



# Epi News

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George French Trophy (President's Choice)

## 'Glad Rags'

Cross: None Listed

Size: Large

Hybridizer: Sherman E. Beahm (Beahm Gardens)

Photo by Don Crain





## President's Corner

“Plants want to grow; they are on your side as long as you are reasonably sensible.”

- Anne Wareham, British garden writer

I guess some of my epies think I'm not reasonably sensible as they have offed themselves to epi heaven. Why is it that some plants die right next to ones that are growing well? Same amount of water, light and potting soil... one of Nature's little mysteries.

In spite of our misgivings of not having enough flowers due to the very early bloom season this year, we had enough blooms to decorate our Mother's Day displays. (Of course some of the flowers were picked early that morning at Safari Park, thanks to Ron and Don Crain, Bob Holzinger, Sandra Chapin and Jerry Moreau.) The show was very well attended and we had a very successful sale weekend. Check out the show winners on our website at <http://sandiegoepi.com/show-winners/>.

There are still many buds on the epies left to open, so the bloom season isn't over yet.

See you at the June meeting,



# Janice



Janice Wakefield & Mike Davis (SFES president)  
Photo by Jerry Moreau

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## Meeting Programs

— Patricia Frank

**Pre-Meeting Workshop:** In May Ron discussed the parts of an epi flower and showed his *Epiphyllum oxypetalum* seedlings. Ron will share some interesting aspect of his epi knowledge in June.

**May Program:** In May we enjoyed a mini flower show and watched a wonderful and entertaining program by Derek Obayashi. Derek talked about his hybridizing efforts, with a focus on yellow hybrids.

**June Program:** "Everything you ever wanted to know about Epies" is the topic of the Panel Discussion at June's General Meeting. Epi experts Sandra Chapin, Jerry Moreau, and Ron Crain will discuss topics to inform and entertain you, with an opportunity for questions from the audience. Please come out and join us for an enjoyable evening on Wednesday, June 8th in Casa Del Prado Room 101 at 7:30 p.m.



Derek Obayashi at the May meeting  
Photo by Jerry Moreau



Don Crain and 'Don Crain'  
Derek announced during his presentation that he named one of his hybrids for Don Crain 'Falling In Love' × 'Jeffrey Kida'  
photo by Jerry Moreau & Don Crain

## Calendar of Events 2016



### June

- 4 SFES Show & Sale
- 4 The Market Place at the Master Gardeners Seminar "Gardening in a Changing Environment"
- 8 General Meeting
- 11 Safari Park Work Party
- 22 Board Meeting
- 25 Safari Park Work Party

### July

- 13 General Meeting
- 16 Safari Park Work Party
- 27 Board Meeting
- 30 Safari Park Work Party

### August

- 10 General Meeting
- 13 Safari Park Work Party
- 24 Board Meeting
- 27 Safari Park Work Party

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# Safari Park Epi Display House

— Jerry Moreau

May was a busy month out at the Epi House. The month started off with the sale and I'm happy to report that it was successful. All proceeds from the sale support SDES's epiphyllum collection. Many of the people buying epis from us at the park are not familiar with the plants but fall in love with the flowers when they see them. We also had a work party in May. Weeding and dead-heading the plants are a never ending process that we do to keep the plants looking good. The flowers in the collection have slowed down in May but there remain many more buds for all to continue to enjoy through June. Honorary Life Member Gus Schlapfer, 'Mr. Gus', came to visit the epi display house with his daughter Sue, 'Susan Lynn'.



'Mr. Gus' named for Gus Schlapfer by  
George French  
Photo by Roger Chapin

Gus was a long time volunteer in the epi gardens during the 1980's and 90's. He was one of the volunteers who put up the current epi display house. He was impressed with what he saw and pleased it continues to grow. He said the epis are in good hands with the current SDES member volunteers.

Helping out these past work parties were Sandra Chapin, Humberto & Gina Contreras, Ron & Velma Crain, Cindy Decker, Marie, Dempewolf, Bill Greene, Bob Holzinger, Dennis Hughes, Beth Jackson, Jerry & Betsy Markle, Mildred & Gerry Mikas, Jerry Moreau, Tim Paule, Paul Vandepbloeg, and Janice Wakefield. Your effort is greatly appreciated. Thank you!



