

CCSS Newsletter

Connecticut Cactus and Succulent Society
April 2009

From the President

Well it all worked out OK with our meeting at Woodland Gardens after some worry with possible snow on Sunday morning.

The club thanks Mr. **Zapadka** and company for the use of the facility for our monthly meeting. As usual he had a good variety of succulents as well as

cacti for those who were interested in purchasing for their home or greenhouse.

Much discussion went on about the upcoming show for April 4th and 5th at the college. There is a major push for help from the members for the setup on Friday afternoon and knockdown on Sunday evening. Anyone who is avail-

able PLEASE come Friday afternoon so the show as usual will make a very good presentation for all that attend over the weekend.

On Saturday night, after the show, we will hold our pizza party for all the workers. Anyone who wants to nominate someone for the office of president and secretary, this will be the time to do it.

My doctors are still trying to figure my health problems and are having some small success, but it is very slow.

See you all at our annual show. **Ken Mosher** and group have a quantity of soil ready for sale at the show thanks to **Ken, Matt Opel, LeRoy Saucier, "Sully" Sullivan, and David Zahl.**

Frank



The Secretary's Report

The March meeting was held at Woodland Garden's in Manchester, Connecticut. Approximately 30 people attended.

Helen Pritchard thanked all who had brought in plants and tended the booth at the Hartford Flower Show. She especially mentioned **Jeanine** and **Andy Loya** for their special displays.

We got a third place ribbon for our club table.

Frank Zapadka is relinquishing his presidency for health reasons. Nominations for president and vice president will be taken in April. The voting will be at the May meeting.

David Schultz then spoke on several issues. He said that **Bonnie Simon** of NVCC has agreed to use our donation of \$1500 as two \$500 scholarships and the remaining \$500 for greenhouse supplies. David said he assumed the greenhouse was built, but was not sure.

David reminded us to take Show-and-Sale posters with us and put them up in places like garden centers, libraries, stores, etc. Be innovative. Tell them we are a non-profit organization.

David's big need is for advertising help. He and **John Spain** both had press releases ready. **Ken Mosher** and **LeRoy Saucier** have combined them and will send them to the media listed in David's file. But if you can get a story into your local paper, please do.

A new vendor name was given to David.

Then we talked about all the jobs that need to be done before, during, and after the show. We must be out of the area within two hours from closing—



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Helen Pritchard and Frank Zapatka address the membership attending the March meeting at Woodland Gardens in Manchester, Connecticut.

Photo by Herbert (Sully) Sullivan



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Secretary's Report, continued

6:00 PM, Sunday. We can be in the rooms at 2:00 PM on Friday and 7:30 AM on Saturday and Sunday. We have lost quite a few active workers to illness, accident and other reasons in the past few years. Please arrange to help as much as you can.

Respectfully Submitted
Becky Lynn
Secretary pro tem



Jeanine and Andy Loya provided this magnificent display of western cacti at the Hartford Flower Show. For less dedicated and enthusiastic growers, the logistics of bringing these plants, setting them up, and then repacking them for the return trip would be too daunting. Jeanine and Andy are exceptional members of the CCSS.

Photo by Herbert (Sully) Sullivan



From the Bookshelf

By David Schultz

The Timber Press/Storey Book order has arrived and will be sorted for pickup at the show.

WOW!! We have had a group of books given to us on consignment from a previous member. These are excellent books with a number of very unusual and rare volumes among them. I will have the books at the show. [See the Complete list on pp. 6-7] The titles include older books on Lithops, Gibbaeum, and Mesemb.



Show Set Up

By David Schultz

Our twenty-sixth annual show and sale will be here (or almost) by the time you read this. I will arrive at the college before 2:00 PM on Friday, April 3, to begin setting up. We really do need all the help that you can provide.

Our space and arrangements are the same as last year, and my recent visit did not show any surprises there. See you then.



Our Vice President, Dr. Matt Opel, rubbing out the lumps in the coir at UConn. Matt hosted our soil mixing party providing the Muller Mixer and greenhouse space in which to work.

Photo by Herbert (Sully) Sullivan

Upcoming Events

Saturday and Sunday, April 4-5: The Connecticut Cactus and Succulent Society's Twenty-sixth Annual Show and Sale will be held at Naugatuck Valley Community College, Waterbury, Connecticut. [More information on last page]

Do not forget to bring snack foods for all our volunteers who will be working Saturday and Sunday. Fewer sugary and salty snacks would be welcome with an emphasis on fruits, vegetables breads, salads, etc.

