

COMMUNIQUE

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY

An Affiliate of the Cactus & Succulent Society of America, Inc.
Meetings are held at **7:30 PM** on the 2nd Thursday of the month
in the Palm Room, Los Angeles County Arboretum, Arcadia
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Inter-City Show – Desert Treasures: This year's Inter-City Cactus and Succulent Show takes place on August 16th and 17th. The Inter-City Show is the largest and highest quality Cactus and Succulent Show in the world, with visitors coming from around the world. Pictures taken at the show can be found on virtually every cactus and succulent web page.

This show is one of our primary sources of new members. Many people come to the show, and then start to attend meetings to learn more about how to cultivate and display their collections. It is also a principal source of income for all three clubs, and helps pay for the speakers and hall rental for the monthly meetings and study groups.

This show has become the best in the world because of the support and participation of the members of the three clubs making up the show. We need your help to continue to produce the excellent shows. Most of all we need everyone to enter at least a few plants, particularly in the Novice category. Your plants are probably better than you think, and you will learn just how good by entering them and seeing them judged against similar plants by growers with similar experience.

We also need lots of help at the show itself. We are always in need of workers on Wednesday morning, but we also need helpers all day on Saturday and Sunday to assist at the cash registers, greet people as they enter, work at the plant holding table, and just watch the plants in the show.

This is a great opportunity to spend time with people who love cacti and succulent plants, and to see some of the most remarkable plants in the world. There is a great sale with many plants only available at this show. There are walks and talks during the day on Saturday and Sunday, where some of the best growers and propagators give out their secrets. There is an awards banquet and auction on Saturday night.

Please participate in this year's show. It takes remarkably little effort, and you will always be glad you did. We always need help, whether you signed up ahead or not.

Monthly Meeting: Join us **Thursday, August 14th** at 7:30 pm.

Joe Stead, a master propagator, will give a presentation on the propagation of succulents, which will include examples using seed, cuttings, hybridization, etc. Joe works in the Orange Coast College horticulture department and has collected plants for over 30 years. Joe is currently featured as co-author of a propagation article in the July-August Cactus and Succulent Journal.

Plants of the Month: (no write ups this month)

CACTI – *Your Favorite* **SUCCULENT -- *Your Favorite***

Everyone has a favorite plant, or two or three, so here is your chance to show off whatever plants you're most proud. **DON'T BE SHY**. The judges will, of course, be somewhat confused, but they will work it out. The usual write-ups on POM will not appear this month as the author would be writing about his favorite plants and we don't want to influence the judges.

Study Group: Wednesday, August 20th; Topic – Asclepiads

Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm in the Palm Room at the LA County Arboretum, 301 N Baldwin Avenue, Arcadia.

New Members: SGVCSS wishes to extend a warm welcome to its newest members: **Katherine Gable, Connie Eddy, Pedro Elizondo, Jennifer and Darryl Craig, Tim Harvey and Renee Klang**. Be sure to take a look at the Club's website <http://www.sgvcss.com>. If you wish to receive your COMMUNIQUE on-line please notify the editor at sgv_css@prodigy.net.

Refreshments: The following club members have signed up to bring refreshments for the August meeting: **Barbara Nolan, Marie Metsker, and Una Yeh**. Remember the first three people to sign up and bring refreshments will receive a plant.

Board Meeting: There will be a brief Board meeting on Sunday, August 17^h at 3:00pm in Ayers Hall. We will gather near the trophy table and pick a meeting location from there to discuss any issues regarding the Club.

Receptionist: A special "Thank You" goes out to **Ralph Massey** for volunteering to act as Receptionist during **Susan Weststeyn's** absence. We are still in need of another volunteer to split the responsibility with Ralph. If you would like to help out, please see **Tom Vermilion** or **Ralph Massey** at the next meeting.

Huntington Symposium: “A New Century of Succulent Plants”

Aug. 30 (Saturday) 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Last year’s symposium took a historic look back at the first 100 years of the Desert Garden at The Huntington and its remarkably diverse collection of plants. This year, a panel of guest speakers will look ahead to the future, discussing new developments in the world of succulents.

