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DECEMBER MEETING AGENDA

HOLIDAY PARTY TIME!

See Details Within

Feature Article: Ed DeLollis

"No More Secrets, Part Two"

ALERT!

Many Memberships Are About To Expire!

Saturday, December 1, 2012, 11pm to ~3pm Casa Del Prado, Room 101, Balboa Park

No Coffee in the Garden in December

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

November 29, 2012



BJ just gave me hell for being late with my President's Message again. He hates it when **Paul** calls to remind me I'm late, because I am never home when that call comes. It was nice to tell him this was the last one. The only problem is that starting next month I will be calling **Kelly** to let him know I need his message. Starting next month **Paul** will take on the Membership Chair position and I will take on the newsletter editor position. Hopefully my self discipline will step up.

We had a great meeting in November. **Peter** finally go to do his bondage with plants workshop, **Pam Badger** did a nice job on her plant of the month talk on Sanevierias, and **Panayoti Kelaidis** gave a great program on Alpine plants and the Denver Botanic Garden.

The Faux Plant Brag Table was great fun and **Pam Badger** and I had a great time judging the entries. The **Parrs** ran the Benefit drawing and **Sara Schell** and **Michelle Heckathorn** handled the Exchange Table with their usual flair.

Our sale was well attended and supported by the usual crew. So all of us went home with new plant friends and pots to put them in. What is great about our meetings is that there is something for everyone.

Our Coffee in the Garden in November was in Alpine at the home of **Sally & Brian Shepherd**. It was a very relaxed event with plants to look at and plants and paintings to buy. We will not have a Coffee in the Garden in December, but will start back up in January. If you would like to share your garden next year we have from March on open. Let me know if you would like to be a host next year.

Our annual Holiday Party will be on the first Saturday of December (December 1st) due to Christmas on the Prado, or whatever they call it now, being held the 7th and 8th. Be sure to read the info on the Holiday Party in this newsletter. And e-mail me if you intend to be there and it is too late to send you registration.

The Officers and Board of Directors have been finalized for next year. They are President – Kelly Griffin, Vice President – Chris Miller, Secretary – Jennifer Harris, and Treasurer – Christine Vargas. The Directors will be Peter Walkowiak, Kienan Parr, Pat Marshall, Geoff Twitchell, Chris Dawson, and Rick Bjorklund. The vote to officially

Cover photo: Delosperma x Aloinanthus, by Panayoti Kelaidis.

accept the Board will take place at the Holiday Party.

As President for the last four years I have enjoyed working with all of you. We have put on a world class national convention, raised membership by around 200 members, put on wonderful shows and sales and instituted Coffee in the Garden. The board and all our wonderful volunteers have worked hard to make this a nationally recognized organization. Thanks for all your support.

See you at the Holiday Party!

Chris Miller

Goodbye, Farewell, and All That Jazz

As of this writing, I am saying goodbye as your SDC&SS Membership Chair. Please welcome **Paul Maker** into the job as my successor!

I've held this post 10 years now which must be some kind of a record for serving as a chair in the SDCSS. Now it's time to let someone else have the fun of getting to know the members of our group, and see how our membership changes over time.

A few years back, I instituted a "Membership Metrics" spreadsheet that shows membership numbers broken down into different categories, and how those numbers change over time. This provides data which can be used by the SDC&SS Board to track membership gains and losses and, perhaps, be correlated with events in the Club. The purpose behind this spreadsheet is to help the Club learn what works in attracting and retaining members, to promote membership growth.

To my husband, **Terry**, and son, **Kienan**, I give my thanks for their understanding in the hours I spent on the membership chair job duties which was time not spent with them.

Also, I would be remiss if I did not thank **Ken Blackford** and **Paul Maker**, both of whom worked closely with me in my chair position, for helping me keep on top of all the details that go

into tracking Club memberships. I really appreciated their support.

To everyone in the Club, I say "thank you" for these past 10 years of my Membership Chair memories; I'll be seeing you at the meetings as usual.

Happy holidays to everyone!

