

CENTRAL OKLAHOMA CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY

The Offset

President's Message

June 2019

Hey All,

Next Friday, June 7 is setup & move in day for our Show & Sale.

Robert and his helpers will have the room ready for move-in at 11:00 am. If any vendors want to bring their own table covers, please let him know robert.millison@yahoo.com. We always need help with the move-in. You can help the vendors get their plants into the building and to their tables.



This year we will be Judging the show plants on Friday. You must have your show plants checked in with your entry cards filled out and in place by 6:00 pm. All invited vendors are to bring 1 to 3 Show plants to be entered in the Advanced Classes. You may bring more if you like.

Member vendors are asked to participate and support the Judged Show by entering at least two plants following rules of entry. This is an area that we will need some help in. If you would like to stay after 6:00 pm with the judging and be a clerk. Please let Robert and/or Joyce know.

Jim has ordered Panera boxed lunches for Saturday and Hideway Pizza for Sunday.

Please read the May Meeting Minutes for more information.

COCSS President, Joyce Hochtritt



Monthly Meeting SHOW N SALE!

June 7th - Setup - 11am
June 8th - 9am - 5pm
June 9th - 9am - 4pm

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June 2019

JUNE SHOW AND SALE

THE CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The annual Show & Sale is a lot of work but it's also incredibly rewarding. We had an INSANE turn out last year and to prepare for that this year we're hoping members will show out in force.

Friday's Setup - Starts at 11am

The big thing is helping vendors bring plants in. You are welcome to bring your garden wagon to help moving things in and out (there will also be some already there). There's tables to setup as well plus helping people get their plants setup in the Show area. I promise if you turn up we'll find something for you to do! Did I mention that if you help with Friday's setup you get to do some early shopping?

Saturday - 9am to 5pm

Sunday - 9am to 4pm

There are plenty of areas that will need help. Show up and do your shopping then stick around for a few hours to help (or spend all day there like me!) You'll be helping with things like guarding the show area, giving advice on things you might know nothing about (I do a lot of that), helping people carry their plants to their cars (this is where bringing your garden wagon helps) and lots of banter with people who actually want to hear you talk about your plants. I know my first time volunteering I was a bit afraid, I was petrified. Then I realized how I couldn't live without these plants by my side. It's a crazy amount of fun. Your day will fly by. I HIGHLY recommend volunteering for the event.

Opuntia humifusa

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COCSS' MAY MEETING REVIEW

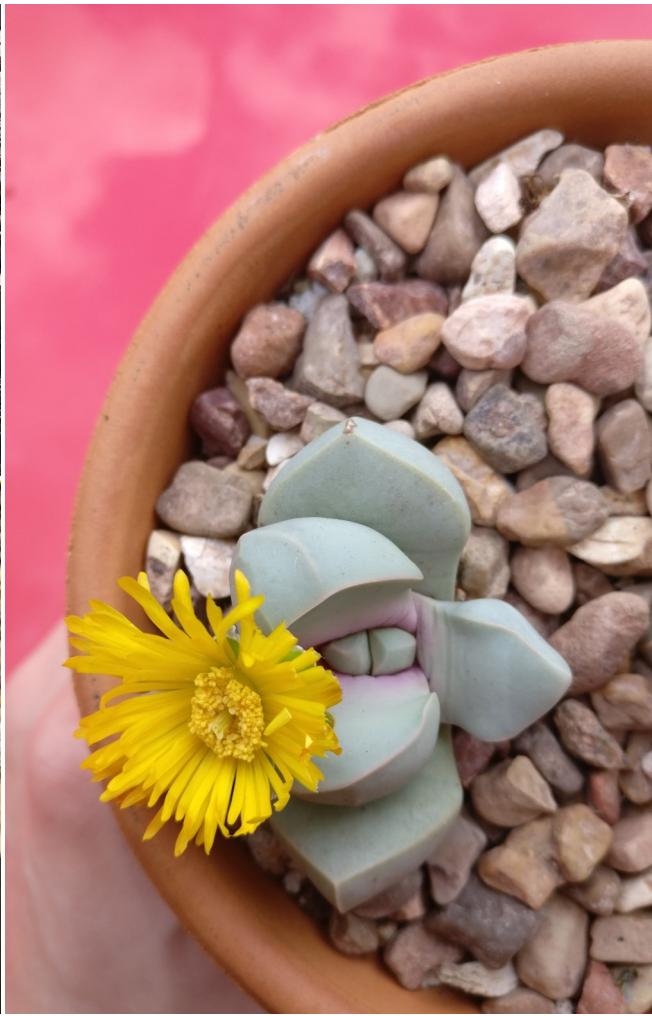
If you missed out on May's meeting then you missed Gayle talking about her mammals! Well, she was talking about ALL the mammals and the wonders of the genera. Gayle's presentation was PACKED with information. She discussed care for them in Oklahoma. She talked about how the taxonomy of mammillaria is shifting due to DNA testing. A great presentation. Thank you Gayle!



