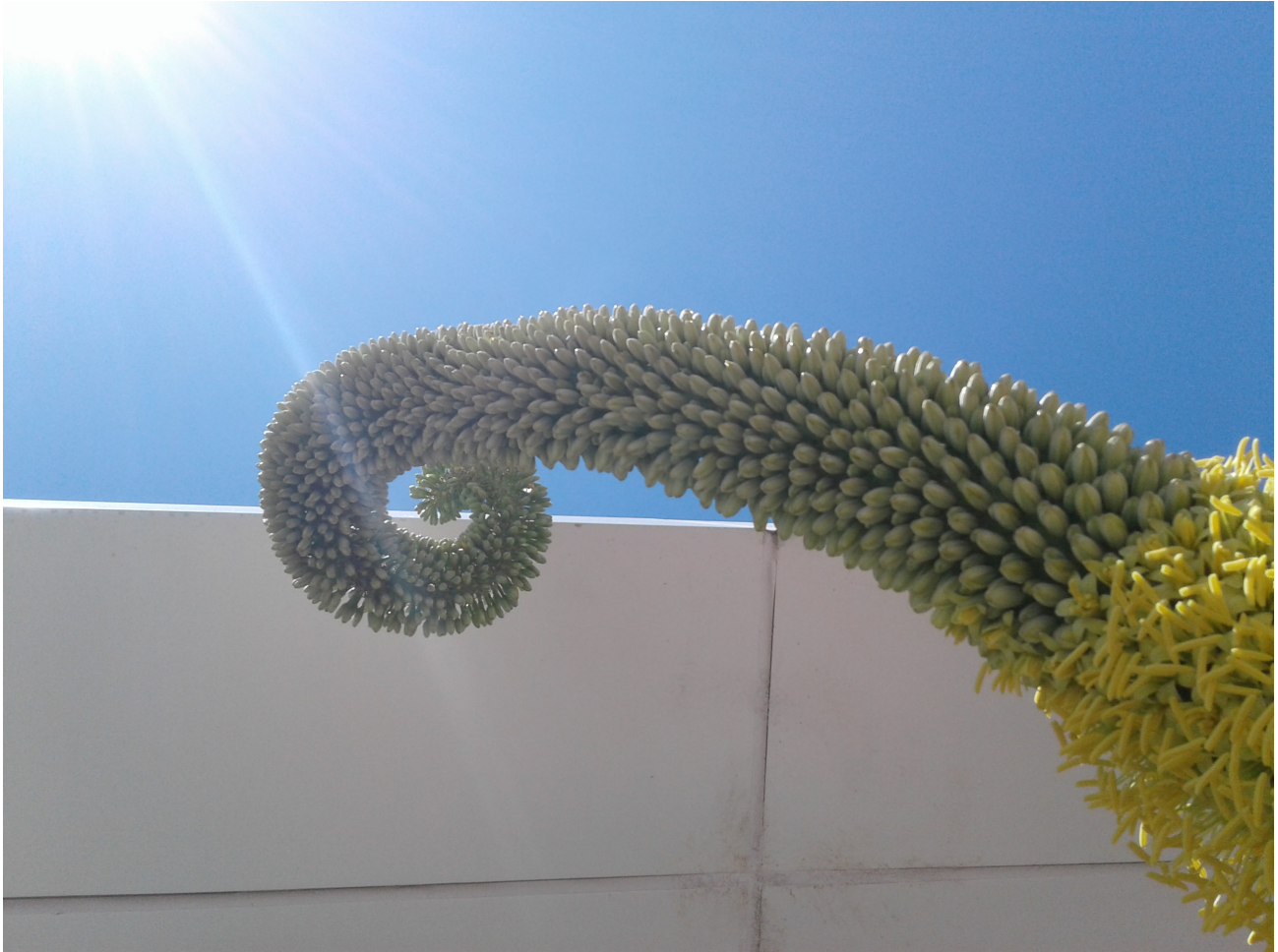


June 2019

ROADRUNNER NEWS

Newsletter of the Long Beach Cactus Club

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



Agave inflorescence near the Long Beach Airport, photo by Andrew Lander

MEETING PROGRAM: Gary Duke – “Landscaping and Micro-Climates for Small Yards”

Our own Gary Duke describes what questions should be considered when developing a plan to landscape your yard – sun angles, focal points, creating micro-climates for your special needs plants as well as how to plan for maintenance with special emphasis for small yards. He will show numerous examples of various yards and gardens to demonstrate his points and broaden our thinking.

