



*Gates Cactus
and
Succulent Society*

AUGUST 2005

NEXT MEETING: " WEDNESDAY " AUGUST 3rd

AT THE SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY MUSEUM

I- 10 AT CALIFORNIA STREET IN REDLANDS, CA.

7:30 PM

PROGRAM

Karen Ostler is an active member of several plant societies and groups, but her main love is Cacti and Succulents.

She has specialized for several years in Mammillaria and has put together a show about these interesting Mexican plants.

Karen's program will be a lot of fun (because she always is!) and should be extremely interesting and educational. Bring a friend and get them interested in these wonderful plants..

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

August 2005, we can only hope that it is not as hot as July. Not only hot, but we got caught in a terrific rain storm on Sunday. Unbelievable, 100 degrees one minute and pouring rain the next. Where are we, Arizona? Kansas?

We are looking forward to our speaker for August. Karen Ostler is a lot of fun and has interests that far exceed just growing cacti. Her talk should be fun and very educational.

Tee Shirts and Ball Caps

Your Board of Directors is looking into producing T-Shirts for next year before the Show & Sale

We would like to get started with our own series of shirts depicting cacti and or succulents. The

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shirts would be produced to coincide with our annual Sale and Show.

We have the name of the company that produces the shirts for the Intercity Show. We are now beginning our search for designs. If you have a good drawing or picture of any of your favorite plants, we will look at using it for our first shirt.

In conjunction with T-Shirts, we will look in to Ball Caps with our Gates C&SS logo on them.

Web Site

We have decided to begin a Gates C&SS Web Site. It should be up and running by the end of August. The main purpose of the site will be information about our meetings, events, newsletter, shows, etc. The name of the site will be **GatesCSS.org**. For a brief look at what it will look like you can go to www.pricklypalace.com and click on the Gates Logo.

HOT! HOT! HOT NEWS ITEM!!

The Gates Web Site is up and running. Take the time to go look at it right now. It is a great work and we thank Buck for getting it up so quickly. (ed.) www.gatescss.org.

Free Tickets

One more bit of news concerns our monthly Mini-Show. We keep trying to convince some of our more shy members to participate in the Mini-Shows. We will begin a new policy of enticement. Every person (entity) that enters plants in the monthly Mini-Show will receive a raffle ticket for that month's drawing. That's one ticket regardless of the amount of plants that you are showing.

Free Plants

And if that's not enough the club is going to back to an old system of welcoming guests at our meetings. First time guests and new members attending their first meeting after joining (or on the same night as they join) will receive a Free Plant grown by one of our member growers. This new policy begins in August.

Dates to Keep in Mind

August 20&21 the Intercity Show and Sale at the LA Arboretum is a must see. 2000 plants on display at the Show.

Saturday Sept 24, is the annual Gates C&SS BBQ at the Jurupa Mountains Cultural Center. Get your Cactus Cook-Off recipes together, this event is a lot of fun. The Gala Fun starts at 4:00pm, eating starts at about 5:30. More in next month's Open Gates Newsletter.

See you at the meeting, Wednesday August 3.

Buck

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SPECIAL NOTICE (Again)

Beginning July, 2005 Meetings of the Board of Directors will be held at the Jurupa Mountains Cultural Center.

Meetings will be at 7:00PM, on the third Tuesday of each month except December.

Everyone is invited to attend and offer comments. Will you join us?

MINI-SHOW RESULTS FOR JULY 2005

PHOTOGRAPHS cactus and succulents

Dennis Kucera judging

NOVICE small, 4 x 6 inches or less

1st Edna Osborn Notocactus? with flowers

2nd Edna Osborn cactus with flowers

NOVICE LARGE, over 4 x 6 inches

1st Marie Hempy Epiphyllum flower

ADVANCED small 4 x 6 inches or less

1st Bertie Lou Hazell Epi. flower orange

2nd Bertie Lou Hazell Epi. flower pink and red

ADVANCED LARGE, over 4 x 6 inches
1st Buck, Yvonne Hemenway
Oreocereus family

ADVANCED PHOTO COLLECTION
1st Kimberly Urman 6 Photos 1 one frame

INTERMEDIATE CRAFT
1st Alice Beardsley Wall Hanger, cactus stitch in

MINI-SHOW SUBJECTS FOR AUGUST 2005

Cactus and succulents, any species that are *monstrose, variegated and, or crested.* Two each large or small.

Cactus and Succulent Events

Aug 5~11, 31st CSSA Convention, Phoenix, AZ

Aug 20~21, 18th Intercity Cactus Show & Sale, LA Arboretum, 301 Baldwin, Arcadia 626.798.2430



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Our Very Best Birthday Wishes to these members:

- 8/01 Bill Sanabria (72)
- 8/05 Cindy Hand (58)
- 8/07 Queenie Myers (83)
- 8/10 Barbara Lauck (55)
- 8/17 John Zasadzinski (84)
- 8/20 Betty Caldarelli (72)
- 8/27 Ric Newcomer (70)
- 8/29 William Dwyer (55)

How about those Birthdays??? The junior senior this August is 55!! And Bill and Barbara achieving their senior rating. We are especially proud of all our seniors, many of whom still attend meetings

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES.

