



March 1, 1990

CENTRAL ARIZONA
CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on March 25th at the Boyce-Thompson Arboretum near Superior. Meet at the new entrance at 10:30. There will be a special tour set up for us. Bring a picnic lunch to eat after the tour, the meeting will be held after lunch and the return to Phoenix. If you wish to furnish/be a part of a carpool to drive to Superior, contact Jim Elliott who is coordinating the car pools.

A NOTE OF SADNESS: It is with sadness that we report the passing of Skippy Burbick. Skippy was well known and liked among the club's membership and was a true cactophile. Skippy's wish was that her collection go to the Society to be used as seen fit. We did have a member's only sale after the last meeting which has so far netted the club over \$500. Jim & Electra Elliott are caring for the plants that were not sold, and they will be available at the sales table at future meetings. Memorials in Skippy's name can be sent to Elaine Steichman at the Society's post office box.

IIIIIIITTTT'S SHOWTIME! The show is just around the corner and everything is coming together pretty well. We will be entering the plants on TUESDAY April 3rd, from about 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. The judging will be WEDNESDAY morning. The show will be open to the public from Wednesday afternoon until Friday afternoon. We will ~~Hold~~ our April Meeting on Friday evening the 6th. This will be a combination awards meeting and show teardown. The winning plants will stay in Webster to be moved onto the patio Saturday A.M. for the Garden's Festival. All members are encouraged to show plants; a small collection (no less than one plant, please) to as many as you wish to bring. ~~At the time this newsletter was "put to bed"~~ The list of classifications & show rules had not been finished. ~~They will be mailed under a separate cover.~~ IS ENCLOSED.

VOLUNTEER'S NEEDED: The DBG semi-annual plant sale is open to the public on March 24 & 25. C.A.C.&S.S. will have a membership booth there. We need volunteers to man the booth and volunteers to assist the Garden personnel in answering questions about the plants for sale. Contact Jim Oravetz or Ken Jantz to volunteer.

NEW COMMITTEE: A new committee post was formed at the last board meeting—that of New Member Co-ordinator. Marge Jantz is chairing that committee. Her responsibilities will be to welcome new members into the Society and help them get oriented into the group. She would like to solicit passes (GATE PASSES, GATE PASSES) from those who are members of the DBG. Since prospective members will probably pay at the gate for their first meeting, the passes will be given out as a "refund" and to encourage their return to the Garden or the Society if they don't join right away. Please send one or two passes to Marge at our post office box.

SPECIAL GARDEN EDUCATIONAL EVENTS: The Garden hosted a wildflower photography seminar the first weekend in March. It consisted of a 3 hour lecture on Thursday, shooting sessions in the Garden on Sat. & Sun. mornings, with a critique of the photos on Sat. & Sun. evenings. This was sponsored by the National Wildflower Society

and Eastman Kodak. Despite the lack of wildflowers due to the dry winter, there were lots of blooms and textures to photograph. If the garden hosts another seminar of this type in the future, it is well worth learning a new aspect of our hobby.

NOTE: For those wishing to contact the Garden on behalf of the Society, please note that our point of co-ordination is Mary Irish.

HELP THE ZOO: The Phoenix Zoo needs spineless Opuntia pads to feed to their turtle collection. Mike Gallagher will convey the pads to the Zoo. If you are going to be tidying up your Opuntia's this spring, please try and get the pads to Mike rather than throwing them in the trash.

FEBRUARY MEETING: Held Feb. 25 at Webster Auditorium. Mr. Tom Jenkins gave two slide presentations, one on the Succulents of Namibia and one on the Cactus of Chile. Tom's program was very light and enjoyable. Frank Hennessey gave a short talk afterwards on preparing plants for the upcoming show. After the general meeting a sale of Skippy Burbick's plants was held.

NEW MEMBERS: Please welcome the following new members:

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