

CACTUS COURIER

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The Meeting is the **4th** Saturday

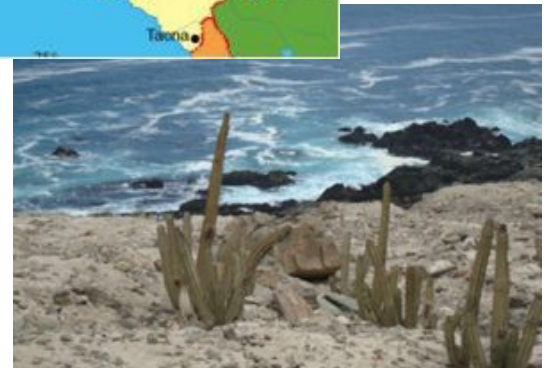
September 24, 2011

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

12 Noon!!



Woody Minnich



“Peru – From the Sea to the Sky”

•• Woody Minnich ••

Today’s program is a combination of **Woody Minnich’s** four trips into Peru. He will cover most of the regions rich in cactus and succulents, from Cajamarca in the North to Arequipa in the South.

He will feature the towns, people, animals, and, of course, the cactus and succulents of this historically important country. We will also encounter the many amazing plants that survive in the coastal sand dunes as

well as the wonderful species that inhabit the highest elevations of the Andes.

We will see many genera of cacti and succulents: *Austrocylindropuntia*, *Haageocereus*, *Armatocereus*, *Melocactus*, *Mila*, *Puya*, *Echeveria*, *Oroya*, *Matucana*, *Lobivia*, *Trichocereus*, *Weberbauerocereus*, *Peperomia*, *Oreocereus*, *Espositoa*, *Corryocactus*, *Cumulopuntia*, *Cleistocactus*, *Browningia*, as well as many of the *Bromeliads*, especially the *Tillandsias*. Woody will give insight into the habitats and the conditions in which most of these plants grow. Hopefully this will allow you to apply their field growing conditions to how you might better cultivate these plants in the green house or garden.

Peru is a very fascinating and romantic country with a turbulent history. It has a very unique culture that has evolved from the time of the Inca to its Spanish conquerors and beyond. As of today, Peru has also developed some very complicated relationships with its neighboring countries of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Columbia and Ecuador. From its coastlines to the Andes and into the Amazonian jungles, Peru has it all! What a wealth of intrigue, from its plants to its animals and of course, the mysterious Nasca lines to the ruins of Machu Picchu.

Woody has been in the cactus hobby for some 41 years and has become well known for his participation in many of the cactus and succulent clubs. He is an

honorary life member of seven clubs as well as a life member of the CSSA (Cactus & Succulent Society of America). He is known for his extensive field work studying primarily the cactus family. He has traveled throughout the United States, Mexico, Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Peru, Bolivia, Africa, Yemen and Socotra. From these trips he has developed an extensive knowledge of the cactus family as well as many of the other succulent genera. Woody is well known for his many presentations. His photography is extraordinary and his commentary very entertaining and educational.



Oreocereus (left)
Trichocereus (right)
Austrocylindropuntia (below)



BOARD MEETING ... BRAG PLANTS ... PLANT-OF-THE-MONTH
and EXCHANGE TABLE

...as usual!



REFRESHMENTS

Beth Bradsher

Jean O'Daniel

Don Nelson

Lorie Johansen

Jerre Stafford

Gloria Medina

Eleanore Hewitt

September Plant of the Month

“Adenia”



2011 MEETING SCHEDULE

24 Sept Joslyn Center

22 October San Diego (Quail) Botanic Garden
Plant Show 22nd – Sale 22nd & 23rd

19 November Joslyn Center

NOTE !!! 3rd Saturday !!

17 December Joslyn Center

NOTE !!! 3rd Saturday !!