Gary Duke is an incumbent on the Board of Directors to the Cactus and Succulent Society of America. He currently assists with auditing the CSSA finances each year and also is a member of the Honors Committee. He has been collecting cacti and succulents for over 50 years. He's an avid collector of cacti and also collects Tylecodons and Dudleyas. He is a retired Air Force officer with a doctoral degree in physics. During his military career, he moved his original and ever expanding collection of less than about 30 plants from Illinois, where he grew up, to Omaha, NE, Dayton, OH (where he started their first C&S Society, which is now defunct), San Pedro, CA, Montgomery, AL and Albuquerque, NM where he had been show chairman. He has also been President of the South Coast Cactus and Succulent Society and the Long Beach Cactus Society. Following his military career, he worked as a program manager for Boeing for 16 years. He has over 1000 different species

in his private collection and enjoys propagating them. He frequently gives slide presentations throughout southern California, including being invited to speak at the Huntington Botanical Gardens and at the Denver Cactus and Succulent Society. He has traveled to Aruba, Peru, Baja Mexico and Bolivia twice to see cacti and succulents in habitat.

TIME: Sunday, June 2nd, 2019 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please arrive at least half an hour early to set up Plants of the Month, buy plants from our vendors, ask questions regarding your plants, or socialize.

LOCATION: Rancho Los Alamitos, 6400 Bixby Hill Rd., Long Beach, CA. The Rancho is in a gated community, the entrance of which is at the south end of Palo Verde Ave. Tell the guard at the gate that you're going to the Cactus Club meeting. The meeting will take place downstairs in the Rancho Center's bullpen room.

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

PLANTS-OF-THE-MONTH:

Cactus: Favorites (3)

Succulent: Favorites (3)

FREE PLANTS: A selection of plants are given away each month, one each to first time visitors, new members, and members who have a birthday that month. The rest are raffled off to attending members.

Members are encouraged to donate any plants they would like to pass along and bring any others they would like to sell.

Long Beach Cactus Club 2019 Meeting Schedule

June 2	Peter Breslin: "Cacti of Arizona"
July 7	J. D. Wikert: "The Genus Haworthia"
Aug. 4	Gunnar Eisel – TBA
Aug. 10 & 11	34 th annual Intercity Show and Sale
Sept. 1	Kal Kaminer: "Traversing the Transvaal"
Sept. 15	LBCC annual Auction
Oct. 6	Christian Cummings: "The Cactus Store"
Nov. 3	Jeff Chemnick: The Genera of Cycads"
Dec. 1	Holiday Party

**Gary Duke presents
“Landscaping and
Microclimates for Small Yards”
and book signing at**

**10:30 am, Jun 2, 2019
Rancho Los Alamitos/Long Beach Cactus Club
6400 E Bixby Hill Rd
Long Beach, CA 90815**

**7:00 pm, Jun 4, 2019
Sunset Succulent Society
13650 Mindanao Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292**

**1:30pm, Jun 9, 2019
South Coast Botanic Garden
South Coast Cactus and Succulent Society
26300 Crenshaw Boulevard
Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274**

LBCC news by Krystoff:

- Despite the change from the usual first Sunday of the month, a total of 38 members & guests showed up on April 28th, for **Sandy Chase** presentation on Asclepiads.
- Sandy showed Asclepiads both vibrant and rare, often challenging our notion what succulents may look like.
- **Jim Hanna**, one of our oldest living members, received a special Lifetime Member name-tag (photo below); his wife, **Roberta Hanna** got one too in absentia. Not only have they been contributing to LBCC since 1981 (Jim was our Treasurer for many years) but have also been in charge of all the vendors for the Inter-City Show & Sale, which LBCC has been co-sponsoring with the other 2 clubs for the past 3 decades. So thank you.



- Most of the LBCC Board of Directors formed a working group on Messenger—**LBCC Team**—allowing us to make decisions quickly and disseminate information efficiently. It includes: **Henry Angulo** (Treasurer), **Regina Fernandez** (Publicity), **Tanisha Herr** (Membership), **Rose Bank** (Photos), **Amelia Angulo** (Publicity), **James Lemos** (Inter-City), **Nancy Halbert** (Secretary), **MA Bjarkman** (CSSA), **Gary Duke** (Christmas Party), **Scott Bunnell** (VP), and **Krystoff** (President). We are hoping soon to include the entire Board on this platform.



- 48 members—the overwhelming majority—participated in this year's **Show & Sale** on May 18th-19th, either as volunteers, vendors, or simply showing their plants (see above show plants photos).

- Crystal Eckman and her boyfriend, were visiting the LBCC Show for the first time. The visitors seemed to have been much younger this year, attracted primarily by the postings on Instagram. Some visitors had already joined the club.