Gus Schlapfer  
Photos by Jerry Moreau

The next work parties will be June 11th & 25th.



While out at the Safari Park working with the epiphyllum collection Velma Crain was showing how radiant she really is underneath her calm exterior. She is filled with fire and passion for epis. 'Radiant Fire'

Photo by Jerry Moreau



'Susan Lynn' named for Gus' daughter  
A George French hybrid  
Photo by Roger Chapin

# Mother's Day Show 'California Dreaming'

## And The Winners Are.....

### Troxell Trophy, Division I (Best themed display)

1. Gabriel and Gabriella Peñaloza
2. Victoria Chapman
3. Mildred and Gerry Mikas
3. Janice Wakefield



Gabriel and Gabriella Peñaloza's display

### Mikas Trophy (Best mini display)

1. Sandra Chapin and Alexa Hissong
2. Heayoung and Keith Mikas



Sandra Chapin & Alexa Hissong's display

### Troxell Trophy, Division II (Best themed display)

1. Derek Obayashi
2. Sandra Chapin



Derek Obayashi's display

### Le Blanc Trophy (Best novice display)

1. Gail and Gilbert Hatfield



Gail & Gilbert Hatfield's display

### Richard G. Latimer Jr. Educational Trophy

No entries this year

### Schlapfer Trophy (Best non-themed display)

1. Jerry Moreau
2. Barb Alvarez



Jerry Moreau's display

### Bunker Trophy (Best flower arrangement)

1. Marj Meyers
2. Mildred Mikas
3. Marj Meyers



Marj Meyers's display

Photo on this page by Don Crain

**Eva Clover Trophy — Society Table**

1. Evelyn Shiraki - 'Starfish'
  2. Darryl Miyamoto - 'Ronin'
  3. Darryl Miyamoto - 'Brazen'
- HM Mark LoPresti - 'Falling In Love'



'Starfish' — Evelyn Shiraki

**Don & Judy Francis Trophy (Best Small Bloom)**

1. Jerry Moreau - 'Eniwetok'
2. Cindy Decker - 'Gold Charm'
2. Sandra Chapin - 'Mormor'
3. Mildred and Gerry Mikas - 'Light-N-Bright'



'Eniwetok' — Jerry Moreau

**William & Ruth Nelson Trophy (Best epiphytic plant)**

1. Derek Obayashi - 'Tomoko Miki'
2. Ken Loomis - 'Spirit of America'
3. Sandra Chapin - Easter Cactus



'Tomoko Miki' — Derek Obayashi

**George French Trophy — President's Choice**  
SDES — San Diego Zoo Safari Park Collection  
'Glad Rags'



'Glad Rags'

**Buddy Hurst Trophy**  
(Best recently registered hybrid)

1. Derek Obayashi - 'Beth Jackson'
  2. Darryl Miyamoto - 'Super Natural'
  3. Darryl Miyamoto - 'Ronin'
- HM Darryl Miyamoto - 'Akari'



'Beth Jackson — Derek Obayashi

**French Collection Trophy — George French Best Hybrid**

1. Jerry Moreau - 'Triana'
  2. Ken Loomis - 'Red Skelton'
  3. Jerry Moreau - 'French Gold'
- HM Beth Jackson - 'French Gold'

**Best Unregistered Seedling**

1. Derek Obayashi - 'Meadowlark' X 'Chiba Lovely Dawn'
  2. Darryl Miyamoto - 'Fantasy Dragon' X 'Evening Delight'
  3. Derek Obayashi - 'Falling In Love' X 'Slightly Sassy'
- HM Evelyn Shiraki - 'Flaming Torch' X 'Stern Von Erlau'
- HM Darryl Miyamoto - 'Yellow Tang' X 'Red Chrome'
- HM Jerry Moreau - 'Diamond Bill' X 'Apache Trail'
- HM Derek Obayashi - 'Surprise Party' X 'Indian Warrior'
- HM Darryl Miyamoto - 'Evening Delight' X 'Yellow Tang'

