

October 2003

Roadrunner News

Newsletter of the Long Beach Cactus Club

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

LAND OF FIRE AND ICE

PROGRAM: HANK WARZYBOK will present a slide lecture on his trip to Iceland, Greenland and the Faeroe Islands. Eskimos, icebergs and volcanoes will be in evidence as well as sheep, seals, whales and perhaps even a cactus! Our president is a world traveler who last spoke to us about swimming with the manatees.

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, October 26, 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: *Mammillaria* clusters
Succulent: Mesembs other than *Lithops*

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 **R through W** 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.

HUNTINGTON SUCCULENT SYMPOSIUM REPORT: Harry and Sandy Fletcher, winners of our drawing for free admission, will give their report on what they learned at the 2003 Symposium.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS will be held at the November meeting so members will be asked to serve on the nominating committee to be formed in October. Start thinking of the position that you want to fill for next year.

BOARD MEETING: After the regular meeting (after 4:30 p.m.) there will be a board meeting at Baker's Square, 5520 E. South St., Lakewood, (562) 804-2451. Officers, board and committee members are all invited.

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:

AFFILIATE REPRESENTATIVE	Lisa Smith	NEWSLETTER	Lisa Smith
BIRTHDAY/PRIZE PLANTS	Jim Hanna	PROGRAMS	Woody Minnich
GARDEN CURATOR	Open	PUBLICITY - LOCAL	Carol Causey
HISTORIAN	Laverne Pitzer	PUBLICITY - SHOWS	Dick Hulett
INTER-CITY SHOW CHAIRMAN	Harry Fletcher	REFRESHMENTS	Edwina Caceres
LIBRARY	Carol Causey		Frances Gillett
MEMBERSHIP	Sandra Fletcher	SHOW & TELL TABLE	Carol Causey
		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.

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

MONTH

July
August
September
October
November
December

CACTUS

Echinocereus
Cereus and other columnars
LBCC AUCTION
Mammillaria clusters
 Miniatures under 3"
HOLIDAY PARTY

SUCCULENT

Gasteria
Echeveria
 Mesembs other than *Lithops*
 Miniatures under 3"

2003 POM YEAR-TO-DATE STANDINGS THROUGH AUGUST

<u>Advanced</u>	<u>Intermediate</u>	<u>Beginner</u>
1. Fletcher, H.&S. 167	1. Pitzer 116	1. Gillett 151
2. Hanna 71	2. Miller 92	2. Jaskulski 75
3. Hulett 33	3. Warzybok 65	3. Crowley 22
4. Duke 19	4. Williams 16	4. Wagner 18
	5. Caceres 11	5. Tan, K 15
	6. Tan, S. 6	6. Krulik 14
		7. Larson 6

AUGUST PLANT-OF-THE-MONTH WINNERS

Judges: Gary Duke, Dick Hulett, Skyler Richardson

Cactus - Advanced

1. H. & S. Fletcher *Cereus insularis*
2. H. & S. Fletcher *Cereus sp.*

Cactus - Intermediate

1. Laverne Pitzer *Pachycereus pringlei*
2. Laverne Pitzer *Coleocephalocereus goebelianus*
3. Hank Warzybok *Lemaireocereus thurberii*

Cactus - Beginner

1. Bob Gillett *Pilocereus glaucochrous*
2. Bob Gillett *Cereus sp.*
3. Bob Gillett *Cereus peruvianus monstrose*

Succulent - Advanced

1. Dick Hulett *Echeveria agavoides*
2. H. & S. Fletcher *Echeveria sp.*
2. Jim Hanna *Echeveria x 'Etna'*
3. H. & S. Fletcher *Echeveria gibbiflora hybrid*
3. Jim Hanna *Echeveria agavoides 'Lipstick'*

Succulent - Intermediate

1. Laverne Pitzer *Echeveria 'Pappy Rose'*
2. Hank Warzybok *Echeveria agavoides*
3. Dot Miller *Echeveria 'Lola'*
3. Laverne Pitzer *Echeveria x 'Dondo'*

Succulent - Beginner

1. Bob Gillett *Echeveria 'Bittersweet'*
2. Kimberly Tan *Echeveria sp.*
3. Bob Gillett *Echeveria 'Bittersweet'*

Long Beach Cactus Club Membership Application

2004 DUES INFORMATION -- ONE YEAR:

Regular Membership	\$ 10.00
Senior Membership (retired person, age 65 or older)	7.00
Associate (same household)	2.50

Please make out checks to LBCC (Long Beach Cactus Club) and give or send them to Treasurer, Sandra Fletcher, P.O. Box 3366, Gardena, CA 90247-7066

Renew or join on or before the Holiday Party to receive a free plant as a thank you from the club. These will be distributed at the party or in January.

NEW MEMBER RENEWAL TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____ DATE: _____

NAME: _____

ASSOCIATE MEMBER(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

HOME PHONE: (____) _____ WORK PHONE: (____) _____

E-MAIL: _____

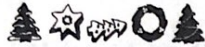
BIRTHDAY MONTH: _____ TWO MOST FAVORITE CACTI OR SUCCULENTS: _____

2003 LBCC PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Woody Minnich, Programs (661) 944-2784

Nov. 23 Regular meeting, 1:30 pm. Program to be announced

Dec. 14, 12.00p.m.



HOLIDAY FEAST, FESTIVITIES & AUCTION.

Baker's Square, 5520 E. South St., Lakewood (562) 804-2541

Dinner costs \$15.00. Choose one of four: (1) turkey dinner with salad, (2) entrée salad (Cobb, chef.), (3) a pasta dish (lasagna or chicken primavera) or (4) pot roast. Half slice of pie (apple, cherry or Xmas pie) is included. Other events will include:

- **Mini auction** of show-ready plants.
- **Plant award prizes** for those who have the accumulated highest point totals in the plant of the month competition throughout the year.
- **Free plants** for those who have paid their **2004 dues**.
- **Awards** for the best specimens in our year long **plant growing contest**.

We will have a private room. Set up will begin at 11:45 a.m. If you have any questions, please call President Hank Warzybok at (562) 429-7110.

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