



# ON THE DRY SIDE

CENTRAL COAST CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY

MARCH 2018

## MARCH SPEAKERS OF THE MONTH: BRANDON NELSON & NICK WILKINSON

**Botanica Nova** is a San Luis Obispo-based landscape company owned by CCCSS members, Brandon Nelson and Nick Wilkinson. They combined forces in 2016 and have been developing a diverse landscape portfolio ever since, including several succulent landscape designs for CCCSS members.

Their work has become known for detailed specialty plant and rock selections that often push their gardens into the realm of living sculptures. Beyond plantings, boulder and rock features are key elements in their designs and Botanica Nova strives to deliver a modern take on the California landscape.

Brandon is a Cal Poly Environmental Horticulture Science grad with an emphasis in Landscape Horticulture. Growing up in Encinitas shaped his interest in succulent plants at an early age. North County San Diego is a succulent grower's Mecca, and Brandon began growing plants and volunteering at Quail Botanical Gardens in his teenage years. In 2004 he moved to San Luis Obispo to attend Cal Poly and found refuge in the biology department Plant Conservatory as a volunteer and curator.

Nick is also the owner of Grow nursery in Cambria, which specializes in rare and unusual drought tolerant plants, handmade pottery and mineral specimens from around the world. He was a board member of CCCSS for over 6 years and has been a part of the group since its inception.

They will be leading a presentation on their work with an emphasis on the rewards of creating a succulent-based landscape. They will also be selling a selection of plants!

[www.BotanicaNova.com](http://www.BotanicaNova.com)



**DON'T MISS OUR NEXT MEETING! SUNDAY, MARCH 11TH, 2PM**  
**Oddfellows Hall, 520 Dana St (at Nipomo St), San Luis Obispo**  
**Parking is limited — please consider carpooling!**

# MARCH PLANT OF THE MONTH: OTHONNA



*O. euphorbioides*

**Plantae / Angiosperms / Eudicots / Asterales / Asteraceae / Senecioneae / Othonna**

Othonnas are found within the Asteraceae family (Compositae) and are closely related to Senecio. Othonnas are quite diverse and range from succulent shrubs with pachycaul stems, geophytes with underground tubers to stem succulent caudiciforms.

This genus of more than 109 accepted species names are confined to mainly the winter rainfall areas of South Africa, the northern and western cape as well as the southwestern section of Namibia.

The bright yellow (occasionally purple) flowers are a distinguishing characteristic of the genus. The flowering times differ between species, some flower just before beginning their summer rest and others flower after beginning growth in the fall. Most species are leaf succulents with terete or round leaves and are deciduous during the summer dry season.

Othonnas have a variable range of habitats. Some grow in warm, arid regions, but they avoid the intense desiccating rays of the northern sun, growing between rocks in southern slopes in their native southern hemisphere habitat. A few species, by contrast, grow in strong, direct sunlight in exposed arid situations that become very hot and dry.

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## OTHONNA — CONTINUED

All Othonnas grow in very open situations with plenty of free air circulation all around. Othonnas tend to be fairly hardy and can take even heavy frost. In summer it may be a good idea to protect plants from direct mid-day sunlight. In the fall when nights cool down the plants may start growing on their own, but a good soaking will help them to leaf out. A typical succulent soil mix should be suitable for growing Othonnas but additional drainage material may be recommended for the more geophytic plants.

Othonna seeds are easily produced and you may find that many 'volunteers' pop up during the wet season. Some species hybridize readily with other species that flower at the same time. Seeds should be sown in a sandy mixture and be just covered with a thin layer of grit. The 'zip lock' bag method works well. The seeds germinate best when sown during cold weather. Germination will start from a few days to two weeks after sowing and can continue for up to two months. The initial growth of Othonna seedlings is very rapid. When they enter dormancy, the young plants should be kept mostly dry and in shade until the following winter growing season.

No medicinal value can be found in the literature.



*O. furcata*

**SEE NEXT PAGE FOR MORE OTHONNA PHOTOS>>**



# OTHONNA — CONTINUED

Plant Of The Month write-up: Markus Mumper  
Photos: Rob Skillin



Clockwise from top-left:  
*O. cacalioides*  
*O. cacalioides* in bloom  
Othonna misc. flower  
*O. lepidocaulis*



## UPCOMING EVENTS



### GOOD THYME GARDEN CLUB TOUR OF DESCANSO GARDENS

Also stopping at **Sal's Cactus Mart** to buy plants (cash or checks only).