At the August meeting, we will have a drawing for two tickets, furnished by the Club, to the Huntington Symposium. To be eligible for the drawing, the member must be considered an active member and have been a member prior to January 1, 2008. Any question of eligibility will be decided by the Board. Previous winners are ineligible. A winner may give his ticket to someone else as long as that person meets the same qualifications

July 08 Plant-of-the-Month Mini Show Results

Cacti- Variegates			Succulent- Variegates		
Beginner					
1st	Cindy Arakaki	Opuntia vulgaris	1st	Calvin Arakaki	Agave potatorum
			2nd	Bill Molina	Euphorbia mammillaris
			3rd	Cindy Arakaki	Crypthanthus "It"
			3rd	Oscar Flores	Gasteria "Ghost of Carlsbad"
Intermediate					
1st	H. Birgh-T.Dodson	Ferocactus sp	1st	H. Birgh-T.Dodson	Aloe nobilis
2nd	H. Birgh-T.Dodson	Opuntia monacantha	2nd	H. Birgh-T.Dodson	Agave lophanta
			3rd	Dick Tatman	Haworthia limifolia
			3rd	Barbara Nolan	Euphorbia sp
Advanced					
			1st	Frank Nudge	Haworthia limifolia
			2nd	Tom Vermilion	Agave victoria reginae
			2nd	Rita Gerlach	Haworthia limifolia
			3rd	Rita Gerlach	Haworthia fasciata
Master					
1st	Karen Ostler	Ferocactus penisulae	1st		
2nd	Karen Ostler	Gymnocalycium paediophilum	2nd	Karen Ostler	Haworthia cymbiformis
			3rd	Karen Ostler	Haworthia lanceolata

Picnic: A big **THANK YOU** to **Joe Clements** for arranging for the Club to meet at Pitzer College for its annual picnic. Although it was a hot day, it was a great opportunity to see the grounds. “Thanks” also to **Jean Mullens** for coordinating the event and to **Horace Birgh** and **Tommy Dodson** for bringing in all those cold drinks which were greatly appreciated on such a hot day. Last, but not least, “thanks” to all of those members who helped set-up and clean-up after the picnic.

And, the winners are:

Opuntia Toss

- 1st Yvonne Hemenway**
- 2nd Rene Hernandez**
and
Paul Crist

Balloon Toss

- 1st Karen & Martin Ostler**
- 2nd Jean Mullens & Tom Vermilion**
- 3rd Eunice Thompson & Peter Walkowiak**

Egg Toss

No participants this year; maybe next year.

***CACTUS AND SUCCULENT
CALENDAR OF UP COMING EVENTS FOR 2008***

- AUG. 16th - 17th 23rd ANNUAL INTERCITY SHOW AND SALE-LA COUNTY ARBORETUM
301 NO. BALDWIN AVE., ARCADIA, CA. INFO. CALL TOM GLAVICH
AT 626-798-2430 or BARBARA HALL AT 818-368-6914**
- AUG. 30th HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS SUCCULENT SYMPOSIUM
ALL DAY AT THE HUNTINGTON**
- NOV. 8th - 9th SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY
SHOW AND SALE---LA COUNTY ARBORETUM ADDRESS ABOVE.**
- DEC. 6th - 7th ORANGE COUNTY SHOW AND SALE AT THE FULLERTON ARBORETUM
1900 ASSOCIATED ROAD, FULLERTON, CA 92831
SHOW AND SALE OPEN FROM 10AM TO 4PM
FOR INFORMATION CALL 714-870-4887**

Cactus Collection for Sale: Glen Carlzen has 600+ Cacti, Succulents and Orchids for sale in all sizes, lots of cacti for landscaping; all are in pots. Call (562) 696-7853 (house) or (562-777-5352 (cell), ask for Glen or Linda. Visitors welcome by appointment only. Email colenyx2@yahoo.com; place CACTUS in title.

23RD ANNUAL INTERCITY CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SHOW SCHEDULE



9-5 AUGUST 16 - 17 2008
LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARBORETUM
301 N BALDWIN AVE ARCADIA

HORTICULTURAL CLASSIFICATIONS

Competitive entries shall be as follows:

NOVICE exhibitor has won no more than 40 blue ribbons total in recognized CSS shows.

ADVANCED Exhibitor has won 41 or more blue ribbons. No Commercial sellers.

