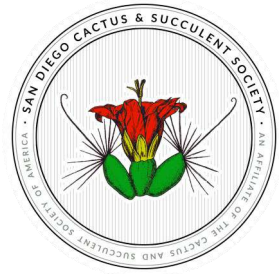
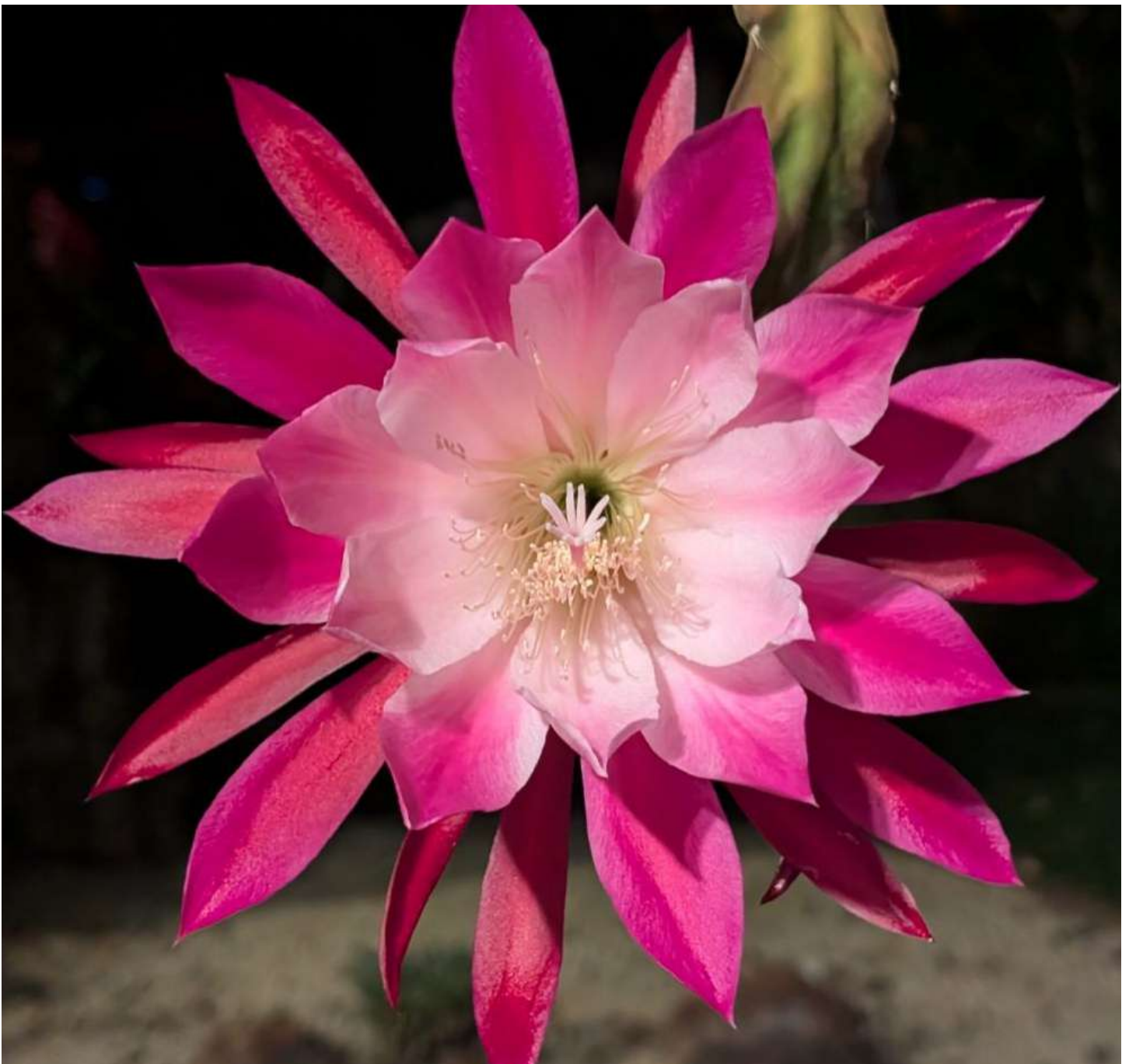


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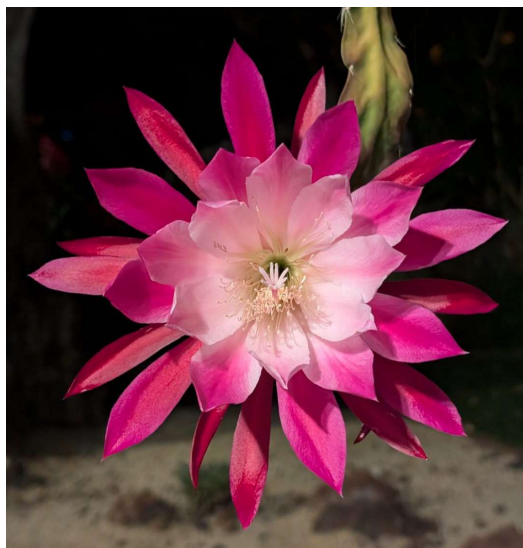


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**ON THE COVER**

Epiphyllum night bloom

Photo by Der-shing Helmer

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**UPCOMING SDCSS SCHEDULE**

**OUR NEXT MEETING**

May 9th

**UPCOMING SUMMER SHOW & SALE**

June 6 - 7th

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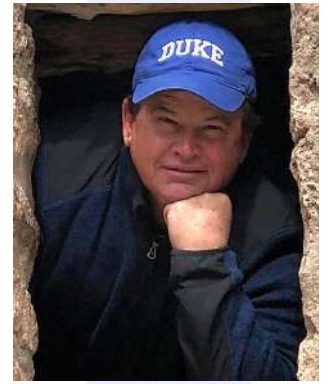
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May is upon us—wow! It's truly one of my favorite times of the year, as May and June bring out the best in Dudleyas, showcasing their unique beauty and charm. It's also the perfect season for a road trip to see these plants in full glory, so if you're thinking of going, now's the time to plan.

Our April meeting was a special highlight featuring plant explorer, discoverer, and author Tom McCoy. Tom shared captivating stories from his field expeditions in the Middle East and beyond, including details about some exciting plant discoveries he's been part of. We were honored to name him a Fellow of our society—a distinction reserved for those who have made remarkable contributions to the world of succulents beyond just our club. With six honorees now, it's a very exclusive recognition. Since this decision was made back in November, it was quite an effort to keep the surprise under wraps until the presentation!

Tom also brought copies of his remarkable book, which was available for purchase and signing at the event. If you haven't gotten your copy yet, I highly recommend it—it's likely one of the finest plant books you'll ever own. Though it's a bit of an investment, the quality and depth make it worthwhile. If you missed the meeting, you can contact Tom directly at: [thealoesofarabiabook@gmail.com](mailto:thealoesofarabiabook@gmail.com) to order one.



Our Plant of the Month presentation was skillfully delivered by our very own Vice President, Der-shing Helmer. They spoke about one of their personal favorites, *Dorstenia lavrani*, weaving in fascinating background about the legendary plant explorer John Lavranos. It was a thoroughly engaging and well-structured talk that we hope to see more of soon!

Looking ahead, our shared meeting on May 9th will feature both Jerry Moreau and myself, focusing on epiphytic *Rhipsalis* and *Lepismium*. For this joint meeting with the Epiphyllum Society we'll have a somewhat streamlined program, but we **will** have a brag table, so its a good test run for displaying your standout plants in preparation for the June Summer Show. Now's the perfect time to prepare those special plants for the show, potting them soon so they can settle in and root well before the big show. We do ask that you help us vacate the room as quickly as possible after this meeting to allow the Epiphyllum group to set up of their big show.

Speaking of the Summer Show & Sale, we really count on your support to make the event spectacular. Thanks to all of you—our dedicated club members—it's always an incredible event. Please consider signing up as a volunteer and spending the weekend with us; it promises to be an unforgettable experience.

Looking forward to seeing you soon,

*Kelly Griffin*

April 17, 2026

Ideally, in a perfect world, the city hears our pleas and does away with this nuisance that they have imposed upon us. Meanwhile, we still continue our struggle with the parking situation, Sandy Wetzel-Smith suggested we update you on what the status is currently and how to better navigate the parking.



Below is what the City has on-line...with clear emphasis on City resident application process.

A city resident can purchase an annual pass for \$150 which for some might be easier than ordering/paying for a parking place every single time.

It's clear on-line that it is twice as expensive for a parking fee... \$8 for City resident or \$16 for non-resident versus \$150 for resident and \$300 for non-resident for annual pass. Regardless, both San Diego city residents and non-residents must register their account with a specific car license plate. So anyone (City or non-resident) who has two cars has to have each car registered if they plan to drive either or both to Balboa Park. This is an additional disadvantage. There are free areas available ( both by area and by length of time) for both residents and non-residents but they are a distance from Casa del Prado center so will require either long walk or figuring out shuttle transportation schedule.

To register for a [Balboa Park](#) parking pass, you must use the [San Diego Permit Portal](#). As of March 2026, the city has implemented a tiered parking system where verified San Diego residents can access most lots for free or at a discount, while non-residents must pay or use specific free-time options.

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## REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR RESIDENTS

Verified residents can receive **free all-day parking** in seven of the park's 12 lots (Level 2 and 3) and discounted rates in the five "premium" (Level 1) lots.