**Friday March 9, 2018**

Price is \$70 for the bus and entry to the gardens.  
Meet in Nipomo at Vons, 6:45 AM — Bus departs at 7:00 AM.  
Arrive back in Nipomo at 5:15 PM.

**Contact Linda Siskey** (805.489.3170) for more information.

### COFFEE CUP PLANTER WORKSHOP

Do you have:

- a coffee cup that you love, but can't see yourself ever drinking coffee out of?
- a special small succulent that needs a more interesting home?
- a place for a small succulent in an off-beat planter?

Failing all that, would you just like to learn how to drill a hole in the bottom of a coffee cup? Well, this may be the workshop for you.

**April 14th, 2018 from 1:00PM-4:30PM**

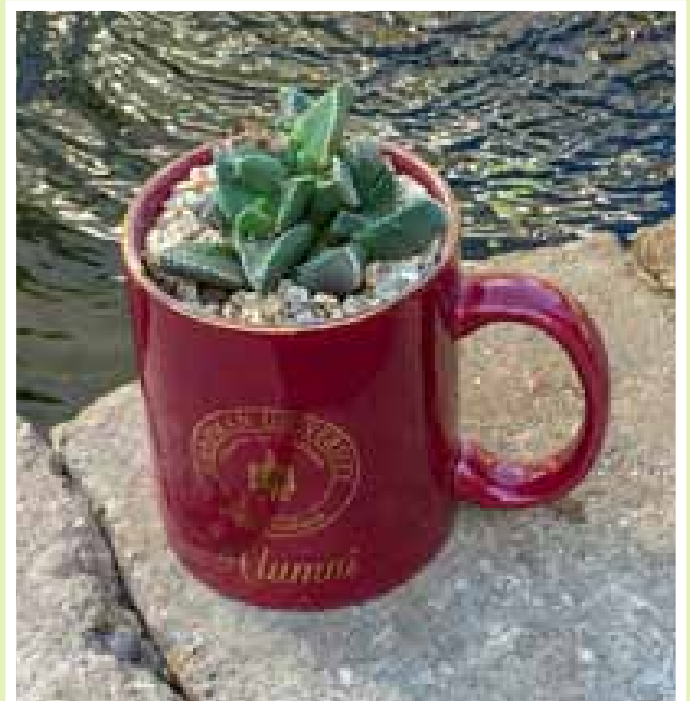
**Loring Manley's house:**  
4326 Meadow Dr  
Santa Maria, CA 93455

**What you should bring:**

- A coffee cup you would like to irrevocably convert into a planter
- A small succulent in a 2"-3" pot

Some cups and a selection of small plants will be provided to cover logistical anomalies.

Participation will be limited to 12 people  
**Contact Loring** at [loring.manley@gmail.com](mailto:loring.manley@gmail.com) to sign up.



# CCCSS ANNUAL SHOW & SALE INFORMATION & UPDATES

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE 2018 SHOW & SALE!

I will have a volunteer sign up sheet for the 2018 Show & Sale, available on the back table at the March, April and May meetings. The sign up sheet will require your name, phone number, & email. Please indicate the date and time you prefer, I will try to accommodate your wishes. Saturday is always our heaviest day. so I am planning to do three (3) hour segments that day. If you can only work two (2) hours please let me know and I will accommodate you. Any amount of time is appreciated.

Thank you,  
Pat Gilson

## WHO WANTS TO SPONSOR AN AWARD AT OUR CCCSS 2018 SHOW & SALE?!

IF YOU DO, please sign up at our next meeting on Sunday, March 11th -- the signup sheet will be at the Library Table where a specific category can be chosen — FIRST COME, FIRST CHOICE of the specific sponsored award. Cost is not yet confirmed but last year it was around \$30.

