

Central Arizona Cactus and Succulent Society  
March, 1993

This month

Our annual judged Cactus and Succulent Show is this month! There will not be a general meeting in March. Details on the show are further down in the newsletter. Good luck to everyone, and have a great show!

The monthly board meeting will be held on Sunday, March 28 at 3:30pm in the Archer House. Members are invited to attend.

Last month

Jim Elliot gave us tips, information and inspiration on entering plants in the show. I wasn't sure if I'd enter until I heard Jim's encouragement. Thanks, Jim!

Other Current Stuff

Our booth at the Phoenix Home and Garden Show was well-received. Edra would like to thank the volunteers for their contributions of muscle, time, plants and enthusiasm. We sold \$1051.50 in plants. Good job, Edra!

The Maricopa County Extension Services Show was held March 20. Results were not in before this newsletter was sent. Those of you who volunteered to work, thank you.

Welcome to our newest members:

Tara Baucher                                      991-4491      Joe De Roulhac                                      803-3864

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Also, the following have renewed their membership:

Robert and Elaine Moulis                                      George Lombard

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Chuck Hanson

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Virginia Walters' address appeared incorrectly in the directory. Her correct address is

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Please update your directories with these addresses. If there are any other typos in the directory, or if your address has changed, please give me (Laurine) a call at 831-2477 and leave a message with your correct address, and I will publish it in the next newsletter.

In-a-nutshell guide to entering plants in the show

1. Fill out an entry tag for each plant. If you are entering more than 10 plants, call Bob Welsh 841-0116 for an exhibitor number before the show. If you are entering 10 plants or fewer, you can obtain your exhibitor number on Thursday, March 25, when you bring your plants to the show, and fill the number in on the tag at that time.
2. Bring your plants to the Webster Auditorium between 9am and 5pm on Thursday, March 25.
3. Judging will occur during the day on Friday, March 26. Ribbons will be placed on plants at that time, and remain with the plants through the show.
4. Trophies will be awarded at the ceremony on Friday, March 26 at 7pm.
5. Plants will be on public display on Saturday, March 27 and Sunday, March 28. CACSS volunteers will staff the displays.
6. You may remove your plants beginning at 4pm on Sunday, March 28.

**Next Month**

Sam and Pat Korach have graciously offered an open garden at their home on Sunday, April 18 from 1 to 4pm. A map is included in this newsletter. Their home features beautiful landscape specimens.

Next month's meeting is on Sunday, April 25. Its topic is understanding Latin for horticulture, presented by Doug Dawson. So if we all didn't know what *Mamillaria longimamma* meant before this presentation...

Be sure to take a look at Debra's column, "From Debra's Shadehouse," the helpful hints page, and the map to the Korachs' home.

Tell your friends about your prize-winning plants, and invite them to the show.

*See you at the show!*

*Laurene*

SPECIAL 1993 CACSS SHOW SUPPLEMENT

THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES WILL BE AWARDED TROPHIES:

BEST COLLECTION OF CACTUS	BEST EUPHORBIA
CACTUS SWEEPSTAKES	TOTAL HIGH POINTS
BEST AZ NATIVE PLANT IN SHOW	BEST NOVICE PLANT IN SHOW
MOST BLUE RIBBONS	BEST DECORATIVE PLANTER
BEST CACTUS IN SHOW	BEST SUCCULENT IN SHOW
BEST CACTUS, SECTION I	BEST SUCCULENT, SECTION II
BEST SEEDLING	BEST SPECIMEN PLANTER
BEST AIZOACEAE	

THE FOLLOWING WILL BE AWARDED ROSETTES:

BEST CACTUS, SECTION I: NOVICE, ADVANCED, MASTER

BEST SUCCULENT, SECTION II: NOVICE, ADVANCED, MASTER

The following items are clarifications and/or corrections to the previously published show rules:

1. Trophies will be awarded Friday evening at 7:00pm.

2. Plants should be dropped off no earlier than 9:00am on Thursday nor be picked up until after 4:00pm on Sunday.

3. Entrants' exhibitor numbers and additional entry tags may be obtained ahead of time by calling the Show Chairman, Bob Welsh, at 841-0116. You need only get the number ahead of time if you have more than 10 plants to enter. Otherwise you may obtain your exhibitor's number when you deliver your plants.