1. **Visit the Portal:** Go to [sandiego.thepermitportal.com](https://sandiego.thepermitportal.com) to create an account.
2. **Pay Processing Fee:** All applicants must pay a **one-time \$5 fee** charged by the system vendor.
3. **Upload Documents:** You are required to upload one form of residency verification, such as a [driver's license, utility bill, rental agreement, or property tax bill](#).
4. **Enter Vehicle Info:** Provide your vehicle's license plate number. Each vehicle in a household requires its own separate registration.
5. **Select Pass:** Once logged in, navigate to "Permits" and select the **"Balboa Park - resident"** option. Residents should select the **Level 2 and Level 3 free parking pass**.
6. **Wait for Approval:** Verification typically takes up to **two business days**. Once approved, your virtual permit is **valid for three years**.

## OPTIONS FOR NON-RESIDENTS

Visitors living outside San Diego city limits can still use the portal to purchase long-term passes or pay daily.

- **3 Hours Free:** Anyone can park for free for the first three hours at the **Lower Inspiration Point** lot by entering their license plate at a physical kiosk in the lot.
- **Virtual Passes:** Monthly (\$40), quarterly (\$120), or annual (\$300) passes are available for purchase through the Permit Portal.

## IMPORTANT DETAILS

- **No Physical Stickers:** All permits are virtual and linked directly to your license plate; enforcement officers scan plates to verify eligibility.
- **Enforcement Hours:** Paid parking is enforced daily from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m..
- **ADA Parking:** Vehicles with a valid ADA placard or license plate can park for free all day in any lot or at any street meter within the park.
- **Assistance:** If you need help with the online registration, you can visit select [San Diego branch libraries](#) or call the Digital Navigator Program at **1-800-350-6945**.

The guides detail how San Diego residents can register for free parking passes at Balboa Park by using the online permit portal: [Parking Information for Balboa Park - City of San Diego](#).

## ADDITIONALLY

**Non-residents do not need to register their car with the City to get free parking in Balboa Park, but their free parking options are very limited.** As of March 2, 2026, the free parking rules for non-residents are as follows:

- **Free 3-Hour Parking:** Non-residents can park for free for up to **three hours at the Lower Inspiration Point** lot on Presidents Way.

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- **How to get it:** You must enter your license plate number at the parking kiosk in that lot to activate the free time.
- **Limitation:** This only applies to the designated Lower Inspiration Point lot, not all lots in the park. (Only at Lower inspiration lot the farthest south). This lot will likely fill up early at peak times so be aware of that.
- **Alternatives:** A free shuttle connects this lot to the central areas of the park.
- **Other options:** If you park in other lots or stay longer than three hours at Lower Inspiration Point, you will have to pay the daily rate of \$10

#### KEY DIFFERENCES

- **City Residents:** Must register their vehicle, pay a one-time \$5 fee, and verify residency to get free, all-day parking in 70% of the park's lots.
- **Non-Residents/County Residents:** Must pay for parking, except for the free 3-hour limit at Lower Inspiration Point.

Non-residents that come to our meetings for more than 3 hours need to plan on paying \$10 or \$16 dollars for parking fee in lots or metered spaces running \$2.50 per hour.

Other options for you include purchasing a Zoo Pass which will allow you to park at the Zoo. Unfortunately many people are now aware of this, and it has created a real traffic problem along Park Blvd. Everyone entering the Zoo has to be checked, which slows traffic so badly as to back up and block intersections. Hopefully, this will be resolved at some point. I will suggest that it is very backwards thinking on the city's part to reduce Park Blvd to one lane in each direction and then create the greater snarl by charging for parking in Balboa Park. Which in turn just forced the Zoo to follow suit. Create a problem and then exacerbate it!

**For those with ADA permits, parking is free in all lots as well as metered spaces.**

**I hope you find this helpful. I want thank Sandy for gathering the info and seeking and exploring the alternatives.**

**SANDY WETZEL-SMITH & KELLY GRIFFIN**



**MAY 9<sup>TH</sup> SPEAKERS**  
**JERRY MOREAU**  
**“RHIPSALIS AND OTHER**  
**EPIPHYTIC CACTI SPECIES”**

**ABOUT OUR SPEAKER TOPIC**

This presentation will be a fun and fascinating program of epiphytic cacti, featuring mostly *Rhipsalis* and include some other attractive species such as *Hatiora*, *Lepismium*, and *Pfeiffera*. I hope you are ready some fun and interesting plants to consider in your gardens.

**ABOUT OUR SPEAKER**

Jerry Moreau has been growing epiphytic cacti since the late 1980s, beginning with the cultivar ‘Climax’ on the East Coast and deepening his passion after moving to San Diego, where he became involved with the San Diego Epiphyllum Society (SDES) in 2001.

An enthusiastic grower of both hybrids and species, his garden also includes a diverse mix of cacti, succulents, and fruit trees for year-round beauty. Jerry has served SDES in numerous leadership roles, including President (2011 & 2012), and currently contributes his time as a CSSA Affiliate Representative, as 2nd Vice President overseeing the annual show and Pre-meeting Workshop Coordinator, as well as a regular writer for the Epi News newsletter. He is a respected flower show judge, engaging speaker, and has also served on research and

registration committees and as a board director for the Epiphyllum Society of America. Through decades of dedication, Jerry has cultivated not only beautiful plants but a strong sense of community and lasting friendships.



*Rhipsalis baccifera*

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We'll also enjoy a talk from **Kelly Griffin** on *Lepismium*... you won't want to miss it!

**[SEE YOU ON MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2026!](#)**

## GEORGIA, VICKI & ROCCO'S COFFEES IN THE GARDENS

**Who:** Georgia, Vicki & Rocco!

**Date:** Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Time:** 10am-3pm

You are invited to tour 3 gardens on the same day: **Georgia Kenney, Vicki Hoffman and Rocco Piersanti**. Georgia and Vicki live just a block apart in the Rolando College area, (park once-see both) and Rocco is a quick 10-15 drive from Rolando into the south-west Serra Mesa area.

All three homes have fully developed front yards and multiple nooks and crannies in their backyards filled with potted and in-ground succulents and cacti. Come wander through **Georgia's** garden paths and maybe you will be lucky to spot her two tortoises. **Vicki's** backyard is designed for sustainability with chickens, rain barrels, and raised vegetable beds. **Rocco** has a resort-like backyard complete with a pool, but don't overlook the Yucca rostrata, large Kalanchoe "blue stick", and multiple Aloe species.

**Vicki and Rocco will have plants and items for sale , proceeds to benefit the club. Cash only.**

### Georgia Kenney

6151 Madeline Street  
San Diego, 92115

### Vicki Hoffman

6284 Estelle Street  
San Diego, 92115

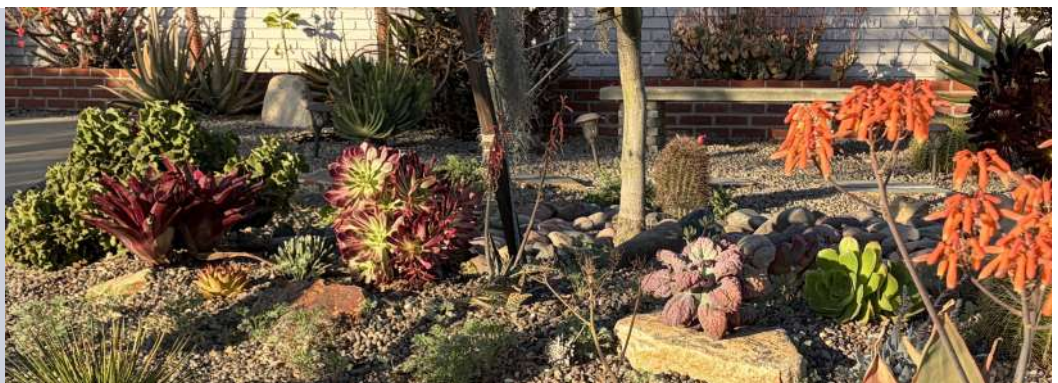
**Parking:** Georgia & Vicki recommend that you find parking on Estelle Street and walk to both



### Rocco Piersanti:

2295 Salisbury Drive  
San Diego 92123

**Parking:** street parking available

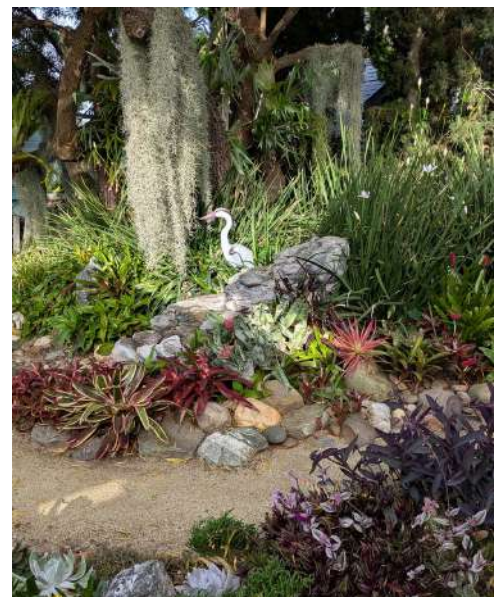


## CAROL KENT'S COFFEE IN THE GARDEN

**Who:** Carol Kent    **Date:** Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>    **Time:** 9am - 2pm

**Where:** 4336 Gila Ave, San Diego, Ca 92117    **Phone:** 858-257-8708

Carol and Patrick have changed this 1/2 acre property from an empty field into a themed succulent garden. The front yard is a dry stream bed surrounded by homegrown plants. The backyard has 2 themes; since Carol was a Captain on a scuba diving boat in the 70s-80's, she created an undersea vision including 3 hanging succulent jellyfish and handmade ceramic Garibaldi. The other side is a more lush area with a small waterfall and streambed under a sprawling African sumac tree for shade. Most of the garden was acquired for free by hauling rock, boulders and plants from Craigslist, along with items from friends and neighbors.