## There are nineteen sponsored awards in the following 'Best Of' categories:

Baja Native	Crested Entry	Aloeaceae	Staged Entry – Novice
Caudiciform	Chihuahuan Desert Cactus	Agavaceae	Staged Entry – Advanced
Collection	Euphorbiaceae	Dish Garden	Staged Entry – Open
Miniature	Mesemb	Rookie Entry – Cactus	Rarest Plant in Show
Madagascan Plant	Crassulaceae	Rookie Entry – Succulent	

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## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ASK YOUR CACTUS & SUCCULENT QUESTIONS AT THE 'ASK ME' TABLE

Bring your questions about cactus and succulents to the **Ask Me** table, conveniently located next to the Library Book table. The Ask Me table will be capably staffed by our venerable expert cactophile, Gene Schroeder. Gene has never met a cactus he didn't like (and many succulents as well)! Assisting Gene will be succulentophile Kathie Matsuyama. **Please do not bring any diseased plants to the meeting!** Instead, bring a good photo of the offending plant and/or bugs.

Gene and Kathie look forward to seeing you at the **Ask Me** table!

### NEW CCCSS EMAIL ADDRESS

You can now contact the club via our new email address: [CenCalCactus@gmail.com](mailto:CenCalCactus@gmail.com)

### PLEASE CARPOOL TO MEETINGS AND EVENTS WHEN POSSIBLE

Due to the general shortage of parking at Oddfellows Hall, we would like to ask all members to carpool if at all possible. We will be placing a sign-up list for those interested in carpooling at our meetings.

Carpooling will make more parking available, and might also give you a chance to socialize with people who live near you and are involved in the club!

## REMINDER – ANNUAL CCCSS SHOW & SALE T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST!

Would you like to see your design on the tee-shirts for this years show and sale? Can you come up with an original design that would include a succulent or cactus or more? The contest is coming up and soon! Artwork needs to be emailed to Bill Findley by March 23rd (designs received by this date will be included in the newsletter for preview prior to the April meeting). Voting on the design will happen at the April 8th meeting and shirts will be for sale at the May 13th meeting.

### CONTEST RULES

- All artwork must be printed on paper (and large enough for us to see them), and brought to the April 8th meeting for display and voting. Voting will take place in the snack room during the meeting. All voting must be done in person at the meeting — no emailed votes will be counted.
- Your emailed design must be in a PDF format, others do not work as well and will not be accepted. If you are having issues with putting your design into a PDF format, please contact Bill **before** the March 23rd deadline.
- Your design must include the plant name, and the words “Central Coast Cactus and Succulent Society, 2018, 12th Annual Show and Sale”.
- Try to keep it simple; details may get lost in the printing process. Keep the color pallet simple as well.
- Hand drawn designs can be entered but a scan (PDF) still needs to be sent to Bill, and if your design wins, the original artwork will need to be provided right away for a high-resolution scan.
- The t-shirt color will be picked by board members after the winner has been chosen.
- CCCSS may reproduce the design in the newsletter, on our Facebook page, or other promotion of the Club and related events.

Please don't wait until the last minute to e-mail Bill if you have questions!

**Bill Findley: [coolcactuskid805@gmail.com](mailto:coolcactuskid805@gmail.com)**

### SHOW & SALE T-SHIRT DESIGNS FROM THE PAST FEW YEARS:



2017



2016



2015



# GARDEN GATHERING NEWS

## Thank you Skip and Leslie Rotstein!

The Rotsteins hosted a spectacular Garden Gathering Sunday February 25th. The weather was perfect! It was a sunny and warm event of about 20 people in the Rotstein's lovely Elfin Forest Garden in Los Osos. Participants were wowed by the unusual view from the garden of the very low Morro Bay tide. Leslie has managed to grow some beautiful cactus, succulents and other flowering plants in the open sunny areas among the oaks on her property. The sheltered, warm backyard was charming and full of interesting artistic details. But, without a doubt, one of the most delightful parts of our visit with the Rotsteins was their adorable adopted pooch Paco! He stole more than a few hearts at our event! He might be a Bad Boy, but what a lucky dog he is!

Would you like to host a Garden Gathering? Join the fun! We're looking for folks with a desire to share their passion for their plants, their garden and a willingness to host. Please contact Susan Ross at [susanrosscra@yahoo.com](mailto:susanrosscra@yahoo.com), or Kathie Matsuyama at [luvbigdogs@earthlink.net](mailto:luvbigdogs@earthlink.net).



