

*October 2020*

# ROADRUNNER NEWS

Newsletter of the Long Beach Cactus Club

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Zoom Meeting Program: **Amazing  
Adromischus and Sedum: Amazing  
Stonecrops - J.D. Wikert**

J.D. is a fisheries biologist with the US Fish and Wildlife Service working on restoration of habitat for salmon in the Central Valley and lives in Lodi California. Previously, he worked in Florida sampling fish and doing lake restoration. He is a self-trained succulent hobbyist and usually has more than 100 flats of plants in his back (and side) yards. J.D. has been actively propagating succulent plants for over 15 years and has figured out how to kill most succulent species over that time period. He is a member of both the Sacramento and Stockton Cactus and Succulent Societies, and even served a 2 year term as president for the Stockton Club.

J.D. will provide broad overviews of the genera *Adromischus* and *Sedum*. The talks will include information regarding taxonomy, distribution, cultivation, and propagation as well as providing pictures of some of the more readily available or interesting species.



# Message From the President

by James Lemos

Hello Long Beach Cactus Club,

Well, it's almost October and we are still doing Zoom Meetings. I'd hoped we would be back to doing in-person meetings by now but it's not in the cards yet. For now we just need to take care of ourselves. Wear a mask, for yourself and for the ones you care about, that is something we can all do.

We all are able to spend a little more time with our plants so they should be looking pretty good right about now. The heat got to several of my plants including some Copiapos and Agaves. They will recover hopefully but won't be the same. I'm sure some of you have similar stories. But on the brighter side, I have had lots of time to repot some plants that badly needed it. Some are ready to be repotted again but that will have to wait for the spring. Some of my aloes have really taken off and started to pup (Woot Woot). The fall is a good time for repotting your winter growers and some of your summer growers if you get to it right away. We are fortunate to live in a part of the world with a climate that many only dream of. Take advantage of it! If you need help, don't hesitate to ask.

## **POM**

Don't forget to send photos of your POMs to Chris Bucka ( [jtreecp@gmail.com](mailto:jtreecp@gmail.com) ) Everyone can participate in the Mini-shows whether you have a FB account or not. In order to vote for your favorite plants, you do need a Facebook account.

Cacti – Notocactus / Parodia

Succulents – Cotyledon / Tylecodon

## **Zoom Meeting – See the bio in the newsletter**

Our next Zoom Meeting is scheduled for October 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:00. Join us! October Zoom Meeting:

J. D. Wikert "Sedums and Adromischus"

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86225459010?pwd=K2pjbzV3emJHNzF6b2JHRGRCa2lqdz09>

Meeting ID: 862 2545 9010

Passcode: 959075

Take care everyone, and stay safe.

James

September 2020 Plant of the Month Winners  
Cacti



*Beginners 1st Place:*

*Charina Tanaka's Coryphantha pallidaa*



*Beginners 2nd Place:*

*Charina Tanaka's Coryphantha bumamma*



*Intermediate 1st Place (tie):*

*Kathy McNair's Coryphantha bumamma*



*Intermediate 1st Place (tie):*

*Richard Salcedo's Coryphantha Cornifera*



## Succulents



*Beginners 1st Place:*

*Tanisha Herr's Tillandsia xerographica*



*Beginners 2nd Place:*

*Chris Bucka's Ananas comosus*



*Beginners 3rd Place:*

*Tanisha Herr's Ananas comosus*



*Intermediate 1st Place:*

*Kathy McNair's Abromeitiella brevifolia*





*Advanced 1st Place:*  
*Maria Capaldo's Dyckia hybrid*



*Advanced 3rd Place:*  
*Maria Capaldo's Dyckia hybrid*



*Advanced 2nd Place:*  
*Maria Capaldo's Deuterocohnia brevifolia*

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