Our annual pizza soiree will be held in the snack room at the show on Saturday at 6:00 PM. The show closes at 5:00 PM. Headcount for pizza will be taken between 4:00 and 4:30 PM. Pizza preferences may be expressed at this time. A short meeting will follow the meal.

Sunday, May 4: To be announced



Treasurer's Report

Income:

Dues \$142.00

Expenses:

February and March Newsletters 454.64

"Forever" Postage for Newsletters 169.00

Pumice, award ribbons, "Sunshine"* 176.14

World Wide Web Hosting 60.00

#3 Grit for Soil Mixture for Sales 52.80

Soda for April Show/Sale 18.75

Soil-Mixing Containers (2) 18.02

Dining Supplies 6.39

Total Income (Expense) (\$813.74)

Bank Balance \$8,087.44

*Greeting Cards and Postage

Agave filifera *ssp. schidigera*

By Dr. Matt Opel

Last fall I wrote about the blooming of the *Agave filifera* *ssp. schidigera* plant in the University of Connecticut greenhouses. At the time, I was a little doubtful that I would get any seeds from the plant, since I did not have another individual available with which to cross pollinate it.

However, I did attempt to self pollinate some of the flowers. It turns out that I need not have worried: the Century Plant produced hundreds of fruits, even from flowers that I did not physically pollinate.

The University's *A. filifera* did not seem to be completely self-fertile; most of the seeds were small, white, and did not germinate. But, each capsule



Agave filifera *ssp. schidigera* seedlings. Can you spot the aphid, which I didn't notice until after I downloaded the photo?

Photo by Matt Opel

contained a dozen viable, well-formed black seeds, so there was more than enough material to replace the parent plant, now in its terminal decline.

I harvested and planted the seeds as soon as the fruits started to dry out and open, about four months after flowering. The seeds were sown in ordinary cactus and succulent mix—2 parts peat-based potting mix : 2 parts sand : 1 part pumice : 1 part Tur-



Ripe Agave filifera *ssp. schidigera* fruits.

Photo by Dr. Matt Opel

face, more or less—lightly covered with coarse sand, placed in a sunny spot and kept moist. The seedlings emerged within a week. A month or so later, they are starting to produce their first foliage leaves. The seedlings ought to be quite recognizable as little

agaves by the end of the summer. It will not literally take a hundred years for them to reach flowering size, though it is likely to be decades before the next generation of *A. filifera* plants blooms at UConn. ○

Dr. Matt Opel, the Vice President of the CCSS, is Curator at the UConn EEB Plant Growth Facilities in Storrs, Connecticut.

MidAtlantic Bonsai Societies Celebrate 26th Annual Festival

By Susan Amoy

Dear Friends. Come and join the MidAtlantic Bonsai Societies as we celebrate our Twenty-sixth Annual Spring Festival, April 17–19. It will be held at the Hudson Valley Resort & Spa in Kerhonkson, New York in the beautiful Catskills.

MABS attendees can pre-register for the weekend at half-price, workshops not included.

Featured will be **Isao Omachi** of Japan, **Farrand Bloch** of the Netherlands, **David Easterbrook** of

Canada, and **Susan Amoy** of the United States.

I am honored to be a speaker at this special event. I will be giving a lecture/demonstration, *Bonsai with Succulent Plants*, on Friday night; Saturday conducting a group-tour critique of the convention's bonsai exhibition; and on Sunday, a workshop using large specimen *Bursera* material..

Bursera are the American continent members of the *Burseraceae* family of plants which includes Frankincense and Myrrh. The workshop trees are equally aromatic. All are legally collected specimens probably over fifty years old.

For more information, contact Brian O'Byrne, 234 Sagamore Road, Milburn, New Jersey 07041; (973) 379-3386; bkobyne@yahoo.com. ○

[*Susan Amoy is a fellow member of the Connecticut Cactus and Succulent Society.*]

Bonsai Festival Recommended

By Verleen Standish

I wanted to let members know about a succulent bonsai opportunity for those of you who might be interested. **Susan Amoy**—a fellow member of the CCSS—is giving lectures/demos/ workshops at a traditional bonsai



Adenium obesum

event. I think it is exciting to see traditionalists include our succulents. Of course, if you are more interested in the traditionalists, they are having other guest presenters from around the world who are offering the traditional side of bonsai. I have seen Susan's fantastic work with our succulents. You will not be disappointed.

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The bonsai festival/show will be from April 17–19, 2009 in the Hudson Valley area of New York State at the Hudson Valley Resort in Kerhonkson, New York.