## WANDA & GARY'S COFFEE IN THE GARDEN

**Who:** Wanda Mallen & Gary Vince      **Date:** Saturday, May 23<sup>th</sup>      **Time:** 9am - 2pm

**Where:** 3856 Cedar Vale Way, Fallbrook, CA

Welcome to Gary and Wanda's botanical adventure! We have been here 27 years and started the garden from scratch. Now we have a wide variety of plants, from cactus and succulents to Australian and South African natives and bromeliads, lots of trees and much more. There is a greenhouse with tropical exotics, rooms with African natives and tropical palms, a woodland garden, a conifer garden and places to sit and take it all in.

As in previous years, we will have Carlos from Rojas Succulents selling his wonderful succulents, both plants for beginners and the more advanced collector.

There is plenty of street parking and the garden is level and easily walkable so the physically challenged will be fine. Hope to see you then!





**CACTI & SUCCULENT SHOW!**

**SAN DIEGO CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY**  
**SUMMER SHOW & SALE**  
**Sat June 6<sup>th</sup> & Sun June 7<sup>th</sup> 2026**  
 at the Casa del Prado in Balboa Park

Experience incredible out-of-this-world **SUCCULENTS & CACTI** from around the globe and shop for unique plants from dozens of vendors and local artisans. Enjoy **FREE ADMISSION** with extra-special early-bird shopping access on Saturday for SDCSS members!

**TIMES & DATES**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	9am – 11am	members-ONLY sale hours
	11am – 5pm	sale open to the public
<b>SUNDAY</b>	10am – 3pm	show times
	10am – 4pm	sale open to public
	10am – 4pm	show times

The show is open to anyone who grows succulent plants, and there is no limit to the number of entries per class or number of classes entered. Enter to win awards and prizes... first-time entrants are especially welcome!

Detailed show and membership info available at upcoming meetings, in our newsletters, and at our website [www.SDCSS.net](http://www.SDCSS.net)

**LOOKING TO VOLUNTEER? WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU!**

What could be more fun than sharing the joy of succulents with the public and hanging out with your fellow club members? Plus, volunteers who sign up for 2 hours receive **thank-you club bucks** (great for purchasing even more plants!) Be a part of our 2026 Summer Show and Sale and sign up for your favorite role from our [online volunteer sheet](#).

**JUDGING SCALE - SPECIMENS, COLLECTIONS AND DISPLAYS**

Condition: 70%      Staging: 15%      Size & Maturity: 10%      Nomenclature: 5%

**EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY**

Two or more entries must be exhibited for CSSA award. Educational Value: 80%      Staging & Originality: 20%.

**AWARDS POINT SYSTEM**

Divisions I, II and IV: 1<sup>st</sup> = 3 pts, 2<sup>nd</sup> = 2 pts, 3<sup>rd</sup> = 1 pts      Division III: 1<sup>st</sup> = 7 pts, 2<sup>nd</sup> = 5 pts, 3<sup>rd</sup> = 3 pts  
 Division V: 1<sup>st</sup> = 12 pts, 2<sup>nd</sup> = 10 pts, 3<sup>rd</sup> = 8 pts      Division VI: no points but entries are eligible for plaques, trophies and rosettes      Plaques and Trophies: 10 pts      Rosettes: 5 pts

**ENTRY NOTES:** PLEASE USE THE MOST CURRENT CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE. Classes 1-116 (except for 44,105 and 108-111) are divided into two pot sizes: **A and B** (A: Width plus Length = 10 inches and under; B: W+L over 10). Note that **one** plant per container is allowed in these classes.

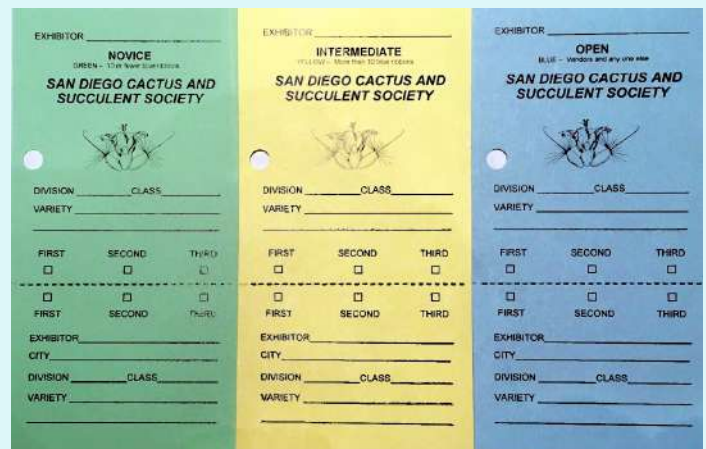
**PLEASE FILL OUT BOTH TOP AND BOTTOM SECTIONS OF YOUR TAGS COMPLETELY. TAGS/ ENTRIES MISSING INFORMATION MAY BE DISQUALIFIED. THANK YOU!**

**GREEN** cards for exhibitors that have won 10 or fewer blue ribbons in a recognized C&S show.

**YELLOW** cards are for participants that have won more than 10 blue ribbons.

**BLUE** cards are for vendors and those that wish to compete against them.

Awards will be selected from any category.



Don't miss our Summer Sale running alongside the show! We've lined up a group of exceptional, high-quality vendors offering rare and beautiful plants and unique pottery. It's your chance to shop from some of the best in the hobby!

**RITA LUNCFORD**

The SDCSS Summer Show is open to anyone who grows succulent plants. There is no limit to the number of entries per class or the number of classes entered, though no entry can be entered in more than one class. All property shall be marked with the owner's name, not visible to the judges. The exhibitor must have grown the plant for at least six months.

All entries must have properly filled entry cards and must be entered in the appropriate Division and Class (see pgs 16 & 17) to be eligible for awards. Exhibitors are responsible for placing these items with their entries. For the *Best Plant Grown From Seed* award, the exhibitors must have raised the plant themselves. Plants may be species or hybrids. Hybrids may be exhibited in the class of either parent. Grafted plants will be accepted in any class, though awards for grafts will be selected from Division IV.

Entries must be clean, healthy, pest-free, and dry. Remove any plant nametags from pots (except for collections and displays). Awards must remain with exhibits until the close of the show. Classes with few entries may be combined. The show committee reserves the right to reject plants or exhibits and to readjust entries for the good of the show. Show hours must be followed. The San Diego Cactus and Succulent Society will exercise due caution in safeguarding exhibits. However, SDCSS cannot assume responsibility for loss of property. Entries are judged against perfection. The judges' decisions are final. In the case of disputes and/or ties, the Show Chair (or if the Chair's plants are involved, the Head Clerk) shall make the final decision.

Trophies and plaques are perpetual, except the educational and novice awards. Winners will receive a hand-crafted pot and a certificate suitable for framing. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons will be awarded in each class; however, should the judges feel that a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place is not merited, no awards will be given. To receive the *CSSA Award*, two or more educational displays must be entered. Judges, Club President, and Show Chairman will each award two rosettes to their favorite plants.

**CACTUS**

<b>Best Cactus</b>	Phillip Corliss Plaque
<b>Best Novice Cactus</b>	SDCSS Plaque
<b>Best Intermediate Cactus</b>	Jürgen Menzel Trophy
<b>Best Epiphytic Cactus Plant</b>	William & Ruth Nelson Trophy
<b>Best <i>Mammillaria</i></b>	Elibet Marshall Trophy
<b>Best <i>Opuntiae</i></b>	James & Shirley Berry Trophy

**SUCCULENTS**

<b>Best Succulent</b>	Ruby Falk Plaque
<b>Best Novice Succulent</b>	SDCSS Plaque
<b>Best Intermediate Succulent</b>	Rudy Lime Trophy
<b>Best <i>Agave</i></b>	Doris Rake Plaque
<b>Best <i>Aloe</i></b>	Barbara Jeppe Trophy
<b>Best <i>Bursera</i></b>	Jeff Harris Trophy
<b>Best <i>Echeveria</i></b>	Oliver & Sophie Loyland Trophy
<b>Best <i>Euphorbia</i></b>	Russell & Lydia Evans Cup
<b>Best <i>Mesemb</i></b>	Samuel & Adela Markey Trophy
<b>Best <i>Pelargonium</i> or <i>Sarcocaulon</i></b>	Wilna Johnson Trophy
<b>Best <i>Sansevieria</i></b>	Richard G. Latimer, Sr. Trophy

**CACTUS OR SUCCULENTS**

<b>Best Baja Plant</b>	Richard G. Latimer, Jr. Memorial Trophy
<b>Best Graft</b>	Bob & Suzanne Taylor Trophy
<b>Best Mexican Plant in Show</b>	Dudley B. Gold Trophy
<b>Best Plant Grown From Seed</b>	Tegelberg Family Plaque
<b>Rarest Plant in the Show</b>	Terry & Collette Parr Trophy
<b>Best San Diego County Succulent</b>	Julianne Rice Trophy
<b>Best Miniature</b>	Monte & Mary Woodworth Plaque
<b>Best Pachycaul or Caudiciform</b>	H. Warren & Virginia Buckner Trophy
<b>Best Succulent Bonsai</b>	Rudy & Teresita Lime Trophy
<b>People's Choice Award</b>	Rose D'Attilio Memorial Plaque