Collette Parr





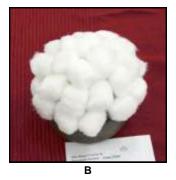
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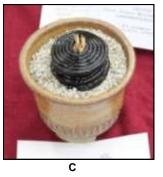
Judged by **Pam Badger** and **Chris Miller**



CACTUS







A. Most Heavy – **Pam & Lee Badger** – *Caniscereus badgerii* B. Most Fluffy and Useful – **Jim DeForest** – *Mammillaria plumosa* "Cottonballiana"

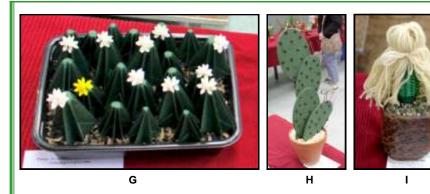
C. Most Delectible – Candy Garner – Turbinoensis licorii "Fang"







- D. Best Sparkle **Barbara Hamm** *Astro'stripum' origamea v. gliterotii*
- E. Most Soft **Susan Lewitt** *Pseudocactus woolii* "Bethesda"
- F. Most Sea Worthy **Jessica McGee** *Saguaro coralensis* "Alba"
- G. Best Seedlings **Jean O'Daniel** *Origami pyramidii v. nudum*
- H. Best Use of Wood **Estela Ryan** *Opuntia toothpickii*
- I. Most Friendly Ol' Curmudgeon **Penny Sommerville** *Cephalocereus senilis* "Grumpy Old Hippy"



SUCCULENTS







J. Best Use of Dead Living Stone – **Cathy Clark** – *Lithops sierrii nevadii* "Living Stones"

- K. Best Use of Grandma's Pearls **Mark Butler** *Senecio row-leyonus gaudii* "String of Pearls"
- L. Most Fuzzy **Jennifer Harris** *Crass(wool)a arborescens*



M. Best Use of Hot Air – **Kathy & Steve Harris** – *Stapeliad luminosa* (created by **Chris Dawson**) [continued next page]

N. Best Use of Dark Energy – **Don Hunt** – *Aloe noworthia* "Black Rattle Canicus"

- O. Best Use of Dog Balls Chuck Ramev Euphorbia melopettoyes
- P. Most Sweet **Juergen Menzel** *Euphorbia* "Worms of Fire"





Submitted by Candy Garner

Holiday Party! Saturday December 1, 11am

Well, it's that time again - time to get together, celebrate the Holidays, have some good food and drinks, enjoy each others company and get some new plants!

We are excited about having Ruth Henricks back by popular demand as our caterer again this year. We have chosen a menu with something for everyone - so bring a good appetite. Herb Stern "The Wine Guy" will once again set up a bar with all kinds of refreshments so you can come thirsty too! As part of our sharing with each other we have a tradition of doing a "potluck" dessert table - this is optional - if you have a special dessert you'd like to prepare or something you want to bring - please do we always have an incredible selection of yummy stuff to finish our meal.

Gift Exchange This is another fun sharing thing many of us have enjoyed over the years. This is optional - if you want to participate, bring a nice plant or plant related item for the exchange - ONLY ONE ITEM PER PERSON PLEASE. At some point a committee will select one of the plants as best (this can be a tough job!). That plant will be set aside to be auctioned off later. The person who brought in that plant will get first choice from the remaining plants - and the owner of the plant that person selects then gets a chance to select and so on and so forth until all plants are distributed. As you can see the nicer the plant/item you bring the

sooner you will get to choose. So look through your collection and see if there is some lovely plant you would like to gift to a fellow member and bring it to the GIFT EXCHANGE TABLE - be sure your name is on the plant. This is open to guests also so if you are bringing a nonmember quest - let them know!

Gift Plant The Society will continue the tradition of giving each member who attends this event a gift plant. These plants will be distributed during desserts by lottery. When you arrive be sure to check in at the door to receive your ticket for the drawing. This year's plants come from nurseries far and wide and some truly exotic ones will be available. Take some time to look them over so you will be able to grab your favorite when your number is called. (this is a benefit of membership - no gift plants for quests)

Auction Again this year we have engaged a PROFESSIONAL AUCTION TEAM to handle our Annual Holiday Auction. We have received a donation of 'bare root' plants from Western Cactus Growers so come prepared to bid on the best array of auction plants we have ever assembled. (P.S. If you have 1-2 "show quality" plants you would like to donate to the auction - please contact Lee Badger (619) 589-1456.)

If this sounds like way too much fun to miss - be sure to get your reservations in ASAP (call Chris Miller if you have not yet made your reservations) and join us for the "Best Holiday Party" of the Season. Cut off will be the 26th of November.

SEE YOU THERE!!