**Exhibitor's Best Flower**

- Janice Wakefield - 'Jan Killian'
- Gail and Gilbert Hatfield - 'Knebel's Farbenwunder'
- Barb Alvarez - 'Pegasus' X 'Radiant Gem'
- Derek Obayashi and Mark Sumpter - 'Jeanne Konishi'
- Victoria Chapman - 'Bumpkin'
- Marie Dempewolf - 'Persian Tiger'
- Gabriella and Gabriel Peñaloza - 'Kiwi Classic'
- Heayoung and Keith Mikas - 'Three Oranges'
- Mildred and Gerry Mikas - 'Lady Ruffles'
- Sandra Chapin - 'Kimono'
- Sandra Chapin and Alexa Hissong - 'Elian'
- Jerry Moreau - 'Labor of Love'

**People's Choice Trophy**

1. Darryl Miyamoto - 'Ronin'
2. Derek Obayashi & Mark Sumpter - Seedling 'Linda Sinkovic' x 'Chiba Lovely Dawn'
3. Ken Loomis - 'Ivan The Terrible'



'Triana' — Jerry Moreau



'Meadowlark' X 'Chiba Lovely Dawn'  
— Derek Obayashi



Barb Alvarez, Don Patterson, & Gina Contreras  
Enjoying the show



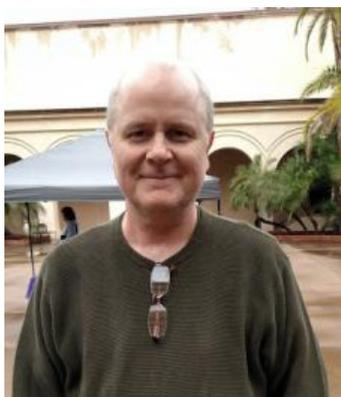
'Ronin' — Darryl Miyamoto

## Mother's Day Show Re-cap

— Jerry Moreau

SDES had another successful Mother's Day Show. The theme 'California Dreaming' was developed and showed beautifully in all the displays. It is always nice to have Jerry and George Plaisted taking care of the "People's Choice Table". They have been doing this since 1990. It is a popular table for all, young and old alike.

On Saturday for the sale Robert Kuettle, ESA president, came down to join the fun. On Sunday LA members Evelyn Shiraki, Darryl Miyamoto, and Ken Loomis came down for the show. They brought beautiful named hybrids and seedlings to enter into the show. These beautiful flowers were found on the Society Table, People's Choice, Seedling Table, and Newly Registered



Robert Kuettle

Table. Also coming to the show from San Francisco area were Celine Dion and Mike Davis. Celine helped out in the sales area all weekend. Mike was also around to lend a hand where needed including judging. Thank you to all out of the area members for taking part in the sale and show.

The Society Table was filled with flowers. The Small hybrid table was not as plentiful as in years past as it was a challenging year for blooms and all the small hybrids have mostly bloomed out already. The George French Hybrid Table had some beautiful flowers — next year I hope it will be filled with flowers. I know many here in San Diego grow his hybrids. The Newly Registered Table had some outstanding new hybrids. I know they will definitely make people's wish list. The winner was 'Beth Jackson' by Derek Obayashi. The



Sales area Saturday, members ready for all the buyers



Katherine & David Barto & Mildred Mikas

flower is as beautiful as who it is named after. The seedlings that were brought to the show displayed an exciting future for epi collectors.

Because of the work of our dedicated SDES hybridizers, we have much to be proud of.

It was great to see new members getting involved in the show. Gabriel and Gabriella Peñaloza and Gilbert & Gail Hatfield were enthusiastic participants. They were a little worried that they would

have not enough flowers for their display. But members brought in flowers to share with everyone who needed them (as is always said at the meetings). This year was no different, there were more than enough flowers to fill everyone's display.



Cindy Decker, she does take some time out from the sale to check out the show. Good thing she did, she found out she tied for 2nd place on the small bloom table with her 'Gold Charm'

Ron & Velma Crain and Don Crain did an outstanding job decorating the stage for the theme of the show. They brought us the little old lady from Pasadena. She was relaxing on her beach chair enjoying the show as she had a lap full of speeding tickets with not a care in the world. It's amazing how she can drive so fast, you would think she could not even get out to her car. She is a spry old lady, must be all the gardening and epies she grows. Watch out, she may be back again next year.

