

## PHILADELPHIA CACTUS SUCCULENT SOCIETY

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# 2ND MEETING OF 2021 FEBRUARY 14, 2021

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87939593195?pwd=cHJyRHNCZjMxMkVYY2xraU9na3BQZz09 Meeting ID: 879 3959 3195 Passcode: 098069

This will be a short meeting consisting of information and plant sharing. I'm looking into another virtual speaker for March. Please consider participating in the plant competition!!

We had a wonderful meeting with Woody Minnich on the conservation of cactus & succulents. Even though he waxed on longer than expected I was fascinated by his talk. Thanks to everyone that participated especially those that stayed on the entire time!

If you want to hear another Woody lecture (and read their newsletter), check out the San Diego group on **February 13th @ 12:30PM PDT** 

#### https://www.sdcss.net/

The Cacti and Succulents of New Mexico - Woody Minnich

Check out the Connecticut group's newsletter (<a href="http://www.ctcactussociety.org/home/newsletters">http://www.ctcactussociety.org/home/newsletters</a>) ... They are carrying information from John Spain on growing a winter hardy garden ...



## COMING ATTRACTIONS

## PICNIC/AUCTION AT BOB SPARROWS

Everyone I'm sure is tired of being cooped up but there is a light at the end of the tunnel!

Provided that things progress as planned with the vaccine rollout and numbers getting going down, Bob Sparrow would like to host his annual picnic this year.

Maybe we can even have a plant auction .. Stay tuned!

#### PLANT OF THE MONTH

The categories can be found here: <a href="www.philacactus.org/plant-of-the-month/">www.philacactus.org/plant-of-the-month/</a>

#### **CACTUS**

#### Parodia Group

subfamily Cactoideae, tribe Notocacteaeexamples Eriosyce, Copiapoa, Parodia, Frailea, Uebelmannia

#### **SUCCULENTS**

Euphorbiaceae 3 - Thickened stem type, medusae type examples Obesa, Suzannae

#### SPECIAL CATEGORIES

#### **Double your Pleasure**

Representatives of two different genera belonging to the same family, in separate pots, (counted as one entry)

#### **DETAILS:**

- a. Email photos of plants by **Saturday noon** to: **philadelphia.cactus@gmail.com** 
  - Subject line name and category
  - Body of the email:
    - 1. plant name
    - 2. size of pot
    - 3. three good picture of the plant in the staging view (front left right)
    - 4. one email per plant only 2 plants can be entered per category

#### tips:

get as close as you can for pictures
review picture to make sure that plant is clear and well lit
use a neutral background (i.e. a white sheet or towel)
use natural light instead of a flash
have item fill screen

- b. Judges review pictures prior to Sunday 11 AM
- c. Judges will enter Zoom room at 11 to discuss winners
- d. Competitors with enter Zoom at 11:30 with plants if possible
- d. Judges will meet in a separate meeting room after reviewing categories to discuss the winners then go to next room

## **JANUARY 2021 WINNERS**

### Crested, Monstrose, & Variegated Plants

We had a lot of entries in this category so we divided it up into 3 groups: Large, 5-6" pots, and 3-4" pots



Agave lophantha 'Quadricolor'



Peg Krengel Cleistestocactus parapentiensis





1st Frank Straup Opuntia microdasys monstrose 'Crazy Bunny'

2nd Frank Straup Opuntia monacantha monstrose (variegated)



3rd Deb Donaldson Copiapoa laui forma cristata



2nd Jeff Sedwin Euphorbia suzannae (variegated & crested)









## **Euphorbias!!**



Jeff Sedwin Euphorbia mammilaris (variegated)



Euphorbia cylindrifolia var. tuberifera





3rd Deb Donaldson Euhorbia francoisii var. crassicaulis x francoisii



## Opuntia - Pereskia - Cereus



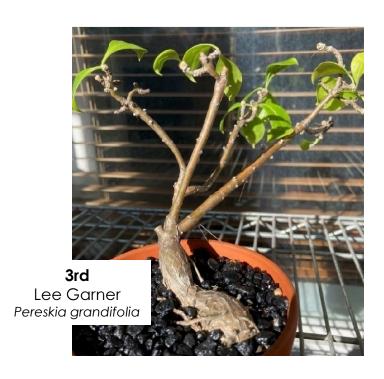
Frank Straup Opuntia consolea faleata



Robert Gorelick Opuntia 'Walk in Beauty'



Bill Bauer
Opunti polycantha hystricina



#### Did you know we have a FACEBOOK page?

900+ people know it!

Check us out at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/202733996526503">www.facebook.com/groups/202733996526503</a>
It's a way to share photos and ask questions about all things cactus and succulents!



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