Friday night, 8:00 PM, Susan Amoy will be giving a lecture/demo on the topic of *Bonsai with Succulent Plants* with a slide presentation. She will use *Adenium obesum* as her demonstration plant which will be raffled off after the demo that night. [\$40; \$45 after April 1] **Saturday**, 6:15 PM, Susan will conduct a group-tour/critique of the bonsai exhibit trees. [Group limited to ten; \$25]. **Sunday** afternoon, 2:00–5:00 PM, her workshop, limited to six persons at \$180, will feature working on and taking home legally collected, *Bursera*, 18–24" with 4–5" diameter trunks. Unlimited silent observers are welcome at \$20 each.

Susan Amoy has been raising succulent plants for over 30 years . . .

Susan Amoy has been raising succulent plants for over 30 years, and practicing bonsai for 15 years. She grew up in Hawaii, earning the Bachelor of Fine Arts and Master of Fine Arts degrees. Then in 1987, she moved to New York City.

Susan currently divides her time as a corporate design consultant for interior landscapes, maintaining bonsai for private clients, conducting workshops and lectures on succulent and conventional bonsai. She also maintains her own extensive collection of succulent bonsai.

Her contributions to publications include those on indoor and succulent bonsai for the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. She is a member of the National Cactus and Succulent Society, Connecticut Cactus and Succulent Society, and Friends of Bonsai of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. ○

The following books are offered on consignment from a former club member. In some instances, more than one copy is available and is so listed. Items are on a first come basis, so if you want to reserve a book, please let me know ASAP. **David Schultz (860) 489-8356**

\$7 Alexander, E.J., ***Succulent Plants of New and Old World Desert***. SB, 64 pp.

\$3 per issue ***Asclepios/Asclepiadiaceae Journal***. #1-25 loose

\$75 Backeberg, C. 1977. ***The Cactus Lexicon***. HB, DJ, 828 pp. Like New

\$6 each Bechtel, H., 1977. ***Cactus Identifier - Including Succulents***. HB, 256 pp. 2 copies.

\$8 Borg, J., 1976. ***Cacti: cultivation and Gardener's Handbook of the Identification and Cf Cacti***. HB, DJ, 512 pp.

\$8 Brewerton, D.V., 1973. ***The Succulent Euphorbia An Introduction***. SB, 47 pp.

\$28 Brown, J.R., 1954. ***Unusual Plants***. 110 spectacular photographs of succulents. HB

\$130 Brown, J.R., A. Tischer & M.C. Karsten, 1931. ***Mesembryanthema***. HB, 323 pp.

\$15 Brown, J.R., A. White, B.L. Sloane & G.W. Reynolds, 1939. ***Succulents for the Amateur***. HB, 172 pp.

\$20 Carlson, R., 1954. ***The Flowering Cactus***. HB, DJ shelf worn, 96 pp.

\$4 Chidamian, C., 1958. ***The Book of Cacti and Other Succulents***. HB, DJ, 243 pp.

\$30 Davids, A., 1939. ***Rock Plants***. HB, DJ, 1st edition, 40 plates. Binding loose.

\$7 Elbert, V.F. & G., 1975. ***Fun with Growing Odd and Curious House Plants***. SB, 168 pp.

\$8 Glass, C. & R. Foster, 1976. ***Cacti & Succulents for the Amateur***. SB, 72 pp.

\$12 Haines, B., 1972. ***Handbook of Cold Climate Cactus and Succulents: Plants that Can Take 20-40 Degrees Below Zero***. SB, 65 pp.

\$2 Haselton, S.E., ***Cactus and Succulents and How to Grow Them***. SB, 63 pp.

\$10 Hayden, N., ed., 1975. ***Cacti, Succulents and Tropical Plants: A Complete Guide to Growing and Caring for Your Exotic Greenhouse Plants***. HB, DJ, 88 pp. very clean copy

\$90 Herre, H., 1979. ***The Genera of the Mesembryanthemaceae***. HB, DJ, 316 pp. Like New

\$15 Higgins, V., 1949. ***Succulent Plants Illustrated***. HB, 71 pp.

\$15 Innes, C., 1981. ***The Complete Handbook of Cacti and Succulents***. SB, 224 pp.

\$20 Jacobsen, H. 1948. ***Succulent Plants***. HB, 293 pp. Binding slightly loose

\$12 Jacobsen, H., 1955. ***The Cultivation of Succulents***. HB, 108 pp. 2 copies.

