

May 2004

Roadrunner News

Newsletter of the Long Beach Cactus Club

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

COLD HARDY CACTUS OF THE UNITED STATES

PROGRAM: **JUERGEN MENZEL**, will present a slide lecture on the cold hardy cactus of the South-west United States. Juergen is a retired chemist who first became interested in cacti forty-nine years ago. He started visiting them in habitat thirty years ago while he still lived in Germany. He made fifteen trips from Europe before moving to California in 1999. He now grows seeds for Mesa Garden and a German seed dealer. He is currently very active in the San Diego club. His presentation will feature *Pediocactus* and *Sclerocactus* in cultivation and habitat. He will be offering three or four flats of these genera and other small cacti for sale. Also included for sale will be little known *Micropuntia* from Nevada. This program will be a fascinating view of plants that are often overlooked presented by one of their biggest aficionados.

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, May 23, 2004 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:** *Stenocactus/Echinofossilocactus*
Succulent: Bromeliaceae (*Dyckia, Hechtia, Orthophytum, Puya, Tillandsia, etc.*)

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 **A through C** 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.

LBCC OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2004

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| PRESIDENT | Hank Warzybok (562) 429-7110 | SECRETARY | Lisa Smith | (562) 439-8056 |
| VICE-PRESIDENT | Gary Duke (714) 840-0505 | TREASURER | Sandra Fletcher | (310) 538-4078 |

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

COMMITTEES:

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| AFFILIATE REPRESENTATIVE | Lisa Smith | NEWSLETTER | Lisa Smith |
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| LIBRARY | Edwina Caceres | SHOW & TELL TABLE | Carol Causey |
| MEMBERSHIP | Sandra Fletcher | SUNSHINE | 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.

Southern California Cactus and Succulent Events - 2004

(PLEASE VERIFY BEFORE GOING TO THE EVENT)

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| May 22-23 | Gates Cactus & Succulent Society Annual Show & Sale 2004 , Jurupa Mountains Cultural Center, 7621 Granite Hill Dr., Riverside, CA 92509. |
| Jun. 5-6 | San Diego Cactus & Succulent Society Show & Sale , Balboa Park, Room 101, San Diego, CA. (619)477-4779. |
| Jul. 1-3 | CSSA Show and Sale , Huntington Botanical Garden, San Marino, CA. Plant sales only on the 1 st (free admission day). (626)405-2160 or 2277. |
| Aug. 14-15 | Inter-City Cactus and Succulent Show , LA County Arboretum, 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA. |
| Sep. 4 | 21st Huntington Succulent Symposium , Huntington Botanical Gardens, San Marino. |
| Oct. 9-10 | San Gabriel Valley C&SS Winter Show , LA County Arboretum, 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia CA. |

2004 LBCC PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Woody Minnich, Programs (661) 944-2784

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| Jun. 27 | Tom Knapik | CHILE. |
| Jul. 25 | Harry & Sandy Fletcher | STAGING FOR BEGINNERS. |
| Aug. | NO MEETING | INTERCITY SHOW — Aug. 14-15 |
| Sep. 26 | ANNUAL AUCTION | LBCC PLANT AUCTION. |
| Oct. 24 | Woody Minnich | RECENT MINIATURE JEWELS OF MEXICO. |
| Nov. 21 | Phil Favell | YEMEN. |
| Dec. 12 | 🌵🌵🌵🌵 | HOLIDAY FEAST, FESTIVITIES & AUCTION. |

2004 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.

2004 LBCC PLANTS-OF-THE-MONTH

| <u>MONTH</u> | <u>CACTUS</u> | <u>SUCCULENT</u> |
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| January | <i>Astrophytum</i> | <i>Agave</i> |
| February | <i>Mammillaria</i> straight spine | <i>Haworthia</i> |
| March | Opuntioideae | <i>Adromischus</i> |
| April | Crest/monstrose | Crest/monstrose |
| May | <i>Stenocactus/Echinofossilocactus</i> | Bromeliaceae |
| June | Favorite Cacti (3) | Favorite Succulent (3) |
| July | <i>Neoporteria/Neochilena</i> | Caudiciform <i>Euphorbia</i> of Africa |
| August | Inter-City Show & Sale | |
| September | LBCC Auction | |
| October | <i>Parodia/Notocactus</i> | <i>Pachypodium</i> |
| November | Miniatures under 3" (3) | Miniatures under 3" (3) |
| December | HOLIDAY PARTY | |

