

CENTRAL ARIZONA CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY

May 21, 1995 2:30 p.m.

Webster Auditorium

Board of Directors

1 p.m. Archer House

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE FROM OUR REGULAR MEETING DATE. We moved the date so it would not interfere with Memorial Day weekend. PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE. Because we moved the date, we have to start later as the auditorium will be in use until 2:30.

Our SILENT AUCTION is always eagerly awaited as it is a chance to buy plants propagated by our members or surplus plants from our collections. It is also a chance to clear out extras to make room for something you haven't tried before.

We believe it will be o.k. with DBG to park in the back to unload our plants then move our cars to the parking lots in front.

CALENDAR: May 21, 1995, 2:30 p.m. Silent Auction

June 18 - 23, 1995 Cactus & Succulent Society of American Convention
Tucson, Arizona.

Note on the Convention: After May 15, 1995, the Registration Costs go up!

Welcome to new members: Dr. Curtis Hamann, 3400 East McDowell, Phx. AZ 85008
(225-9090)

Arthur & Jean Humble, 6630 E.Horseshoe Ln. PV, AZ
85253 (948-5323)

THANK YOU to Marge Jantz for taking notes and typing last month's Newsletter.

THANK YOU to Jim Elliott for the recap of the show, list of award winners and for directing a great exhibition!

THANK YOU to Debra Korobkin for the inserts she provides for the newsletter to keep us informed.

THANK YOU to all the exhibitors in our very successful show and to all the volunteers who gave their time helping to get the plants entered, arranged for showing and judging and then answering questions from the public.

Joan Skirvin, Secretary

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SHOW RESULTS - APRIL 1995

<u>TROPHIES AWARDED</u>		
	<u>EXHIBITOR(S)</u>	<u>TOTAL or PLANT</u>
1. Sweepstakes, total points sponsored by Phoenix Home & Garden	Electra & Jim Elliott	366 points
2. Mieg Trophy, most blue ribbons sponsored by CACSS	Electra & Jim Elliott	56 blues
3. Cactus Sweepstakes, most blues in cactus, sponsored by Arizona Cactus Sales	Electra & Jim Elliott	36 blues
4. Best Collection (cactus) by Elaine Chapman in memory of Jack Taylor	Edra Drake	Gymnocalyciums
5. Best Aizoaceae by Fran Tolleson and Bud Terrell in memory of Vikkie Bone	Electra & Jim Elliott	Conophytum ornatum
6. Best Euphorbia by Elaine Chapman in memory of Lewis Steichman	Electra & Jim Elliott	Euphorbia polygona cv. "Superwhite"
7. Best Novice Cactus by Frank Hennessey in memory of Philomena Hennessey	Pat Korach	Oreocereus celsianus
8. Best Novice Succulent sponsored by Frank Hennessey	Scott McMahon	E. persistens, var. swaziland
9. Best Arizona Native CACSS Board of Directors Trophy	Lisa & Rod Northrop	Coryphantha recurvata
10. Best Monstrose or Crest sponsored by Rod & Lisa Northrop	Lisa & Rod Northrop	Hoodia gordonii, crested form
11. Best Cactus of Show	Electra & Jim Elliott	Mammillaria compressa
12. Best Succulent of Show	Electra & Jim Elliott	Agave ferdinandi-regis
13. Best Seedling	Tim Chapman	Epithelantha micromeris
14. Best Cactus, Sect. I	Electra & Jim Elliott	Mammillaria compressa
15. Best Succulent, Sect. II	Lisa & Rod Northrop	Hoodia gordonii, crested form
16. Best Decorative Planter	Electra & Jim Elliott	Mammillaria magnimamma
17. Best Specimen Planter	Electra & Jim Elliott	Agave ferdinandi-regis
<u>ROSETTES AWARDED</u>		
	<u>EXHIBITOR</u>	<u>PLANT</u>
<u>Best Cactus</u>		
Novice	Pat Korach	Oreocereus celsianus
Advanced	Debra Korobkin	Mammillaria lenta
Masters	Electra & Jim Elliott	Mammillaria compressa
<u>Best Succulent</u>		
Novice	Scott McMahon	E. persistens, var. swaziland
Advanced	George Lombard	Haworthia herbacea
Masters	Lisa & Rod Northrop	Hoodia gordonii, crested form.

WHAT A SHOW!