**DISPLAYS, EXHIBITS AND HIGH POINTS**

<b>Best Educational Display</b>	CSSA Award
<b>Best Exhibit</b>	Reuben Vaughan Plaque
<b>Most Artistic Display</b>	Walter & Hazel Scott Plaque
<b>High Points 25 or fewer entries</b>	SDCSS Plaque
<b>High Points 50 or fewer entries</b>	James & Shirley Berry Trophy
<b>Sweepstakes Trophy</b>	Ronald & Marcia Monroe Trophy

DIVISION I: CACTI (CACTACEAE)	
1	Acanthocalycium, Chamaecereus, Echinopsis, Lobivia, Soehrensia
2	Acharagma, Coryphantha, Escobaria, Neolloydia
3	Ancistrocactus, Pediocactus, Sclerocactus
4	Ariocarpus
5	Astrophytum
6	Aztekium, Epithelantha, Obregonia, Ortegocactus, Pelecyphora, Strombocactus
7	Blossfeldia, Coleocephalocereus (Buiningia), Discocactus, Frailea, Uebelmannia
8	Columnar Cacti: Arrojadoa, Bergerocactus, Browningia, Carnegiea, Cephalocereus, Cereus, Cipocereus, Cleistocactus, Espostoa, Micranthocereus, Myrtillocactus, Pilocereus, Pilosocereus, Trichocereus
9	Copiapoa
10	Denmoza, Maticana (Submaticana), Oroya
11	Echinocactus, Ferocactus, Hamatocactus, Leuchtenbergia, xFerobergia
12	Echinocereus - pectinate spines
13	Echinocereus - straight spines
14	Epiphytic cacti: Disocactus, Epiphyllum, Hatiora, Hylocereus, Lepismium, Rhipsalis, Rhipsalidopsis, Schlumbergera (including Zygocactus)
15	Eriosyce (including Horridocactus, Neochilenia, Neopterita, Pyrrhocactus)
16	Gymnocalycium - clustering species
17	Gymnocalycium - solitary species
18	Leafy cacti other than Pereskioideae: Pereskia, Leuenbergeria, Rhodocactus
19	Mammillaria with hooked spines, solitary species
20	Mammillaria with straight spines, solitary species
21	Mammillaria with hooked spines, clustering species
22	Mammillaria with straight spines, clustering species
23	Melocactus
24	Opuntioideae: Austrocylindropuntia, Consolea, Cylindropuntia, Grusonia, Miquelopuntia, Opuntia, Pterocactus, Tephrocactus, Tunilla, etc.
25	Parodia, Notocactus
26	Rebutia, Aylosteria, Weingartia (including Cintia and Sulcorebutia)
27	Stenocactus (including Echinofossulocactus)
28	Thelocactus
29	Turbincarpus (Gymnocactus)
Other Cactus Classes	
30	Crested Cacti (50% or more crested)
31	Miniature Cacti, less than 3 inches
32	Monstrose Cacti (50% or more monstrose)
33	Variiegated Cacti (50% or more variegation)
34	Hybrid Cacti
35	Other Genera - Any Other Cactus (eg Pygmaecereus)
36	Cactus, Seed-Grown by Exhibitor
DIVISION II: SUCCULENTS	
AIZOACEAE (MESEMBRYANTHEMACEAE):	
37	Conophytum
38	Lithops
39	Other Mesembs without prominent roots or trunks: Dinteranthus, Faucaria,
40	Other Mesembs with prominent roots or trunks: Aloinopsis, Mestoklema, Monilaria, Trichodiadema, etc.
APOCYNACEAE:	
41	Adenium
42	Pachypodium - Africa
43	Pachypodium - Madagascar
44	Plumeria
45	Stapeliads with succulent stems: Caralluma, Hoodia, Huernia, Orbea, Pseudolithos, Stapelia, etc.
46	Caudiciform Apocynaceae: Fockea, Gonolobus, Petopentia, Raphionacme, etc.
47	Vining/hanging stapeliads: Ceropegia, Cynanchum Dischidia, Hoya, Sarcostemma
ASPARAGACEAE	
48	Agave species
49	Agave hybrids (including xMangave)
50	Beaucarnea, Calibanus, Nolina, Yucca
51	Sansevieria, Succulent Dracaena
ASPHODELACEAE:	
52	Aloe - African species (including all species of Aloiampeles, Aloidendron, Aristaloe, Gonialoe, Kumara)
53	Aloe - Madagascan species
54	Aloe - all other species
55	Aloe - hybrids
56	Gasteria
57	Gasteria - hybrids
58	Haworthia, Haworthiopsis, Tulista, Astroloba - species
59	Haworthia - hybrids

CRASSULACEAE	
60	Adromischus
61	Aeonium (including Greenovia), Aichryson, Monanthes
62	Cotyledon, Tylecodon
63	Crassula
64	Dudleya
65	Echeveria
66	Graptopetalum (Tacitus), Pachyphytum, hybrids (xPachyveria, xGraptoveria)
67	Kalanchoe
68	Sedum, Sedum hybrids (xSedeveria)
69	Sempervivum (including Jovibarba)
70	Portulacaria (including Ceraria)
71	Alluadia, Alluadiopsis, Calyptrotheca, Decarya, Decaryopsis, Didierea
EUPHORBIACEAE:	
Euphorbia species endemic to Madagascar:	
72	Euphorbia Madagascan millii-type: genoudiana, gottlebei, horombensis, etc.
73	Euphorbia Madagascan shrub-type: bongolavensis, geroldii, millotii, etc.
74	Euphorbia Madagascan shrublet type: capsaintemariensis, francoisii, spirosticha, etc.
75	Euphorbia Madagascan stem-type: ankarensis, leuconeuria, stenoclada, etc.
Euphorbia species NOT endemic to Madagascar:	
76	Euphorbia caudiciform type: groenewaldii, knuthii, stellata, etc.
77	Euphorbia globular type: obesa, meloformis, gymnocalycioides, etc.
78	Euphorbia clumping type: polygona, ferox, tubiglans, etc.
79	Euphorbia medusoid type: caput-medusae, flanganii, supressa, etc.
80	Euphorbia, shrub type: gareipina, aeruginosa, baioensis, multifolia, etc.
81	Euphorbia, stem type: abdelkuri, bupluerifolia, clandestina, poisonii, etc.
82	Monadenium
83	Other Euphorbiaceae genera: Endadenium, Jatropha, Pedilanthus, Synadenium
OTHER SUCCULENT FAMILIES	
84	ANACAMPSEROTACEAE: Anacampseros (including Avonia), Grahamia, Talinopsis; MONTIACEAE: Cistanthe, Lewisia; PORTULACACEAE: Portulaca; TALINACEAE: Talinum
85	ASTERACEAE (COMPOSITAE): Leptosyne (Coreopsis), Kleinia, Othonna, Senecio, etc.
86	BROMELIACEAE: Cryptanthus, Dyckia, Hechtia, Tillandsia, Etc.
87	CUCURBITACEAE: Cephalopentandra, Corallocarpus, Gerrardanthus, Ibervillea, Kedrostis, Momordica, Xerosicyos, Zygosicyos, etc.
88	FABACEAE: Delonix, Dolichos, Erythrina, Neorautanania, Pachyrhizus, Senna, Tylosema
89	GERANIACEAE: Monsonia, Sarcocaulon, Pelargonium, etc.
90	GESNERIACEAE: Sinningia
91	MORACEAE: Dorstenia, Ficus
92	PASSIFLORACEAE: Adenia
93	VITACEAE: Cissus, Cyphostemma
OTHER SUCCULENT CLASSES	
94	Succulent Bulbs: Albuca, Boophane, Bowelia, Bulbine, Haemanthus, Ledebouria, Massonia, Veltheimia, etc.
95	Caudiciforms: e.g. Carica, Dioscorea, Ipomoea, Jacaratia, Pyrenacantha, Stephania, etc.
96	Cycads
97	Orchids
98	Pachycauls - New World, e.g.: Bursera, Ceiba, Cyrtocarpa, Ficus, Fouquieria, Pachycormus, Pachira, Pseudobombax, etc.
99	Pachycauls - Old World, e.g.: Adenostoma, Brachychiton, Boswellia, Commiphora, Dendrosenecio, Dendrosicyos, Ficus, Moringa, Operculicarya, Sterculia, etc.
100	Succulent, Seed-Grown by Exhibitor
101	Miniature Succulent - pot diameter less than 3 inches
102	Crested & Monstrose Succulents (50% or more crested or monstrose)
103	Variiegated Succulents (50% or more variegation)
104	Other Genera: any other succulent genus, e.g. (Uncarina, Zamioiculcas)
DIVISION III: Collections & Arrangements	
107	Cactus Collections: a set of 3+ different cacti specimens related by a common theme, genus, form, color, or other characteristic
108	Succulent Collections: a set of 3+ different succulent specimens related by a common theme, genus, form, color, or other characteristic
109	Dish Gardens: any combination of two or more in a single pot
DIVISION IV: SPECIALITIES COMBINING CACTI & SUCCULENTS	
110	San Diego County native cactus or other succulent
111	Baja, Mexico cactus or other succulent
112	Grafted cactus or succulent
113	Succulent Bonsai
DIVISION V: DISPLAYS	
114	Educational displays and exhibits
DIVISION VI: ART	
115	Paintings, sculpture, carvings, textiles, etc.
116	Photography

