

CCSS Newsletter

Connecticut Cactus and Succulent Society September 2011

From the President

We seem to be in the midst of the typical warm, humid and rainy phase of late summer in southern New England, and our August picnic was a fairly soggy event. Those of us who attended did manage to get in out of the rain, though, and enjoyed a bountiful lunch spread, a nice auction without much competition, and a pleasant late-day clear spell in which to tour Treasurer **Ken Mosher's** gardens and greenhouses. Special thanks are due to Ken, who allowed us to gather in his home, even though he was unable to attend the meeting himself.

● The September meeting will take place at **Jeanine** and **Andy Loya's** house in East Nassau, New York. Jeanine will lead a discussion of her favorite group of cacti, *Mammillaria*. Bring folding chairs, though the Loyas will have some extras if you forget.



● We will be heading to the north-west corner of Connecticut in October again this year, where Judy Becker of Lauray of Salisbury will give a talk on *Euphorbia*. **Fred Kattermann** will present a slide show on the cacti and succulents of Mexico in November, at a meeting tentatively scheduled to take place at UConn, Storrs.

Thank you,
Matt Opel
President

CSSM Announces 2011 Annual Show and Sale

The annual September CSSM Show and Sale will be held on September 17 from 10AM to 5PM and September 18 from 10AM to 4PM at Tower Hill Botanical Garden, 11 French Drive,

The Secretary's Report

Meeting Minutes for August 7 16 People in Attendance

Re. the 2012 Eastern Conference:

- ✘ We have gotten another speaker, **Jason Eslarnieh**, an expert on *Bursera*, *Comifera*, and *Boswellia*.
- ✘ Conference cost is \$110 through January 31, and \$135 thereafter.
- ✘ The room rate at the Coco Key resort is \$99 per night if you sign up early.
- ✘ We are asking people to sign up as early as possible to support the club's effort to put on this event.
- ✘ We need to ask people who attend to please stay at the Coco Key Resort as we need to fill a certain number of rooms.
- ✘ Some other clubs have sent us seed money already and we hope to hear from a few more.
- ✘ We may lose **Gwen Kelidis** as a speaker as she wants to be paid more money than we can offer.
- ✘ We will have a book signing at the conference with the guests who have recently written a book.
- ✘ **John Spain** suggested we formally thank **Helen Pritchard** for all her work in making the publicity documents for this event.
- ✘ **Guillermo Rivera** will be speaking about traveling in two South American Locations—possibly about Patagonia.
- ✘ **Collin Walker**, author of the new Aloes book, will be coming from England to speak.
- ✘ We may be able to offer a lower conference rate for those who will be volunteering at it.
- ✘ The flyer and information about the conference will be sent out to other clubs very soon.
- ✘ We all want to thank **Ken Mosher** for letting us use his house, in his absence, for the August meeting.
- ✘ The next month's meeting will be at the Loya's house in New York. The date listed in the August news-

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CSSM Announces, continued from page 1

Boylston, Massachusetts. There will be nine vendors offering plants and books for sale as well as a beginner's planting table and several different demonstrations, lectures, and auctions on both days.

The Secretary's Report, continued from page 1

letter for the September meeting at the Loya's house is incorrect. The correct date is September 11, which will be posted in the September newsletter.
 ✂ The October meeting will be at **Judy Becker's** house in Salisbury, CT.

Respectfully submitted,
 Devan Parker
 Acting Secretary



Upcoming Events

Sunday, September 11: The September meeting will take place at Jeanine and Andy Loya's home in East Nassau, New York. Jeanine will lead a discussion on *Mammillaria*. [A map and directions are on page 6.]

1:00 PM
Bring Chairs
Entrées: H-S
Appetizers/Sides/Salads: T-Z
Desserts: A-G

Sunday, October 2: The October meeting will be held at Judy Becker's home and greenhouse, Lauray of Salisbury, in Salisbury, Connecticut. Judy will speak on *Euphorbia*.

Sunday, November 6: The November meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held at UConn, Storrs.

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Treasurer's Report

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| Income: | |
| Dues | \$60.00 |
| Auction | 23.00 |
| Expenses: | |
| August Newsletter | 142.73 |
| Total Income (Expense) | <u>\$(59.73)</u> |
| Bank Balance | \$11,666.48 |

Come one

Come all

Save the date

17th eastern cactus & succulent conference

Friday, April 13, 2012 – Sunday, April 15, 2012

**Coco Key Water Resort - Hotel - Conference Center
 3580 East Main St, Waterbury, CT**

Exciting Speakers

Colin C. Walker: Aloes Through the Ages, Macronesian Memories; **Matt Opel:** Succulent Pelargoniums, Mesembs; **Jon Rebman:** on Baja California; **Edmund Snodgrass:** Succulent Plants for Green Roofs; **Guillermo Rivera:** An Exploratory Trip to Northwestern Argentina, Cactus of Peru: Land of the Incas; **Jason Eslamieh:** on the Burseraceae, and more

Judged Show

Wonderful Vendors

Saturday Banquet and Rare Plant Auction (optional)

Use the registration forms for the Conference on pages 4 and 5.

