown and for clerking Friday night - let your show chairman know. Same for the sales, tabulations, holding area, etc. - Sales and holding area need help during the show, and everyone is needed to greet the public. *Wear your club badges!* A good crowd in the room makes for a better show. This is a great time to meet people from the other clubs and to spend more quality time with the plants you love. No previous experience and no plant expertise (although you have more than you think) is required.

Sunday August 17<sup>th</sup>

11:00 Basic Propagation Learn some basic techniques of vegetative propagation from Tom Glavich.

12:00 Staging Demonstration. See an Larry Grammer stage some plants for dramatic effect

1:00 Mediterranean Plants for California Gardens with Joe Clements of the Pitzer College Arboretum - Learn how to display succulents and other Mediterranean plants for best effect in the garden.

2:00 The world of Succulent Bonsai with Rudy Lime - A master of succulent bonsai demonstrates his art.

*Note: Speakers, Times and Subjects are subject to change. See the Talk Schedule so you don't miss a great talk!*

### Vital Numbers

Gene Oster	818-998-9306
Harry Fletcher	310-538-4078
Tom Glavich	626-798-2430
Sales Chair:	
Jim Hanna	562-920-3046
Treasurer:	
Sandy Fletcher	310-538-4078

Visit Our 2003 Show Web Page

<http://www.desertsong.com/sgvcss/intercity2002/>



# 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Intercity Cactus and Succulent Show

## Friday Afternoon and Evening Sale

The sales area will be open from about 2:00 (or earlier if there is a cashier and a cash register). This is a special pre-sale for workers and entrants. Get the first pick of the sale plants and pots.

## Saturday Night Banquet and Auction

The Saturday night Banquet has been a show tradition from the start. It's a great time to argue the fine points of showing and judging, and meet many fine people from the other clubs. A feature of each of the Banquets has been an auction of spectacular plants (and most surprisingly affordable) from some of the best growers and showmen. These are often the ones that appear on the trophy table in years to come. Last year's auction was the best in recent memory, but we hope to do even better this year.

Same great location as last year: Coco's Restaurant Oak Tree Room 1150 Colorado Blvd. Arcadia, at the SE corner at Michellinda. Social hour starts at 5:30 and dinner served at 6:30. The cost of the meal is \$26.00 for Adults and \$12.00 for children from 5 to 10 years, including tax and tip. The dinner will be Prime Rib, Fresh Salmon Filet or Honey Chicken Dijon with vegetables, rice pilaf, mashed potatoes, and assorted desserts, coffee, tea, milk or soft drinks. Please contact our Show treasurer, Sandra Fletcher for further information 310-538-4078. Make checks payable to ICCSS c/o Sandra Fletcher P.O. Box 3366 Gardena, CA 90246-7066.

## Show Schedule

The show schedule can be found at: <http://www.desertsong.com/sgvcss/2003/schedule2003.html> (The show schedule is unchanged from last year.)

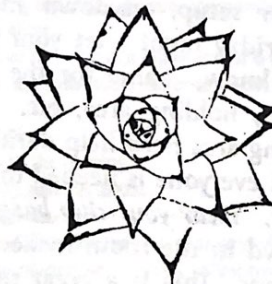
## More Help Needed

The show committee would love to have someone take over the Walks and Talks Chair. The duties are few and simple. In the spring call potential speakers and ask them to talk (they almost always say yes). At the show, announce the talk and introduce the speakers. If you are interested, please let one of the show chairmen know.

## Set-up and Take-out Times

Set-up times are from 1:00 to 7:00 on Wednesday August 13, 9:00 to 9:00 on Thursday August 14 and 9:00 to 4:00 on Friday August 15. All plants must be in place before 5 PM to allow start of judging. Take-out starts at 5:00 on Sunday August 17<sup>th</sup>. All plants must be removed on Sunday evening.

## T-Shirts & Artwork



Tom Glavich designed our show logo. Tee shirts are available at club meetings at cost.