Holiday Party Sign-Up Sheet

Members \$20, Non-members \$25

NAME	AMOUNT	MEMBER	NON- MEMBER

Bring your payment to the Party! Never too late to join the fun! Let Chris Miller in on your plans, at (619) 258-9810

Feature article, part two E. D. DeLollis

"No More Secrets" [continued from Nov. EyF]

C. Louis Kevran, who in 1970 wrote the book *Low Energy Transmutations*, built on the work of numerous scientists of the past hundred years who have empirically shown that plants and animals use this enveloping energy to transmute elements. Careful plot studies revealed that plants changed potassium to calcium, magnesium to calcium, nitrogen to potassium and added sodium and oxygen to make potassium (a process used commercially), all within the first twenty elements of the periodic table.

In college, I had learned that there are fifteen essential elements as proven by hydroponics. One of these elements is left out of the hydroponic solution and the test plants would display standard deficiency symptoms. Continued denial would result in death of the plants. Based on this theory, inorganic fertilizers were developed in the laboratory that combined the essential elements. Of course, the granddaddy of these elements is nitrogen, as it is the lynchpin of all function of the plant. Organic farming is practiced by composting formerly living plants, which, by the way, contain the essential elements. When decomposition is complete, the compost is incorporated into the soil where new plants will be grown. These new plants absorb large organic molecules from the further decomposed compost. Everything the plants need is absorbed through the single-cell membrane of the root-hair.

In the late 1800s, the Hahn process was developed to take solid nitrate nitrogen from the elemental nitrogen of our atmosphere. **Nobel** (of prize fame) invented dynamite from these solid nitrates and humanity had all the ammunition it needed for the continuous string of wars that have followed...when the war is over the mongers were left with mountains of nitrates which were eventually tried on food crops. Huge, speedy growth resulted. Other inorganic elements such as phosphorous, potassium and calcium joined the fray and soon we had a plethora of fertilizer products the subject of some commerce. Pesticides are an integral part of this type of agriculture, but the wailing that you hear are the laments of the farmers at the way this cuts into their bottom line.

The Secret Life of Plants and the 1989 follow-up by **Tomkins and Bird**, Secrets of the Soils, give abundant examples of people successful for generations at growing healthy plants without inorganic fertilizers or deadly pesticides.

Rudolf Steiner, a man with over 500 books in the library of congress, famously focused his clairvoyance on growing plants, and using organic materials, developed dozens of Biodynamic Preparations for use on food

crops. These "preps" are concentrates that are measured out in miniscule, microscopic amounts, mixed with water and sown on soils or plants in homeopathic quantities. These small amounts "spread the message" throughout the entire soil-plant continuum. These preparations, sometimes solid and sometimes liquid, are often mixed into a bucket of water using centripetal force—the power of the vortex, using a stir stick alternating clockwise and counterclockwise for an hour. The "intention" of the stir person is importantly introduced into the resulting mix, which can be further diluted before being broadcast onto the plants. Farmers who use these methods have often done so in secret to avoid the establishment.

One group, from Findhorn in Scotland, established the first of the "intention" communities with the initial purpose of growing food for their own survival. Starting with a sandy, gorse covered soil in a drear, sunless trailer park less than 100 yards from the North Sea, were Peter and Eileen Caddy. They had run food service for local hotels and lost their employment. With no experience in the garden they began by turning the "soil" with a pitchfork on a small plot...sowed lettuce seeds which grew to prodigious size...followed cows around pastures waiting for more compost to add to their garden and a few years later were the wonder of the botanical world. Forty pound cabbages and hordes of other healthy vegetables of all known types appeared. People from around the globe ioined what became a community of cooperation and enjoyed the fruits of a garden with plants from around the world (i.e. varieties far out of their normal "zone"). Although organic gardening techniques were meticulously practiced, Sir Albert Howard stated that these alone could not account for the astounding success in olericulture. Indeed, when director of the community Peter Caddy encountered obstacles in the garden, he looked to wife **Eileen** who communicated psychically with spirits, gnomes and fairies of the earth who helped her by providing specific information for her questions: i.e. "give this plot a longer dry-out period" or "dig up these plants, prune the roots and plant back deeper," and saw these subjects flourish. Of course, the people who came to live at Findhorn were reborn and faith, love and energy triumphed.

Secrets of the Soils followed up on that other super-healthy population, the Hunzas of Afghanistan. Why did these people live well over one hundred years in desolate mountain areas that appeared devoid of arable land or suitable foodstuffs? Turns out, the water that the Hunzas drink is the basis for their exceptional health and longevity. American prodigy, Patrick Flanagan, scientist and inventor took on the study of this water from the mountain streams. Flanagan (thought by many to be the reincarnation of Nicola Tesla) knew that plants had been shown to absorb some 92 elements of the periodic table, not just the so called fifteen "essential elements". Further, he knew that "rockdust" from sources such as quarries, was sown on fields where food crops were then abundantly grown. On his trips to Afghanistan he discovered that the equivalent of

rockdust was incorporated into the water of these rushing mountain streams by the power of the vortex. This "hunza water" was found to contain numerous elements and was two and one half times more hydrating than normal water. Flanagan was able to reproduce this water in the laboratory and anyone can now obtain it.

