CENTRAL ARIZONA CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY

February 26, 1995 Meeting at 2:00 p.m.
Webster Auditorium
Board of Directors
1 p.m. Archer House

Chuck Hanson of Arid Land Greenhouses will talk about succulent pelargoniums and sarcocaulons.

January 21, 1995 Board Meeting: Present--Ken and Marge Jantz, Debra Korobkin, Henry Triesler, Pat and Sam Korach, Gard Roper, Doyt Gallaway, Paula Matney, Jim and Electra Elliott, Edra Drake, and Joan and Stan Skirvin.

The Elliotts reported that our Society netted over $700.00 from sales at the January Home and Garden Show, a much needed boost to our treasury. Big thanks to Jim and Electra and all those who volunteered their time to help out.

Tentative schedule for the future:
April Cactus Show with Phoenix Home & Garden Mag.
May Silent Auction
June National Convention in Tucson

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ATTENTION: Anyone who has books or any other property of Central Arizona Cactus & Succulent Society, please report to President, Ken Jantz, so he has an up to date record of it.
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Jim Elliott knows where to get name tags. If you desire one, send him $5.00 and he can arrange it for you.

From our Librarians, Rod and Lisa Northrop: Thank you to MARGARET CALDWELL for a donation of 20 years of back issues of the Cactus & Succulent Journal. We appreciate them very much.

Thank you to ELAINE STEICHMAN for the continuing issues of the C & S Journal to our Library.

And a Thank you to JAMES ROBBINS for donating another great book, SUCCULENTS, THE ILLUSTRATED DICTIONARY.

Rod and Lisa would like also to mention how we appreciate everyones’ efforts in making our little library grow and improve over the last year, and hope all will take advantage of it.

A note from Linda Miller, member and hardworking treasurer from a couple years ago, "I'm still alive and well. I passed the CPA exam!...am also only one class and a graduate paper from completing my Masters degree...miss all of you."

Stan Skirvin asks for material for The Central Spine, suggestions, letters to the Editor, Questions to be answered, ideas you would like to see written about. HELP!

We need to get everyone to participate in the April Cactus Show. We will have a large tent, 20 by 120 feet with eight foot center aisle. We will need volunteers to set up, register, take down, act as hosts (question answerers and plant protectors) and SHOW PLANTS.

If you have never shown your plants and don't know where to start, our officers are very willing to talk to you, get together with you and your plants and we will be a source of encouragement. We have a Novice Class for beginners and ribbons are usually freely given. Many of our previous Novices are now competing with the "big guys" so we need new recruits.

GARDEN CLUB FAIR DAY sponsored by Arizona Nursery Association & Maricopa County Cooperative Extension--tomatoes, herbs, cacti, mums, roses, violets, irises & vegetables For Sale AT BIG SAVINGS. Hourly drawing for valuable prizes! Gardening advice and displays from members of many Valley-wide garden clubs. Youth activities and food will be available. FREE TO THE PUBLIC.

MARCH 25, 1995 SATURDAY 9 AM - 4 PM.
This a one day activity and a money maker for our club. DEBRA KOROBKIN has more information. We will need volunteers. Please call DEBRA 493-7003.

Our speaker in January was Dr. Donald Pinkava, fellow, National Cactus and Succulent Society, and professor at A.S.U. His topic was the natural hybridization of cactus. A few points I jotted down: evolution includes hybridization; when there is a population of a hybrid, ground squirrels probably do the spreading vegetatively; the work at A.S.U. is with natural hybrids--no experiments or artificial crossings are done since it is such a long time till the plants are mature enough to produce flowers and seeds. It was an interesting and informative lecture, although all the "ploidies" (diploid, polyploid) went over my head.

We would like to send GET WELL WISHES to Clarice Lavoi and Damon Billings and Electra Elliott.

REMEMBER -- I will be making a new member's roster real soon and would like to have address and/or telephone corrections. Also, if you have not paid your dues, please send them to:

    Pat Korach, Treasurer
    P. O. Box 249
    Cave Creek AZ 85331

If you have forgotten, the amount is $12.00 for single. Add $2.50 for an associate at the same address.

Hope to see you all on Sunday, February 26, 1995, 2:00 p.m., Webster Auditorium.

Joan Skirvin, Secretary