



Sept, 1991

**CENTRAL ARIZONA
CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY**

BRING PLANTS FOR SILENT AUCTION!

The next meeting of the Central Arizona Cactus and Succulent Society will be on September 29, 1991 at 2:00 p.m. in Webster Auditorium at the Desert Botanical Gardens. There will be a Board meeting at 1:00 p.m. in the Archer House. All members are welcome to attend the Board meeting.

Our annual Silent Auction will be held at the September meeting. All members and their guests are welcome to participate in the Silent Auction. The way the Silent Auction works is: members bring in plants, lots of plants, the more and different plants we have, the more money will be raised for the Society; along with a piece of paper with the name of the plant on it and a starting price, (if you do not know the name of the plant, bring it in anyway), with a place for other members to write their names along with their bids; timers are set on each table with a different time set to go off and when the timers go off, whoever was the last person to write their name and bid on the paper gets to buy the plant when the auction is over for the price they bid. Bid are usually increased by at least 25¢ each bid. Since this is our main fund raiser, everyone is encouraged to participate. If you do not have plants to bring in and would like to bring in plant labels, pots, or any other related items, feel free to do so and they will be put up for bid the same as the plants. It is suggested you bring in a box or some container to carry any plants you purchase home. We will also need approximately 8 to 10 timers and if you have one that you will bring in, please let me know. My home number is 939-2529 or work 542-3702. This is a real fun meeting and it helps the Society earn money.

Plans were finalized for our outing scheduled for October 5 and 6, 1991, at The Don's Base Camp. It will cost the group that

attends \$25.00 for the use of the campgrounds. Each person will be charged \$2.00 for the weekend or \$1.00 for those who attend for one day. A potluck is planned for 5:30 p.m. on Saturday and a potluck brunch for 10:30 a.m. Sunday morning. Everyone is to bring an item to share at each potluck in addition to any other food they may want. You will also need to bring your own beverages, ice, silverware, plates, napkins, and chairs. We are planning to have a campfire Saturday evening and you will need to bring anything you would like to eat or drink during that time. If anyone has a musical instrument or any other entertainment for the weekend or campfire, please bring them. In other words, this is to be a "let your hair down", have a good time, and get more acquainted weekend. Guests are welcome at the same fee as members. Tent and RV camping are available as well as an area that will hold approximately 50 sleeping bags. You will need to bring your own sleeping bag. Facilities include a covered ramada, restrooms, and water and the facilities are easily accessible. Everyone is welcome for the entire weekend or for any part thereof. There are a lot of desert plants to see and trails for hiking for those who are interested. Attached is a map with directions. If you have any questions, contact Larry Fischer at 438-9213.

Our condolences to Frank Hennessey in the passing of his wife Phil on September 7. We will all miss her pleasant smile. Ilza Hahlo is not feeling well and a cheery card may help brighten her day.

The October meeting will be at Arizona Cactus Sales, owned and operated by Jim and Electra Elliott. This is the only native plant and landscape nursery in Arizona. A 10% discount will be given to members of CACSS and 10% of sales will be donated to CACSS.

A big thank you goes to Tim Chapman for all his time and effort in putting together a list and a brief description of each book in the Central Arizona Cactus and Succulent Society Library. If anyone has ever worked on a project like this, you are aware of all the time and work involved. Anyone wishing to check out one of these books or receive a copy of the list, contact Tim at 230-7687. Tim also mentioned that the book "Cacti of Texas" by Weninger,

donated to the library by Debra Korobkin is not in the library. If anyone has this book, please return it to Tim or contact him so we know who has the book.

Debra Korobkin mentioned that she will be making a trip to Texas and if anyone has a wish list of plants from that area, contact her and she will see what she can do, 493-7003. She will need the money before her trip in October.