OPEN Exhibitor must have won 80 or more blue ribbons or be a Commercial seller of Cacti or Succulents

SET-UP TIMES

Wed. 13th 1:00 to 7:00 p.m., Thurs. 14th, 9:00 am to 9:00 p.m. and Fri. 15th 9:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The sales area will be open for pre-sale at 3:00 p.m. Fri. the 15th for workers and participants. Plants from pre-sale must be paid for and removed from the show not later than 9:00 p.m. Fri. 15th or they will be placed back in the sale area. All entrants must register their total entries in the show registrar prior to placement on tables.

Judging will begin at 5 p.m. on Friday 15th

JUDGING SCALE

Condition of plant - 60 points

Size and degree of Maturity - 15 points

Staging and presentation - 20 points

Nomenclature - 5 points

Arrangements and Displays will be at the Judges option.

Points awarded towards trophies; First = 6 points, Second = 3 points, Third = 1 point

Special Ribbons will be used as tie breakers

SHOW RULES

- The Inter-City Show is open to anyone wishing to enter. Those wishing to enter, who are not members of one of the host clubs should contact a Show Chairman at least one week prior to the show.
- Plants entered in the show competition should have been in the owner's possession a minimum of 6 months.
- All plants must be free of pests and the show committee may remove any unsuitable material from the Show or Sale at any time.
- Exhibits should be marked with the owners name not visible to the judges.
- Exhibitors are responsible for placing entry cards with exhibits prior to the judging.
- Awards and exhibits must remain until the end of the show, 5 PM Sunday August 17, 2008.
- All judges decisions are final and the Show Committee decisions are final.
- The three host clubs and the show committee will not assume responsibility for the loss or injury of property.
- The show committee reserves the right to move or adjust plants or categories, or displays, to improve or facilitate a better show.
- All commercial growers or individuals wishing to sell in the Inter-City show must either enter a display or enter a minimum of 10 plants in the Open class.
- Inch measurements as indicated in the show categories refer to the inside diameter of the pot.
- Plants with 30% or more Variegation, Crest or Monstrose may only appear in such categories.
- A Rookie novice is one who has not shown more than 10 plants cumulative.
- Plant stands may only be used in the Bonsai class or with plants that cascade below the bottom edge of the pot.
- For odd shaped pots, size is determined by adding the length and width together and dividing by two.

DIVISION I - CACTI

1	Ariocarpus up to 5"	29	Turbincarpus, Gymnocactus, Neolloydia
2	Ariocarpus solitary over 5"	30	Sclerocactus, Pediocactus
3	Ariocarpus clusters over 5"	31	Opuntia North American
4	Obregonia, Strombocactus, Encephalocarpus, Ortegocactus	32	Cereus North American
5	Astrophytum	33	Opuntia South American
6	Aztekium, Pelecyphora, Epithelantha Geohintonia	34	Cereus South American
7	Echinofossulocactus-Stenocactus	35	Copiapoa
8	Echinocactus, Echinomastus,	36	Eriocyce, Neochilenia, Neoporteria, Pyrrhocactus, Horridocactus
9	Ferocactus, Hamatocactus, Leuchtenbergia	37	Matucana, Submatucana, Oroya
10	Echinocereus clusters up to 6"	38	Rebutia, Sulcorebutia, Weingartia solitary to 4"
11	Echinocereus clusters over 6"	39	Rebutia, Sulcorebutia, Weingartia solitary over 4"
12	Echinocereus solitary	40	Rebutia, Sulcorebutia, Weingartia cluster to 6"
13	Thelocactus	41	Rebutia, Sulcorebutia, Weingartia cluster over 6"
14	Escobaria	42	Gymnocalycium up to 5"
15	Coryphantha	43	Gymnocalycium solitary over 5"
16	Cochemeia, Mammilloydia, Mammilopsis, Oemea	44	Gymnocalycium clusters over 5"
17	Mammillaria hooked up to 4"	45	Lobivia, Echinopsis, Trichocereus
18	Mammillaria hooked 4" to 7"	46	Parodia, Notocactus
19	Mammillaria hooked over 7"	47	Frailea, Blossfeldia, Mila
20	Mammillaria w/o hooks single to 4"	48	Melocactus
21	Mammillaria w/o hooks single 4" to 7"	49	Discocactus
22	Mammillaria w/o hooks single over 7"	50	Buiningia, Uebelmannia
23	Mammillaria cluster w/o hooks to 4"	51	Epiphytic cacti
24	Mammillaria cluster w/o hooks 4" to 7" spines not white	52	Any other genus
25	Mammillaria cluster w/o hooks over 7" spines not white	53	Crests
26	Mammillaria cluster w/o hooks 4" to 7" white spined	54	Monstrose
27	Mammillaria cluster w/o hooks over 7" white spined	55	Variegated
28	Pereskia, Pereskiopsis	56	Seed grown by exhibitor up to 5 years
		57	Miniature (staged as min.) 3" max pot
		58	Collection of 5 to 12 plants

