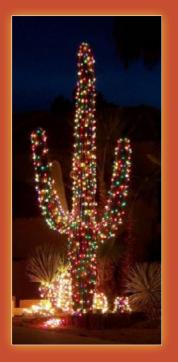


**DECEMBER 2018** 

It's Time For Our Annual Holidary Potluck!

The annual potluck is finally here and I'm looking forward to seeing all of you. It's always so much fun. We still have space available. If you plan on attending please let me know—Pat Gilson, by phone: 805-710-4957; or email: <u>hupt74@yahoo.com</u>.



I do have a couple of important requests:

- Please note any special information regarding the dish you are bringing to share (ie, vegan/vegetarian, gluten free, contains nuts,seafood, etc), and please label prominently.
- If you can carpool, it would help with the overcrowded parking.
- We need extra help with setting up & clean up. Set up starts at 12:30pm.
- Please bring an extension cord if needed.
- Please don't bring anything you can't bear to lose—some losses have occurred. Also
  mark any dishes and serving utensils so they can be returned to their owners.
- Don't forget to check out the live & silent auctions. Bring cash or checks (no credit cards) and don't miss out on the opportunity to purchase some wonderful items! Plants purchased at the live auction are usually show-quality or unusual plants that you will be fortunate to own. The money raised by the auctions helps run our club.

Thank you, Pat Gilson, Hospitality Chairperson

# **A CALL FOR AUCTION PLANTS**

We will be having a *LIVE* auction during our holiday potluck on December 9th. If you have a nice show-worthy specimen, a cacti- or succulent-related item, a pot or other appropriate items that have a minimum retail value of \$40 or more and you would like to sell it at the auction, please send an email to Bill Findley at <u>coolcactuskid805@gmail.com</u>. Include in your email at least two photos, the plant name, and a reserve price (the lowest you would be willing to sell it). The club retains 25% and you receive 75%.

The other part of our December meeting besides the amazing potluck, and live auction is the *SILENT* auction. This is your opportunity to give back to CCCSS, sort of like a Christmas present to your club. Items should be desirable caction succulent-related items that you are willing to donate to the club. All the proceeds go to CCCSS. You do not have to have pre-approval for the silent auction items, just bring them with you on December 9th and you will be given an auction sheet and a location to place your plant or plant-related item. *Ask not what your club can do for you; ask what you can do for your club!* 

### WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE HOLIDAY POTLUCK! Next Sunday, december 9th

Odd Fellows Hall, 520 Dana Street, San Luis Obispo

# JANUARY BUS TRIP TO THE HUNTINGTON DESERT FORUM!

The Huntington Desert Forum is being held on January 19th. This will be a great field trip for our club. The benefits are outstanding: free admission to the Huntington at a beautiful time of year (aloes in bloom), the Desert Conservatory will be open, and best of all, everyone gets to go behind the scenes into the propagation and growing area for shopping! This is a unique opportunity.

Our club is renting a bus, much as we have done before for previous trips. Cost to members is \$15 with free entrance. Non-Member guests: \$60 plus the normal entrance fee. A signup sheet will be at the December pot luck. The club will provide a brown bag breakfast on the bus and refreshments on the return trip. The details will be announced at the January meeting (pick-up points and times, etc). Be prepared for a very early departure, and *for free entrance you must bring your club name badge.* 



#### THE HUNTINGTON

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BOTANICAL GARDENS

### **DESERT FORUM** Saturday, 19 January 2019

#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

9:00 - 9:45	<b>Registration</b> Please bring your CSSA or affiliated club badge or membership card for admission. In order to receive free admission, you must arrive by 9:45. Late arrivers will need to pay for Huntington admission.
9:00 - 10:00	Coffee and doughnuts will be available in the lower section of the Desert Garden
9:00 - 11:00	<ul> <li>Desert Garden</li> <li>Knowledgeable staff and docents will be stationed throughout the Desert Garden and Desert Conservatory</li> <li>Aloes will be flowering</li> </ul>
11:00 – 1:00	Plant Sales – (exclusively for CSSA and club members) Gate opens by the Teaching Greenhouse at 11:00 for plant sales - <i>please, no early bird shopping, and no shopping after 1:00.</i> Cash, checks, and credit cards accepted
1:00 - 5:00	<b>Free Time</b> Participants are welcome to tour the gardens and galleries from 10:00 to 5:00.
Lunch:	
<ul> <li>Café 1919 in the visitor center features a variety of sandwiches, salads, and grilled items</li> <li>The tea room at Liu Fang Yuan is a nice option for Asian food</li> <li>Red Car (coffee shop), located near the Store, offers a small selection of pre-made options</li> </ul>	