Minutes: A Chairperson is still needed for our Show in the Spring. If you are interested, please contact Ken Jantz at 860-2427. New Bylaws were passed out and copies are available to those members who are interested. Of importance to all members is Article IV, Paragraph 9, regarding amounts spent by members for reimbursement. Any amount over \$50.00 requires Board approval and must be approved before the money is spent. Larry distributed a new form to be used for plants donated to DBG. This should help with turn around time as far as payments go for plants to DBG. Anyone interested in more propagation information, contact Larry Fischer at 438-9213 or Linda Miller at 841-9782. The Christmas Party is planned for the December meeting and we will announce the date at our next meeting. Cost will be a deciding factor as to whether it will be a potluck or a catered meal. DBG will have the annual Fall Plant Sale October 19 and 20 with the members of DBG being able to purchase plants Friday afternoon, October 18. CACSS will have a membership and plant assistance table at the Sale and will need volunteers to answer questions at the table. A sign up sheet will be available at the September meeting or contact Larry Fischer if interested. Information is now available for those interested in joining the National Cactus and Succulent Society. Advantages to this membership are receiving the Journal and a discount for registration at the National Convention. Ken Jantz has this information, 860-2427.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our Silent Auction. If you miss this meeting, you will be missing out on a great chance to increase your collection at a reasonable price.

Glenda

To the members of the Central Ariz. Cactus & Succulent Soc. My heartfelt thanks to all of you for your thoughtfulness during Phil's illness and your kindness to me with her passing. I thank you all for your flowers, your donations to the Desert Botanical Garden in her memory and your many, many expressions of sympathy to me.

Now, permit me to tell you about the Phil that I knew for 53 years.

She was born in Basking Ridge, N.J. on Sept. 5, 1907. She graduated from Elmira College, Elmira, N.Y., magna cum laude, with a degree in Chemical Engineering. In her junior year, we entered the great depression and she realized that as a female, she would have no chance of working in her chosen profession, so she took some teaching courses. She got a job as a teacher of chemistry; physics; biology; and general science, as well as tutoring in math, those who couldn't cut the math in her classes. She was also qualified to teach German and French. All of her classes held the highest passing rate of the New York Regents. She taught until 1942, when we decided to get married. Even though we were at war, the Bd. of ED. had a depression rule of "no married female teachers". When she resigned, she had offers from all over the east, as well as Hunter College and Brooklyn College in N.Y.C. Instead, she took a job as an engineer for A.T.&T. in charge of her own laboratory to find ways to produce quartz radio crystals, with a diminishing supply of quartz. Until that time, A.T.&T. would produce about 10,000 custom made crystals per year. Now, they needed them by the millions, and they had to be active in the Arctic, the Sahara, and everywhere in between. She had to train all of her lab assistants and also to teach the shop to produce what she was developing on a mass production basis. She didn't know it at the time, but she personally made most of the crystals used by Churchill and Roosevelt for their radio telephone conversations. We were married on Sept. 5, 1942 and I immediately went into the Army Air Force. We moved to Phoenix in 1951. She worked as an accountant for Maricopa County Treasurer, retiring at 62 in 1969. She was also a life member of Maricopa Lapidary Society, as well as a member of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies. She was an expert on needle work and did a lot of church work. Needless to say, I miss her very much.