Our 1995 Cactus and Succulent Show is history and turned out to be a great success with the public and our new sponsors: Phoenix Home and Garden Magazine.

Cold windy weather with some rain thrown in for good measure made entry day rather trying but we got it done. There were 24 exhibitors with 899 entries plus one excellent educational display. The new venue of setting up in a tent led to glitches such as no receiving area, intermittent lights, and continual traffic control problems: we had the traffic and the Desert Bloom staff had the control problems.

Judgement day (Thursday) brought much better weather and the six judges had selected the winners, near winners, and honorable mentions by 3:30 p.m. Our volunteer clerks, tally masters, and assorted early arrivals got the show in top shape for our Club Award presentations at 7:00 p.m.

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday more teams of volunteers were on hand to answer questions from the many hundreds of visitors to the Desert Bloom program. I am never given to modesty so will not change for this article: The Cactus Show was a major attraction and has been enthusiastically asked back for 1996!!!

THAT ENDORSEMENT IS THE BEST MEASURE OF THE FINE WORK OF OUR VOLUNTEERS AND EXHIBITORS. We were given a place on center stage and the Club's members got rave reviews throughout the Desert Bloom. This major exposure has accomplished much in terms of spreading the word of our hobby and the beauty and variety of desert plants. We picked up new members from the show exposure and generated a lot of interest along the way.

We have a lot of people to thank, among them our very capable judges:

Rita Anthony, owner of The Wild Seed (345-0669);

Cathy Babcock, CACSS member and senior horticulturist at DBG;

Bob Moulis, CACSS member, hobbyist, all-around good guy;

Jim Oravetz, Landscape consultant at Desert Winds Nursery (867-8140), also past president of CACSS; and

Dorothy and John Pasek, co-owners of Plantas del Sol, an exceptional new cactus and succulent nursery in Tucson (520) 682-8883.

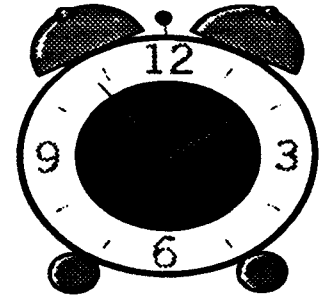
Each year our Club must find a half dozen people like the judges listed above who are willing to take a day out of their life to help make our show a success. They normally labor in complete anonymity with a complimentary lunch as their only pay. This year we had a poster with their professional affiliation up throughout the show and gave each of them an engraved key ring. It still isn't much so if you get a chance to tell them, let them know just how much we appreciate their help.

Fourteen (14) of our 24 exhibitors are Novices. That is a great showing for our new blood. Although these 'Novice' growers are newcomers to our annual shows, you could not tell it from their plants! Many of the most outstanding plants came from our Novice entries and the range of their interests bodes well for future shows. Most of the seedling entries were from novice growers and their more mature plants matched up very favorably with the Advanced and Masters. Way to go--and--keep it up!

Thanks to everyone who volunteered or exhibited. You have set high standards. Sincerely, Jim Elliott '95 Show Chairman.

SILENT AUCTION

Central Arizona Cactus & Succulent Society



BEFORE

1. Please help to set up the tables and arrange the auction items.
2. MARK each item with a tag including the name of the plant or item and an opening bid.
3. PLACE large landscape plants/items along the walls and tape a bid tag above it.
4. PLACE a timer and bag/box on each table.

DURING

1. MARK the tags for the plants/items you want with your name and a higher bid than the name before you.
2. CHECK your bids frequently to be sure that your name was the last.
3. STOP bidding at a specific table when the timer at that table goes off.
4. CONTINUE bidding at open tables until all timers have finished.

AFTER

1. GATHER your winning bid tags.
2. BRING your tags and checkbook/cash to pay the cashier.
3. Any plant/item that does not have a bid at the end of the auction may be purchased for the opening price. There are some great bargains!
4. Please help in taking down the tables and clearing the auditorium after the auction.

April 24, 1995

SAMPLE TAG

FEROCACTUS GRUSONII	\$.50
Electra	.50
Bob W.	.75
Doyt	1.25

TIPS--

- **INCLUDE** the name of plant/item. Plants without names do not sell well!
- **INCLUDE** an opening bid. Keep the amount lower than the actual value of the item to promote competitive bidding!

Thanks for your donations and participation!