# **GARDEN GATHERINGS**

Garden Gatherings are currently planned for Ed & Susan Chandler's garden in Los Osos on Saturday January 26, 2019 and Carl & Stephanie Kleinman's garden in San Luis Obispo on Saturday February 23, 2019. See the Ask Me Table at the January meeting for sign up information or you can email Susan Ross or Kathie Matsuyama (see below) for more information.

Pictured at right is Susan Ross, standing dangerously close to a beautiful giant Agave in the Chandlers' garden.

Sign-ups for Garden Gathering Hosts for 2019 are underway! Volunteer early—choose your favorite month in your garden!

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

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.

Why: CCCSS club is large; it's hard to connect with other cactophiles at our huge meetings.

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 very delightful way to do exactly that!

Garden Gatherings are also planned in gardens in Los Osos and San Luis Obispo. See the Ask Me Table for signup information. Announcements will be made at the October CCCSSS meeting or you can email Susan or Kathie for more information.

We are always looking for folks with a desire to share their passion for their plants, their garden and a willingness to host. Please let us know if you are interested!

Contact Susan Ross at susanrosscra@yahoo.com, or Kathie Matsuyama at luvbigdogs@earthlink.net.

# THIS WEEKEND - SUNDAY 12/2

**Club member Charles Varni** has quite an aloe bloom going on in his Oceano succulent garden and is inviting anyone who wants to see them to come by **Sunday Dec 2, between 11 and 3 pm**. See the spectacular spikes and multi-colored flowers of Aloe Cameronii, Aloe David Verity, Aloe Vera, Aloe Eric the Red, Aloe Scarlet Rockets, Aloe Little Red Riding Hood, and others.

Charles will also have a few young and uncommon succulent plants for sale, mostly priced at \$5. Some plants in stoneware planters will also be available at higher prices.

1745 Rochelle Way, Oceano Map Phone: 805.459.6698





### ALSO THIS WEEKEND - SUNDAY 12/2

# Enjoy the FREE 4th Holiday Gift Studio Tour with 4 talented artists in 2 festive studios!

11am-4pm, Sunday, December 2. Affordable, artful hand-crafted gifts for someone special...or YOU!

Enjoy a joyful day browsing local studios, hand-crafted gifts & light refreshments in Los Osos & Morro Bay, all for a great cause.

Explore **Rod Baker's** blown & fused glass home-garden décor & jewelry, with guest glassblowers doing live demos. **1279 2nd Street, Baywood Park-Los Osos, 93402** <u>Map</u> **805.551.6836**.

And discover new treasures by **Richard Rowe Clayworks**. He's made new ceramics & planters for this holiday event, & features guest artists **Jayne Devencenzi's** jewelry & succulent wreaths, with **Steve Super Gardens'** collection of seasonal plants & garden gifts. **387 Quintana, Morro Bay, 93442** <u>Map</u> **805.235.9721**.

A portion of all proceeds will benefit those served by local non-profit RISE: <u>Respect. Inspire. Support. Empower. https://www.riseslo.org/</u>

QUESTIONS? Please contact Richard Rowe Clayworks | 805.235.9721 | roweclayworks@gmail.com

Please invite your friends & check for DETAILS: <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/192055095016834/</u>

Sunday, December 2, 2018





**Rod Baker Art Glass** 





Jayne Devencenzi





4th Holiday Gift Studio Tour

Visit 4 creative local artists in 2 festive studios by the Bay! Art • Gifts • Stocking Stuffers • Home-Garden Décor

**Richard Rowe Clayworks** 





11am-4pm

Steve Super Gardens



A portion of art proceeds will benefit those served by RISE of San Luis Obispo County.

