

# CENTRAL OKLAHOMA CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY

## The Offset

## President's Message

April 2021

Howdy howdy!

I know, I know! It's been a bit quiet around these parts. I hope everyone's doing well and working on getting their shots. Hopefully staying in contact with as many people as possible.

We had a great board meeting and got a lot of things set, such as the schedule for this year. We do have our room and I'd really like to get back to in-person meetings this year. **Would people be interested in meeting in person again?** We'd setup chairs 6ft apart and still require masks but with people getting their shots it would be nice to return to a bit of normalcy. Who doesn't want to try and figure out who someone is just by looking at their eyes.

The big question this year... Show n' Sale. Yaaaaaaas. That's the answer. Short of the state shutting back down we are having the show n' sale. We're currently in the process of confirming vendors. We're still going over all the details so there's more to come. I expect the show n' sale to be quite busy this year though so we're going to need as many hands on deck as we can.

The plan is to have a our normal Thursday meeting. We'll also stream it on zoom. **If you plan on attending in person please let me know so I know if it's worth us doing it in person or waiting another month.**

Dues need to be caught up on as well.

COCSS membership dues are \$10 per individual or \$15 per household.

Make checks payable to COCSS and can be mailed to 620 N Bristow Ave, Moore OK 73160.

Contact Tyson Reynolds at 405.343.5721 or by email at [tyson.b.reynolds@gmail.com](mailto:tyson.b.reynolds@gmail.com)

**I'm super excited for this year! Let's get to crushin' it!**

Wil Oats  
COCSS President

### Monthly Meeting

April 15th @ 7pm  
Will Roger's Gardens  
3400 NW 36th St  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Transitioning Plants from Inside  
to Outside

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# APRIL HAPPENINGS

**Meeting** - Transitioning Plants From Indoors to Outdoors: The spring is here! You've got all these plants in your bedroom, windowsill, closet, and garage. You probably want to rush them outside and drown them in water. Don't do that. Instead come to the meeting and see what the experts have to say. Even ask some questions yourselves!

**Cleanup At Will Roger's Gardens:** The freeze hit our show area pretty hard. We need to come in and do some big cleanup to get things going again. April 10th at 10am. Bring things you'd normally use to work in your own garden. A bucket, a wagon, gloves, shovel, or other hand tools, maybe a margarita, you do you.

## Central Oklahoma Cactus&Succulent Society Online Resources

Our club also maintains a webpage (<https://oklahomacactus.com>).

To find our webpage you can type **Oklahomacactus** in Google.

The image contains four separate photographs of flowering succulents, each labeled with a letter:

- A:** A close-up of a cluster of small, yellow, daisy-like flowers growing on a succulent with thick, green, fleshy leaves.
- B:** A cluster of bright yellow, star-shaped flowers growing on a succulent with long, thin, green leaves.
- C:** A dense cluster of small, yellow flowers growing on a cactus with many sharp, reddish-brown spines.
- D:** A close-up of a single, large, yellow flower with a prominent center, growing on a cactus with dark, segmented spines.

### Central Oklahoma Cactus & Succulent Society

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#### HOME

A close-up photograph of a cactus segment with a single, bright red, five-petaled flower in full bloom. The cactus has sharp, greenish-yellow spines.

Welcome to the Central Oklahoma Cactus&Succulent Society. You can learn about our club in the about section. Our monthly newsletter is "The Offset". All issues starting in 2011 are available under the Newsletter tab. A membership form is available under the Join tab. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us. If you have questions about the club or this webpage. Unless otherwise stated, photos are by Mike Douglas. Check out our [Facebook page](#).

#### March active succulents in the greenhouse

Spring is finally here and while outdoor plants are now beginning to stir, the winter grower succulents have been very active in the greenhouse all winter. Here are some of the latest greenhouse flowering succulents.

Three separate photographs of flowering succulents, each labeled with a letter:

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A. *Aloinopsis setifera*   B. *Cheiridopsis namaquensis*

C. *Euphorbia enopla*   D. *Mammillaria prolifera*

#### FACEBOOK PAGE

A thumbnail image showing a post on the Central Oklahoma Cactus & Succulent Society Facebook page, featuring a cactus flower.

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#### COCSS meeting location and time

A map showing the location of COCSS meetings. It includes a red dot for the meeting place, a green dot for the club's location, and a blue dot for the club's website. The map shows a road with the text "3400 NW 23rd Street" and "Oklahoma City, Oklahoma".