## If you're not familiar with the CCCSS Garden Gatherings, here are the FAQs:

- **Why:** CCCSS club is large; it's hard to connect with other cactophiles at our huge meetings.
- **What:** "Garden Gatherings" are a chance to meet club members in a fun, casual garden setting. Food and a tour of the member's garden are included.
- **Where:** Gatherings take place in a CCCSS member's garden.
- **Who:** Garden Gathering participants must be CCCSS members. The host decides the number of guests. Sign-ups are taken at monthly club meetings.
- **When:** Hosts pick the date and time for the event.



The process of pre-planning, event organization, sign-up sheets, emailing your guests, etc. will be capably coordinated by Susan and Kathie! Please don't hesitate to sign up because you have a weed or two in your garden, we all do! And don't worry if your garden is not all cacti or succulent-related. The intent of Garden Gatherings is to get to know other members of CCCSS. This is a delightful way to do just that!

**At the March CCCSS meeting, sign-ups will be taken for Garden Gathering events in San Luis Obispo March 31st and April 28th. See Susan and Kathie for more information at the meeting.**



# 2018 REGIONAL SHOW AND SALE CALENDAR

**MARCH 22-24:** Orange County Cactus & Succulent Society Spring Show & Sale  
Anaheim United Methodist Church, Anaheim | [www.occss.org/wp\\_occss\\_new](http://www.occss.org/wp_occss_new) | 562.587.3357

**MARCH 24-25:** Monterey Bay Area Cactus & Succulent Society Spring Show & Sale  
San Juan Bautista Community Hall, 10 San Jose St, San Juan Bautista | [www.mbsucculent.org](http://www.mbsucculent.org)

**APRIL 7-8:** South Coast Cactus & Succulent Society Show & Sale  
South Coast Botanical Gardens, 26300 Crenshaw Blvd, Palos Verdes | [www.southcoastcss.org](http://www.southcoastcss.org)

**APRIL 29:** Huntington Plant Sale  
Huntington Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Rd, San Marino | [www.huntington.org](http://www.huntington.org) | 626.405.3504

**MAY 5-6:** Sunset Cactus & Succulent Society Show & Sale, Veterans Memorial Center  
4117 Overland Ave, Culver City | [www.sunsetsucculentsociety.org](http://www.sunsetsucculentsociety.org) | 310.822.1783

**MAY 6:** South Bay Epiphyllum Society Show & Sale  
South Coast Botanical Gardens, 26300 Crenshaw Blvd, Palos Verdes | 310.833.6823

**MAY 12-13:** Gates Cactus & Succulent Society 35th Annual Show & Sale  
450 E Alessandro Blvd, Riverside | [www.gatescss.com](http://www.gatescss.com) | 909.626.4197

**May 19-20:** Long Beach Cactus Club Plant Show & Sale  
Rancho Los Alamitos, 6400 Bixby Hill Rd, Long Beach | [www.longbeachcactusclub.org](http://www.longbeachcactusclub.org) | 310.922.6090

**MAY 26-27:** Central Coast Cactus & Succulent Society 12th Annual Show & Sale  
Ludwick Center, 864 Santa Rosa St, San Luis Obispo | [www.centralcoastcactus.org](http://www.centralcoastcactus.org) | 805.237.2054

**JUNE 2-3:** Fresno Cactus & Succulent Society Show & Sale  
Clovis Veterans Memorial District, 808 Fourth St, Clovis | [www.fresnocss.com](http://www.fresnocss.com)

**JUNE 2-3:** San Diego Cactus & Succulent Society Summer Show & Sale  
Balboa Park, Casa del Prado, Room 101, San Diego | [www.sdcss.net](http://www.sdcss.net)

**JUNE 9-10:** San Francisco Succulent & Cactus Society Annual Show & Sale  
San Francisco County Fair Building at 9th Avenue and Lincoln Way, San Francisco | [www.sfsucculent.org](http://www.sfsucculent.org)

**JUNE 9-10:** Los Angeles Cactus & Succulent Society Show & Sale  
Sepulveda Garden Center, 16633 Magnolia Blvd, Encino | [www.lacactus.com](http://www.lacactus.com)

**JUNE 29-30, July 1:** CSSA Annual Show & Sale  
Huntington Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Rd, San Marino | [www.cssainc.org](http://www.cssainc.org)

**AUGUST 11-12:** Annual Intercity Show & Sale, LA County Arboretum, 301 N Baldwin Ave, Arcadia  
Info: Tom Glavich 626 798-2430 or Artie Chavez 818-482-8795 | [www.sgvcss.com](http://www.sgvcss.com)