\$90 Jacobsen, H., 1976. ***A Handbook of Succulent Plants***. 3 vol. set, boxed.

\$45 Jacobsen, H., 1974. ***Lexicon of Succulent Plants***. HB, DJ, 664 pp. 3 copies

\$13 Kramer, J., 1977. ***Cacti and other Succulents***. HB, DJ, 160 pp.

- \$5 Lamb, E. & B., 1976. **Popular Exotic Cacti in Color**. SB, 176 pp.
- \$6 Lamb, E. & B., 1974. **Pocket Encyclopedia of Cacti including other Succulents in Color**. HB, DJ, 216 pp.
- \$80 set Lamb, E. & B., **The Illustrated Reference on Cacti and other Succulents**. 5 vol. set, vol. 5 au togr.
- \$6 Lamb, E. & B., 1974. **Colorful Cacti of the American Deserts**. HB, DJ, 236 pp.
- \$40 Marshall, W.T. & T.M. Bock, 1941. **Cactaceae**. HB, 220 pp.
- \$25 Marshall, W.T., 1947. **Succulent Plants**. HB, 114 pp.
- \$30 Marshall, W.T., 1938. **Glossary of Succulent Plant Terms**. HB, 112pp.
- \$8 Martin, M.J., P.R. Chapman & H.A. Auger, 1971. **Cactus and their Cultivation**. SB, 205 pp. Like New
- \$5 Merchants Publ., **Cacti & Succulents for Modern Living**. SB, 80 pp.
- \$60 Nel, G.C., 1946. **Lithops**. HB, DJ shelf-worn, 178 pp.
- \$65 Nel, G.C., 1953. **The Gibbaeum Handbook**. HB, DJ shelf-worn, 117 pp.
- \$35 Rawe, R., 1968. **Succulents in the Veld**. HB, DJ, 104 pp. \$40 Rowley, G., 1978. **The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Succulent and Cactus-like Plants**. HB, DJ, 256 pp. Like New 2 copies
- \$9 Rowley, G., **Flowering Succulents**. HB,
- \$7 Scott, S.H., 1977. **The Observer's Book of Cacti and Other Succulents**. HB, DJ, 159 pp.
- \$20 each Schwantes, Prof. G., **The Cultivation of the Mesembryanthemaceae**. HB, 88 pp. 2 copies.
- \$125 Schwantes, Prof. G., 1957. **Flowering Stones and Mid-Day Flowers**. HB, DJ, 420 pp.
- \$75 Sprechman, D.L., 1970. **Lithops**. HB, DJ, 56 pp. text, 312 plates, Like New.
- \$45 van Laren, A.J., 1932. **Vetplanten**. HB, 100 pp.
- \$3 Venning, F.D., 1974. **Cacti: A Golden Guide**. SB, 160 pp.
- \$225 White, A. & B.L. Sloane, 19 **The Stapelieae**. 3-vol. set.

**Connecticut Cactus and
Succulent Society
2009 Plant Show Entry Form**

Division _____ Class _____

Genus _____

Species _____

Var., Fma., and/or Cv. _____

Seed Raised _____ Windowsill-Grown _____

Plant's age, if known, or years owned _____

Exhibitor's Comments _____

Award: 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ HM _____

Judges' Comments _____



Fold Up



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Connecticut
Cactus and Succulent Society
26th Annual Show & Sale
April 4–April 5, 2009
Plant Show Categories

Division I—Cacti

Cactaceae

1. Astrophytum
2. Ariocarpus
3. Obregonia, Encephalocarpus, Aztekium
4. Echinocereus, Wilcoxia
5. Ferocactus, Homalocephala
6. Stenocactus (Echinofossulocactus)
7. Echinocactus, Leuchtenbergia
8. Coryphantha, Thelocactus
9. Turbinicarpus, Strombocactus
10. Pediocactus, Pelecyphora, Sclerocactus, Epithelantha
11. Neolloydia, Echinomastus, Gymnocactus, Escobaria
12. Mammillaria—single head
13. Mammillaria—hook-spined, clusters
14. Mammillaria—clusters
15. Melocactus
16. Discocactus
17. Uebelmannia, Buiningia
18. Columnar Cacti—Carnegiea, Cephalocereus, Cleistocactus, Espostoa, Myrtillocactus, Neobuxbaumia, Pilocereus, Stetsonia, Stenocereus, Trichocereus, etc.
19. Opuntiae—Opuntia, Tephrocactus, Pterocactus
20. Parodia Group, including Notocactus
21. Rebutia, Aylostera, Medioblobia
22. Sulcorebutia, Weingartia
23. Lobivia, Denmoza, Echinopsis, Acanthocalycium
24. Matucana, Submatucana, Oroya
25. Eriosyce Group, including Neoporteria, Neochilenia, Horridocactus
26. Copiapoa
27. Frailea, Blossfeldia
28. Epiphytic cacti—Disocactus, Epiphyllum, Hattoria, Rhipsalis, Selenicereus, etc.
29. Gymnocalycium
30. Other genera of cacti
31. Variegated cacti
32. Crested cacti
33. Monstrose cacti
34. Winter hardy cacti