Overall the show was wonderful. Lots of people enjoyed the beauty of the epies. New members joined. Life is good.

Photos by Jerry Moreau

# Mother's Day Show 2016

## *A Special Salute to All Who Helped*

### From Gina Contreras, Show Coordinator:

Wow! We had an awesome May 2016 Mothers' Day Weekend! We heard lots of very positive comments from the public about how friendly, helpful and organized a group we are, especially in regards to our plant sale. A huge "THANK YOU" to the many people who were able to help for the weekend. With a collective effort, we made it happen! Thanks to everyone who helped.



quantity, small or large. The same thanks to those who babied 4" pots and gal plants for a year so we would have them to sell. We would not have a sale without cuttings and plants to sell. Thanks to all of you from me!



Mother's Day Show stage. Created by Ron & Velma Crain & Don Crain. They do a beautiful job each year. It was wonderful to have the 'Little Old Lady From Pasadena' grace the show with her presence and speeding tickets.

### From Cindy Decker, Sales Coordinator:

I want to extend my personal thanks to all the people who showed up ready to help at the Mother's Day Event. These are the people who do what they can to make the event an extra special one for SDES. They load plants and drive them down to the park, they unload the cars, set up and break down the sales area, and then pack everything up into trucks again until next year. They stand on their feet and give help and advice to all the people who come looking for Epis and they work at the cash registers. Without all these helpers SDES would not have the success it did. A special thanks to those of you who donated cuttings of any

### From Beth Jackson, Judges' Clerk:

*Our success has really been based on partnerships from the very beginning - Bill Gates*

I want to thank my "partners in crime" without whom I would never be able to do this job:

- \* Jerry Plaisted who helps year after year, always wears a warm smile and gives kind words of encouragement. She knows how to make me see that I should not sweat the small stuff.
- \* Larry Taylor came and helped do every, and anything as he always does. Larry knows how to make me not take myself too seriously.
- \* Colleen Chapin came and jumped right in even though

she was not able to be with us last year. It must be, as they say, "like riding a bike; you never forget how".

You are the absolute best! I cannot thank you enough for all your help and support. I hope you are willing to work together again next year.

Thank you to Sandra Chapin for gathering a group of wonderful



Saturday sales area. Members helping shoppers select just the right cuttings.

judges and for taking the time to create an assignment list so we had enough judges for each category. Your experience is invaluable to me.



Michel McKee

Derek, you know what needs to be done post-judging and you step right in and do it without my having to ask; partly because it seems you don't like sitting around with nothing to do!

A big thank you to ALL our judges: Barb Alvarez, Sandra Chapin, Ron Crain, Mike Davis (San Bruno), Marie Dempewolf, Jerry Moreau, Derek Obayashi (Chicago), Don Patterson, Tim Paule, Mark Sumpter. You came from all over and worked together to make the judging run smoothly and efficiently. You not only judged but assisted in placing ribbons and trophies. Your willingness to help, always with a smile, continues to make my job much easier.

*Flowers always make people better, happier and more helpful; they are sunshine, food and medicine for the soul - Luther Burbank*

You guys and gals are my "flowers". You are the medicine for my soul and for that I love you all.

See you next year.



'Red Chrome'  
Evelyn Shiraki hybrid  
Best extra large at the ESA show

### From Sandra Chapin, Judges' Coordinator:

Year after year SDES puts on a great Mother's Day Flower show. This year was no exception. A woman came up to me at the end of the show and told me she goes to many flower shows every year. She said our show was the most



Barb Alvarez

organized, well planned and had the best displays of any she had visited. How nice it is to hear compliments like that. I want to add how wonderful all our judges and judges clerks were. They do a great job. They are extremely efficient which allows the show to open early. Thanks to Beth Jackson, Jerry Plaisted, Larry Taylor, Colleen Chapin, Tim Paule, Don Patterson, Derek Obayashi, Marie Dempewolf, Barb Alvarez, Mark Sumpter, Ron Crain, Jerry Moreau, and Mike Davis.