**SEPTEMBER 1:** Huntington Botanical Gardens Succulent Symposium  
Huntington Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Rd, San Marino | [www.huntington.org](http://www.huntington.org) | 626.405.3504

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## 2018 REGIONAL SHOW AND SALE CALENDAR – CONTINUED

**SEPTEMBER 15:** Long Beach Cactus Club Plant Show & Sale

Rancho Los Alamitos, 6400 Bixby Hill Rd, Long Beach | [www.longbeachcactusclub.org](http://www.longbeachcactusclub.org) | 310.922.6090

**SEPTEMBER 28-29:** Monterey Bay Area Cactus & Succulent Society Fall Show & Sale

Location TBD | [www.mbsucculent.org](http://www.mbsucculent.org)

**OCTOBER 13-14:** Bakersfield Cactus & Succulent Society Show & Sale

St. Paul's Church, 2216 17th St, Bakersfield | [www.bakersfieldcactus.org](http://www.bakersfieldcactus.org) | 661.831.8488

**OCTOBER 27-28:** Palomar Cactus & Succulent Society Show & Sale, San Diego Botanic Garden

230 Quail Gardens Rd, Encinitas | [www.palomarcactus.org](http://www.palomarcactus.org) | 858.776.7216 | [britamiller1@gmail.com](mailto:britamiller1@gmail.com)

**NOVEMBER 3-4:** San Gabriel Valley Cactus & Succulent Society Winter Show & Sale

LA County Arboretum, 301 N Baldwin Ave, Arcadia | [www.sgvcss.com](http://www.sgvcss.com)



*South Coast Cactus & Succulent Society*  
**46<sup>th</sup> Annual Show & Sale**  
**April 7-8, 2018**

9 AM to 4 PM

South Coast Botanic Garden  
26300 Crenshaw Blvd.  
Palos Verdes Peninsula 90274



 **Cactus & Succulent Society of America**

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The Morro Bay Branch of American Association of University Women  
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**For more information: [morrobayauw.org](http://morrobayauw.org) or (805) 528-2593**

## PENNY PINES UPDATE

### CCCSS DONATIONS HELP RESTORE LOS PADRES NATIONAL FOREST!

Thank you to each one of our members who have so generously donated to the Penny Pines Program since its inception in 2016. Your nickels, dimes, quarters, dollar bills, and even your penny rolls have contributed to almost \$1,700 in generous donations CCCSS has made to the Los Padres National Forest Service Penny Pines Reforestation Program to plant native cedar, fir, redwood, oak and pine tree seedlings.

In the Los Padres National Forest, reforestation has been desperately needed as the result of the recent series of severe catastrophic forest fires and the mud slides resulting from debris flows on rain-soaked bare watersheds. The hundreds of thousands of acres of Los Padres National Forest that have burned so close to our Central Coast home have made our donations even more meaningful. And the Penny Pines donations met a stated purpose of the Central Coast Cactus and Succulent Society By-Laws which is to promote the gathering of our members for charitable reasons. Thank you again to each of you who donated so generously to the Penny Pines Program! Thank You!



## CCCSS SURVEY: MEMBER PLANT SALES AT MEETINGS

Several CCCSS members have approached the Board of Directors about the opportunity to sell succulents and related items during a general membership meeting. The Board is actively exploring the possibility of organizing a member sale, but we would like to know how many people would be seriously interested in participating as sellers. Potential member vendors will be required to have a current California State Board of Equalization Seller's Permit and will be responsible for collecting and paying sales tax. All transactions will be between the buyer and seller with no CCCSS involvement.

