

# CACTUS COURIER

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The Meeting is the **4th** Saturday

**JANUARY 23, 2010**

**Joslyn Senior Center  
724 N. Broadway, Escondido**

**12 NOON**



*Epidendrum radicans*

***“Costa Rican Adventure – Animals & Plants”***

**•• Lorie Johansen ••**





Bromeliad



Ctenosaura similis



Quetzals



Rhipsalis baccifera



Upclose and personal...



Tillandsias

**BOARD MEETING • PLANT SALES • BRAG PLANTS • EXCHANGE TABLE**

**REFRESHMENTS**

**Beth Bradsher**

**Lina Paul**

**Jean O'Daniel**

**Teri Schmidt**

**Vicki Martin**

**Mike Regan**

**Inacia Matheus**

## OBSERVATIONS

Ron Chisum

Yet another strange weather year is here. I am harvesting mangoes off my tree. Never done that before in January. My hope in mentioning our warm, dry weather is that (as usually happens), things will have changed 180 degrees between the writing of this note and the day it is published. Pray for rain.

As I mentioned at the December meeting, if everyone propagates a dozen plants for our eventual plant sale, it will go a long way to keeping us solvent. If you can only do a few, it still helps. They need to be clean and pest free. Ask yourself if it is attractive enough that you would consider buying it.

**The biggest sellers at last year's sale were our dish gardens (\$15-\$20 each). So if you want to plant up one soon please do so. Lorie will be happy to plant some dish gardens but she needs dish garden type pots ASAP so they can be planted and have time to fill out. Please bring **DISH GARDEN POTS** to the January meeting.**

I thoroughly enjoyed the December meeting and great food. I look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

RON



Howler Monkey (...I think!)



Three-toed Sloth

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Special THANKS from Eleanore to everyone who helped at the Holiday Party! We had a fabulous time and ate until we couldn't move. People set up the hall, laid out the food, and cleaned up everything.

I would to make special note of Susan & Leon LaFreniere. They signed up to help with serving, but showed up for setup and never stopped. I couldn't have done it without you!

This is what makes this Club so wonderful.

By the way, we managed to loose a serving piece. A pie server got misplaced and needs to come home. If you've seen it, please let me know and I will make sure it gets back in the drawer with its mates. This isn't the actual pattern, but the shape is close:



## From Chuck Everson:

Dear Fellow Book Lover:

My name is Chuck Everson. You may remember me from the days when I was the owner/operator of Rainbow Gardens Bookshop (1990-2005). I decided to retire to pursue a dream of creating a 'Succulent Bibliography' of all known succulent literature. I have accomplished most of my goal, and now wish to return to the selling of books. Two great writers, **Graham Charles** and **Rudolf Schulz** approached me to be the EXCLUSIVE distributor their books. The offer was accepted by me, and now it appears I'm selling books again – at my walk-in Bookstore in Vista (call first for appointment), through the mail and also at Cactus Shows in Southern California. The two most outstanding books (below) written by these two authors are now available at very reasonable prices: "*Gymnocalycium*" by Graham Charles, and "*Haworthia for the Collector*" by Rudolf Schulz. Complete descriptions and pricing are available below.

A third great writer, Debra Lee Baldwin, has just released her outstanding new book, "*Succulent Container Gardens*" which I am offering and is also described below.

And finally, after a 5-year wait, "*Baja California Almanac*" has been completely revised and reprinted. The perfect companion for anyone going to Baja.

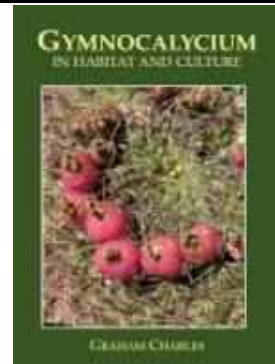
If you're interested in "*The Genus Echeveria*" by John Pilbeam, or "*Echeveria Cultivars*" by Rudolf Schulz – or "*Ferocactus*" by John Pilbeam, or "*Ariocarpus, Etc*" by John Pilbeam---let me know and I will send you all the information/pricing on these titles. Incidentally, "*Pachyforms 1*" by Philippe Des Vosjole has been reprinted, and is \$10.00 cheaper. Now: \$39.95. "*Pachyforms 2*" is also available at a reduced price of \$39.95

Although I currently don't have a website, I can take your order via email and ship it to you (I take Visa and Mastercard).