'Elian'  
George French hybrid  
Photo on this page by Jerry Moreau

# SDES Members Head North For More Epi Shows



SDES display table at the ESA Show

Last month SDES members attended the epi shows of the South Bay Epiphyllum Society and the Epiphyllum Society of America.

On May 1st, members headed to the South Coast Botanical Garden for SBES's show and sale. Attending were Ron & Velma Crain, Sandra Chapin, Don Crain, Janice Wakefield, Derek Obayashi, and Jerry Moreau. SDES donated cuttings to the SBES sale.

Sandra, Janice, and Jerry were asked to

judge. Derek entered flowers into the show. Members also brought flowers to display on a SDES table which was not part of the competition. It was a nice chance to socialize with other members that we don't get to see too often except for this time of year.

On May 15th, members headed north to the L.A. Arboretum for the ESA show and sale. Attending were Jerry & Betsy Markle, Derek Obayashi & Mark Sumpter, Oliver LaPuebla, Sandra Chapin, Ron & Velma Crain, Janice Wakefield, and Jerry Moreau. Jerry, Ron, and Sandra help to judge the show. Derek, Velma, and Jerry Markle entered flowers into the show. They were all successful and earned blue

ribbons for some of their flowers. Derek won with 'Mark Sumpter', 'Beth Jackson', and a seedling.



Best Seedling 'Vanilla Sunset' x 'Meadowlark' Derek Obayashi



'Chuckles' — Jerry Markle

His seedling also took best seedling in the show. Velma won with her 'Elinor Victoria Latimer'. Jerry Markle won with his hybrids of 'Chuckles' and 'White Splendor'. SDES flowers from the Safari Park collection won a blue ribbon in the Three Of A Kind



'Elinor Victoria Latimer' — Velma Crain

division with three 'Radiant Fire' flowers. SDES also had a table of flowers that were not judged. Flowers on this table came from members' gardens and from the Safari Park collection.



Three of a Kind 'Radiant Fire'

# Get Your Facts First

—Linda Sinkovic

*"Get your facts first, then you can distort them as much as you please..."*  
~ Mark Twain

So maybe you are settled into your home and you'll never move out. In that case this month's column will probably be of limited usefulness to you, though you might find it an interesting read from a hypothetical point of view. However if you think you might be moving in the future, this information should prove helpful.  
\*1

First of all, hopefully the move will be to some place you'll have a lot of room for your plants. Because we all love our plants, right? If you have a large collection, you'll need to consider the amount of space you'll have, because that will determine the number of plants you'll be able to take. Maybe you can only take a few hanging pots; in that case, take cuttings of the other plants and you can start them in your new home.

Also consider how you will get to wherever you are moving to. Is it a destination you can drive to? If not, the best way to transport your plants might be to take cuttings and mail them to your new address. You can give the parent plants to friends or to one of the Epi clubs.

Finally, you will need to make sure you'll be able to bring your plants to the new location. Some states (and countries) have regulations that do not allow potted plants to be brought in without an agricultural inspec-

tion. You will need to check for any rules regarding this at your destination.

So hopefully you're moving to a place where (a) you'll have a lot of room, (b) you can get there by driving and (c) agricultural restrictions will not affect you. Hurray! Now to consider how to actually move the plants.

You need to think about watering. Don't water your plants for about a week before moving them, it will make them less heavy and also less messy if they tip over. If need be, mist them, but try not to wet the soil. If the plant has long branches, trim them if possible.  
\*2 Also remember plastic pots are lighter and easier to move than clay pots.

Get some marking tags with string. Get two for each plant, and write the name of the plant on the tags in pencil. Attach one tag around the plant, and one around a hanger wire.  
\*3 This way, if the plants get knocked around and the plant label in the pot falls out, you'll still know what the plant is. Or if you don't want to deal with marking tags, you could also create another plastic plant label and jam it all the way into the pot.

Check for any pests such as snails, slugs, grasshoppers, scale or mealy bugs. You don't want to be transporting pests anywhere. Also if a plant is sick, it's best to throw it out rather than risk your other plants getting sick while in close contact.

