



Midwest Cactus & Succulent Society

***** 2015 OCTOBER ANNUAL JOINT CLUB MEETING *****

Location: Bill and Nancy Hendricks
Klyn Nursery
3322 S Ridge Rd (RT 84)
Perry, Ohio 44081

R.S.V.P: 440-259-3815
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Food: Pizza

Date: Sunday October 11, 2015

Time: 1:00 – 4:00

Topic: The Awesome Asclepiadaceae

Plant of month: 'Milkweed Family'

Next Meeting: Our annual joint meeting with Ohio area cactus clubs and NE Ohio horticulture groups will be October 11, 2015; all local plant clubs and visitors are invited. Hosted by Bill and Nancy Hendricks at Klyn Nursery 3322 South Ridge Rd. Perry (Lake Co), Ohio and. This special meeting is always well attended, please RSVP. Club is supplying pizza; members, please bring a side dish. Guests are always welcome!

Program: Bruce Brethauer, of the Central Ohio Cactus and Succulent Society will be presenting "The Awesome Asclepiadaceae" a PowerPoint presentation and discussion of the succulent members of the milkweed family, including Stapelia ("Carrion Flowers"), Huernia, Orbea, Ceropegia and other curiosities from this diverse group. Bruce will share his experiences in growing these plants - including the lessons gleaned from his successes, mistakes, and mishaps. Bruce will offer information on propagation, and the "care and feeding" of these plants, and will offer a few cuttings from some of the plants in his collection.

Bruce has been an avid grower of cacti and other succulents for decades, intermittently specializing in winter hardy cacti, Euphorbias, "ant plants", and the succulent milkweeds. I have served as the editor of the Central Ohio Cactus and Succulent Society Journal since 1994 and created and maintain their website at: <http://columbus-cactus-club.webs.com/index.html>

He has written the book "Cactus in the Snow, A guide to growing winter hardy cacti in the wet and frozen north", and contributed to the book "Where the Hardy Cactus Grow".

Most of his professional experience lies in the graphic arts and printing industries, but I have also worked with Bell Nursery, and am currently working as a Maintenance Supervisor for Brookdale at Trillium Place, a retirement community in Columbus, Ohio.

Plant of the month: Any from the Asclepiadaceae family (see program description). Also bring any you wish to show or have questions about.

From September '15 meeting:

* Was held at CBG and well attended. Thanks to Jeff Havel for his program on making your own succulent dish gardens.

* Treasurer's report: balance is \$5325.03. Any dues paid now will be applied to 2015

* Club officer elections will be held at this December's meeting. Tim Malinich, Sean Diamond and Jeff Havel will staff the election committee.

* Dan & MaryJean Moreno will not be returning from TX d/t health issues. Member list has their address.

* Remember, you can check our website (www.mwcoss.com) for club schedules and meeting info. We need to populate our blog and keep it current with photos, comments, questions, and links. Bring them to the meeting or email them to Tim M at timj@hearthstonefarm.net

September Program Review: Making Your Own Succulent Dish Garden

During last month's joint club meeting, Jeff Havel, of Havel's Flowers & Greenhouses in Mentor, gave a demonstration on how to build succulent gardens. With soil, succulents, gravel and decorations that he brought in from his greenhouse, he built two beautiful succulent garden displays (the second arrangement went to one lucky winner from a name drawing of all meeting attendees). Throughout the demonstration he provided very insightful information on plant types and tips on how to symmetrically arrange them. He also touched on soil types and decorations. A great deal of fun and learning was had during this demonstration. Thank you Jeff!

(Thanks to Melissa Mezgec for writing this program review!)

Let me know if you have any questions or help with directions.
See you at the meeting!

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Directions: From east or west take Interstate 90 in northeastern Ohio to Lake County:

From the east, exit I-90 at Madison Route 528 exit #212, turn right (north) and go 0.8 miles to stop light at RT84 (S Ridge Rd). Turn left and go 6.5 miles; nursery is on the left (south) side. Park and enter behind office.

From the west, exit I-90 at Vrooman Rd exit #205, turn left (north) and go 1.6 miles to stop light at RT84 (South Ridge Rd). Turn right and go 1.4 miles, nursery is on the right (south) side. Park and enter behind office.

