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-Next Meeting-

September 20th @ 7pm - 8:30pm
Will Rogers Garden Center

Bring and Appetite!

We will have books for sale at the
August Workshop.

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President's Message

Well, OKC State Fair is coming to town along with our September rains. I've been doing some clean up in the greenhouse to make room to start bringing in the tender cactus and succulents for the winter. Plants seem to be bigger this year?



On September 15, 2018, J & J Cactus and Succulents will be having an Open House from 9:00am to 12:00pm, at 600 N. Pine Ave., Midwest City, OK. J & J will have a large selection of cactus and succulents for sale. They take cash, checks and credit cards. Hope to see you there!

Our club picnic is coming up on September 20, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Will Rogers Exhibition Center in our regular meeting room. This year it will be catered. I have 35 members who have contacted me to participate in the picnic. No need to bring anything but your appetite!

See you all soon!

Editor's Message

First let me apologize for the lateness of this month's issue. I'm nursing a shoulder injury but that shouldn't let me slow down the news!



There's tons of stuff this month and a big thanks to all the members that have submitted things to add plus some special notes.

- [The Cactus & Succulent Society of America](http://cactusandsucculentsociety.org/) has migrated to a new website. It's newer and more informative than ever! Highly suggest taking a look at it.
http://cactusandsucculentsociety.org/
- In lieu of the August meeting we had a dish garden seminar that went swimmingly! Tons of people young and old, friends and family, club members and newbies. The best part is meeting people!
- Additional TACSS Seminar information can be found at the end.

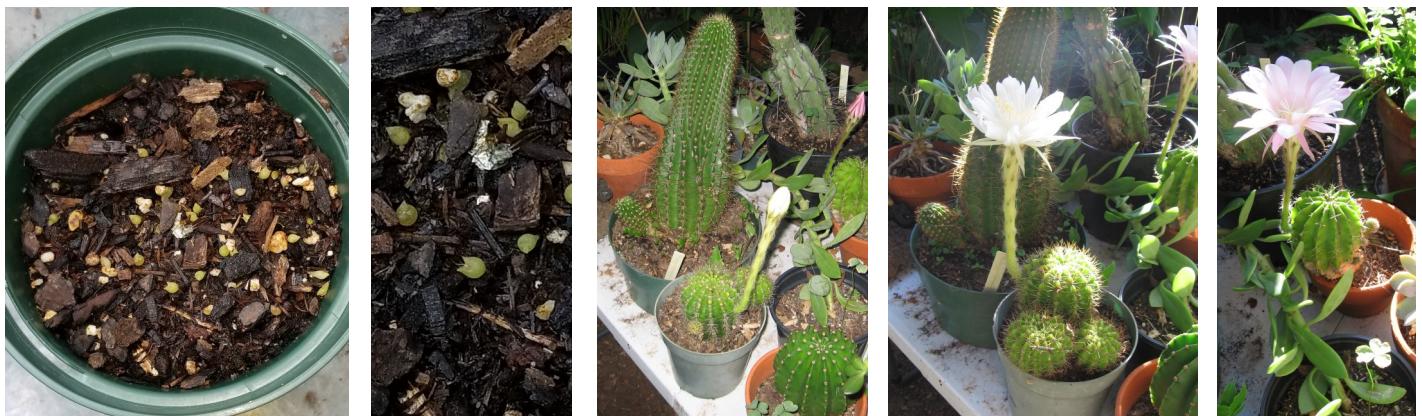


Photos courtesy Wil Oats

Summer Cactus Gifts - Stephen G Sisco

Early this summer these two cacti decided they were mature enough to bloom, both on the same night. *Echinopsis calochlora* K. Schumann, white flower, fruit matured first and gave seed, and, *Echinopsis eyriesii* (Turpin) Pfeiff. & Otto, with a pink flower, fruited, matured second and gave seed. These were still in bloom the next morning. So me and my trusty pollen brush did some work and pollen was crossed. At least some seed will be hybrid. Most likely this will yield nothing particularly new. Regardless, as each fruit matured and split open I sowed the seeds. The fruit matured about two weeks apart, germinations were also about two weeks apart. I now have many cacti babies.

Photos courtesy Stephen Sisco



Getting To Know You

Name:

Jeanette Sciara

How long have you been a collector:

"Since the time when you ordered your plants via catalog."

What's your favorite plant:

Aloes & Gasterias

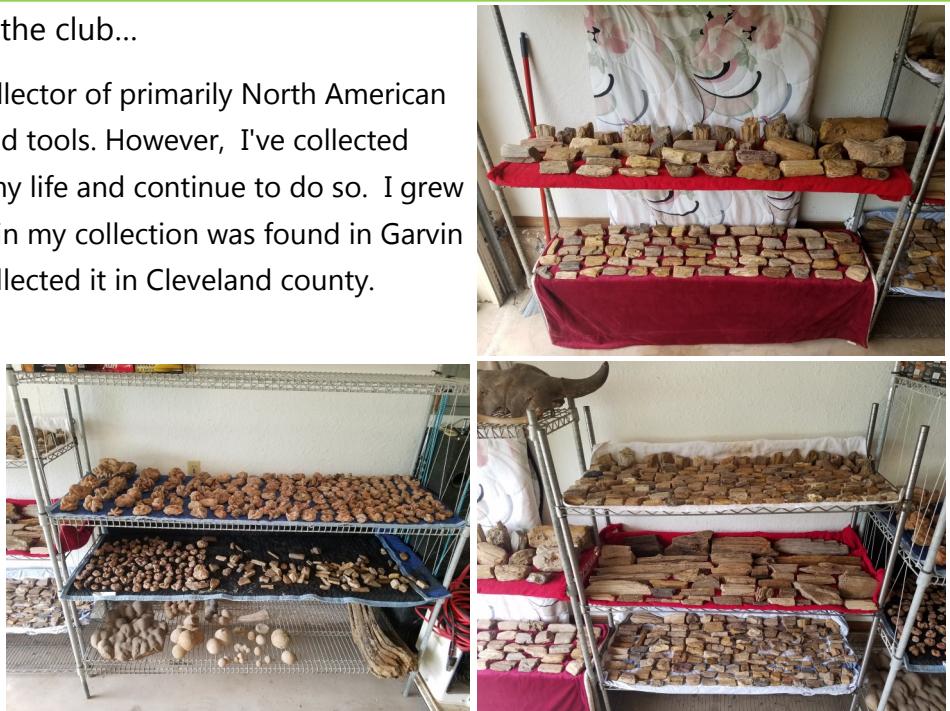
Something you wouldn't know about me: "I grow plants in Stillwater OK and offer them for sale. Stillwatersucculents.org for more information. Come see our collection and plants at 3023 N Jardot, Stillwater, OK."