DIVISION I: CACTI (CACTACEAE)					
Acanthocalycium	1	Echinopsis	1	Myrtillocactus	8
Acharagma	2	Epiphyllum	14	Neochilenia	15
Ancistrocactus	3	Epiphytic Cacti	14	Neolloydia	2
Ariocarpus	4	Epithelantha	6	Neoporteria	15
Arrojadoa	8	Eriosyce	15	Notocactus	25
Astrophytum	5	Escobaria	2	Obregonia	6
Austrocylindropuntia	24	Espostoa	8	Opuntia	24
Aylostera	26	xFerobergia	11	Opuntiods	24
Aztekium	6	Ferocactus	11	Oroya	10
Bergerocactus	8	Frailea	7	Ortegocactus	6
Blossfeldia	7	Grusonia	24	Other Cactus	35
Browningia	8	Gymnocactus	29	Parodia	25
Buiningia	7	Gymnocalycium: clustering species	16	Pediocactus	3
Cactus, Seed-Grown by Exhibitor	36	Gymnocalycium: solitary species	17	Pelecyphora	6
Carnegiea	8	Hamatocactus	11	Pereskia	18
Cephalocereus	8	Hatiora	14	Pilocereus	8
Cereus	8	Horridocactus	15	Pilosocereus	8
Chamaecereus	1	Hylocereus	14	Pterocactus	24
Cintia	26	Lepismium	14	Pyrrhocactus	15
Coleocephalocereus	7	Leuchtenbergia	11	Rebutia	26
Cipocereus	8	Leuenbergia	18	Rhipsalis	14
Cleistocactus	8	Lobivia	1	Rhodocactus	18
Collections: Cactus set of 3 different	106	Mammillaria hooked spines, solitary species	19	Schlumbergia	14
Columnar cacti	8	Mammillaria hooked spines, clustering species	21	Sclerocactus	3
Consolea	24	Mammillaria straight spines, clustering species	22	Selenicereus	14
Copiapoa	9	Mammillaria straight spines, solitary species	20	Soehrensia	1
Coryphantha	2	<a href="https://inaturalist-open-data.s3.amazonaws.com/photos/639951054/original.jpg">https://inaturalist-open-data.s3.amazonaws.com/photos/639951054/original.jpg</a>	10	Stenocactus	27
Crested Cacti	30	Miniature Cacti less than 3 inches	31	Strombocactus	6
Cylindropuntia	24	Miquelopuntia	24	Sulcorebutia	26
Denmoza	10	Monstrose Cacti	32	Tephrocactus	24
Discocactus	7			Thelocactus	28
Disocactus	14			Trichocereus	8
Echinocactus	11			Tunilla	24
Echinocereus: pectinate spines	12			Turbinicarpus	29
Echinocereus: straight spines	13			Uebelmannia	7
Echinofossulocactus	27			Variegated Cacti 50% or more variegation	33
				Weingartia	26
				Zygocactus	14



An impressive *Dudleya brevifolia* in flower, found at Carmel Mountain.

Olga Batalov

DIVISION II: SUCCULENTS					
Adenia	92	Dorstenia	91	Lapidaria	39
Adenium	41	Dracaena	51	Ledebouria	94
Adenonia	99	Dudleya	64	Leptosyne	85
Adromischus	60	Dyckia	86	Lithops	38
Aeonium	61	Echeveria	65	xMangave	49
Agave species	48	Educational Display & Exhibit	114	Massonia	94
Agave hybrids	49	Endadenium	83	Mestoklema	40
Aichryson	61	Euphorbia Madagascan shrublet type: capsaintemariensis, francoisii, spirosticha, etc.	74	Mini succulent, pot diameter less than 3 inches	101
Albuca	94	Euphorbia Madagascan millii-type: genoudiana, gottlebei, horombensis, etc.	72	Momordica	87
Alluadia	71	Euphorbia Madagascan stem-type: ankarensis, leuconeura, stenoclada, etc.	75	Monadenium	82
Alluadiopsis	71	Euphorbia Madagascan shrub-type: bongolavensis, geroldii, millotii, etc.	73	Monanthes	61
Aloe: African (excluding Madagascar)	52	Euphorbia caudiciform-type NOT endemic to Madagascar: groenewaldii, knuthii, stellata, etc.	76	Monilaria	40
Aloe: all other species	54	Euphorbia globular-type: obesa, meloformis, gymnocalycioides, etc.	77	Monsonia	89
Aloe: hybrids	55	Euphorbia clumping-type: polygona, ferox, tubiglans, etc.	78	Moringa	99
Aloe: Madagascan	53	Euphorbia medusoid-type: caput-medusae, flanganii, supressa, etc.	79	Nolina	50
Aloinopsis	40	Euphorbia, shrub-type: gareipina, aeruginosa, baioensis, multifolia, etc	80	Operculicarya	99
Anacampseros	84	Euphorbia, stem-type: abdelkuri, bupluerifolia, clandestina, poisonii etc	81	Orbea	45
Astroloba	58	Faucaria	39	Orchids	98
Avonia	84	Fenestraria	39	Other Genera succulents	104
Baja, Mexico: Cactus or succulent	111	Ficus	91, 98, or 99	Othonna	85
Beaucarnea	50	Fockea	46	Pachycormus	98
Bonsai - Succulent	113	Fouquieria	98	Pachyphytum	66
Boophane	94	Gasteraloe	57	Pachypodium: Africa	42 or 99
Boswellia	99	Gasteria	56	Pachypodium: Madagascar	43 or 99
Boweia	94	Gasterworthia	57	xPachyveria	66
Brachychiton	99	Gerrardanthus	87	Paintings	115
Bromeliads	86	Gonolobus	46	Pedilanthus	83
Bulbine	94	Grafted Cactus or Succulent	112	Pelargonium	89
Bursera	98	Graptopetalum	66	Petopentia	46
Calibanus	50	xGraptoveria	66	Photography	116
Calyptrotheca	71	Greenovia	61	Pleiospilos	39
Caralluma	45	Haemanthus	94	Plumeria	44
Caudiciforms	95	Haworthia	58	Portulaca	84
Ceiba	98	Haworthia hybrids	59	Portulacaria	70
Cephalopentandra	87	Haworthiopsis	58	Pseudobombax	98
Ceraria	70	Hechtia	86	Pseudolithos	45
Ceropegia	47	Hoodia	45	Pyrenacantha	95
Cissus	93	Hoya	47	Raphionacme	46
Collections: Cacti, set of 3 different taxa	107	Huernia	45	Sansevieria	51
Collections: Succulents, set of 3 different taxa	108	Ibervillea	87	Sarcocaulon	89
Commiphora	99	Ipomoea	95	Sarcostemma	47
Conophytum	37	Jatropha	83	San Diego native catus or succulent	110
Corallocarpus	87	Jovibarba	69	xSedeveria	68
Coreopsis	85	Kalanchoe	67	Sedum	68
Cotyledon	62	Kedrostis	87	Sedum hybrids	68
Crassula	63	Kleinia	85	Seed Grown Succulents by exhibitor	100
Crested & Monstrose succulents	102			Sempervivum	69
Cryptanthus	86			Senecio	85
Cycads	96			Senna	88
Cynanchum	47			Sinningia	90
Cyphostemma	93			Stapelia	45
Decarya	71			Stephania	95
Decaryopsis	71			Synadenium	83
Delonix	88			Tacitus	66
Dendrosenecio	99			Tillandsia	86
Dendrosicyos	99			Titanopsis	39
Didierea	71			Trichodiadema	40
Dinteranthus	39			Tulista	58
Dioscorea	95			Tylecodon	62
Dischidia	47			Variogated succulents 50%+	103
Dish Gardens: 2 or more same taxa in 1 pot	109			Veltheimia	94
				Xerosicyos	87
				Yucca	50
				Zygosisyos	87



*Echinocereus engelmannii* and *Dudleya saxosa* subsp. *aloides* at Joshua Tree NP.

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Do you come to meetings early and enjoy talking to new SDCSS members? **We are seeking a volunteer to help hand out new member ID cards at the meetings.** If interested in learning more, please reach out to us at [membership@sdcss.net](mailto:membership@sdcss.net)

The SDCSS monthly newsletter welcomes all contributions from its members!