4. Section I, Class A

Divisions 22, 23, 24 and 24 refer to minimum and maximum pot sizes in the individual specimen, cacti category.  
See show rules for dimensions and genera.

5. Section II, Class A

Divisions 1, 2, 3 and 4 refer to various pot size (Agave)  
Divisions 16, 17, 18 and 19 pot size (Euphorbia)  
Divisions 21, 22, 23 and 24 pot size (Aloe, Chamealoe, and Poelinitzia)  
See show rules for dimensions and genera.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE FOR THE SHOW

8:30AM TO 12:30PM

12:30PM TO 6:30PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

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THE ROSENBERGS  
THE SKIRVINS  
THE KORACHS

FRAN TOLLESON  
THE SKIRVINS

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

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FRAN TOLLESON  
THE ELLIOTS  
EDRA DRAKE

FRAN TOLLESON  
THE ELLIOTS

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

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DOTTIE O'ROURKE  
JANET HAZLETT  
ELAINE STEICHMAN

TIM CHAPMAN

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

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TARA BAUCHER  
VIRGINIA WALTERS  
ELAINE STEICHMAN

LYNN EPPLESTONE  
LARRY FISCHER

AT PRESENT WE STILL NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS. PLEASE CALL BOB WELSH AT 841-0116.

## FROM DEBRA'S SHADEHOUSE

March is such an invigorating time of year in Phoenix! Wildflowers are coloring the mountains and the cactus flowers are heralding another glorious growing season.

It's also the busiest time of year for the Society as the metro gardening clubs run their yearly events and we celebrate our Annual Cactus and Succulent Show at the Desert Botanical Garden...

Let me take this opportunity to thank and congratulate **Edra Drake** and **Tim Chapman** on their terrific efforts to make the Phoenix Home and Garden Show and the Cooperative Extension's Garden Clubs Day so successful. Edra took the initiative to manage the volunteer and sales efforts. Due to her ongoing enthusiasm and dedication, the Society will benefit from the membership drives and sales activity she prompted. Tim's service is also noteworthy. He organized and implemented the displays at the to events. These displays contributed to the successful presentations we made as a group. **All the volunteers** who gave of their time and resources are to be congratulated for their terrific efforts and thanked for their devotion.

Let's also remember that March is the month for OUR Annual Show! Every year we amaze ourselves at the beauty and wonder of our event. We learn so much about the plants and about each other. Sharing our interests with the public just adds to the enjoyment of the event. I hope that you'll enter the Show. It really is a lot of fun! If you're just starting out-- call a more "mature" member for a little input. If you are a "mature" member"-- mentor a novice. One of the nicest things about this Society is that we are helpful, sharing people. The Show is one of the best ways we have to help ourselves individually and communally.

If you can share a little more, volunteers for the Show and the DBG Plant Sale (the same weekend) are still needed. Call Show Chairman Bob Welsh (930-1939) if you can help out.

Thanks again for making March such a "jazzed" month. I gotta go now and get my *Senecio rowleyus* primped for the Show...



Dedicated to our success,

Debra Korobkin  
CACSS '93 President

## HELPFUL HINTS & WACKY FACTS

from Pat and Sam Korach...

Big, medical tweezers are very useful to remove stones, dried plant material and even cobwebs from plants. These tweezers are available at a fraction of their shelf price at *swap meets*! Other gardening tools can also be found there at prices much lower than at discount or home stores.

from Debra Korobkin...

Some pest controls can be delivered directly through new potting soil mixtures when you repot. Diazanion pellets are a useful addition to control ants and other insects. Diatomaceous earth is a terrific non-chemical, mealy bug controller. Both can be added directly to your potting soil mixtures before planting.

from the world of medicine...



Emergency rooms use over-the-counter hair removal products, such as Nair, to treat prickly pear injuries. Apparently, glochids will dissolve under the chemical warfare! For non-*opuntia* accidents, minor office surgery is still needed for removing larger spines. Backpackers recommend carrying a pair of tweezers and a hair comb for field removal of spiny plants and individual spines

Got a tip, hint or wacky cactus fact to share? Call or write Laurine!