Fred Heasley

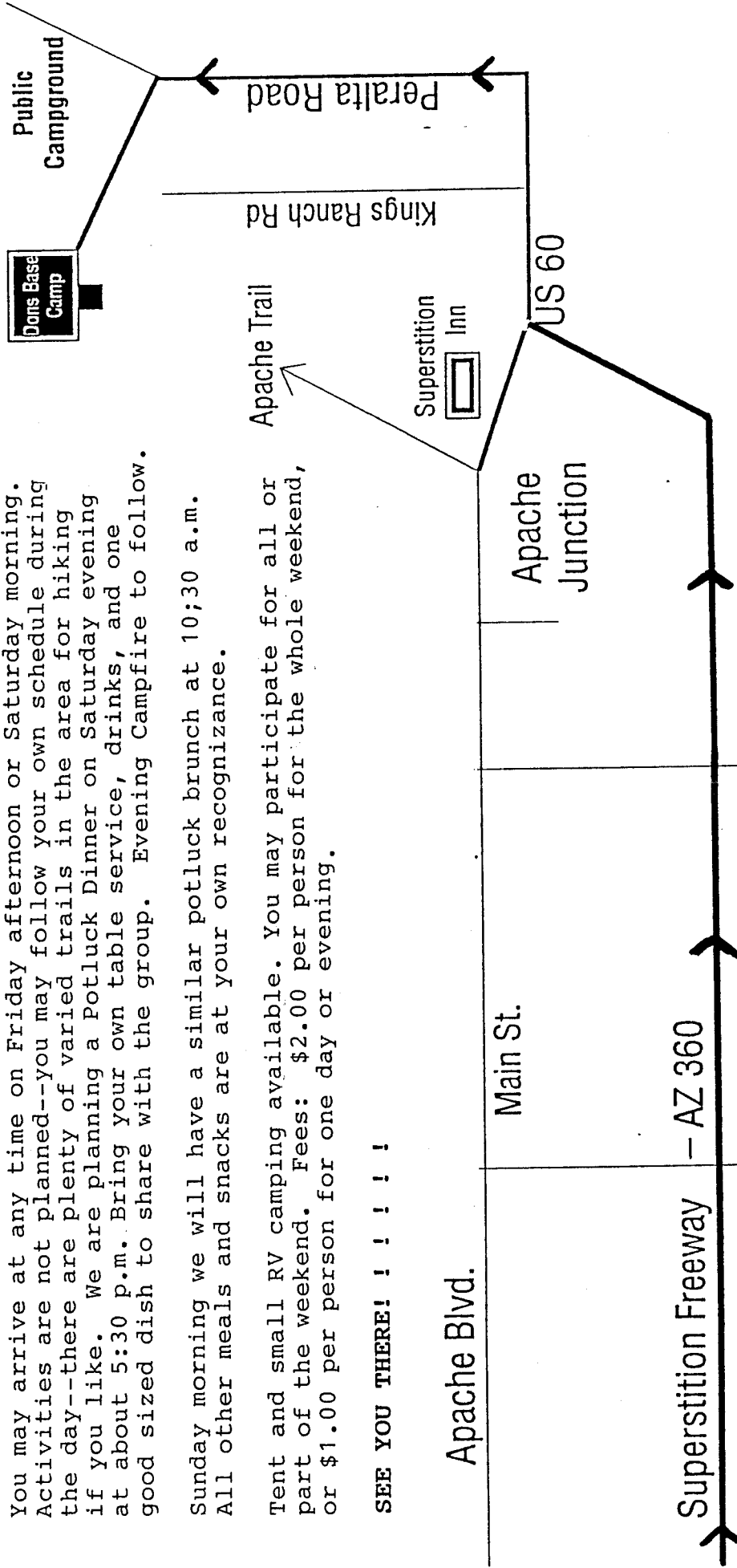
DON'T MISS THE CACTUS SOCIETY'S FALL CAMP OUT AT THE DON'S BASE CAMP JUST EAST OF APACHE JUNCTION OCTOBER 4,5,6, 1991.

You may arrive at any time on Friday afternoon or Saturday morning. Activities are not planned--you may follow your own schedule during the day--there are plenty of varied trails in the area for hiking if you like. We are planning a Potluck Dinner on Saturday evening at about 5:30 p.m. Bring your own table service, drinks, and one good sized dish to share with the group. Evening Campfire to follow.

Sunday morning we will have a similar potluck brunch at 10:30 a.m. All other meals and snacks are at your own recognizance.

Tent and small RV camping available. You may participate for all or part of the weekend. Fees: \$2.00 per person for the whole weekend, or \$1.00 per person for one day or evening.

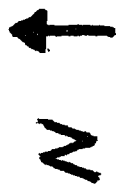
SEE YOU THERE! ! ! ! !



HOW TO GET THERE - - - - -

The Don's Base Camp is located about 1 hour's drive from central Phoenix, just east of Apache Junction at the foot of the Superstitions.

Take the Superstition Freeway all the way east to the end of the freeway, which now feeds directly into U.S. 60. Continue east on Highway 60 to Peralta Road, turn left and follow a good dirt/gravel road approx. 8 miles. You will see a sign directing you to the Don's Camp as you approach the area.



QUESTIONS: CALL LARRY FISCHER 438-9213