

On The Dry Side

Happy (almost) Spring!

The weather is getting warmer - not warm, but not cold. My plants are blooming. I haven't killed many over the winter. I did kill a crassula that was flourishing and then died. But on the other hand a few plants I thought were dead have come back to life. I got this one at a raffle. Jorge said it's a South African weed. It decided to grow a shoot.

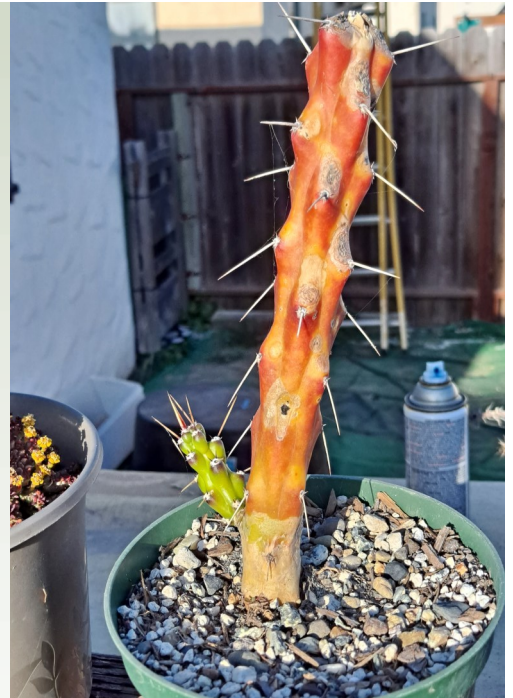
We are planning our first club get together in May. There is a flyer in the newsletter with info. There will be a small sale - a few vendors with a few flats - so bring some cash and a box to take your new plants home. Drop in any time between noon and 2:00. You are welcome to bring a chair, a snack or lunch with you. There will be water on hand. Guests are welcome.

Now that we are getting back to in-person events, we need a librarian. You don't have to be an expert, just organized. The book collection will be moved to the VFW and that will make the job much easier. Please consider helping the club by volunteering.

Sharon, our Secretary has taken a short leave of absence and other board members are trying to take on more duties. Minutes were taken at the board meeting, but I didn't get them so maybe 2 months worth next newsletter.

Nancy Thomsen

Newsletter Editor



MINUTES

By

Sorry, No
Minutes this
month

MEMBER SUBMISSIONS

Last month SFC&S Society launched a new YouTube channel! Currently you can watch Robert Webb on ["Rethinking the Genus Sansevieria"](#)

A promotional poster for the San Diego Epiphyllum Society's Epiphyllum Sale. The background is pink and features several colorful Epiphyllum flowers in shades of red, orange, yellow, and purple. The text is centered and reads: "San Diego Epiphyllum Society" in a script font, followed by "Epiphyllum Sale" in a large, bold, black serif font. Below this, it says "Hundreds of Epiphyllum cuttings & 4\" rooted plants will be for sale online at sdepis.org". Further down, it states "Sale kicks off at noon on Monday, May 17" and "Limited number of species and other epicacti available". A note says "Sorry...no international sales available". At the bottom, it mentions "Hosted by San Diego Epiphyllum Society, Inc., a 501(c)(5) Organization". A small circular logo with "SDES" and a flower is in the bottom right corner.

San Diego Epiphyllum Society

Epiphyllum Sale

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Our online sale will open at noon on Monday, May 17th at sdepis.org. We will have hundreds of *Epiphyllum* hybrid cuttings and 4" plants – all of which can be shipped. In addition we are offering a limited selection of epiphytic species and epicacti. The sale will end when we run out of product.

The April meeting will include a different garden tour by Gary Stubblefield. This tour will include specific plants and the portions of garden that didn't make it into the last tour. Please join us Sunday for our next meeting. Here is the link.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86318653386?pwd=ajI4QWM0V2ZQV3IMZFVObktIRHNVdz09>

See you Sunday

*Monterey Bay Area
Cactus & Succulent Society*

PICNIC AT NAOMI'S

Let's get back together

Drop by anytime between Noon – 2pm

Sunday May 16th 2021	Plants for Sale!	Door Prizes!
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Bring a chair, Bring a snack or lunch,
Bring a box to take home your new plants,
Masks and distancing will be observed

134 Trabing Road, Watsonville

Take the Buena Vista Exit off Hwy 1

From the south head away from the hwy to Trabing Road

From the north head across the hwy to Trabing Road

Turn left on Trabing and right on Azure Lane

SACRAMENTO CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY
PRESENTS THE 61ST ANNUAL

*Cactus & Succulent
2021 Plant Sale*

Free Admission

**APRIL 30TH, FRIDAY
1PM-6PM**

**MAY 1ST, SATURDAY
9AM-6PM**

**MAY 2ND, SUNDAY
9AM-4PM**

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& ARTS CENTER
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Masks and social distancing required.
Gloves recommended.



IN REMEMBRANCE,
DENNIS RAGASA (1948-2021)
GONE YET NOT FORGOTTEN

SUBMISSIONS

We need more submissions for the newsletter. I included some tips on submissions below.

It's been over a year since we had an in person meeting. You must have some questions or a blooming plant to show off. We all carry cameras in our pockets. Next time you are in your garden, take out your camera and snap some pics. If you can't email them, then text them to 831-905-3357 with your name and a brief story about your picture. Everyone has something to contribute. You don't have to be an expert to show off or give a tip or ask a question. We all enjoy the member stories. You can be the member story of next newsletter.

On The Dry Side Submissions

Send your newsletters, article submissions, affiliate events and news, photos, questions or growing tips to: nembuno@gmail.com

Send submissions as a Word or Google document. Items can also be sent as text pasted into an email body. I will work with PDF if that's all you have.

Please limit formatting. Avoid excessive bolding, returns or tabs. Avoid words in all CAPS.

Please proofread and spellcheck, esp. names. Preferred word count for articles is 100–200 words.

Send photos as JPEGs at least 3" wide and 250 dpi. Attach photos to emails and submit to Editor. Use of photos is at Editor's discretion. All photos need caption and photographer's name and photographer's permission.

LEADERSHIP

Officers and Chairpersons for 2020

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 Fred Valentine
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 Sarah Martin-Segal
 Nancy Thomsen
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Mini Show Coordinator

As we get closer to in person meetings, we are also getting closer to the mini show. I personally never quite got the mini show but I have an idea what it is. Each month there is a theme for succulents and cacti. If you have one of the theme plants, bring it to the meeting and we judge you. I mean we judge your plant. If you win, place or show, you get some tickets to the raffle. That's all I know. I bring this up because we don't have a coordinator. I think it might be a good way to become familiar with the plants. I doesn't seem like that much work and it's only at the meetings. After all this time locked up apart, now is the time to put yourself out there and volunteer

Librarian

The club is looking for a new librarian. You don't have to wear your glasses on a chain around your neck to take this position. The club has an extensive selection of books that need to be available to the membership. The board is working on an actual job description, but the basics are:

- An interest in cacti and succulents
- **We can keep the books at the VFW Hall**
- The librarian will check books out to members. So you need to keep track of that
- The librarian needs to attend most if not all meetings or two people can trade off
- If you want to get to know the members, this is a great way to do that
- Every one of you need to be around people so VOLUNTEER