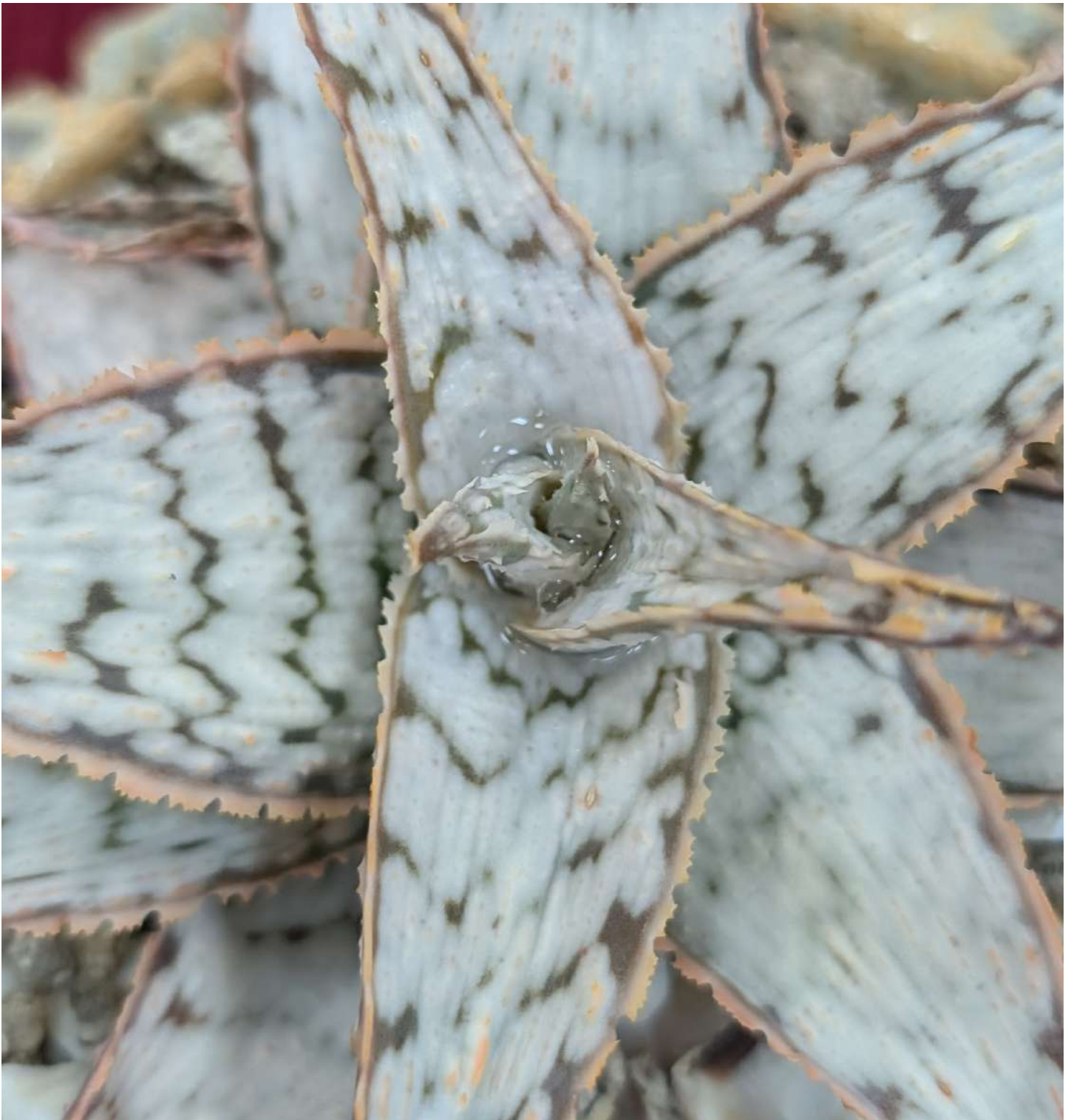
If you have a personal contribution related to cacti and succulents that you'd like to share with the club, please let us know, and you could see your work in a future issue.

We'd love to hear from you!

Contact the editor: [evf.editor@gmail.com](mailto:evf.editor@gmail.com)



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Cactus & Succulent Society



SDCSS members shared a stunning table of plants at the April Meeting's Brag Table!

Thank you for bringing in your plants to ring in the new year, and thanks to [Tom McCoy & Kelly Griffin](#) for reviewing this table from our members. The next brag table **will** be present at our joint meeting with the Epiphyllum club... Bring in your best epi for the occasion!

