



Colorado Cactus & Succulent Society

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Yes, It's been a few months!

MONTHLY PLANT SHOW

As we revive our monthly meetings, the MPS will return!

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The Colorado Cactus & Succulent Society promotes education, enjoyment, cultivation, and conservation of cacti and other succulents among our members and the larger community.



Echinopsis ancistrophora
(from the Cactus Cutup! - Scott)

UPCOMING MEETING

Date: Saturday, August 21, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: DBG Auditorium (in person)
Zoom (on-line)

Speaker: Woody Minnich "Peru, from the Sea to the Sky"

Details:

This will be a hybrid meeting, both at the Sturm Family Auditorium, in the Freyer–Newman Center, at the Denver Botanic Gardens on York Street **AND** on Zoom.

If you can, and are comfortable doing so, please join us downtown. However, if you prefer the Zoom meeting, please join us online. Watch your email for the link.

SUCCULENT BITS

August's Meeting -

Woody Minnich will give his Peru presentation. People, plants, and everything you'd want to know about Peru!

The Denver Botanic Gardens has a new auditorium for meetings, and we're going to help break it in...*See You There!*

We will not only have this meeting in person, but also try to host it online. The registration link will be sent out once we are confident this can happen....*See You Online!*

September's Meeting -

Depending on how this meeting goes, and what happens with the coronavirus, we are currently planning a hybrid meeting for September.

It's September 21st, so Save the Date! Randy and PK are arranging the speaker as I type, and he should be a great one.



Echeveria cante

Scott Burkholder Photo

SEE YOUR NAME AND PICTURES IN PRINT!

Submissions for the next newsletter are due at the end of the month.

We need your articles and pictures! Do you have an interesting plant? How about an interesting plant story? That you would like to see in print? Send it to me at seisnoir@comcast.net.

Please send photos as either JPG or PNG files. As for stories and news, send those as DOC or RTF, or TXT files, please!

Thanks...Scott

CCSS BOARD ELECTIONS...

...will be held in October! We need a Secretary, Newsletter Editor and S&S Chairman. *Are You Interested?* Contact me at seisnoir@comcast.net for details.

CSSA Biennial Meeting -

It hasn't been canceled, just delayed. The 2021 CSSA National Meeting has been postponed until 2023. So stay tuned for more information, and in the meantime attend those webinars! Contact Rod Haenni at rhaenni@comcast.net for the latest news.

NOTES FROM THE RE-POTTING BENCH

News and Notes from and for August!

August Meeting - We cactus huggers are an adventurous bunch, so we're going to hold a "hybrid" meeting this month. This will be our first "in person" meeting since February of 2019. That's something like 18 months! Yikes!!

If you are local and comfortable in crowds, please consider coming down to the Denver Botanic Gardens. We are going to meet in the new Auditorium and it should be quite the experience. But if you live away from the greater Denver metro area, or perhaps are more comfortable watching from afar, please join us online. At July's Show and Sale, I was a little surprised at how many people came from outside Denver, and by having an online option we hope to include them in our club.

This month's speaker is Woody Minnich, but more on Woody and his presentation later.

Show and Sale - July's Show and Sale, or as we called it "The Get The Band Back Together Reunion Tour" was pretty successful. We had over 600 people attend, showed some great plants, sold some great plants, and had some fun just meeting and chatting about plants.

We remembered to snap pictures of the winning plants this time, check them out in this newsletter!

The important thing is that we had our first Post-Pandemic Show and Sale and I'm now confident that we can hold another, even bigger and better one, next year.

September's Meeting - And if August's meeting goes well, then, start watchin' for September's meeting announcement! If you are not receiving emails from the club, please let us know.

Thanks,

Scott Burkholder
Current President
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PERU, FROM THE SEA TO THE SKY

This presentation is my total experiences of four trips into Peru. We will cover most of the regions rich in cactus and succulents, from Cajamarca in the North to Arequipa in the South.

I will feature the towns, the people, the animals, and of course, the cacti 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*, *Armatacereus*, *Melocactus*, *Mila*, *Puya*, *Echeveria*, *Oroya*, *Matucana*, *Lobivia*, *Trichocereus*, *Weberbauerocereus*, *Peperomia*, *Oreocereus*, *Espostoa*, *Corryocactus*, *Cumulopuntia*, *Cleistocactus*, *Browningia*, as well as many of the *Bromeliads*, especially the *Tillandsias*. I will try and 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 coast lines 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.

