



PHILADELPHIA CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY

founded 1942

www.philacactus.org

6th MEETING OF 2022/23 SEASON

FEBRUARY 19, 2023

10:00 am

**EARLY
START
TIME**

PROGRAM

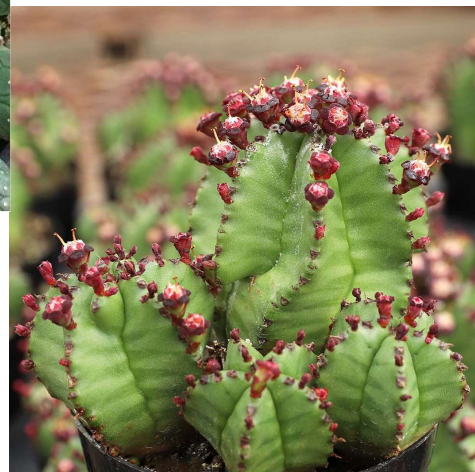
"Succulent Euphorbias"

With Al Toizer

Who doesn't know Al Toizer? Al and his wife Elayne have been attending PCSS meetings for almost 30 years and are happy that we have returned to in-person gatherings.



Al came to an appreciation of euphorbias a bit late in his career, when he finally realized just how fascinatingly diverse this genus can be.



When our group began making plans for this season's programs, Al volunteered to talk about these plants and to give a glimpse at the enormous variety that the genus offers for our members.

Plant of the month

<http://www.philacactus.org/plant-of-the-month/>

CACTUS

Parodia Group

subfamilies Cactoideae

tribes Notocactae

examples 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)



Plant of the Month - January

Cactus:

Lee Garner - 5,
Chrissy & Tim Day - 5,
Jeff Sedwin - 3,
Ralph Ogden - 3

Succulent:

Jeff Sedwin - 14,
Linda McCarthy - 10,
Marc Ross - 8,
Lee Garner - 7

Best of Show:

Jeff Sedwin's Euphorbia
pseudocactus crest

IN THE NEWS

Check out a garden blog from Succulents & More:

<https://www.succulentsandmore.com/2023/02/early-february-vignettes-from-our.html>



Secret societies protecting plants?

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/secretive-society-keeps-watch-over-arizonas-holy-grail-of-cactus-610db79a>

Future Fall Dates

Please mark your calendars for the
end of the year which is the
beginning of our season!

Start time will be 11AM!

SEPTEMBER 17

OCTOBER 8

NOVEMBER 12

DECEMBER 10 - Holiday Party

CSSA Webinar:

Saturday, February 18th at 10:00 a.m. PST for the next in our series of webinars featuring Cactus and Succulent experts from around the world.

Conophytums of Distinction with Matthew Opel, PhD

Join us Saturday, January 7th at 10:00 a.m. **PST** for the next in our series of free webinars featuring Cactus and Succulent experts from around the world.

Program

Conophytum is one of the largest and most diverse genera of dwarf succulents in southern Africa, including more than 100 species of living stones, window-plants, lichen-mimics, soil-embed succulents, and very compact shrubs. University of Connecticut botanist Matthew Opel will provide a general introduction to Conophytum, including their varied forms, ecology, and cultivation. He will focus on especially beautiful, strange, or otherwise remarkable cultivars, varieties, hybrids and selections.

Registration link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_awdA7zzgRxugzaqTXsY03w



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PHS Flower Show

March 4-12, 2023

volunteers signups:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805084FABA822ABFF2-2023>

Code: PCSS1942

NOTE: volunteer ticketing

- Paul Wesolowski will give PHS a list of sitters assigned each day .. Sign up early, before the list is submitted, because it will be difficult to add names
- the volunteer will **pick up** their ticket at the **Will Call window**
- If anyone is sitting on two shifts in one day, entitling them to a second ticket, let Paul know who will be using that second ticket, and the date. Paul will use this info on the alternate Sitters Schedule submitted to PHS.

CT Show & Sale

April 1-2, 2023

<https://www.ctcactusociety.org/annual-show-sale>

PCSS Annual Auction

May 7, 2023

CSSA Convention

July 12 to July 16, 2023

<http://cssaconvention.com/>

Member show & tell ..

Please send pictures of your plants to Tim at: philadelphia.cactus@gmail.com



**Check us out on
FACEBOOK!!**

www.facebook.com/groups/202733996526503

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