

July 2003

Roadrunner News

Newsletter of the Long Beach Cactus Club

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MEXICAN MOUNTAIN HIGH

PROGRAM: KELLY GRIFFIN will present a slide lecture on his trip to Mexico this past May. He tells us, "It was a very neat trip and we found some fantastic plants, most notably *Agave parrasana*. We also found some really exciting *Echeverias* and, of course, there were lots of cacti as well. The road into Cerro Parras was just that – an exhilarating high. This is why I think "Mexican Mountain High is a good name for this talk."

Kelly is currently Curator of Succulent Plants at the Rancho Soledad Nursery. He has spoken to us previously about *Dudleyas*, *Aloes* and *Agaves*.

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, July 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: *Echinocereus*
Succulent: *Gasteria*

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 **G through L** 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.

LOTTERY FOR THE HUNTINGTON SUCCULENT SYMPOSIUM: There will be a drawing for members interested in attending the Symposium. The winner will receive free admission to the daytime program, a \$70 value. The evening dinner is not included in this offer. The winner must agree to attend the Symposium and give a brief summary of the event at our October meeting. (If you want to participate in the lottery but cannot attend this meeting please call Hank Warzybok at (562) 429-7110.) For more information on the Symposium see the notice inside this issue.

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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.

UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS

- AUG. 16 & 17** 17TH ANNUAL INTERCITY SHOW AND SALE-LA COUNTY ARBORETUM
301 NO. BALDWIN AVE., ARCADIA, CA. INFO. CALL TOM GLAVICH
AT 626-798-2430 or GENE OSTER AT 818-998-9306
- AUG. 30** HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS SUCCULENT SYMPOSIUM
ALL DAY AT THE HUNTINGTON.
- SEPT. 28** LONG BEACH CLUB ANNUAL AUCTION AT DOMINGUEZ ADOBE
18127 SO. ALAMEDA ST. COMPTON (DOMINGUEZ HILLS) CA.
- OCT. 11 & 12** ORANGE COUNTY SHOW & SALE TO BE HELD AT THE FULLERTON
ARBORETUM
- OCT. 18 & 19** SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY
SHOW AND SALE— LA COUNTY ARBORETUM ADDRESS ABOVE.

Registration:

Symposium \$70.00
Saturday dinner \$25.00

The deadline for registration is August 27th. We cannot guarantee meals for late registrants. Mail registration form and a check (made payable to *The Huntington*) or credit card information to:

Succulent Symposium
Huntington Botanical Gardens
1151 Oxford Road
San Marino, CA 91108
(626) 405-3504
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Name(s) _____

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Program _____ x \$70.00

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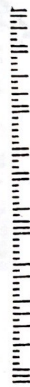
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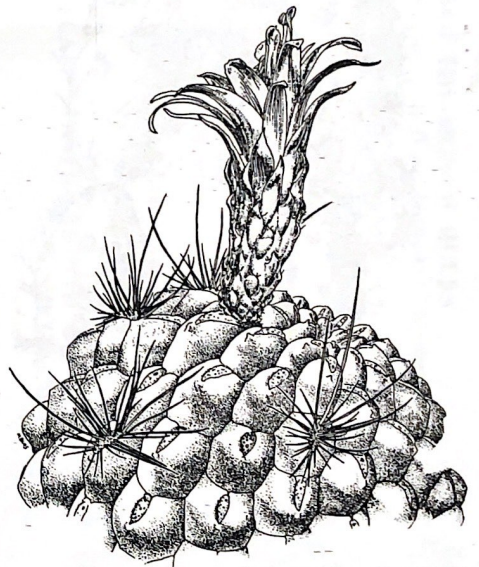


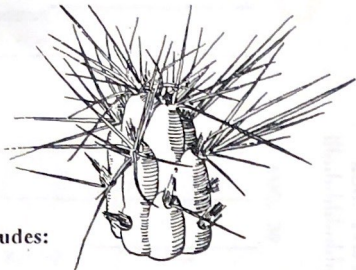
 **South America**
Center of the American Tropics

20th Succulent Plants Symposium

Saturday, 30 August 2003

Huntington
Botanical Gardens





Program includes:

James Mauseth, University of Texas, Austin, Texas, *Anatomical evidence concerning the evolution of cacti in South America*

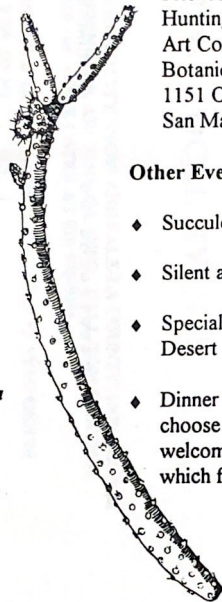
Roberto Kiesling, Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas, Instituto de Botánica Darwinión, San Isidro, Argentina, *New and rare discoveries of Argentina and Bolivia*

Carlos Ostolaza Nano, Sociedad Peruana de Cactus y Suculentas, Lima, Peru, *Peru, land of contrasts*

Guillermo Pino, Museo de Historia Natural, Lima, Peru, *Little known succulents of Peru*

James P. Folsom, Huntington Botanical Gardens, San Marino, California, *The climate and geography of South America - region of dramatic landscapes*

Loran M. Whitelock, Cycad Gardens, Los Angeles, California, *Dryland cycads of the world* (Presentation follows dinner)



Time:

Continental breakfast and registration begin at 8:30 A.M. Program, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., includes speaker presentations, silent auction, garden and conservatory special hours, refreshments, and lunch. The evening dinner (optional) begins at 6:00 p.m.