Our congratulations and Bst Wishes for the Future to all:

- 8/03 Mike Maggai & Mike Nicholas (7)
- 8/07 Tu & Dan Copeland (35)
- 8/13 Helen & Bernie Teunissen (62)
- 8/24 Valsa & Bill Dwyer (5)
- 8/28 Susan & Gary Sims (35)
- 8/30 Ann & John Reynolds (45)

Our congratulations to all and Best Wishes for your Future.



MINI-SHOW SUBJECTS FOR 2005

AND A HAPPY NOTE FROM JOYCE ALLEN

Sorry for not attending meetings..my health is fine, I have not been sick for over a year, not even a cold, but since September of last year I have been taking care of my dearest friend and neighbor who had a stroke. Even though I have someone come in several times a week to "care give"...I drive her to Palm Springs twice a week for therapy, Mondays and Wednesdays, getting home around four, and not feeling up to driving to Redlands after that; do her shopping, drive to Kaiser in Riverside for doctor appointments, etc...she and I have been friends for over thirty years..now that Spring is here, I can get outside with her, and work around my garden, and still keep an eye on her. I have been making pots of succulents to give away as gifts, and that keeps me BUSY..I was taking two classes, but had to drop them both, one in ceramics and one beginning guitar...hope to get back to them soon. Here is a photo of the bowl I made and the plants I put in it as a gift last week.....Hello to everyone...will get back as soon as I can...check is in the mail (smile) Oh yes, I see Irene from time to time, and talk with Joella...and get emails from the Pickoffs...

We await your return Joyce.

AUG. 3 Succulents and Cactus, Monstrose, Variegated and Crested, 2 large,2 small

SEPT. 7 Cactus Rebutia, Lobivia
Succulents Adenium, Pachypodium
Plumeria

OCT. 5 Cactus Parodia
Succulent Mesembryanthemaceae

And Special Category - Dead cactus

1 each of; single specimen

Or Planter with 2 or more dead cactus

Or Arrangement with dead cactus

OTHER TABLES

Plant Sales, Discussion, and Refreshments Tables will be open for the June 2005 Meeting.

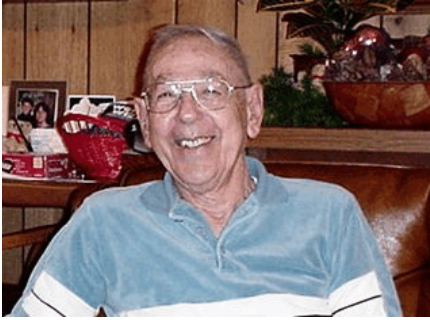
If you can, bring some 'Goodies' to support the ***Refreshment Table.***

And a special thank you to those who frequently bring the goodies we enjoy so much.

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THIS and THAT

Leo Pickoff



Cynical sayings: We are born naked, wet, and hungry, and get slapped on our backside ... then things get worse

Rules of the Air for Pilots: The propeller is just a big fan in front of the plane to keep the pilot cool. When it stops, you can actually watch the pilot start sweating

It has warmed up. Two record days of 104. Then, we are having days of 102, 101, and 99. All this and no rain. With the above temperatures, I have discovered that I can go outside and stand in the shade for fifteen minutes and be soaking wet and it isn't raining.

Have been reading how dangerous it is for old people to be out in the heat which can lead to dehydration and heat stroke. However, this old people (pardon the grammar) has to go out and spread mulch in the flowerbeds to help hold the moisture in. It is taking me a long time because I can't stay out too long. It's that old man thing.

We finally have had rain. It cools things off a little bit but not for long. The bad thing is that the humidity goes up and then the temperature. It isn't nice outside. Therefore, I stay inside.



I had mentioned that sometime in the future I would write about our flower garden. It is current.

Succulents are history. When you

get rid of your show plants and those being groomed for future show plants, that hobby becomes part of your past history. The present is a flower garden. The few succulents we still have are nice and we hope we can keep them alive and looking nice.



Top Left bed starts at gate. First plant is a Coral Berry. Next plants are Texas Hummingbird Mint. Towards the back is the Turks Cap. At the back of the next picture are Cone Flowers.

For a little closer view, see the bottom picture. We plan to add more of those. The larger plant is one of our Crape Myrtles. In front of the bed we have planted Yarrow. In the morning I'll go find out what that is behind the Yarrow. It is a Sage with blue flowers. We are amazed at how many sages there are. The plants have grown so much there isn't much bare ground visible. If anyone would rather have pictures covering smaller area and better view of individual plants. Tell me.