Wendell S. (Woody) Minnich



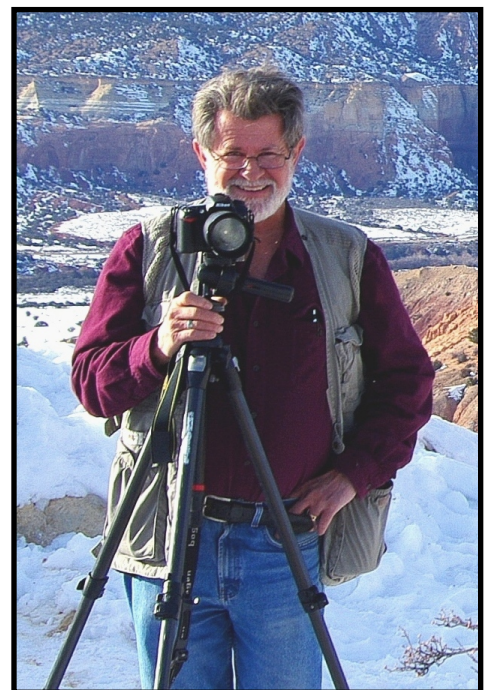
WENDELL S. (WOODY) MINNICH

Woody, as he is commonly known, grew up in the Mojave Desert and has had an attraction to desert plants and animals since the early 1950's. He has been involved with the cactus and succulent world for over 52 years, as a grower, field explorer, club and organization leader, writer, photographer, lecturer and presenter.

Having been a speaker all over the world, Woody is most often associated with giving presentations on his field work from the places he has traveled, such as: Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Madagascar, Mexico, Namibia, New Zealand, Peru, Socotra, South Africa, the United States and Yemen. To date, this makes 128 major trips. He is also recognized for having operated the nursery Cactus Data Plants since 1975. Woody's show quality plants were often considered one of the standards for staging and horticultural achievement. His favorite genera include: Adenium, Ariocarpus, Astrophytum, Copiapoa, Cyphostemma, Fouquieria, Gymnocalycium, Lithops, Mammillaria, Melocactus, Pachypodium, Turbinicarpus, Uebelmannia, and Pachycauls in general.

He has published numerous articles and reviews in various journals (CSSA) and his photography is featured in many books including; "The Copiapoa" by Schulz, "The Mammillaria Handbook" by Pilbeam, "The Cactus Lexicon" By Hunt and Charles, as well as many others. As of November 2017, he is featured as the primary photographer in the sold out book "The Xerophile." This book specializes in what the authors call, The Obsessed Field workers from around the world. He is also featured in electronic articles about conservation from "MNN Mother Nature Network" and "The Guardian Newspaper."

Woody and his wife, Kathy, live in Cedar Grove, New Mexico. He is a retired secondary school teacher of 32 years where he taught Graphics, Art and Architecture. In the cactus and succulent hobby, Woody is recognized for his high energy and creative spirit. As an educator, he has become an important part of the hobby and thus is an honorary life member of thirteen C&S societies across the country. He has been president, show and sale chair, newsletter editor, program chair, and plant of the month coordinator. Woody has also served on the CSSA board and numerous societies in many other leadership positions. He is a co-creator, and currently the president, of the Santa Fe Cactus and Succulent Club. With 52 years in the hobby and 64 years in the field (old fart), he has many experiences to share and thousands of photos to show.



2021 SHOW AND SALE - WINNING PLANTS

Best of Show



*Gymnocalycium
spgazzini*
Katherine McCoy

Best Mammillaria



*Mammillaria
phimmera*
Panayoti Kelaidis

Best Winter Hardy



*Echinocereus
mojavensis 'inermis'*
Jackson Burkholder

Best Novice Cactus



*Gymnocalycium
cardenasianum*
Kylee Hix

Best Haworthia



*Haworthia
maughanii*
Russell LoPresti

Best Succulent



*Pseudolithos
eylensis*
Pedro Galvez

Get Your Plants Ready for Next Year, and Go for that Trophy!

2021 SHOW AND SALE VENDORS

We want to thank all the vendors from the Show and Sale!

Data Cactus Plants

Woody Minnich
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Front Range Gardens (Emerald Leaf)

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There are still a few Show and Sale TeeShirts available.

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS:

August 21 - CCSS Hybrid Meeting

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October 19 - CCSS Hybrid Meeting

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