RISE

### **OPEN STUDIO AND POTTERY SALE – NEXT WEEKEND!**

### **Standhardt Studio**

December 8th, 10am–5pm December 9th, 11am–4pm

1463 Oceanaire Dr, San Luis Obispo Map 805.234.0087 standhardtstudio.com



# **BULLETIN BOARD**

**BOOKS, ART PRINTS AND 'ASK ME' TABLE TO RETURN IN JANUARY!** Books and Art Prints will not be available for purchase at the December Holiday Party. The 'Ask Me' Table will also not be set up in December. These activities will all return at the January CCCSS meeting.

**REGIONAL SHOW & SALE CALENDAR OF EVENTS:** The 2019 Calendar of California Cactus & Succulent Shows & Sales is available in the "files" section of our Club's Facebook page: Central Coast Cactus & Succulent Society. We will also be posting it shortly to our website as well: <u>www.centralcoastcactus.org</u>.

#### CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY OF AMERICA (CSSA)

**Convention Advertisers And Volunteers Needed:** Our Central Coast Cactus and Succulent Society (CCCSS) is hosting the Cactus and Succulent Society of America's 38th Biennial Convention, July 17-20, 2019 in San Luis Obispo at the Veterans Hall on Monterey St. CSSA will be distributing a 2019 CSSA Convention program which will be professionally designed with full color advertisement space available. We still need more advertisers, thus if you are interested in purchasing an ad space this year in support of the CSSA Convention, please contact Terrie Leivers at terrieleivers@gmail.com. Terrie is the 2019 CSSA Convention Host Co-Chairperson and our CCCSS Publicity Board Member.

Additionally, if you would like to get on the list to volunteer during the convention between the dates of July 18-20, 2019, you can email Terrie for that as well (terrieleivers@gmail.com), and you will be added to the list for volunteer opportunities that may interest you. It looks like an approximate 5-hour shift will get you a 1-day pass to attend lectures (there are usually 6 lectures per day) with a max of two 1-day passes, depending upon the number of volunteers we get who are interested, or if you are interested in being a field trip host your trip will be covered by CSSA. Please note that the pass cannot be split among different days of the convention.

Cactus & Succulent Society of America

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### **MORE FROM CSSA**

#### CSSA JOURNAL NO. 2, 2018 - SYNOPSIS OF SELECTED ARTICLES

**International Succulent Introductions:** John Trager of the Huntington Botanical Garden presents the 2018 offering of the International Succulent Introductions. Among the many plants now available are Browningia altissima, Cleistocactus brookeae, Agave wercklei, Aloe classenii, Aloe 'Sawbones' (a Karen Zimmerman hybrid), Echeveria penduliflora, Haworthia 'Snow Ball' and Peperomia quadrangularis.

Agave Mite: Ron Parker discusses Agave mite, an ever growing scourge in the southwest. The article displays photos of affected plants and touches on early detection and treatment options. Ron states, "...it is now unusual to encounter a mite-free nursery anywhere in Arizona."

**Neohaiticereus:** Cuban botanist Alberto Areces-Mallea introduces the new subgenus Neohaiticereus and presents its long and complicated botanical history over 300 years. Line drawings and clear photographs accompany the article.

**Two new species of Ledebouria from the Eastern Cape:** David M. Cumming presents Ledebouria bladeniana and L. fishrivierensis, two newly described species from South Africa. Both have purple spotted leaves. L. bladeniana is so far known from only one location. L. fishrivierensis has wide, spreading leaves and is known from several locations.

**Molecular analysis of the genus Eriosyce:** In his comprehensive treatment in part IV of "Molecular analysis of the genus Eriosyce," Fred Kattermann elucidates the various characteristics of Eriosyce Section Neoporteria subsection Neoporteria with multiple pictures of plants in habitat and in close up views, as well as with electron micrographs.