Location:

Friends' Hall
Huntington Library,
Art Collections,
Botanical Gardens
1151 Oxford Road
San Marino, California 91108

Other Events:

- ◆ Succulent plant sales
- ◆ Silent auction of rare and unusual plants
- ◆ Special hours in the Desert Garden and Desert Conservatory
- ◆ Dinner - optional (Registrants who choose not to stay for dinner are welcome to join us for the presentation which follows dinner)

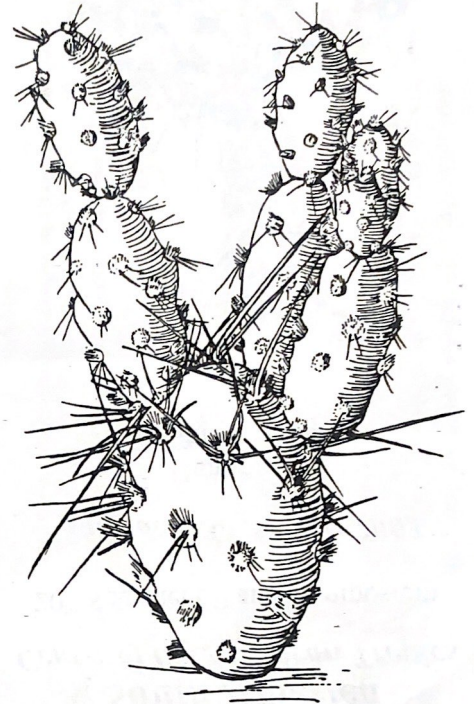


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2003 PLANT-OF-THE-MONTH RULES

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 JUNE

<u>Advanced</u>	<u>Intermediate</u>	<u>Beginner</u>
1. Fletcher, H.&S. 139	1. Pitzer 88	1. Gillett 98
2. Hanna 42	2. Miller 53	2. Jaskulski 58
3. Hulett 24	3. Warzybok 48	3. Crowley 22
	4. Williams 16	4. Wagner 18
	5. Caceres 11	5. Krulik 14
	6. Tan, S. 6	6. Tan, K 9
		7. Larson 6

JUNE PLANT-OF-THE-MONTH WINNERS

Judges: Nels Christianson, Joy Blair, Bob Gillett

Cactus - Advanced

1. H. & S. Fletcher *Melocactus violaceus*
2. H. & S. Fletcher *Echinofossilocactus phyllacanthus*
3. H. & S. Fletcher *Sulcorebutia kruegeri*

Cactus - Intermediate

1. Laverne Pitzer *Mammillaria geminispina*
2. Laverne Pitzer *Mammillaria spinosissima*
3. Laverne Pitzer *Opuntia sp.*

Cactus - Beginner

1. Bob Gillett *Epithelantha micromeris* crest
2. Bob Gillett *Ariocarpus fissuratus*
3. Phyllis Jaskulski *Mammillaria glassii v. ascensionis*

Succulent - Advanced

1. H. & S. Fletcher *Agave sp.*, dwarf variegata
2. H. & S. Fletcher *Agave felipe otero*
3. H. & S. Fletcher *Agave utahensis*

Succulent - Intermediate

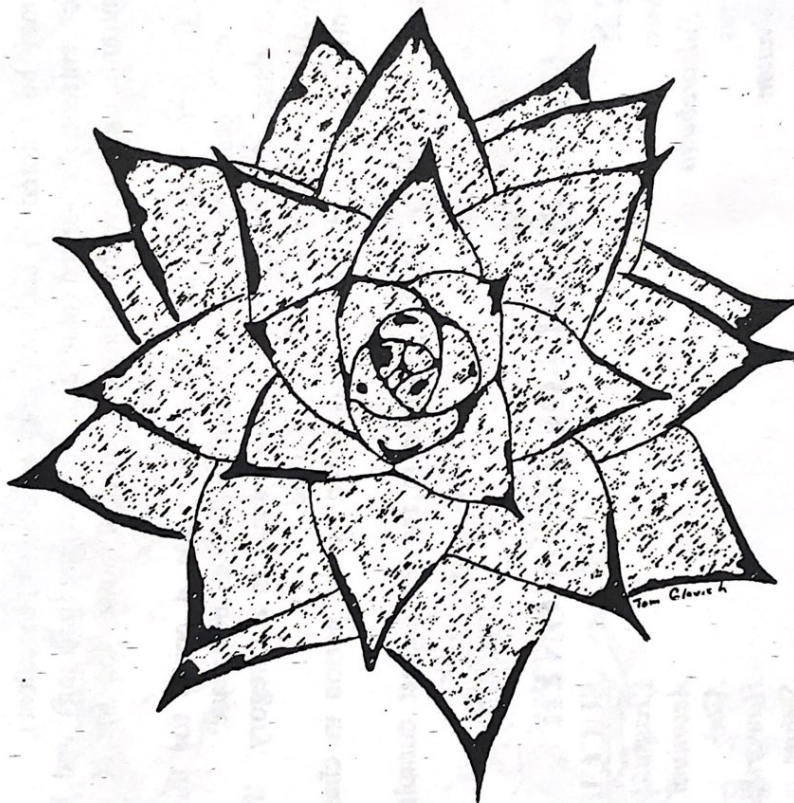
1. Laverne Pitzer *Euphorbia lactea* crest
2. Laverne Pitzer *Pachypodium horombensis*
3. Laverne Pitzer *Kalanchoe beharensis* "Fang"

Succulent - Beginner

1. Phyllis Jaskulski *Cotyledon orbiculata*
2. Bob Gillett *Echeveria* "Bittersweet"
3. Phyllis Jaskulski *Drimiopsis maculata*

**18th Annual Inter-city
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