MEMBERS BLOOMS IN JUNE



© Rosario Douglas Echinocereus reichenbachii var. baileyi



© Kate Reynolds

Lapidaria margaretae

COCSS' MAY MEETING'S MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 7:04pm with 18 present.

April meeting minutes approved & seconded. One new member added to membership.

Cold-hardy bed: Robert shared that he had located a nice specimen size Yucca faxoniana at Davidson's Nursery that would make a great focal point for Phase II (priced at \$525). Wil made a motion that the club purchase this plant for the cold-hardy bed; motion was seconded by Matt. Robert has spoken with Jim at WRGC, who reports that they would be able to pick up & transport the yucca to WRGC. Will be trying to schedule a work day for the cold-hardy bed toward the middle/end of June. Robert also reported that a few other plants have also been purchased for the cold-hardy bed.

Show/Sale:

Wil is working with Peggy and Gayle on getting the bar code scanners figured out. Professional vendors will be using bar codes on sale items; non-professional club members who wish to sell items will be able to use removable sticker tags for pricing.

Robert has attempted a re-design of the show/sale layout in order to address some issues we experienced last year. The new layout attempts to provide a better "flow" with a specific entry location and an extended space for the check-out line that should not impede browsing shoppers. The check-out area will have 2 separate check-out tables in the hopes that the check-out line will move more quickly.

Rosario indicated that she is bringing an ice chest for bottled water.

Ten tables have been rented for the show/sale in the hopes we will have sufficient table space (these have been paid for).

Members are encouraged to bring carts/wagons for customers to use while shopping & for transporting their purchases to their vehicles.

Members are encouraged to bring plants/items that can be used for the Raffle drawings.

Members should have their show plants in the show area by 5pm Friday June 7th; judging will be held after rather than Saturday morning. Wil offered to make some signage.

The Trophy/ribbon order has come in; either Gayle or Robert will pick up the trophies/ribbons.

Please bring boxes for customers in which to carry their purchases.

Any member planning to sell items at the show/sale should have already turned in a signed Vender-Member Contract (required in order to sell); any members who plan to sell items are expected to enter at least 1-3 plants in the judged show.

Even if you are a new member, PLEASE come help with show/sale; we need people to assist customers in choosing plants, answering questions, & transporting purchases to customers' vehicles.

We have the following people signed up to help in the indicated areas:

Friday set-up: Shirley Cox, Fred Hill, Kate Reynolds, Wil & Tyson Oats, Jennifer Payne, Everett Bradley, Loa Girty, Corinne Colbert. (please arrive by 11am to help with bringing plants in & setting up).

****Members who help with set-up on Friday get to peruse & pick out plants for purchase before the rest of the community!****

Set-up of Judged Show area - Robert, Joyce, Matt, Mike & Rosario Douglas.

Saturday - Welcome Table: Fred Hill, Mike Douglas, Peggy Holland (?)

Saturday - Checkout Tables: Wil & Tyson Oats, Loa Girty, Deb Trimble.

Wil has volunteered to print up the People's Choice ballots.

Saturday Raffle - Sarah Kramer.

Saturday Food/Drinks: Shirley Cox (desserts), Kate & Mark (ice/bottled water), Loa Girty (donuts, bottled water), Mike & Rosario (ice chest/ice); we do need someone to make sure that Coffee is made also. Jim Hochtritt will be picking up Panera sandwiches for the noon meal.

Sunday Welcome Table: Fred Hill, Corinne Colbert, Mike & Rosario, Peggy Holland (?).

Sunday Check-out Table: Wil & Tyson, Jennifer Payne, Loa Girty.

Sunday Raffle: OPEN

Sunday Food/Drinks: Shirley Cox (desserts), Loa Girty (donuts).

Sunday Tear Down: ALL available members are asked to help with tear-down. We can begin taking down the Judged Show area at 3pm; the sale ends at 4pm, at which time we will need help with carrying out vendor plants, taking down tables, cleaning up kitchen/exhibition hall.

The 2019 CSSA Biennial Convention will be held on July 17-20 in San Luis Obispo, CA.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39pm.

ADDENDUM: "Tea In The Garden" - an opportunity for members to schedule a day/time for other members/community to tour your yard/greenhouse/plant collection. Fred Hill has indicated he wants to do his in July (but no specific date has yet been given). If you would like to have your own "Tea", please notify Robert of what day/time so it can be announced.



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Jun 7 PreShow Setup for COCSS Show n Sale

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Jul 18 'Photographing Your Plants' - TBD

Aug 15 Dish Garden Workshop

presented by: J & J Cactus & Succulents

Sep 19 Annual Picnic

Oct 17 Jimmy Black

Introducing Cactus & Succulents into your Landscape

Nov 21 Adam Sarmiento

Eco Landscaping

Dec ? Club Xmas Party (date pending)

July

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Meetings are @ WRG @ 7pm unless otherwise noted.

● Meeting ● Other

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