- After working for months behind the scenes, **Henry Angulo**—the Show & Sale committee chair, and his core team, **Tanisha Herr, Amelia Angulo & Regina Fernandez**—staged a successful event, carefully balancing the Rancho's requirements, the needs of the 12 vendors & 48 participating members as well as the public at large. Great job! (see the core team photo above).



- Over 350 plants were on display at the Show; in fact, we even ran out of tags! **James Lemos** was painstakingly rearranging the Show plants to fit them all (see below).



- **Richard Salcedo** (see below)—who became LBCC member only this year—brought most plants to the Show: 38. He also won most of the Blue Ribbons: 10.



- Many members guarded the Show, including **Nan Halbert** and **Laverne Pitzer** (see below), **John Drake, MA Bjarkman**, **Kelly Eddy**, to ensure none of the plants would be missing.



- This year Show judges—**Gary James**, **Coni Nettles**, **Gretchen Lewotsky**—had an incredible array of plants to choose from to award Blue Ribbons. **Kathy McNair** helped out as clerk (see above).



- Many of the members showed their plants for the first time: for instance, despite his recent hip surgery, **Tim Jones** brought 2 of his plants he could not even name, only to end up winning 2 Blue Ribbons!



- **Regina Fernandez** (Publicity chair), **Aaron Goldstein** (pictured above), **Tanisha Herr**, **Amy Angulo**, **Scott Bunnell** relentlessly promoted our Show & Sale on all social media.



- During the event, not only our members but also many of the Rancho staff proudly donned the LBCC T-shirts, including **Pamela Young**, the Rancho's Executive Director (see photo).

- Since my phone # was listed as contact person, I must have answered over 30 calls during the Show; clearly, we are no longer the best kept secret in town!



- **Amy Angulo** will continue selling her beautiful LBCC T-shirts at each meeting (see Ken & Henry photo below).



*Photo by
Tanisha
Herr*

- Please continue arriving **no later than 10:30AM!**

LBCC PLANT-OF-THE-MONTHS 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.

2018 LBCC PLANTS-OF-THE-MONTH

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>CACTI</u>	<u>SUCCULENTS</u>
June	Favorites (3)	Favorites (3)
July	Ariocarpus	Agave
August	Melocactus & Buiningia	Mesembs other than Lithops
September	Crests, monstrose, & variegates	Crests, monstrose, & variegates
October	Epiphytic cacti	Pelargonium & Sarcocaulon
November	Miniatures (pots under 3")	Miniatures (pots under 3")
December	HOLIDAY PARTY, POM AWARDS	

2019 POM STANDINGS

Advanced		Intermediate		Beginner	
Gary James	52	Krystoff Przykucki	61	Amy Angulo	107
Gary Duke	32	Richard Salcedo	60	Coni Nettles	66
Jim Hanna	24	Regina Fernandez	46	Henry Angulo	49
Russel Ray	4	Andrew Lander	27	Alden Norris	44
		Mike Martin	26	Shirley Kost	25
		Scott Bunnell	18	Jim Tanner	20
		Kathy McNair	18	Tanisha Herr	15
		Jade Neely	10	The Prestons	14
		Karenn Ohlinder	1	M.A. Bjarkman	12
				Dean Woehrman	11
				Chris Bucka	6
				Lisa Weller	5
				Nancy Halbert	4
				Loyd Wilcox	3
				James Lema	2
				Jean Dare	1
				Judy Leong	1

The Succulent Bliss

by Krystoff Przykucki (pronounced Shi-koot-ski)



Gary Duke

LBCC member since 1993

Focus: Cacti

Trivia: Onetime LBCC President, Gary often hosts our Christmas Party, including this year.

Duke's Open Yard

See how his crevice garden has evolved.

23 June 2019

10:00 to 4:00pm

4660 Rio Ave

Long Beach, CA 90805

310-947-9803 cell



MA Bjarkman

LBCC member since 2015

Focus: Show Plants.

Trivia: MA represents our club at CSSA, proofreads all official documents, and confirms Speakers.



Mike Martin

LBCC member since 2013

Focus: Show Plants

Trivia: Mike is our Rancho Committee Chair;
he's been volunteering at the Rancho's historic Cactus Garden since he joined the club.



Sue Birch

LBCC member since 2015

Focus: Landscape succulents.

Trivia: Sue offered to host our future Christmas parties.



Tom Wang

LBCC member since 2017

Focus: Roof-top gardening.

Trivia: Last year, Tom volunteered at the Inter-City Show for the first time and won a number of Blue Ribbons.