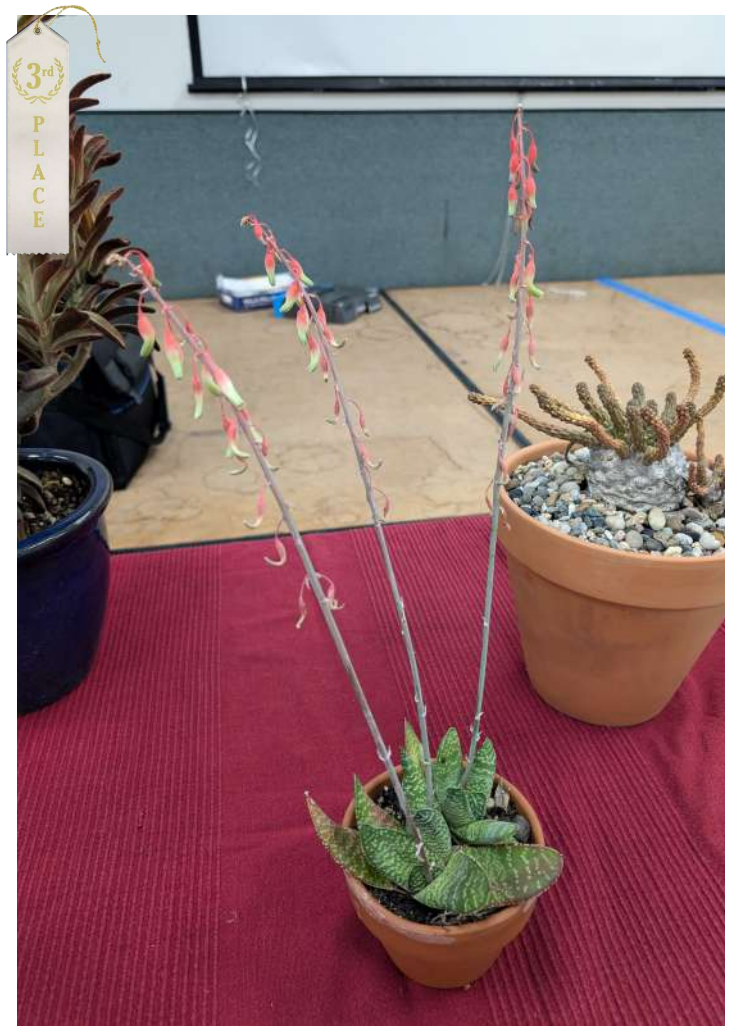


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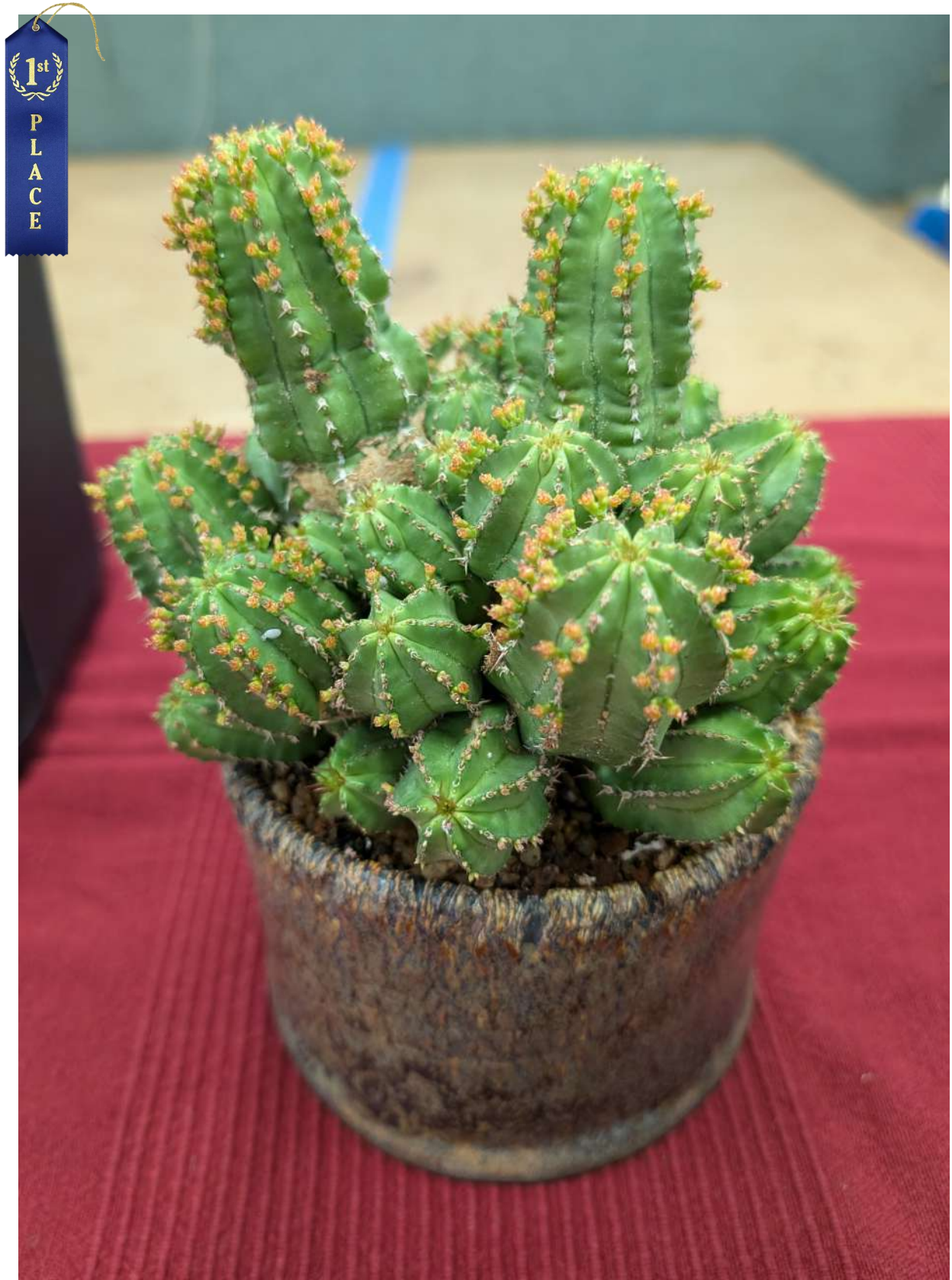
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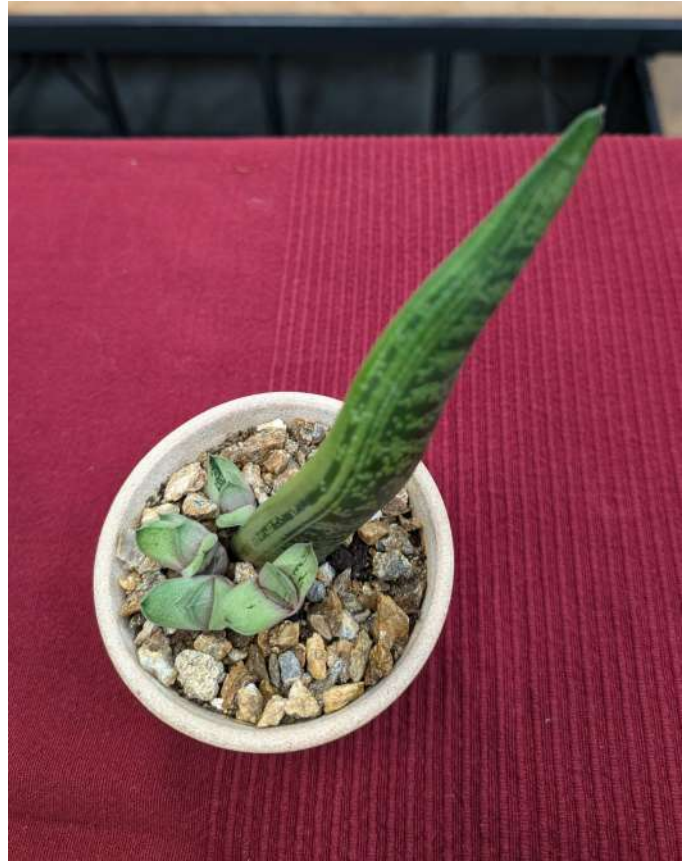
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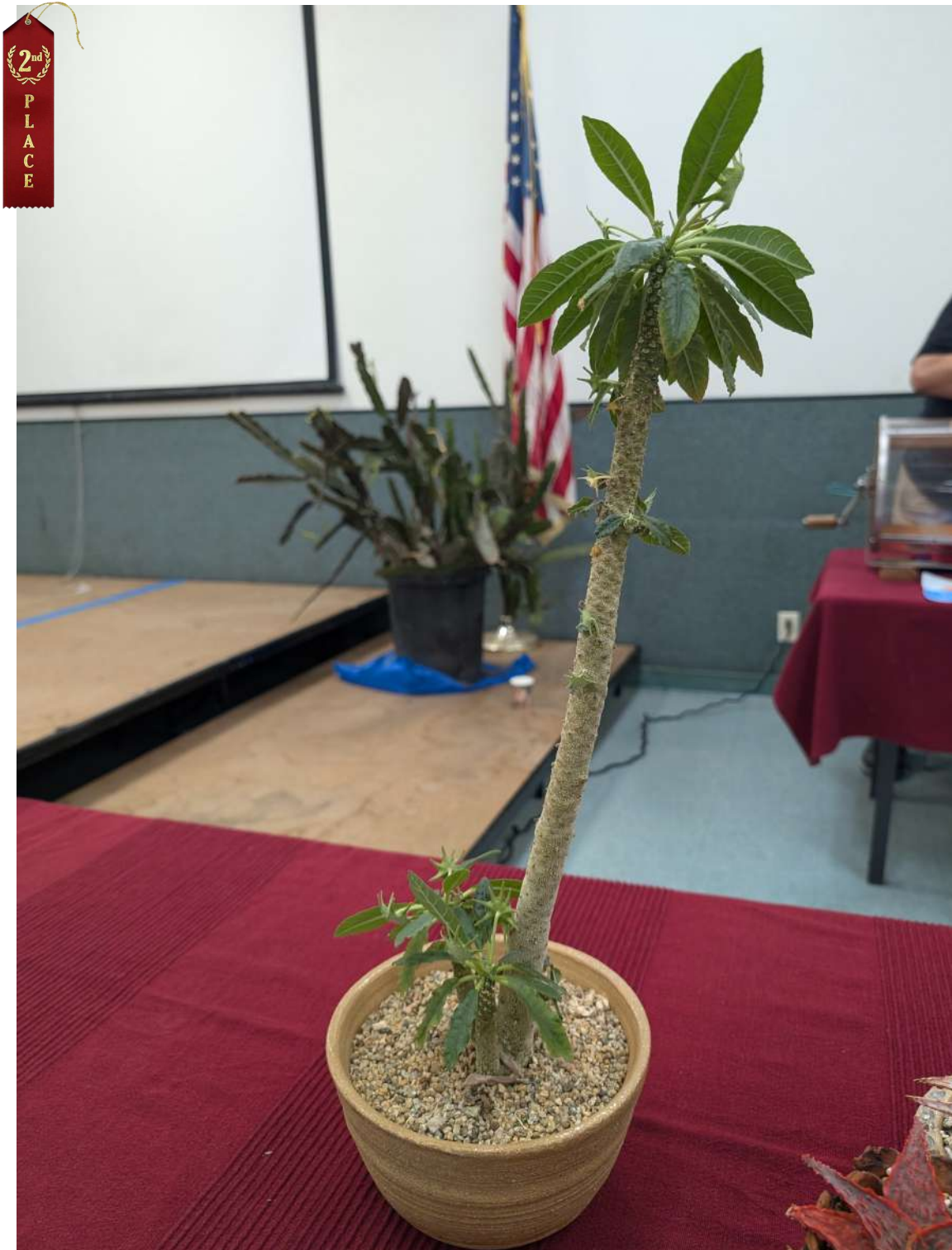
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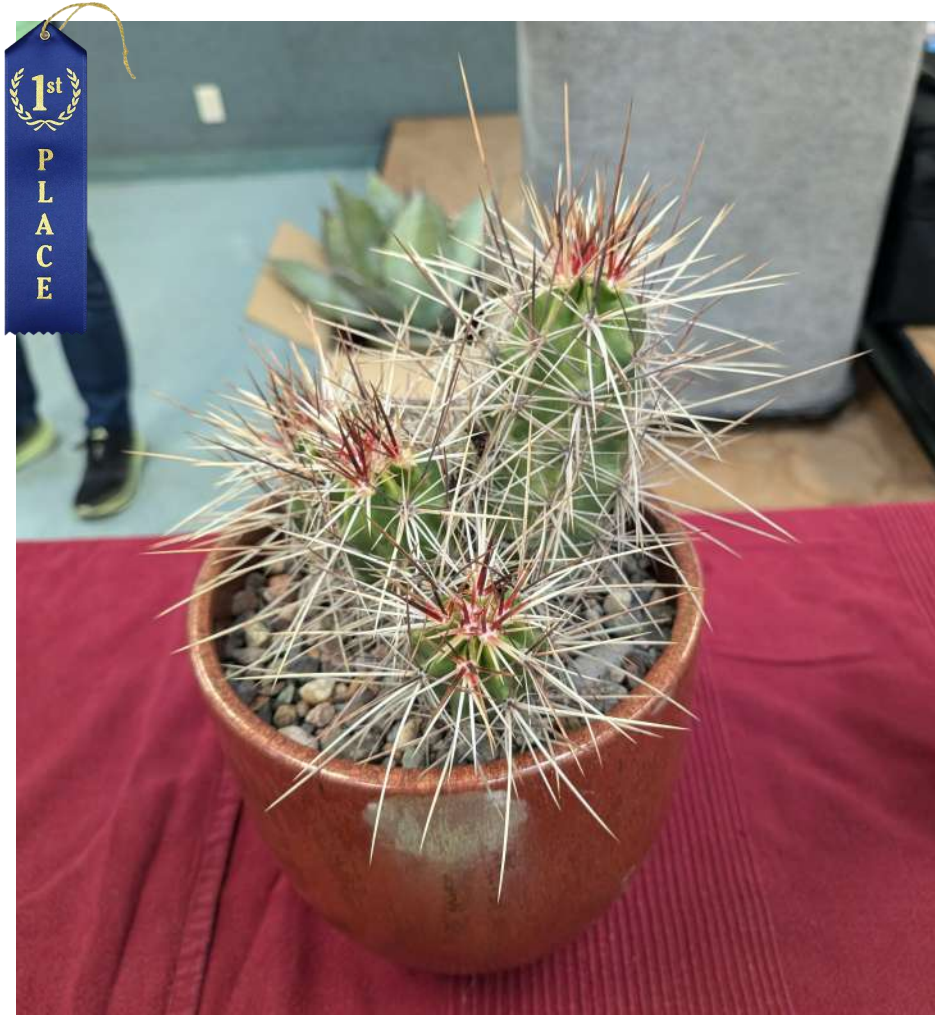