Division II—Succulents Other Than Cacti

Crassulaceae

35. Crassula
36. Adromischus
37. Aeonium, Sempervivum, Orostachys, Greenovia, Aichryson
38. Cotyledon, Tylecodon, Kalanchoe
39. Echeveria
40. Pachyphytum, Graptopetalum, Tacitus
41. Dudleya
42. Sedum
43. Other genera of Crassulaceae — Monanthes, Sinocrassula, etc.

Mesembryanthemaceae

Aizoaceae

44. Lithops, Dinteranthus
45. Stone mimics: Argyroderma, Fenestraria, Gibbaeum, Lapidaria, Pleiospilos, etc.
46. Conophytum.
47. Other mesembs:
 - a. Shrubby types—Ruschia, Delosperma, etc.
 - b. Rough/tooth-leaved types—Aloinopsi, Titanopsis, Faucaria, etc.
 - c. Others—Monilaria, Cheiridopsis, Mitrophyllum, Glottiphyllum, etc.

Euphorbiaceae

Euphorbia species endemic to Madagascar

48. Millii type—beharensis, delphinensis, duranii, horombensis, millii, etc.
49. Stem type—leuconeura, lophogona, pachypodioides, perrieri, stenoclada, viguieri, etc.
50. Thickened root or caudex type—decaryi, capsaintmariensis, francoisii, cylindrifolia, etc.

Euphorbia species NOT endemic to Madagascar

51. Medusae-head type—caput-medusae, gorgonis, decepta, esculenta, pugniformis, flanaganii, etc.
52. Caudiciform type—stellata, micrantha, tortirama, squarrosa, knuthii, groenwaldii, tuberosa, etc.
53. Stem type (solitary or clustering)—polygona, fasciculata, obesa, suzannae, mammillaris, abdelkuri, columnaris, stellaspina, etc.
54. Shrub type—cooperii, cactus, grandicornis,

Other Genera of Euphorbiaceae

- 55. Monadenium, Synadenium
- 56. Pedilanthus, Jatropha, etc.

Aloaceae

- 57. Aloe
- 58. Haworthia—single plant
- 59. Haworthia—clumps of plants
- 60. Haworthia—columnar
- 61. Haworthia—hybrids
- 62. Gasteria
- 63. Other Genera of Aloaceae

Asclepiadaceae

- 64. Stapelia, Orbea, Caralluma, Huernia, Stapelianthus, Piaranthus, Echidnopsis, etc.
- 65. Hoodia, Trichocaulon, Pseudolithos, Whitesloanea
- 66. Fockea, Brachystelma, Raphionacme, Petopentia
- 67. Other Asclepiadaceae genera—Hoya, Ceropegia, Dischidia, etc.

Asphodelaceae

- 68. Bulbine

Hyacinthaceae

- 69. Albuca, Bowiea, Massonia, etc.

Agavaceae

- 70. Agave
- 71. Furcraea, Hesperaloe, Yucca, etc.

Nolinaceae

- 72. Beaucarnea
- 73. Calibanus
- 74. Other genera of Nolinaceae—Nolina, Dasyliirion

Dracaenaceae

- 75. Sansevieria, Dracaena

Apocynaceae

- 76. Pachypodium
- 77. Adenium

Bromeliaceae

- 78. Abromeitiella, Deuterocohnia, Dyckia, Hechtia, Tillandsia, etc.

Compositae

- 79. Senecio, Othonna, etc.

Convolvulaceae

- 80. Ipomoea, Turbinia

Cucurbitaceae

- 81. Ibervillea, Kedrostis, Gerrardanthus, etc.

Dioscoreaceae

- 82. Dioscorea, Testudinaria

Didieraceae

- 83. Alluaudia, Didierea, Decarya, etc.

Fouquieriaceae

- 84. Fouquieria, Idria

Geraniaceae

- 85. Sarcocaulon, Pelargonium

Passifloraceae

- 86. Adenia

Portulacaceae

- 87. Anacampseros, Portulacaria, Portulaca, Ceraria, etc.