AWARDS DINNER

At Coco's Restaurant Oak Tree Room 1150 Colorado Blvd. Arcadia, at the SE corner at Michellinda. Social hour starts at 5:30 and dinner served at 6:30. The cost of the meal is \$25.00. The dinner is an Italian Feast with chicken parmesan, pasta, vegetables, and assorted deserts, coffee, tea, milk or soft drinks. Please contact our Show treasurer, Sandra Fletcher for further information 310-538-4078. Make checks payable to ICCSS c/o Sandra Fletcher P. O. Box 3366 Gardena, CA 90246-7066. Deadline is 8/15/08.

An auction of show quality staged plants will be held.

DIVISION 2 - SUCCULENTS

59	Agave, Yucca up to 6" includes variegates	89	Monadenium, Jatropha
60	Agave, Yucca over 6" includes variegates	90	Ficus, Bombax
61	Calibanus, Beaucarnea, Nolina, Dioscorea, Testudinaria	91	Haworthia retusa type
62	Aloe up to 6"	92	Haworthia clusters, others, inc. Astroloba
63	Aloe over 6"	93	Haworthia single, others inc. Astroloba
64	Fouquieria, Idria	94	Gasteria (includes variegates)
65	Pachycormus	95	Pachypodium African over 5"
66	Bursera, Commiphora	96	Pachypodium Madagascar over 5"
67	Operculicarya	97	Pachypodiums under 5" All
68	Portulacaceae	98	Adenia
69	Curcubitaceae	99	Adenium
70	Cissus, Cyphostemma up to 7"	100	Lithops up to 3"
71	Cissus, Cyphostemma over 7"	101	Lithops over 3"
72	Aeonium Greenovia, Sempervivum	102	Conophytum, Lapidaria, Dinteranthus
73	Crassula, Cotyledon, Kalanchoe	103	Other mesembs without prominent roots
74	Tylecodon	104	Mesembs with prominent roots or trunks
75	Adromischus	105	Didieraceae, Alluadia
76	Graptopetalum, Pachyphytum, Tacitus, Sedum	106	Trichocaulon, Hoodia, Pseudolithos
77	Dudleya	107	Other stapeliads
78	Echeveria up to 6"	108	Fockea
79	Echeveria over 6"	109	Other caudiciform asclepiads
80	Euphorbia medusa type	110	Senecio, Hoya, Ceropegia, Dischidia
81	Euphorbia stem type up to 5"	111	Sarcocaulon, Pelargonium, Othonna
82	Euphorbia stem type over 5"	112	Sansevieria (may include variegates)
83	Euphorbia Madagascar caudiciform up to 4"	113	Bromeliaceae - Dyckia, Hechtia, etc.
84	Euphorbia Madagascar caudiciform over 4"	114	Dorstenia
85	Euphorbia other Madagascar to 6"	115	Pedaliaceae
86	Euphorbia other Madagascar over 6"	116	Ipomea
87	Euphorbia other caudiciform up to 6"	117	Bulbs
88	Euphorbia other caudiciform over 6"	118	Any other Genus
		119	Crests
		120	Monstrose
		121	Variegated
		122	Seed grown by exhibitor up to 5 years
		123	Miniature (staged as min.) 3" max pot
		124	Collection of 5 to 12 plants

DIVISION 3 - ARRANGEMENTS

125	Dish gardens, planters	126	Bonsai Cactus or Succulent
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DIVISION 4 - DISPLAYS