Nancy Schneider Stone

LBCC member since 2018

Focus: Succulent arrangements.

Trivia: Nancy is new to the hobby and she just showed her plants for the first time at this year's Plant Show.

A Message from Gunnar Eisel, Executive Director of the Cactus and Succulent Society of America

Hi folks,

The CSSA Convention in San Luis Obispo, California, July 17th to 20th, is coming up quickly. The early registration period ends June 1st. Registrations postmarked after that date will increase to \$350. The convention theme is "Succulents: Conserving our Treasures". Conservation is of major importance to all of us, and we all need to be aware of the challenges we face and seek solutions through activism and education.

Please make a reservation at The Kinney Hotel, our recommended convention hotel. The hotel is directly across the street from the Veteran's hall, our convention venue. The special CSSA group rate is \$100 less than the regular rate for that week. Rooms are filling up quickly and are in limited supply.

If you have not been to a CSSA Convention, you will make new friends and meet people with similar interests from all over the world. It is a great time to get to know world-class speakers, spend time chatting, and compare notes.

San Luis Obispo and the Central California coast have much to offer. The climate and beautiful surroundings are wonderful and provide a perfect backdrop for our convention.

Here are some links for your convenience:

Hotel Info and Registration: http://cssaconvention.com/cssa2019/2019_Kinney_Hotel_Info.html

(click on Group Rate on the bottom of the page)

CSSA Convention Website: <http://cactusandsucculentsociety.org/>

Online Registration: <https://cssa.myshopify.com/collections/convention-registration>

Mail-In Registration: http://cssaconvention.com/cssa2019/2019registration_form.html

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Best regards,

Gunnar Eisel

Executive Director, CSSA, CSSA Convention Chair

2019 CACTUS AND SUCCULENT CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- MAY 25-26 CENTRAL COAST CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW & SALE
(10-4pm)
LUDWICK CENTER, 864 SANTA ROSA, SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA
INFO. 805-237-2054, www.centralcoastcactus.org
- JUNE 1-2 SAN DIEGO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SUMMER SHOW & SALE
BALBOA PARK, ROOM 101, SAN DIEGO, CA
INFO. 858-382-1797
- JUNE 8-9 LOS ANGELES CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY DROUGHT TOLERANT PLANT FESTIVAL
JUNE 8TH 9 to 4pm, JUNE 9th 9 to 3pm
SEPULVEDA GARDEN CENTER, 16633 MAGNOLIA BLVD., ENCINO, CA.
INFO. www.lacactus.com
- JUN 28-30 **CSSA ANNUAL SHOW AND SALE**
HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS 1151 OXFORD ROAD, SAN MARINO, CA.
PLANTS SALES START JUNE 28TH THRU JUN. 30TH, 10am to 5pm
SHOW OPENS JUNE 29th THUR JUNE, 30th 10am to 5pm
INFO. 626-405-3504
- JULY 17-20 **CSSA CONVENTION**
INFO gunnar.eisel@gmail.com
- JULY 26-27 ORANGE COUNTY CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SUMMER SHOW AND SALE.
FRI. JULY 26th Noon to 8pm, SAT. 27TH 9 to 7pm
1000 S. State College Bl., (Anaheim United Methodist Church) Anaheim, CA
INFORMATION CALL 949-212-8417
- AUG. 10-11 34TH ANNUAL INTERCITY SHOW AND SALE**
9am-5pm daily
LA COUNTY ARBORETUM, 301 NO. BALDWIN AVE., ARCADIA, CA.
INFO. CALL TOM GLAVICH 626-798-2430 or JOHN MARTINEZ 805-390-2139
- AUG. 31 HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS SUCCULENT SYMPOSIUM
ALL DAY AT THE HUNTINGTON
626-405-3504
- SEPT. 14 LOS ANGELES CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY FALL SALE
9-4pm
SEPULVEDA GARDEN CENTER, 16633 MAGNOLIA BLVD., ENCINO, CA.
INFO. www.lacactus.com
- SEPT. 15 LONG BEACH CACTUS CLUB ANNUAL PLANT AUCTION**
11-1pm
RANCHO LOS ALAMITOS, 6400 BIXBY HILL ROAD, LONG BEACH, CA 90615
INFO. 562-631-5876
- OCT. 12-13 BAKERSFIELD CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW & SALE
SAT. 10 to 5pm, SUN. 11 to 3pm
ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, 2216 17th STREET, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93304
FREE ADDMISSION & PARKING
INFO 661-8318488
- OCT. 25-27 HUNTINGTON FALL PLANT SALE
HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS, 1151 OXFORD ROAD, SAN MARINO, CA
INFO 626-405-3504
- OCT. 26-27 PALOMAR CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY FALL SHOW AND SALE
SAT 9 to 5pm, SUN 10 to 3pm
SAN DIEGO BOTANIC GARDEN, 230 QUAIL GARDENS DRIVE, ENCINITAS, CA
INFO: EventCoordinator@PalomarCactus.org