Send me an email, tell me what you want, and I'll get back to you with a quote on shipping charges. Shipping will follow immediately, once you accept my offer. (Note the new email address and telephone number below).

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you soon!

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### GYMNOCALYCIUM

Graham Charles, author. 1st Ed., 2009. English. Foreword by Dr. Nigel Taylor, Curator, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, England. Based on the author's extensive experience of cultivating these plants and observing them in habitat, the book is written in his usual informative and easy to read style. Contents include the history of the genus, characteristics and classification, natural habitats and distribution of the genus; advice on cultivation; extensive index to help you look up the names on your labels. The 624 color photos cover the typical countryside they live in as well as plants in habitat, historic illustrations and plants in cultivation, and show some of the variation in the species. Final sections cover further reading, references, chromosome counts, cristate and variegated plants and Graham's collection numbers. 75 distribution maps. 288 pages. 8-1/2" x 11-1/2", hardbound with color dustjacket. Priced in 2009 at \$80.00, the new price in 2010 has been reduced to only \$69.95 (autographed).



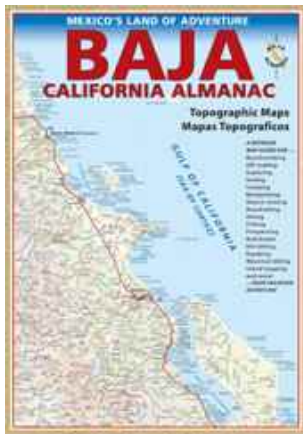
### HAWORTHIA FOR THE COLLECTOR

Rudolf Schulz, author. 1st Ed., 2009, English. There have been several books published on Haworthias in the last twenty years. These have all focused on the plants in habitat or on taxonomic issues. Written by the prolific author Rudolf Schulz, this new book focuses on the needs of the collector: identification, care, health and propagation. Written in an easy style with 560 large magnificent color photos, it will appeal to the succulent collector, the botanist, the armchair traveler and all those interested in knowing more about this variable and beautiful genus of plants. 240 pages, 8-1/2" x 11", hardbound with color dustjacket. Reasonably priced at only \$49.95



**SUCCULENT CONTAINER GARDENS**

Debra Lee Baldwin, author. 1st Ed., 2010. English. Brand new – just released January 5, 2010. The popular author of *Designing with Succulents* provides everything beginners and experienced gardeners need to know to create stunning container displays of exceptionally waterwise plants. The extensive palette includes delicate sedums, frilly echeverias, cascading senecios, edgy agaves, and fat-trunked beaucarneas, to name just a few. Easy-to-follow, expert tips explain soil mixes, overwintering, propagation, and more. Each of the more than 300 photographs offers an inspiring idea. A-to-Z descriptions cover 350 of the best succulents, plus companion plants. Whether your goal is a gorgeous potted garden for a sunny windowsill or outdoor living area – or simply making great gifts – this is a comprehensive primer for creating vibrant, living works of art. If you liked her first book, you'll LOVE this new one. 320 color photos, 248 pages. 7-1/2” x 9-1/2” hardbound, w/color dustjacket \$29.95



**BAJA CALIFORNIA ALMANAC**

2nd Rev. Edition, 2009. With over 10,000 entries, the new Baja Almanac lets you pinpoint any location in Baja, down to the most remote ranch or campsite. Includes updated land routes and cultural features. There are complete indexes, a mileage chart, and primary route distances in both miles and kilometers. There is also an adjoining map overlap—each map displays an overlapping segment of adjoining map pages. 48 color maps, 22 pages, 10-3/4” x 15-1/4”, printed on 70# paper with matte finish for a crisper, more defined presentation and longer lasting. Staplebound. “Don’t go to Baja without it”. Retail for: \$24.95



Vanilla Orchid Flower – *Vanilla planifolia*



Vanilla Beans on the Vine

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P.O. Box 840, Escondido, CA 92033  
*Membership Application*

I/We wish to join/renew membership in the  
**Palomar Cactus & Succulent Society**

**\$20.00 Single Membership**  
**\$25.00 Dual Membership (Same Address)**  
(1/2 price after June 30th)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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