Newsletter Editor  
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## 2003 PLANT-OF-THE-MONTH RULES

At the April, 2003 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 8 points for first place, 6 points for second place, 4 points for third place, 2 points for show/honorable mention (HM) 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

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>CACTUS</u>	<u>SUCCULENT</u>
January	<i>Ferocactus</i>	<i>Crassula</i>
February	<i>Rebutia, Sulcorebutia</i>	<i>Aeonium</i>
March	<i>Melocactus</i>	<i>Aloe</i>
April	<i>Gymnocalycium</i>	<i>Haworthia</i>
May	<i>Ariocarpus</i>	<i>Sedum</i>
June	Favorite Cacti	Favorite Succulent
July	<i>Echinocereus</i>	<i>Gasteria</i>
August	<i>Cereus</i> and other columnars	<i>Echeveria</i>
September	LBCC AUCTION	
October	<i>Mammillaria</i> clusters	Mesembs other than <i>Lithops</i>
November	Miniatures under 3"	Miniatures under 3"
December	HOLIDAY PARTY	

## 2003 POM YEAR-TO-DATE STANDINGS THROUGH JULY

<u>Advanced</u>	<u>Intermediate</u>	<u>Beginner</u>
1. Fletcher, H.&S. 143	1. Pitzer 88	5. Caceres 11
2. Hanna 60	2. Miller 85	6. Tan, S. 6
3. Hulett 24	3. Warzybok 51	1. Gillett 120
4. Duke 19	4. Williams 16	2. Jaskulski 75
		3. Crowley 22
		4. Wagner 18
		5. Krulik 14
		6. Tan, K 9
		7. Larson 6

## JULY PLANT-OF-THE-MONTH WINNERS

Judges: Kelly Griffin, Forrest Richardson, Theresa Richardson

### Cactus - Advanced

1. Gary Duke *Echinocereus stramineus*
2. Gary Duke *Echinocereus fendleri*
3. Gary Duke *Echinocereus viridiflorus*

### Cactus - Intermediate

1. Dot Miller *Echinocereus longispinus*
2. Dot Miller *Echinocereus rubispinus*

### Cactus - Beginner

1. Phyllis Jaskulski *Echinocereus reichenbachii*
2. Bob Gillett *Echinocereus fendleri*
3. Bob Gillett *Echinocereus enneacanthus*

### Succulent - Advanced

1. Jim Hanna *Gasteria armstrongii*
2. Jim Hanna *Gasteria batesiana*
3. Jim Hanna *Gasteria obtusifolia*

### Succulent - Intermediate

1. Dot Miller *Gasteria armstrongii*
2. Dot Miller *Gasteria hummalii*
3. Dot Miller *Gasteria liliputana*

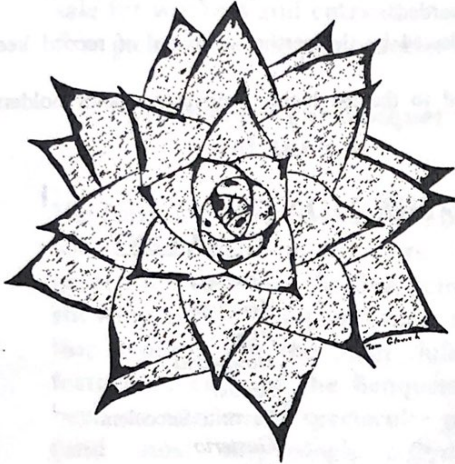
### Succulent - Beginner

1. Phyllis Jaskulski *Gasteria obtusa* "Little Warty"
2. Bob Gillett *Gasteria sp.*
3. Bob Gillett *Gasteria nigricans*



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Sat. and Sun. August 16 & 17 2003 9 to 5  
L.A. Botanic Garden  
301 N. Baldwin Ave. Arcadia, CA

The largest and finest cactus and Succulent Show Anywhere!

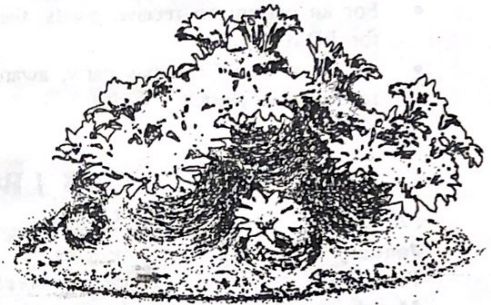


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PLANT AUCTION**

**SEPTEMBER 28, 2003 AUCTION : 12:00 P.M**



**DOMINGUEZ ADOBE  
18127 S. ALAMEDA STREET  
DOMINGUEZ, CA 90221**

(91 EAST OR WEST EXIT ALAMEDA ST. HEAD SOUTH ALAMEDA IS WEST OF THE 710)

Contact: Hank WARZYBOK 562 429-7110 or Laverne Pitzer: (562) 429-3271  
\*Sodas will be provided \*BYO Sack Lunch \* Set up: 11:00 A.M

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