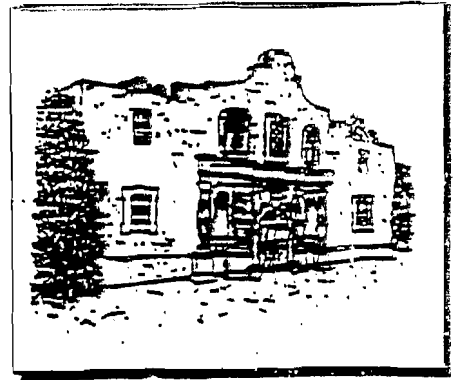


SACXS FACTS



A Monthly Publication

Dedicated to the admiration, study, and proliferation of cacti and succulents.

**Our meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month except
April, June and December,
at the San Antonio Garden Center at Funston & New Braunfels Avenue.
Doors are open at 6: p.m. – Next Meeting**

January 18th

President's Message:

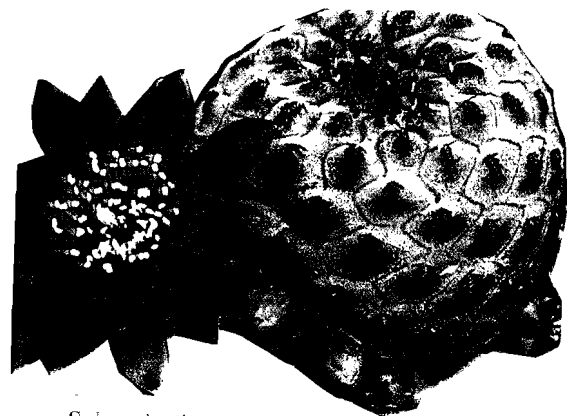
I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. Hopefully everyone has had time to put away all the decorations by now and get ready for 2006! We will soon be preparing for the spring show and sale. Take note that between now and February is a good time to be looking over your collections for those potential show plants.

For those of you who are new to the club or if you have not entered plants in a while please consider getting a few plants ready for the show. Keep in mind the ribbons and awards are nice but one of our main goals is to show the public how beautiful our plants are and to encourage others to start growing these plants also.

If you pick out your plants now and re-pot them they will have time to grow and become re-established to the new soil. Also, for those of you who want to enter plants but have questions about what to do, just ask around at any meeting as there are members who can give you tips on what to do. We will also be having our program on preparing plants for the show this month. So, look over your collection and pick out just one plant; bring it to this month's meeting and you will learn about the extreme plant makeover!

Let's all look forward to another great year!

Take care,
Don Clark



Sulcorebutia rauschii

SACXS Meeting Minutes for November 16, 2005

This was the last formal meeting for 2005. We had three visitors for the evening. One of our visitors, Dr. Rex Moyer, joined as a new member. Claude Townsend and David Esquivel conducted another successful plant auction.

Once again SACXS welcomed Craig Nazor from Austin. This time he presented slides from his trip to Lotusland, which is a unique 37-acre estate and botanical garden located in the foothills of Montecito east of Santa Barbara, CA.

Craig had taken an extensive tour of the garden during his trip to California to attend the Board of Directors meeting for the National Cycad Society. Lotusland is an interesting geographical area where the ocean is south instead of west; its average annual rainfall is 15 inches. Craig showed photos he had taken of the many incredible gardens of Lotusland; these included both desert and tropical species. His lecture was followed by some good questions by the members.

Club business included information from Lucile Lively about the Xerophyte Garden workdays. She said that no one had attended the previous Saturday workday; however, she reported that some members had worked with her during the week.

A vote was then held regarding new candidates for life membership. Carol and Richard Blocker were voted in as life members. Don then discussed the Christmas party to be held at Grady's Restaurant on December 16. He asked for volunteers to bring table centerpieces. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by **Ann Black**, your SACXS Secretary. N

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Euphorbia heterochroma. Ethiopian form

Show and Sale

The dates for the April show are 27th, 28th and 29th.

Load in at one o'clock on Wed. the 26th.

Now is the time to start deciding which plants you would like to enter and start getting them ready. If you have never entered we have a Novice Class. Awards for the regular entries and cash prizes for the Novice. This is another way you can support your club. Remember your club is what you make it. You may be called on to help with the show and if possible please say yes.

Euphorbia



Euphorbia trigona and right
Euphorbia mauritanica v. *cristata*



Euphorbia knuthii

There are over 2000 species of Euphorbias in the world. They range from annual weeds to trees. They all have latex and a unique flower structure. A significant percentage is succulent, but they are mostly originating from Africa and Madagascar. The Euphorbias are named after a Greek surgeon called Euphorbus. He was physician of Juba II who was the Romanised king of a North African kingdom, and is supposed to have used their milky latex as an ingredient for his potions.



Euphorbia polygona cv. 'Snowflake'



1st Rosalind Erickson, 5th Natalie Fagarason , 5th Doris Santee,
6th Maureen Massara, 13th Nancy Rupe, 14th Pat Murphy,
19th Cora Offer, 22nd Toni Vance,

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4th Bill & Mary Ellen Bauta <> 5th Steve & Darlene Lovecky

Euphorbia fimbriata



Euphorbia cap-saintemariensis



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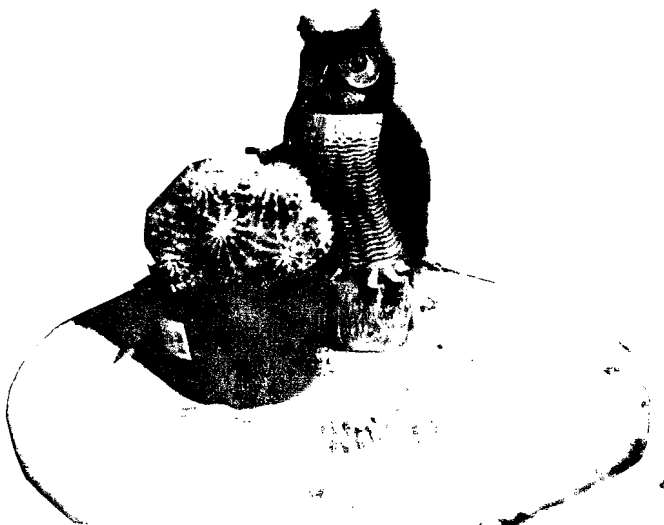
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