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September News

Chinle Cactus & Succulent Society

This Month's Club Meeting

At our regular meeting on **Thursday September 10th, 6:30 ~ 8:30** club member Ken Weissenburger will give Part 1 of two presentations on recent discoveries and the significance of fossil mammals in eastern Colorado. Following a viewing of the Nova/PBS video "**Rise of the Mammals**" we will have a short business meeting.

The meeting will be held as a Zoom webinar. **To attend, register in advance** for this webinar via:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_KFVVEqSTRzu6ROxwC5afyg

If you have any difficulties registering or joining the event please call or text Kate at (970) 270-5345. Our October meeting will feature Part 2, "Behind the Scenes."



Club Demonstration Gardens

Our scheduled August garden maintenance event at the Western Colorado Botanical Gardens actually came off as planned, which was fairly unusual with all that has happened this summer. Thank you WCBG gardeners: **Loren & Maryann Benoit, Don Campbell, Lois Davidson, John Hall, Kim Krueger, Marj McKenna, Pam Romig and Kate & Ken Weissenburger.**

We were not so fortunate with our August garden party at the CSU Extension which we canceled because of dangerously poor air quality related to the Pine Gulch Fire. This event has not been formally rescheduled; garden coordinator Lois Davidson has suggested that you pop by the garden for a bit of recreational weeding on your own, should you be so inclined.

This month we have two gardening events scheduled: **Wednesday September 2nd** (9:00 - 11:00) at the WCBG and **Saturday September 19th** (9:00 - 11:00) at our CSU Extension garden (note the 9:00 post-heat-of-the-summer start times). We will have snacks at both events and the weather should be glorious!

Presentation on Mutant Cacti and Succulents



Monstrosities and other oddities of the cactus and succulent world are near and dear to the hearts of many club members who can indulge their dark side this **Saturday September 5th at 10:00 am** (Pacific Daylight Time). The Cactus and Succulent Society of America (CSSA) is hosting a webinar by Tom Glavich



entitled "Mutant Cacti and Succulents." As described at the CSSA webpage:
"This webinar is a look at mutant cacti and succulents, with an emphasis on the genetic changes and their impact on the appearance of crests, monstrous and variegated cacti and succulents. A survey of typical and unusual forms will be

followed by a short introduction of cultivation and propagation." Preregister via the CSSA website at:

<https://cactusandsucculentsociety.org/> .

Calendar of Upcoming Events

September

Wednesday September 2 9:00 - 11:00 **Garden Party at the WCBG.**

Saturday September 5 10:00 PDT **CSSA Webinar** on mutant cacti and succulents. Pre-registration required.

Monday September 7 6:30 pm Zoom **Board Meeting.**

Thursday September 10 6:30 pm **Regular Meeting of the Chinle CC&SS: Rise of the Mammals Part 1.** Pre-registration required.

Saturday September 19 9:00 - 11:00 **Garden Party at the CSU Extension.**

October

Monday October 5 6:30 pm Zoom **Board Meeting,**

Wednesday October 7 9:00 - 11:00 **Garden Party at the WCBG** (note changed date from original schedule).

Thursday October 8 6:30 pm **Regular Meeting of the Chinle CC&SS: Rise of the Mammals Part 2.** Pre-registration required.

Saturday October 17 9:00 - 11:00 **Garden Party at the CSU Extension.**

As always, check our calendar for any updates: www.chinlecactusclub.org/calendar

We welcome your comments and/or contributions to our newsletter or web content. You can reach us at info@chinlecactusclub.org or me directly at kate@chinlecactusclub.org.



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