If you are genuinely interested in participating as a vendor, or if you have other comments or suggestions, please use the space below. Thank you for taking the time to comment.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments / Suggestions:

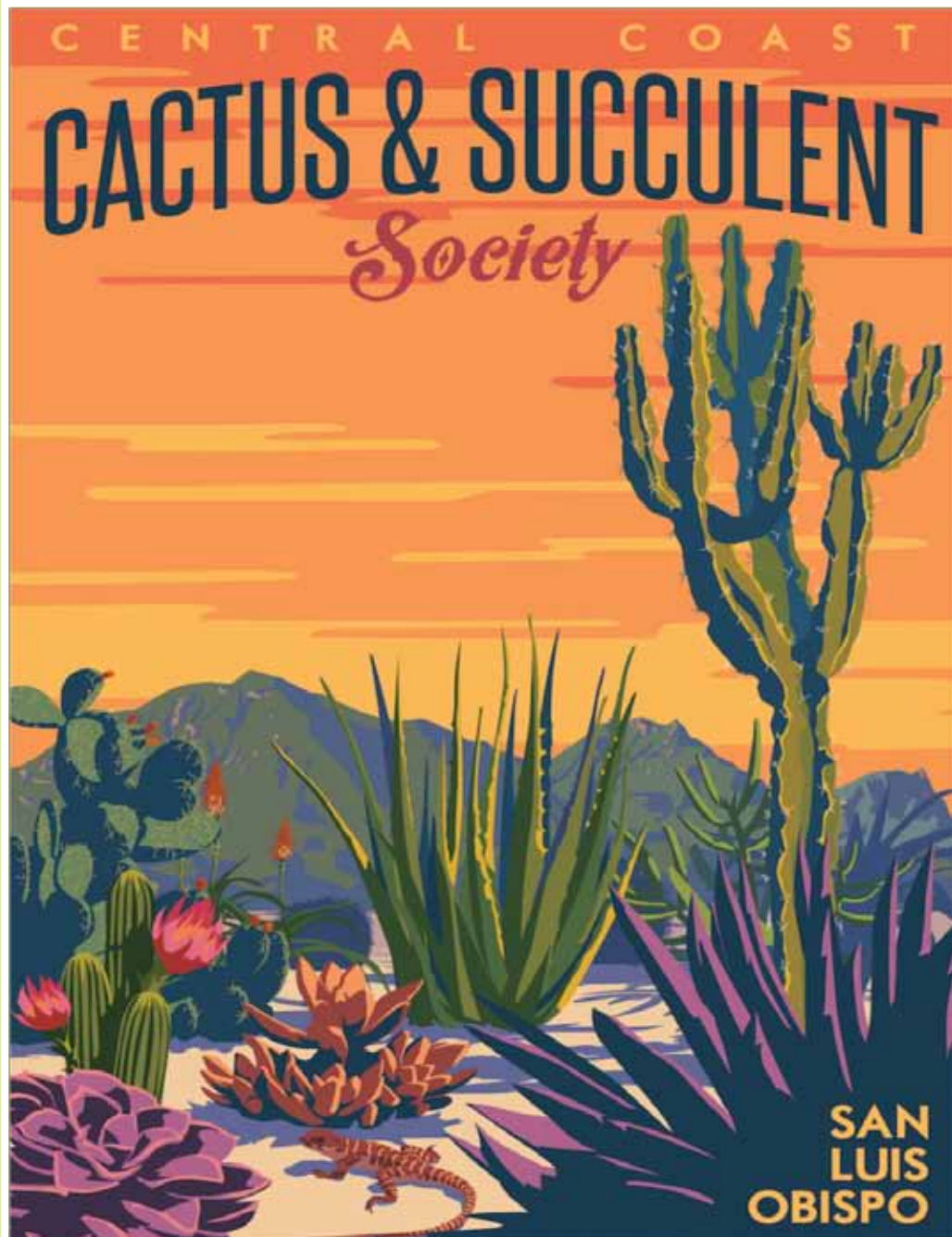
Please leave your response at the Greeters Table, talk to a Board Member, or you can now email us at our new club email address: [cencalcactus@gmail.com](mailto:cencalcactus@gmail.com). You do not need to respond if you are not interested or have no comments.

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS.



# BEAUTIFUL ART FOR SALE!

Available at every meeting, we will have two sizes of this gorgeous print for you to purchase. The art was done by Steve Thomas for the Just Looking Gallery at 746 Higuera Street, Ste 1, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401 (805.541.6663). The amazing and wonderful folks there have offered the art to CCCSS as a fundraiser. The profit from every piece of art sold by CCCSS goes to CCCSS!! Thank you Ken McGavin and Ralph Gorton for your kindness and generosity!



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## Prices including tax:

12" x 18"

Framed Print:  
\$120

24" x 36"

Print on Canvas:  
\$420

Orders will be taken at the club meetings; cash and checks only please.