LBCC OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2019

PRESIDENT	Krystoff Przykucki [310-647-7300]	SECRETARY	Nancy Halbert
VICE-PRESIDENTS	Scott Bunnell, Ken Shaw	TREASURER	Henry Angulo
CSSA LIAISON	M. A. Bjarkman	NEWSLETTER	Andrew Lander
VENDORS/PRIZES	Jim Hanna	PROGRAMS	Woody Minnich
MEMBERSHIP	Tanisha Herr	HISTORIAN	Ken Shaw
INTER-CITY SHOW	James Lemos	MINI-SHOW	Karenn Ohlinder
LIBRARIAN	Lisa Weller	X-MAS PARTY	Gary Duke
PHOTOGRAPHER	Rose Bank	REFRESHMENTS	Amy Angulo

LONG BEACH CACTUS CLUB COMMITTEES:

Executive Committee:

Task: meetings.

Members: Henry Angulo (Tresury), Tanisha Herr (Membership), Nan Halbert (Minutes), Amy Angulo (Supplies), Woody Minnich (Programing), MA Bjarkman (Speakers), Scott Bunnell (website), Andrew Lander (Newsletter), Jim Hanna (prize plants).

Chair: Krystoff, 310-647-7300, mamathemovie@gmail.com

Rancho Garden Committee:

Task: volunteers at the Rancho's historical Cactus Garden.

Members: Alden Norris, Loyd Wilcox, Jeff Preston, Nan Halbert, John Drake, Rose Bank, Kitty Guzman, Art Guzman, Scott Bunnell.

Chair: Mike Martin, 562-743-7801, martinslb@verizon.net

Inter-City Show Committee:

Task: participation on August 10th-11th

Members: Krystoff Przykucki, Tanisha Herr, Henry Angulo.

Chair: James Lemos, 626-201-5519, jameslemos@yahoo.com

Publicity Committee:

Task: Publicity.

Members: Scott Bunnell, Andrew Lander, Rose Bank, Jim Hanna, Amy Angulo, Aaron Goldstein, Alden Norris, Jean Dare, Tanisha Herr, James Lemos, Henry Angulo, Russel Ray, David Hodgson, Chris Bucka, Richard Salcedo, Tammi Wildman, Shirely Kost, Ken Shaw.

Chair: Regina Fernandez, 562-673-7660, reginaspottery@gmail.com

May Plant Sale & Show Committee:

Task: Sale & Show on May 18th-19th.

Members: Regina Fernandez, Amy Angulo, MA Bjarkman, Loyd Wilcox, Scott Bunnell, Rose Bank, Jim Hanna, Katrina Mosher, Gretchen Lewotsky, Aaron Goldstein, James Lemos.

Chair: Henry Angulo, 562-852-2576, Hangulo111@gmail.com

Auction Committee:

Task: revenue for the club.

Members: Woody Minnich & Gary Duke.

Chair: ?

Mini-Show Committee:

Task: Plant-of-the-Month.

Members: Karenn Ohlinder (judge), Rose Bank (photos), Regina Fernandez (photos), Andrew Lander (scores), Coni Nettles (clerk).

Chair: ?

Christmas Party committee:

Task: annual holiday party.

Members: Tanisha Herr, Sue Birch, Jim Hanna, Henry Angulo.

Chair: Gary Duke, 310-947-9803, dukebb@earthlink.net

Archive Committee:

Task: documentation.

Members: MA Bjarkman, Krystoff Przykucki.

Chair: Nan Halbert (Secretary) 562-230-5853, nancyhalbert@roadrunner.com

NEWSLETTER

IF YOU HAVE ANY STORIES, cultivation tips, information about upcoming events, photos, *corrections*, or news in general about cacti and succulents that might interest our members, **please send them in.** **Comments and suggestions are always welcome.** **Remember, this is your newsletter.** Physical address: Andrew Lander, 3041 Roxanne Ave., Long Beach, CA 90808. Cyber address: landruc@gmail.com



Left to right: Roadrunner Editor Andrew Lander, Cactus Club President Krystoff Przykucki, and Rancho Los Alamitos Executive Director Pamela Young

photo by Tanisha Herr