Some plants do not need water as in the case witnessed by the authors in the arid northeastern corner of Arizona on three mesas that for centuries have been occupied by the Hopi tribe. Tomkins and Bird left the coolness of a stone house and walked through the plaza and the hundred-degree July midday heat to a field at the base of a cliff. Hearing an eerie song, they gazed over rubble to view an expanse of corn six feet tall and dark green. Every one of the over one thousand corn clumps held a dozen or more ripening ears. This field contrasted sharply with the brown, wilted crops scattered on the parched land around the village that had received no rain in over eight months. Old **Titus** was chanting to his corn children—part of the age old Hopi practice of Navoti -- sound precedes light. The blue seeds themselves had been harvested some eighty years prior in a navoti chanting ceremony and stored in a clay urn...Titus had needed a crop, so he called them out and planted them in this simple plot where his encouraging song at the high heat of noon kept them growing, ultimately to fruition. Unfortunately, the other farmers had allowed navoti to die out long ago.

So what do we have? Songs, vibrations, energies, elements, radionics, transmutations and intention...very complicated indeed...in light of all this, what I learned in school about fertilizers and pesticides makes me think about another *Firesign Theatre* title: *Everything You Know is Wrong*!

A man who has followed in the footsteps of **Goethe**, and whose work has clarified all of the information that we have on the energies of the lifeforce, is Rupert Sheldrake. Trained in Biology at Cambridge, he won the Botany prize upon graduation. He then studied the development of plants and the ageing of cells in plants and animals...an offshoot of this was the discovery that as cells die they give a burst of auxin (a growth promoter) to the still living cells. He then spent a year at Harvard studying Philosophy as well as the history of science. From there, he went to India where he studied food crops of the semi-arid tropics. Sheldrake is best known for his Theory of Formative Causation due to Morphic Resonance -- all organized bodies including life forms are influenced by the past -- every action draws support from a universal collective memory which is held in energy fields outside the body being influenced -- Human memory, for instance, is not local to our body, but stored in these morphic fields. That is, memories are not in our brain, rather the brain is like a radio receiver that "tunes in" to these fields to achieve memory. So then, every operation of the plant draws on this collective memory to aid in its successful completion. These actions, drawing on every preceding

like action in history, become strong habits. When new things happen, a new memory is now available to help out the next time it happens and every time thereafter. It becomes a habit. All of the numerous actions and operations of the plant are sorted out by the use of nested hierarchies of these morphic fields. Sheldrake has spent the past twenty-five years setting up experiments to prove his hypothesis. In general, this information has been well received. His book Dogs Who Know When Their Owners are Coming Home, studies the phenomenon of ESP and Telepathy. He feels that telepathy is an endowment like the sense of smell, but we have largely lost through disuse. The experiments show that humans still possess this lost sense, but can develop it with practice. Rupert Sheldrake's newest book, Science Set Free, challenges ten major paradigms of science that he feels are holding back civilization (one of these is that memories are stored in the brain). What does this have to do with growing cactus? Well, much of the information in his books and experiments has to do with plants, but the emphasis is on how biology really works. My own observations move me to concur with the body of Sheldrake's work as well as the soul. I now know that the towering Saguaro does not have to ask the government's permission to utilize the energy fields that envelope the Earth. I know how Aloes in habitat live without water, how Agaves grow year round and adapt to many conditions. My studies of plants has broken down many barriers to communication. I get the impression that these plants are happy to be here, that we are all connected -- plants -- animals Humans -- even rocks.

Finally, all the things in this article are true, in that they simply report findings and conclusions of others. A trip to the library to check out their research and reasoning is encouraged. The ideas presented here <u>are</u> intended to provoke the reader to thought and to engender discourse. Only one thing reported here is not true -- I have never had pimples. And now there are no more secrets.