Lee Janney Miller (1947-2018): Dan Mahr offers a heartfelt remembrance of Lee Miller, longtime CSSA board member and advocate of the organization. A resident of Washington, D.C., Lee's entire working career was spent as a chemist with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. He had a passion for books and his collection of volumes related to cacti and succulents (which was substantial) has been donated to the CSSA Library. Lee was the Society's librarian and spent many hours organizing and studying the collection on his many trips to southern California. He was instrumental in creating and overseeing the Operations Manual of the Board of Directors and served as its Recording Secretary. In addition he participated in almost every CSSA-sponsored field trip. In an attempt to serve the affiliates, Lee in recent years assumed responsibility for video-taping various talks at national conventions, editing these and then making them available to the local clubs. Lee received the Superior Service Award in 2011 at the 2011 San Diego convention.

Additionally: The article "Crassulaceae from western-central Mexico" is presented by authors Raúl Acevedo-Rosas, Miguel de Jesús Cházaro-Basáñez, H. David Jimeno-Sevilla and Osvaldo Zuno Delgadillo which is accompanied by a map and photos, as well as a short article by Fred Kattermann on Copiapoa algarrobensis, an Addendum to the CSSA Seed Depot and two book reviews.

#### CSSA BOARD MEETING, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018 — HIGHLIGHTS FOR AFFILIATES

At the Board Meeting, we discussed the success of the June 30/July 1 CSSA Show and Sale in terms of participation and sales. Thanks to all of you who entered plants, enjoyed the dinner and auction, and purchased plants. And thank you to Barbara Hall for her coordination of this show. We always seek ways to improve the show, and you will be glad to hear that CSSA is purchasing several new cash registers to use at the sale which should definitely shorten the checkout lines. These registers will also be available to local affiliates.

The Board is enthusiastic about the 2019 convention in San Luis Obispo, and brochures will be available in January. The convention will be held on July 17 - 20, and will feature an international roster of speakers and rare plants. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

CSSA recently received a \$50,000 matching grant for our organization's endowment, and we have almost reached our goal. Please consider an individual or a club donation. CSSA represents our hobby and passion internationally, and plays a critical role in bringing together regional clubs for sharing information, resources, and opportunities.

The Board welcomed Phuc Huynh as a new Director from Redlands, California.

Please note that the CSSA website address has changed: we are now <u>www.cactusandsucculentsociety.org</u>. Check out the many publications and opportunities that are available.

### **CCCSS NOVEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

Vice President Carol Mortensen called the meeting to order at 2pm on November 11, 2018 and welcomed 94 members and guests to the meeting.

Carol thanked those members who brought refreshments to the meeting and invited them to choose a free plant as a thank you. She also noted that additional refreshment volunteers are needed for January's meeting (December is the Pot Luck, no regular meeting) and they could sign-up at the back of the room with Pat Gilson. Carol also thanked the members who volunteer at each meeting and reminded everyone to check out the different club tables set up around the room, such as Membership, Raffle Plants, Brag Plants, Plant of the Month, Library, Book/Art Sales, Greeters, etc.

First-Time Visitors: Carol invited 7 new visitors to come up, introduce themselves to the group and select a free plant.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Annual Christmas Party: The December Meeting will be our traditional holiday potluck. If you are planning to attend, you need to notify Pat Gilson with your name(s), and what dish you're bringing. Pat reported there were 70 spaces open, out of 150 (UPDATE: Less than 15 spaces left now!). Set-up begins at 12:30; seating by 1:30, when the main food will arrive!

Auctions: There will be a Live Auction and a Silent Auction (see page 1 of this newsletter for details) at the December Pot Luck. Bill Findley (<u>coolcactuskid805@gmail.com</u>) is in charge of the Live Auction and needs members to e-mail him pictures of their proposed live-auction items. All money from the Live Auction will be split, 25% to CCCSS and 75% to the Member. Silent Auction items are a donation and all proceeds go to CCCSS.

Barbara Brooks shared about the Succulent Pine Cone Workshop that was just held, and invited everyone to look at some of the pine cones on display. She also showed the group the succulent earrings she created.