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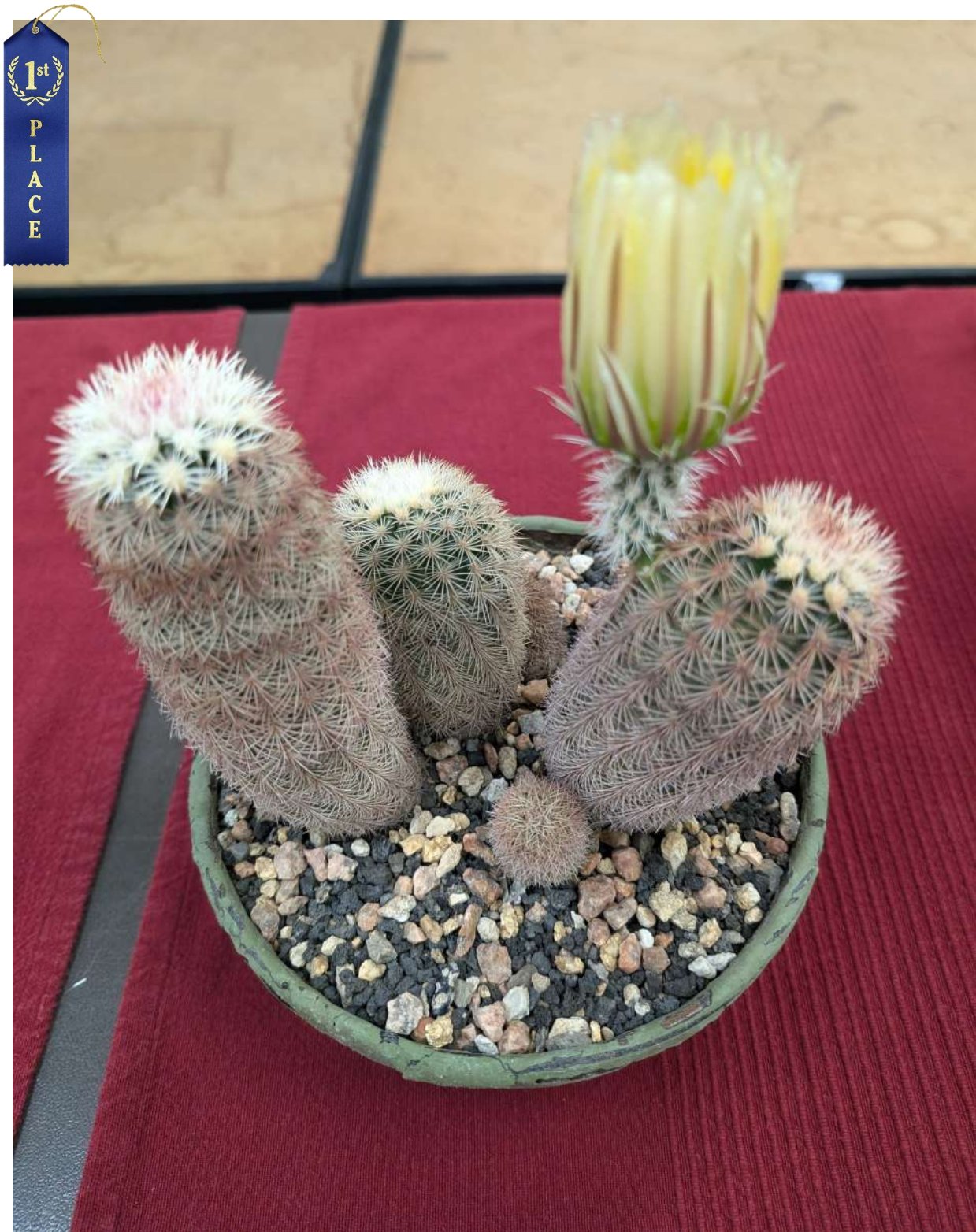
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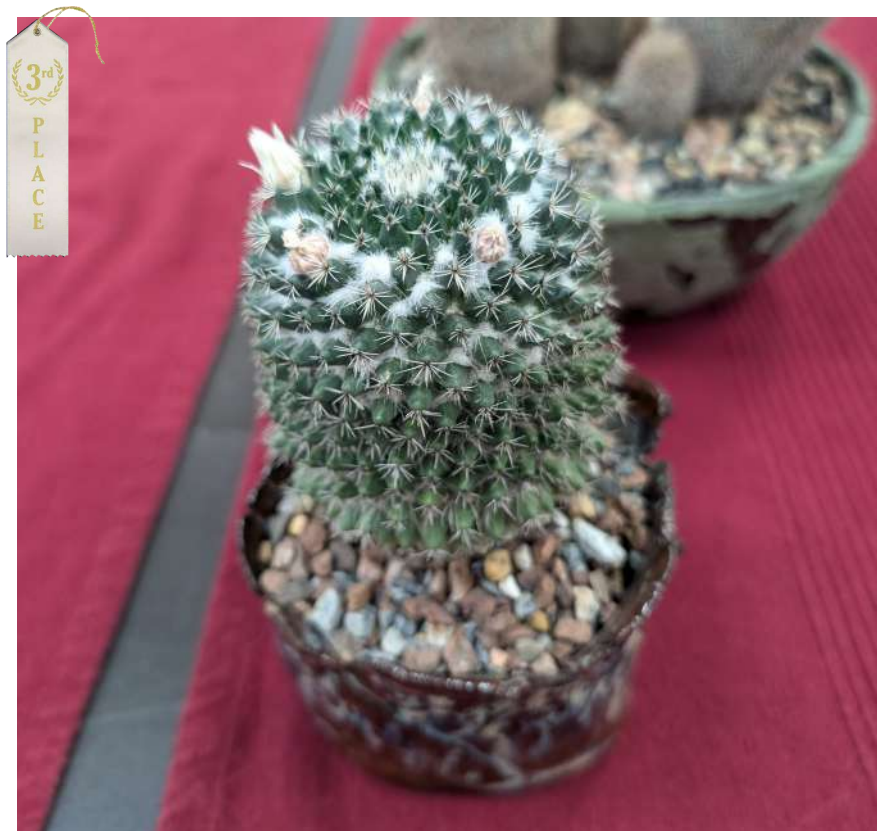
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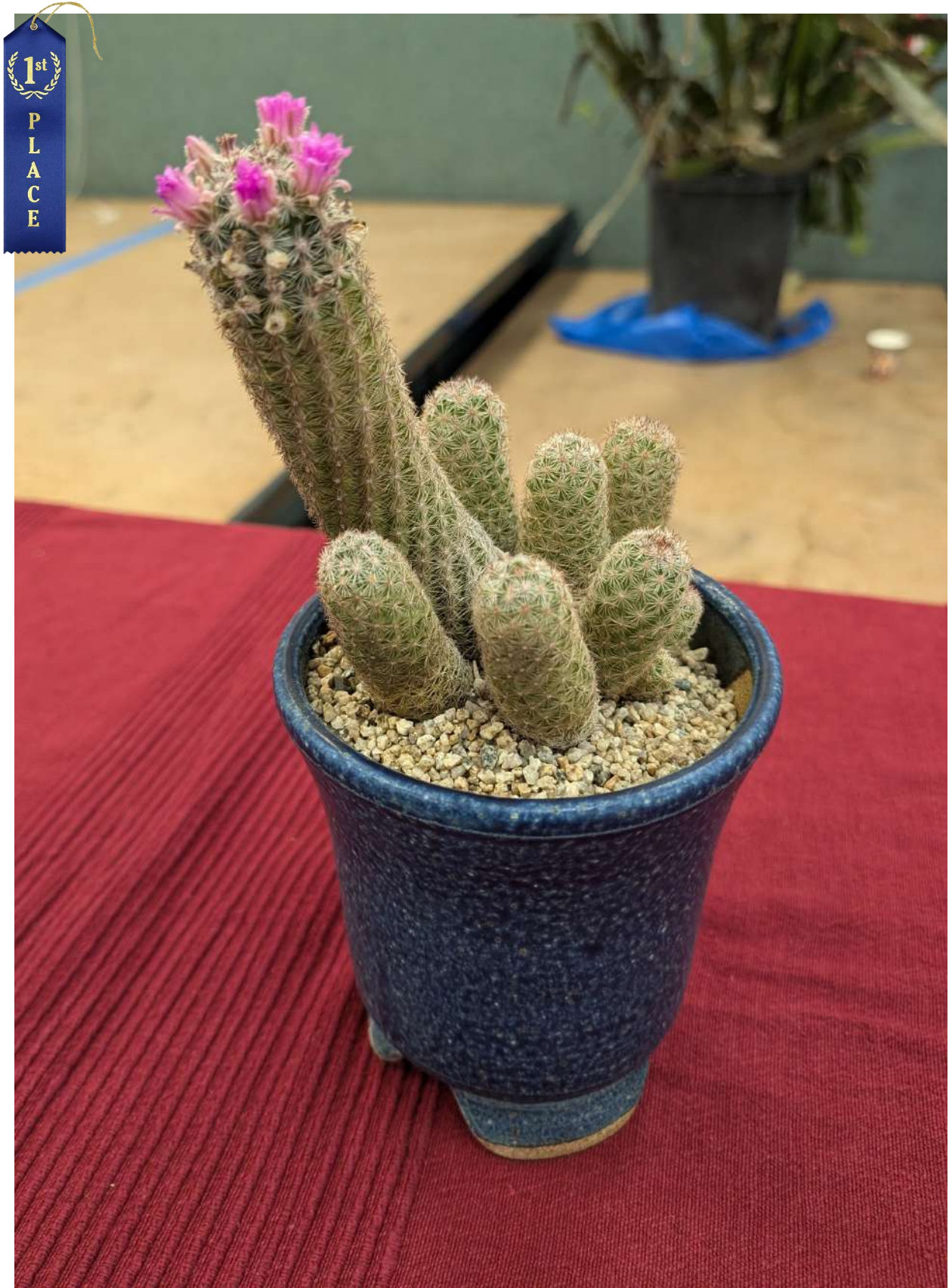
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