Ed DeLollis



Education

1971-1975 Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst BS Plant & Soil Science Bibliography:

Agrios, George N. 1969 Plant Pathology 629pp Academic Press NY,NY Epstein, Emanuel 1972 Mineral Nutrition of Plants 412pp Wiley NY,NY Hawken, Paul 1975 The Magic of Findhorn 343pp Harper Row NY, NY Reich, Wilhelm 1951 Selected Writings 557pp Noonday Press NY,NY Sheldrake, Rupert 1988 The Presence of the Past 391pp Harper Collins London

Tomkins, Peter & Bird, Christopher

1973 The Secret Life of Plants 402pp Harper Collins NY,NY 1989 Secrets of the Soil 444pp Harper Row NY, NY

Quotations from 1971-1975 Firesign Theatre (P. Austin, P. Bergman, D. Ossman & P. Proctor):

I Think We're All Bozos on This Bus

Everything You Know is Wrong

2009-present Coast to Coast AM radio program which airs each evening from 10pm-2am digitally recorded on cc witness radio which I listen to each morning and through the day(have missed 4 shows since 10-18-2009). You really learn a lot and end up reading a ton of books to boot

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 1: SDCSS Holiday Party! Starts at 11:00am, dinner at12 noon, in Room 101, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park. Gift plants, auction, gift exchange, FOOD and DRINK! Come meet your co-succulent lovers!

Jan. 12: Regular SDCSS monthly meeting

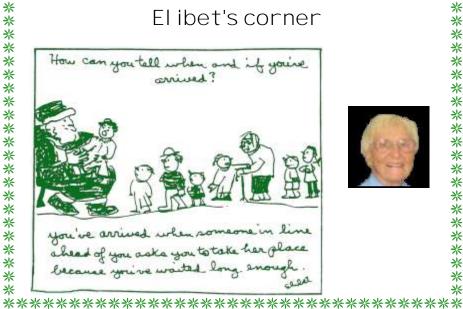
Feb. 9&10: SDCSS annual Winter Show and Sale.

Mar. 22-24: Orange County Cactus & Succulent Society Spring Show & Sale. Fri. 22nd and Sat. 23rd 9am-5pm, Sun. 24th 12-4pm. 1000 S. State College Bl., (Anaheim United Methodist Church) Anaheim CA. Info: 562-587-3357

Apr 13 & 14: South Coast Cactus & Succulent Society Show & Sale, South Coast Botanical Gardens, 26300 Crenshaw Blvd., Palos Verdes, CA. Info: 310-832-2262

Apr 20 & 21: Green Scene Plant Sale, Fullerton Arboretum, 1900 Associated Road, Fullerton, CA.

Flibet's corner





Rare Rare-Book auction

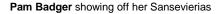
The SDCSS club library will be auctioning off 2 rare sets of books at its Holiday party. We have duplicate copies of both Dyer, White and Sloane, print date 1941, The Succulent Euphorbiaceae viewable at http://cactiguide.com/forum/viewtopic.php?t=15066 which is a 2 volume set, and also White & Sloane's 1937 3 volume set The Stapelieaea. These are both very rare sets and rarely seen offered for sale

Memberships about to expire

Many of you have memberships that will expire December 31, 2012! Members are strongly urged to forego the mailed, hardcopy version of Espinas Y Flores, and accept only the e-mailed version. The cost of membership remains \$15 per year for E-mail, \$20 for mailed hard copies. New membership forms are on the back of the hard copy cover sheet and can be found in the electronic version. Your renewal payment should be accompanied by the properly filled out form and received by December 31, 2012.

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The Harris's Faux Plant all a-glow



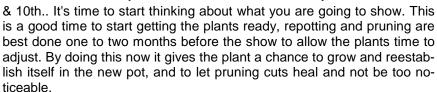
Brian and Sally Shepherd's cacti

Photo by **Bev Grant**

2013 winter show

Peter Walkowiak Winter Show Chair

he Winter Show is just around the corner - February 9th



There are seven awards to be given out, three of these are for novice entries. The SDCSS would love to see many more novice entrants in our shows - you are the future!

The rules and categories have been changed. They can be viewed at the club web site. They also will appear in the January newsletter. New plant tags have been designed, and they are distinct from those used at the Summer Show and at past winter shows. Both the rules, categories, and plant tags will be available at the Holiday Party and at the January meeting.

We will be accepting entrants from 4pm till 8pm on Friday, February 8. The show will be in the courtyard, where it was held last year, under a 30 by 30 tent. The courtyard is locked up at 8pm and any plants left there will be safe and secure. I will be there until the gates are locked. Plants also can be entered between 8am and 10am on Saturday morning.

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The due date for submission of all material to be published in EyF will be the second-to-last Saturday of the month preceding the next monthly meeting. All submissions are to be made to the Editors. Please e-mail your articles to **Paul & Carol Maker** at pdmaker@roadrunner.com.

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