Kathie Matsuyama and Susan Ross announced upcoming Garden Gatherings:

- Susan Chandler January 2019 attendee list already filled. Sign-up sheet is for waiting list.
- Carl and Stefanie Kleinman February 2019 Kathie forgot sign-up sheet, will bring to next meeting.

They also invited members to host a Garden Gathering in 2019, and recommended volunteering early to choose your favorite month for your garden. Garden Gathering information is available in every month's newsletter.

Susan Chandler announced she has been collecting cactus and succulent material that can be used to make a quilt to be sold/auctioned at the 2019 CCCSS Show and Sale. She needs volunteers to help create the quilt and asked for anyone interested in helping to meet with her during the break.

Carol Mortensen announced that it has come to our attention that some club members are uncomfortable around other people's pets. CCCSS understands your beloved pets are important members of your family, but they will not be allowed in the Odd Fellows Hall during our meetings. The Board thanks you in advance for cooperating with this new club policy.

Terrie Leivers is still looking for volunteers for the CSSA Convention in July. Please see Terrie if you are interested and you will be notified to sign-up on-line when all the positions/dates/times are confirmed, after the 1st of the year.

Plant of the Month – Mesembs: Kathie Matsuyama explained to the group that the POM, "Mesembs" are native to the west coast of Africa and there are over a 100 different genera in this group. Kathie and several members brought samples of the genera. A more detailed description of the POM was in the November Newsletter.

Brag Table: David Westberg thanked everyone who brought brag plants and invited them up to discuss their plants.

Raffle Table Review: Gene Schroeder described some of the extra special plants on the raffle table.

#### PROGRAM:

Richard Rowe presented a very informative program called "Up in the Air with Tilandsias." He also brought some of his pottery creations, including pots made specifically for displaying Tilandsias for the members to purchase.

After that came the plant raffle and plant exchange. Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Submitted by: Ann L. Byrne, CCCSS Secretary

# **CCCSS NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Carol Mortensen at 4:50pm on November 11, 2018.

Board members and guests present: Barbara Brooks, Ken Byrne, Ann Byrne, Natasha Erickson, Bill Findley, Pat Gilson, Kathy Goss, Terrie Leivers, Carol Mortensen, and Terry Skillin. A quorum of Board members were present.

Absent: Loring Manley and Rob Skillin

#### Old Business:

- Treasurer's Report Kathy Goss handed out the balance sheets for September 2018 and October 2018.
- CSSA Convention Update Ken Byrne/Terrie Leivers:
- CSSA 3rd committee meeting was on Saturday, Nov. 4, 2018.
- 13 speakers have been confirmed so far
- Natasha has created a beautiful convention Logo
- Need to work on welcome letter from CCCSS
- Next Host-Committee meeting will be in January 2019

#### New/Other Business:

- Budget Development Kathy Goss
- Replacement of the club's dead computer option discussion Carol Mortensen
- Potluck Planning Pat Gilson Pat needs everyone to arrive for set-up for the Potluck at 12:30 pm. As of the end
  of the general meeting today, 109 signed-up for the Pot Luck.
- Participation in SLO County Grants for Beautification Projects Discussion Terrie Leivers

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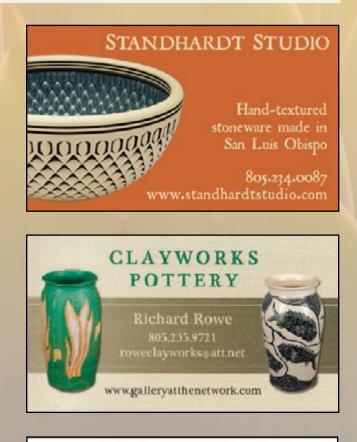
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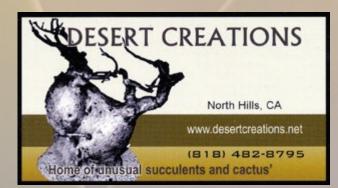
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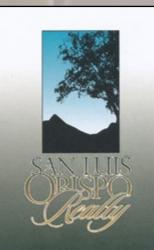




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