Roger Hamilton recently emailed the club...

"I'm an amateur archeologist and collector of primarily North American prehistoric stone projectile points and tools. However, I've collected many rocks and fossils throughout my life and continue to do so. I grew up in Garvin County and everything in my collection was found in Garvin County except for the rose rock, I collected it in Cleveland county.

Let me know if you need anything,

Roger Hamilton - 405-207-1701
800 36th Ave SE
Norman, OK 73026
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Editor's Note: I can't do the rocks justice with these pictures so I'll have Rosario post them on facebook as well.

Friendly service announcement!

You can google just about anything these days but finding exactly what you're looking for in the succulent and cactus categories can be daunting. Googling "green with spines and a yellow flower" can lead to a lot of different things. Sometimes you scroll through countless pictures and never find what you're looking for.

That's where the club comes in!

Did you know we have a library? Having a book in your hands filled with pictures can help you identify your favorite succulent as well as help you add to your want list. Maybe you want to read up more on details from one of your favorite families (aloes for me please!)?

Rosario has put together a beautiful [collage on the website](#) that displays all the book covers and there's also a [list as](#)



Photos courtesy Rosario Douglas

CALENDAR

September Coffee & Tea in the Garden:

When: September 15th @ 9am - Noon

Where: 600 N Pine St, Midwest City

Details: Visitors are welcome to come, visit the greenhouse and check out the plants. We have hundreds of cactus and Succulents are available for purchase. Visitors will need to park in the circle drive under the shade trees so not to block the driveway to the back.

September Members Picnic

When: September 20th @ 7pm

Where: Will Rogers Garden Center - 3400 NW 36th St, OKC

Details: The annual member picnic! Please RSVP numbers through Joyce @ 405.737.183 or email cactibud@cox.net.

TACSS Seminar

When: October 13-14

Where: Dallas Arboretum

Details: (attached information at the end)

October Meeting

When: October 18th @ 7pm

Where: Will Rogers Garden Center - 3400 NW 36th St, OKC

Details: The Horticulture Curator from the Tulsa Zoo has installed a 'green roof' and planted it with succulents. He will be presenting on this project.

Photos courtesy Wil Oats @ the AustinCSS Show and Sale



TACSS Fall Seminar Oct. 13-14 @ Dallas Arboretum

Speakers

- Karen Zimmerman
- Richard Stamper
- Woody Minnich
- Irwin Lightstone

TACSS Sale (Benefits to TACSS)

- Rare Plants
- Books
- Pottery
- Photography
- Art

Vendors

- Cactus Data Plants (Woody Minnich)
- Rick Van Dyke Studio
- Dennis Barclay
- Claret Ranch Cactus and Succulents (Jimmy Black)
- Sa Sun McDonald
- The Cactus Shack (Richard Stamper)
- Wyler Greenhouses (Marian Wyler)
- Oak Top Pottery (Bill Utley)

Hotel Holiday Inn Express & Suites

Dallas NE Arboretum

- Standard King \$98
- Standard Double \$108

Cut-off date for room rate: 9/10/18 (refer to TACSS to get group rate) 214-340-0003



TACSS Schedule 10-13-18

- 9:00 - 9:15 Plants
- 9:15 - 9:30 Intro
- 9:30 - 10:30 1st speaker
- 10:30 - 10:45 Break
- 10:45 - 11:45 2nd speaker
- 11:45 - 12:00 Break
- 12 - 1:30 Lunch, Lunch program, Break
- 1:30 - 2:30 3rd speaker
- 2:30 - 2:45 Break
- 2:45 - 3:45 4th Speaker
- 3:45 - 4:00. Announcements
- 4:00 - 4:30 Business meeting
- 5:00 - Arboretum closes
- 6:00 - 8:00 Dinner at Highland Park Cafeteria
1200 N Buckner Blvd, Dallas, TX 75218



Registration Form

Name(s) _____ **Club** _____

Email Address _____ **Phone** _____

There is a welcoming dinner at Irwin Lightstone's home, 9048 Royal Crown Drive, Dallas, TX 75243 on Friday evening 6:00-8:00.

Friday dinner: Yes _____ **No** _____

Lunch is available from the Arboretum and will be delivered. They must be paid for in advance. Choose from the choices listed on the menu page that follows.

Lunch: Yes _____ **No** _____ **Selection** _____

Please send checks for lunch payable to TACSS to Irwin Lightstone, 9048 Royal Crown Drive, Dallas TX 75243. If you are not buying lunch please email a legible picture of this registration form to Irwin at radiantimages@sbcglobal.net or text it to 214-529-7046

There will also be a dinner on Saturday night at the Highland Park Cafeteria, 1200 N Buckner Blvd, Dallas, TX 75218. There will be a wide selection of food. You will pay for it there.