Your print will be ordered from Just Looking Gallery and delivered to you at the following club meeting.

For more information, contact **Kathie Matsuyama:**  
[luvbigdogs@earthlink.net](mailto:luvbigdogs@earthlink.net)

# FEBRUARY 11TH GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Shortly after 2:00 p.m., on February 11, 2018, President Loring Manley called to order the February General Membership meeting of Central Coast Cactus and Succulent Society. Loring thanked the people who provided refreshments for the break and about eight first-time visitors with a welcome succulent.

## Announcements

- T-Shirt Contest: Every year the club has a contest to select the design on the Show & Sale commemorative t-shirt. This year the submitted designs will be voted on during the April meeting (please refer to the detailed rules in this newsletter).
- The S&S Committee has scheduled its first meeting on March 1. If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact Pat Gilson.
- Barbara Brooks announced that she plans to have a workshop later in the year that will involve pinecones. She said that now is an excellent time to collect some perfect cones with flat bottoms, along with some pepper berries, if you are interested in this workshop.
- Richard Rowe announced his sale, with Steve Super in Morro Bay on February 24.
- Terry Skillin, Member at Large, is looking for suggestions on a destination for future bus outings, such as the CSSA Show & Sale at The Huntington over the 4th of July weekend or the Inter-City Show in mid-August at the L.A. Arboretum. All ideas are welcome!
- Kathie Matsuyama and Susan Ross announced that the next Garden Gathering signups are being taken for a March 31 gathering at Mary Peracca's home in San Luis Obispo. Also scheduled is a Gathering at Leisa Swanson's garden in SLO, on April 28.
- Kathie Matsuyama belongs to a garden group called Good Thyme Garden Society, and they have invited our members to join them on a trip to Descanso Gardens in La Cañada on March 9 at a cost of \$70, which includes admission to Descanso Gardens.

Rob Skillin invited members who brought succulents to share on the Brag and Plant-of-the-Month Tables to talk about their plants. Leisa Swanson, Janice Ferguson, Harry Harlow, Susan Chandler, Natasha Erickson, and Rob had a chance to discuss their plants. Pachypodium was Plant-of-the-Month, and it was suggested that its size can be controlled by letting it become root-bound in a small pot. Or, for maximum growth, plant it in the ground. They are heavy water users and need a lot of light – full sun is fine – but not much fertilizer. Rob believes in growing them hard and slow. A recommended source for pachypodium seeds is Mesa Garden, which has a great online seed catalogue.

Following the break (thank you Claudette and crew), we enjoyed a talk and slide show given by Dr. Martin Quigley, whose primary responsibility is to manage the plant collections and direct the operations of the UC Santa Cruz gardens. After an explanation of the climate differences between western South Africa (think Central California) and eastern South Africa (think Florida) with monsoons (hurricanes) and dry in winter, Dr. Quigley concluded that, like Florida, the eastern Cape is not good for succulents, but the western Cape, like California, is ideal. Like many past speakers, Dr. Quigley mentioned the renaming and reclassifications of the past thirty years or so. Current science makes it much easier to group plants into their proper families, etc. We saw photographs of many different succulents from South Africa.

Following our entertaining featured speaker, Harry Harlow conducted the raffles, and the room was cleared. (Thank you to David Westberg and his team for setting up and taking down the tables, and to members who take their chairs to the closets.) Wayne Mills then conducted the plant exchange and the Board of Directors met.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Harlow Moss, Secretary



# CCCSS FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

The February 2018 Board of Directors meeting was attended by President Loring Manley; Vice President Carol Mortensen; Secretary Carol Moss; Treasurer Kathy Goss; Editor Mark Woods; Membership Chair Barbara Brooks; Hospitality Chair Pat Gilson; Members at Large Terry Skillin and Natasha Erickson; Publicity Terrie Leivers; CSSA Representative Rob Skillin; Past-President Ken Byrne and Librarian Ann Byrne. Member at Large Bill Findley was absent. Also attending was Claudette Rettig. Members are always welcome at the Board meetings.

## Items discussed:

Drop Box and Shared Calendar  
Schroeder Letter  
S&S Tables (rental amount approved)  
Treasurer's Report  
Member Sales at Meeting  
CSSA Convention  
T-shirt Artist Agreement  
Name Tags  
Suggestion Box

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Harlow Moss, Secretary

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