Vitaceae

- 88. Cissus, Cyphostemma

Miscellany

- 89. Succulent shrubs and trees not in other categories—Bursera, Operculicarya, Pachycormus, Ficus, Bombax, Commiphora, etc.
- 90. Herbaceous succulents not in other classes—Begonia, Peperomia, Brighamia, Myrmecodia, Plectranthus, Dorstenia, Hydnophytum, Gonolobus, etc.
- 91. All other genera of succulents
- 92. Variegated
- 93. Crested
- 94. Monstrose
- 95. Winter-Hardy Succulents

Division III—Special Exhibits

- 96. Bonsai
- 97. Collections—5 to 15 plants of one genus or common characteristic (All plants must be properly named/numbered. Key card is required.)
- 98. Miniature—a mature plant—inside pot diameter less than 3 inches
- 99. Dish Gardens or Troughs (All plants must be properly named/numbered. Key card is required.)

Division IV—Novice and Junior Growers

(Young people through high school)

- 100. Cacti—Novice
- 101. Cacti—Junior
- 102. Succulents other than cacti—Novice
- 103. Succulents other than cacti—Junior
- 104. Dish gardens or troughs—Novice
- 105. Dish gardens or troughs—Junior
- 106. Group exhibit by school, class, or other organization—Junior

Division V—Educational Display

107. Displays of a particular genus, family, or group of plants sharing a specifically defined character(s), and/or horticultural technique, which educate the general public. Eligible for the *Cactus and Succulent Society of America Educational Award*.

Division NJ—Non-judged Classes

Plants entered for display only

A plant entered in this division is for display only and is **not to be judged**.

The class numbers in this division correspond to the class in which the plant would be entered in the judged show, but with the addition of NJ to the class number.

The plant may be allowed entrance and/or removal from the show—**with the prior consent of the show chair**—at times the entrant deems necessary.

The plant must have a valid entry card and be passed by the show committee.



David Zahl concentrates on applying labels to the plastic bags that will be filled with the cactus/succulent soil for sale at our April show. David printed the labels at home and brought them to UConn for the “soil mixing party.” It was a great help.

Annual Show Rules

1. No field collected plants permitted.
2. Plants must be placed on the show benches by 9:00 AM, Saturday, April 4. No plants will be accepted for judging after that time.
3. The Connecticut Cactus and Succulent Society reserves the right to reject any plants which appear infected or infested.
4. All plants must have been in owner’s possession for six (6) months prior to the show.
5. Exhibitor must completely fill out entry cards, placing them with the appropriate plants, in such a manner that the exhibitor’s name does not show. Windowsill grown plants should be clearly marked as such.
6. Exhibitors are asked not to be in the show area during judging. A judge having a plant in any class is expected to not judge in that class.
7. A novice is a person who has not exhibited before in this show.

Judging Scale of Points

Condition of	75
Staging	20
Nomenclature	5



Ken Mosher and LeRoy Saucier rub out the lumps in the coir before it is mixed with the rest of the ingredients of the cactus/succulent soil. A large Muller Mixer was used to mix all the ingredients. Two years ago it was all done by hand at the show site.

The Connecticut Cactus and Succulent Society's

26th Annual Show and Sale*

Saturday, April 4 – Sunday April 5, 2009

10:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Free Admission

- Judged Show
- Refreshments
- Auctions
- Lectures and Demonstrations
- Leading Cactus and Succulent Vendors
- Book Sales
- Free Plant to First 50 Families Each Day

Saturday, April 4		Sunday, April 5	
Noon	Wow! Look at That Haworthia! Paul Carlberg, CSSM	Noon	Euphorbias: Some of My Favorites Judy Becker, CCSS
12:45	Auction	12:45	Auction
1:15	Land Plant Evolution Jon Wallace, CCSS	1:15	Hardy Cacti for the Connecticut Garden John Spain, CCSS
2:00	Growing Succulents Under Lights Dan Downey, CSSM	2:00	Potting Mixes for Succulents Ken Mosher, CCSS
2:40	Auction	2:40	Auction
3:15	Living Stones Dr. Matt Opel, CCSS	3:00	Happiness Is a Well Tended Succulent Chris Allen, CCSS

*Naugatuck Valley Community College, Art and Music Center Cafeteria, Fifth Floor
750 Chase Parkway, Waterbury, Connecticut, Exit 18 off I-84

For more information: www.ctcactusclub.com