3400 NW 23rd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
405-297-1392

7:30PM Third Thursday of the Month

#### Blog Stats

19,945 Visits

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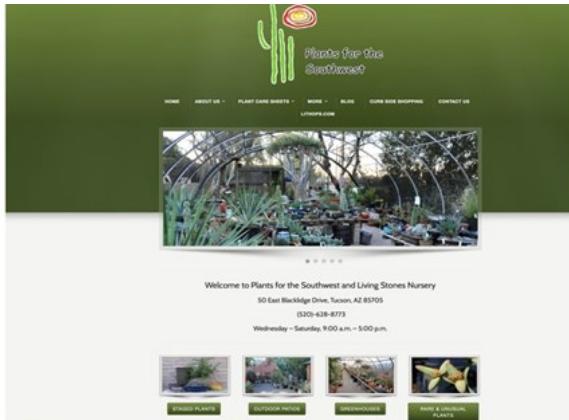
## Expanding your succulent plant collection

by: Rosario Douglas

Spring is here and it is that time of the year again to get some new plants. Besides your local nurseries or better yet a local succulent plant Show&Sale, a good way to acquire new plants is online.

For those of you thinking of expanding your succulent plant collections and looking for places to buy new plants consider looking at the list put together by the Cactus Mall (<http://www.cactus-mall.com/nurseryusa.html>). Some links may not be working, but it is still a pretty long list.

We are not in the business of advertising nurseries, but we can say we have had a positive experience purchasing plants from Arid Lands, Plants for the Southwest and Grigsby Cactus Garden among others.



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 Arid Lands Greenhouses is a succulent plant and cactus nursery in Tucson, Arizona, USA, that is both retail and wholesale. We are open Tuesday-Saturday from 8AM to 4PM during the winter months. It's always best to call first, 520-883-9404. We welcome walk-in customers to our nursery.  
We ship plants bare root for their protection as well as for your other plants; see [Getting Started](#) or [Plant Care Tips](#) for details. We reserve the right to charge exact shipping costs above our shipping assessment for bulky or heavy parcels using FedEx or USPS.  
If you are new to succulent plants and want some suggestions for plant selection, go to [Getting Started](#). Heat packs are used for winter shipping; see [Getting Started](#). Please note [taxonomic changes](#) as well as [Resources](#). We do not offer a printed catalog, please use the [Online Catalog](#), print the [Plant List](#), [Contact Us](#) for specific question, or see [What's New](#) for details.  
You must have a business resale license to order wholesale from us. We have a new [Wholesale List](#) for August 2020.

**INTERNATIONAL CUSTOMERS:** Unless you have an import permit, we will not ship to member countries of the European Union. We ship non-CITES plants outside the US with a phytosanitary certificate, and we now have a CITES permit for most covered species except cacti. Please read our terms of service for [International Customers](#).

The minimum wage for Arizona increased again on January 1, 2020, but we will not increase our base prices. Shipping charges keep increasing, but we have not increased our shipping charges. A new aloe book is published; see <https://the-aloes-of-arabia.myshopify.com/>. The monsoon is late and the heat/humidity is on; see [What's New](#) for details.



**T-Shirts:** It's been a few years since the club has had a t-shirt so maybe it's time to change that?! We'd love to see any design submissions or even thoughts / ideas on them. You can email submissions straight back to me and let's get us a new shirt this year! It should obviously be cactus / succulent themed and needs to say Central Oklahoma Cactus & Succulent Society but other than that go wild!



# APRIL

# BOARD MEETING

I wanted to say thank you to all that were able to attend. It was great seeing everyone again. These are the notes from the meeting. You'll notice some messages in italics. It's to denote answers/additional comments that were obtained post meeting and I'm adding them in here.

## Cactus Club Board Meeting 3.28.21

In Attendance: Will Oats, Loa Girty, Rosario & Mike Douglas, Corinne Colbert, Kate Reynolds, Freddy Hill  
Bank account is at 12,302.

Will wants to do in person meetings and proposes zoom meetings for members not yet ready to attend in person meetings. Rosario suggests a survey to ask members what their preferences are for in person meetings.

## 2021 Meeting Schedule

**April** - Spring prep for moving plants

**May** - Show prep, soil, repotting

**June** - Show n' Sale (June 18,19,20)

**July** - Dish garden

**Aug** - Picnic? Outside?

**Sept** - Winter prep

**Oct** - Show & Tell

**Nov** - Rosario to reach out for programming

**Dec** - Xmas party

## Show & Sale

-Joyce has pulled out as a vendor.

-Still looking for vendors to confirm for 2021 participation. Joyce shared some vendor names with Will that he will be reaching out to.

-Rosario proposed purchasing plants from Joyce to sell at club table. Wil said he'd check into it to make sure it's profitable.

-Will will reach out for potential judges.

-Register Rental again.

-Club to pay for disposable masks & sanitizer.

-Fred asks about the purchase of the rolling carts. Jan 2020 \$1k was donated for the purchase and check was cashed by the garden council.

*"A total of \$2,750 was donated by the clubs and the carts were purchased in January 2020 with approx. \$500.00 left in the account. At the February 2020 meeting, after discussion, it was decided by the membership to use the remainder of the donations for future items that may be needed." - President of Garden Council*

Club volunteering at Will Rogers.

Kate says the hardy cactus garden is very damaged. April 10th garden cleanup at 10am. New plants will need to be purchased.

Donations to CSSA? Mike will send will other options for donations. Come back to it in April. Other ideas to spend funds.

Only 4 members have paid dues for 2021.

Meeting closed 1:32.