127	Individual Display	128	Education Display	129	Commercial Display
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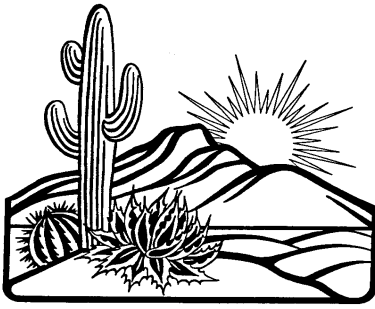
DIVISION 5 - ALLIED INTERESTS

130	Photography	131	Art work and Handicrafts
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AWARDS

First, second and third place ribbons will be awarded in each class from Divisions 1 to 5. Special Rosettes will also be given for 24 outstanding entries. Trophies kept by the winners include: Sweepstakes overall show, Best Cactus and Best Succulent in all three classes, High Points Cactus and High Points Succulents in all three classes. Other trophies awarded as perpetuals include:

Frank Horwood trophy for Best Euphorbia donated by Abbey Gardens
Doren Black trophy for Best Mammillaria donated by John Cooper
Ed Storm trophy for Best Mesemb., donated by Singer's Growing Things
Harry Johnson trophy for Best Madagascar Euphorbia donated by the C & J Nursery
Joe Ramos trophy for Best Rookie Shower Novice Cacti donated by Brigitte Williams
Tegelberg trophy for Rarest plant in Show donated by Woody and Tandra Minnich
August Brietung trophy for Best Agave donated by Darrel and Audrey Tucker
Bill Low trophy for Best Fouquieria donated by the L.A.C.S.S.
Ted Taylor trophy for Best Opuntia donated by Joe and Kitty Sabo
Otis and Lillian True trophy for Best Allied Interest donated by Joe and Carol Wujcik
Fred Hutflesz trophy for Best Epiphytic Cactus donated by Rainbow Gardens
The C.W. Elliott trophy for Best Collection donated by Sharon and Bob Thoerner
Best Caudiciform trophy donated by House of Cactus
Best Ariocarpus trophy donated by Larry Grammer
Best Argentine Cactus trophy donated by Victor Turecek
Best Crested Cactus donated by Betty & Ed Gay
Best Chilean Cactus donated by Betty & Ed Gay
Best Haworthia trophy donated by C.W. Elliott
Best Madagascar Plant other than Euphorbia donated by Dave Grigsby
Best Echinocereus trophy donated by Steve Plath
The Peoples Choice trophy donated by Jim and Roberta Hanna
Best Rookie Shower Novice Succulents donated by Artie Chavez
Best Pachypodium donated by Tom and Carol Loehman
Best Aloe trophy donated by R.S.V.P.
Best Asclepiad trophy donated by Sandy Chase,
Best Astrophytum trophy donated by Cactus Data Plants,
Best Gymnocalycium trophy donated by Jim and Ronnie Leong,
Best Cereus trophy donated by Brigitte Williams,
Best Rebutia- Sulcorebutia trophy donated by Steve Frieze,
Best Gasteria trophy donated by Pat and Andy Staab,
Best Native U.S. Cactus trophy donated by Charles and Joann Spotts,
Best Echeveria donated by R.S.V.P.,
Best Crested Succulent donated by Dave and Eileen Tufenkian,
Best Staged Plant in honor of Mike Buckner, Larry Grammer and Steve Southwell
donated by Cactus Data Plants,
Best Miniature Plant donated by Dick and Lupe Hulett's Pet Plants,
Best Bonsai Succulent in honor of Dennis Junke donated by the L.A.C.S.S
Tony and Rose d'Atilio trophy for Best Display donated by Joyce and Michael Buckner,
Best Crassula donated by Norma Lewis,
Best Variegated Cactus donated by Gene and Laura Oster
Dick Hulett Trophy for Show Spirit
Ellen Low Trophy for best Anacardiaceae



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If you have a cactus or succulent related event that you'd like to have announced in the **COMMUNIQUE**, please forward the information to the address given below. Please verify event dates - sometimes events are rescheduled or canceled without adequate advance notice. Articles, Notices and Corrections can be sent via E-mail to: sgv_css@prodigy.net or via post to: San Gabriel Valley Cactus and Succulent Society Newsletter Editor, c/o Evelyn Stevens, 10119 ½ E. Olive St., Temple City, CA 91780-3345. Material must be received by the last Thursday of the month to be considered for publication in the next issue of the **COMMUNIQUE**.

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