Register by January 31 for \$110.

Conference Room Rate: \$99.00 per night

See registration forms for Hotel Booking on pages 4 and 5.

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After January 31, 2012 \$ 135.00 _____

Registration includes Friday Night Mixer, and Private (Attendees only) Sales, Saturday and Sunday Lectures, Judged Show.

Saturday Banquet \$ 40.00 _____

Total paid (check only) \$ _____

Speakers include Colin C Walker, author of the new *Aloes: The Definitive Guide*, and editor of *The Bradleya* for the British C & S Society: "Aloes Through the Ages" and "Macronesian Memories": Succulents of the Canary Islands, Madeira, and Morocco", Dr. Matt Opel, speaking on Succulent Pelargoniums and Mesembs, Jon Rebman, author of the forthcoming *Field Guide to Plants of Baja California*, Edmund Snodgrass, co-author of *Green Roof Plants* and *Small Green Roofs*, on Succulent Plants for Green Roofs, Guillermo Rivera (South American Nature Tours): "An exploratory trip to Northwestern Argentina" and "Cactus of Peru: Land of the Inca", Jason Eslamieh, author of *Cultivation of Boswellia*", on the Burseraceae..., and others

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Address _____ Phone _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

E-Mail _____

Confirmation of Registration will be sent to you by e-mail if checked (_____) Yes

Send Registration form & check payable to CT C&SS, c/o Ken Mosher, 8 Bailey Rd, Andover CT 06232

FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Coco Key room rate: \$99.00 (plus 15% Occupancy Tax). Cut off date: Friday, March 23, 2012
Call 203-706-1000 or 800-446-1449.

Reference the **Eastern Conference for the Cactus & Succulent Room Block.**

Or visit www.cocokeywaterbury.com, click on blue button which says "Book Hotel Stay", click "Groups" at top of page, enter code ECS, and "sign in". Groups reservation dates and rate will be available

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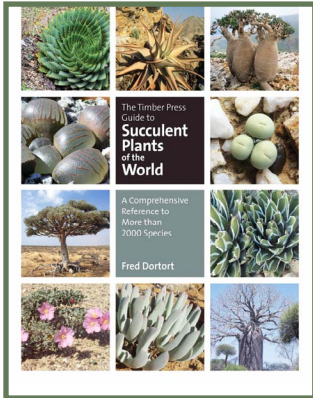
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From the Bookshelf

By David Schultz

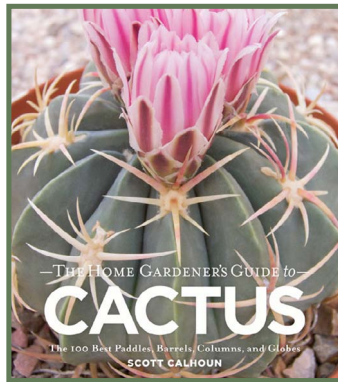
IN THE NEAR FUTURE, TIMBER PRESS WILL PUBLISH TWO BOOKS THAT WILL be of interest to our members. *Timber Press Guide to Succulent Plants of the World* by Fred Dortort will be published in hardcover in October, 2011. It will be 344 pages in length with over 750 color photographs. It will list for \$49.95; our price will be \$30.00.



The second book is *The Home Gardener's Guide to Cactus* by Scott Calhoun. It describes the 100 best paddles, barrels, columns and globes for the home gardener. It will be published in January, 2012,

softbound. *The Guide* is 248 pages long, full color throughout, and will list at \$24.95; our price will be \$18.00.

Both books can be added to the annual group order we put together in February and March. They will be available for pickup at the April show and conference.



Andy and Jeanine Loya will host our September meeting at their home in New York.

Directions to the Loyas

**36 Bath Township Road
East Nassau, New York
(518) 522-2943**

1. Get onto I-90 West (Mass Pike).
2. **One-half mile** into New York State, take the Exit for Route 22. Turn right onto Route 22 (north) toward New Lebanon.
3. In about 7½ miles, in New Lebanon, turn left onto US Route 20.
4. In about 6½ miles, turn right onto Route 66.
5. In a little less than 1½ miles, turn left onto Tsatsawassa Lake Road.
6. In about 1/3 mile, turn right onto Bath Township Road. The Loyas' home is on the right in about 800 feet down the road.