2004 POM YEAR-TO-DATE STANDINGS THROUGH MARCH

| <u>Advanced</u> | <u>Intermediate</u> | <u>Beginner</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Fletcher, H.&S 67 | 1. Gillett 56 | 5. Caceres 22 |
| 2. Hulett 37 | 2. Pitzer 52 | 6. Tan, S. 11 |
| 3. Hanna 34 | 3. Jaskulski 51 | 1. Luhnow 81 |
| 4. Duke 16 | 4. Miller 37 | 2. Ohlinder 56 |
| | | 3. Tan, K. 23 |
| | | 4. Crowley 8 |

APRIL PLANT-OF-THE-MONTH WINNERS

Judges: Kelly Griffin, Theresa Davis, John Luhnow

Cactus - Advanced

1. H. & S. Fletcher *Sulcorebutia* sp. crest
2. H. & S. Fletcher *Lobivia densispina* crest
3. H. & S. Fletcher *Lobivia jajoiana* monstrose/crest

Succulent - Advanced

1. Jim Hanna *Echeveria gibbiflora* hybrid mon.
2. H. & S. Fletcher *Euphorbia piscidermis* crest
3. Jim Hanna *Euphorbia kibwezensis* crest
- HM Jim Hanna *Euphorbia milii* hybrid crest

Cactus - Intermediate

1. Bob Gillett *Epithelantha micromeris* crest
2. Bob Gillett *Cereus peruvianus* monstrose
3. Laverne Pitzer ?

Succulent - Intermediate

1. Laverne Pitzer *Euphorbia variegata* crest
2. Bob Gillett *Euphorbia* sp. crest
3. Laverne Pitzer *Euphorbia kinzbenzensis* crest

Cactus - Beginner

1. Karenn Ohlinder *Mammillaria elongata cristata*
2. Kimberly Tan *Mammillaria* crest
3. John Luhnow *Mammillaria elongata cristata*
- HM Karenn Ohlinder *Cereus peruvianus* monstrose

Succulent - Beginner

1. John Luhnow *Euphorbia* sp.
2. John Luhnow *Euphorbia lactea*
3. Karenn Ohlinder *Euphorbia* sp.
3. Kimberly Tan *Euphorbia kinzbenzensis*



**GATES CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY
ANNUAL SHOW & SALE 2004**

GREEN FAIRE 2004
The Inland Empire's own

May 22nd and May 23rd
Saturday and Sunday

Children's Activity Table
Make your Own Succulent Garden

Show Hours Sale Hours
12:00 - 5:00 Sat. 9:00 - 5:00 Sat.
9:00-3:00 Sun. 9:00-3:00 Sun

**More than 400 Specimen
Cacti and Succulents on display
In a Judged Show.
Thousands of Rare and Exotic
Succulents for sale by
Gates Cactus & Succulent Society
Member hobbyists and Growers.**

Visit and Buy Plants from These
Society Members:
Inland Empire Rare Fruit Growers,
Orchid Society,
Koi Society,
SB County Master Gardeners,
Inland Iris Society,
California Native Plant Society,
Granite Hill Gardens Nursery,
Master Gardeners & Composters

WHERE?
**The Jurupa Mountains Cultural
Center**
7621 Granite Hill Dr.
Riverside, CA 92509
Between Pyrite and Valley Way
On the 60 Freeway

The Cactus and Succulent Society of America

**Cactus & Succulent
Show/Sale**

JULY 1, 2 & 3

SALE: Thursday, Friday & Saturday
OPENS: 10:30 am

SHOW: Friday & Saturday
OPENS: 10:30am

(Free Admission to Show and Sale)



Huntington Botanical Gardens
1151 Oxford Rd.
San Marino, CA 91108
For Information: (626) 405-2100

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