

CENTRAL ARIZONA CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY

Meeting: Sunday, July 27, 1997

2:00 p.m. Webster Auditorium

Board Meeting 1:00 p.m. Archer House

Our July program will be a slide show - we will have either "Namibian Wanderings" by John Lavranos or "Succulents of the Cape Province" also by John Lavranos. After hearing about his presentations at the National Convention in San Diego, I can guarantee an excellent slide journey.

Our speaker for the June meeting was Wendy Hodgson, who gave an excellent slide presentation entitled "Agaves and Sonoran Desert Cultures". I couldn't believe that there were so many different varieties of agaves and that some were even edible.

Since we had a "my favorite plant" segment last month, let's do it again. I think everyone benefits by learning a bit about how different succulents are grown and their names. It can spark an interest that wasn't there before and I know it makes me want to try my luck at growing something new.

Tom Gatz brought up an excellent idea - that each member list their favorite group(s) of plants which will then be entered in the directory with their name and address. That way other members can contact you for information about a specific group of succulents. Another suggestion by Cathy Babcock was that we combine a BBQ/pot luck with an open garden at some lucky member's house after it cools down in the fall. Any volunteers?

Saturday, October 26th is our bus trip to Tucson nurseries. The nurseries we plan to visit are Arid Lands, Plants for the Southwest, Miles to Go and Plantas del Sol. The cost of the trip is \$15.00 per person for bus fare. The Club will furnish the soda but everyone is to pack their own lunch. There are still some spots open so anyone interested should call Jo Davis at 839-3792.

Please welcome as new members:

Rick Yates
3130 W. Foothill Drive
Phoenix, AZ 85027
582-8917

DEBRA & STUART LASSWELL
781 N. VELERO ST.
CHANDLER, AZ 85225
786-0116 (PACHYPODIUMS & EUPHORBES)

Sincerely,

Jo Davis
Secretary

BOOK TALK

Two books are missing from the June Round-up: *Cacti of the Southwest* and *Guide to the Aloes of South Africa*. **Please return asap.**

Small in size and light in pagination available at July meeting:

Aloes (Pride of South Africa Series) - 24 p.

Aloes of South West Africa - 61 p.

The Identification of Escobarias - 9 p.

Cactus Growers Guide - 7 p. (a how to do it book)

Abbey Gardens Catalogs - 1975, 1977, 1982, 1984 1986, 1987
supplement. ('82, '84, '86 have great illustrations)

Plus some surprises

Phone requests as usual: call Frances at 895-9639

LIBRARY: BALANCE OF 1997

Currently nine books are in circulation. Reminder calls will be made requesting return of the books on Sunday, September 28, 1997 - the date of our monthly meeting. There will be a "Library Table" with books available for circulation at this meeting

Since our October meeting is off site and since I will be away for the November meeting, the next opportunity for library service will be in December. If you have a special request for September, please phone me (895-9639) before the meeting

Frances M. Volz.