2011 Events in Southern California

Sept 25th

Long Beach Cactus Club – Annual Plant Auction
18127 South Alameda St, Rancho Dominguez. Noon

Nov 5th and 6th

San Gabriel Valley Cactus & Succulent Society Show & Sale Los Angeles County Arboretum, 301 N. Baldwin Ave, Arcadia, CA.

Palomar Cactus & Succulent Society

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 _____

Make checks payable to:
“Palomar Cactus & Succulent Society”
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October 10, 2011

Amy Stewart

***“Wicked Bugs: The Louse that Conquered
Napoleon's Army and Other Insect Monstrosities”***

Amy Stewart is back. This time she will take us on a creepy, crawly tour of some of the garden's most notorious inhabitants. She has tracked down over 100 of our worst entomological foes – creatures that infest, infect, and generally wreak havoc on human affairs. From the world's most painful hornet, to the flies that transmit deadly diseases, to millipedes that stop traffic, to the “bookworms” that devour libraries, to the Japanese beetles munching on your roses, she will delve into the extraordinary powers of six and eight-legged creatures.

November 14, 2011

Dr. Jon P. Rebman

***“San Diego County Plant Atlas Project
and the Flora of Baja California”***

Dr. Rebman is the Mary and Dallas Clark Endowed Chair/Curator of Botany at the San Diego Natural History Museum. He will talk about the exciting work being done to identify the plants of San Diego County and also about his plant explorations in Mexico. We will also be honoring him as our Horticulturist of the Year.

Dr. Rebman is the lead botanist on the San Diego Plant Atlas Project, which is improving scientific knowledge of regional plants through better documentation of the flora of San Diego County. Over 600 volunteers have surveyed, collected specimens, and recorded field data. The project fosters public awareness and respect for local natural history; increases our scientific collections of regional flora; and provides essential data on the distribution, variation, and diversity of San Diego County plants.



Melocactus



Weberbauerocereus in habitat



Aloe plicatilis

May Fong Ho has been extremely helpful with publicizing our newsletter through Palomar College and other local venues.

While we were on our fabulous trip to Lotusland, she mentioned that the Wild Animal Park has no *Aloe plicatilis* in their Aloe Garden! That's a real gap in the collection! If anyone has a nice plant they would be willing to donate, we could have May do the official contacting.

She also says many of the Aloes in the collection need identifying. If you are fluent in “aloe”, they could use a hand.





Palomar Cactus & Succulent Society
Plant Show and Sale
Sat. Oct 22 9 - 5
Sun. Oct 23 10 - 4

Plant Show & Sale at San Diego Botanic Garden, Encinitas
formerly Quail Botanical Gardens

Friday, October 21st

Set Up in the Hall

Saturday, October 22nd 9 am to 5 pm **Annual Members' Plant Show – Open Judging from Noon to 3 pm**

Chairperson Peter Walkowiak promises an outstanding Show and Sale this year. The public will be able to follow along as the judges comment on entries and make their selection in the 7 divisions of Cacti and Succulents for both Novice and Advanced participants. The judges will also announce the Best Cactus, Best Succulent, and Best in Show winners. These selections will be able to be viewed on Sunday as well.

Sunday, October 23rd 10 am to 4 pm **Saturday & Sunday Plant Sale**

Vendors of plants and pottery will be selling from 9-5 Saturday and 10-4 Sunday. The plant vendors will have specimens for collectors as well as beginners.

Members of PCSS and affiliated clubs may show their membership cards for entry to the Garden.

Questions: email [redacted]
 You may phone Peter at [redacted]

Now is the time to start working on your plants for the Show!
Good grooming will pay off in October! Time's a-wasting!



So... you missed an *Excellent* trip to Lotusland up in Santa Barbara. Chris Miller and the San Diego C&SS people beautifully arranged a great day.

Lotusland is all they say and more. Madame Ganna Walska had quite a vision, and had the money to make it happen. She always got what she wanted. And it shows.

I don't have the photos from Saturday, but here are some I captured off the Internet.