Now that your plants are ready to go, you will probably want to rent a closed-in truck in order to move them. This has the added bonus of allowing you to move other things such as electronics. Make sure to cover the other items with a tarp or other waterproof covering before moving any plants into the truck.  
\*4 If you have a number of hanging plants to move you might consider purchasing garment racks to hang them on. These have the benefit of wheels so they are easy to move around. Make sure to get racks with locking wheels. Alternatively, you can string chain across the inside of the truck and hang plants from that.

Plants that are not on hangers can be placed inside a plastic tub (think dishpan or cat box) and moved as a unit. You can also use sturdy cardboard boxes.

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Linda's plants being prepared for the move on clothes racks.  
There is space on top and on the bottom for boxes  
Photo by Linda Sinkovic

Okay so you've packed up the truck and driven to your new place. Of course you'll be tired when you get there, but try not to leave your plants in an overly hot or cold truck for too long. When you unpack your plants, place them into semi shade and water them if the temperatures outside allow.

Congratulations! You've just moved your plants. Now it's time to start unpacking all those boxes...

Have an excellent month and enjoy your garden.

Notes:

\*1. This subject is one that has been occupying my thoughts lately, as a move is in the very near future. In fact, when you read this I'll probably be driving a car full of yowling cats, a grumpy dog, and other important stuff. My husband has volunteered to drive the plants-and-important-stuff truck.

\*2. If you'd rather not trim the branches, then don't do it. Realize that long branches will probably break off. However, it does make moving a little easier if you don't have to worry about a face full of spiny branches.

\*3. Or around another part of the plant. By the way, these tags are also awesome for marking thin cuttings (e.g. *Rhipsalis*) or spiny cuttings (*Disocactus*). Thanks to Dick K. for telling me about them.

\*4. Remember, no food or live animals inside this truck! Put those into a car or a vehicle designed for passengers.

## Welcome New Members!

Babilyn Amoguis, Chula Vista, CA  
 Lilia Bauner, Bonita, CA  
 Henry Brandenburg, San Diego, CA  
 Nancy Broderick, San Diego, CA  
 Rachel Fisk, San Marcos, CA  
 Stephanie Fisk, San Marcos, CA  
 Mike & Trish Gray, Encinitas, CA

Sharon Henrick, San Diego, CA  
 Linda Merrill, El Cajon, CA  
 Morica Mroz, San Diego, CA  
 Denise Rosenberry, San Diego, CA  
 Dennise Ross, San Diego, CA  
 Donna Starr, San Diego, CA  
 Sandy Valone, San Diego, CA

### San Francisco Epiphyllum Show *Annual Flower Show*



'Ackermannii'

June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Free Admission**

Recreation Room - Golden Gate Park  
 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Lincoln Way  
 San Francisco, CA

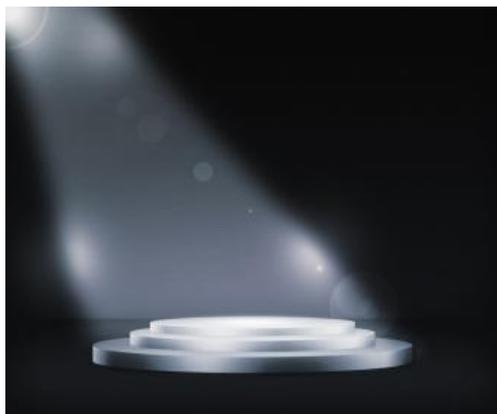
### Extended Life for Blooms after Mother's Day Show

— Janice Wakefield

After the show we always place the blooms that were used in the displays on a table outside the room for the show visitors to take home. This year, one of the visitors was heading to a homeless shelter where he was going to serve dinner. He took several flowers to decorate the tables at the shelter to brighten the lives of the people having dinner that night. What a lovely way to end the day for our beautiful epies.

Photo by Janice Wakefield





## Epi Spotlight 'Kohinoor'

— Don Patterson

Many decades ago two valiant epi hybridizers registered an exquisite flower, named Kohinoor aka, Koh-I-Noor. Paul Fort and Garland O'Barr selected this name to commemorate a celebrated diamond, the Kohinoor diamond in 1957. According to the epi registry: FOB 52AK6 was described as "Nearly all white flower with narrow light dianthus mid stripe". A cross of 'Cattleya' with 'Augusta Von Szombathy', an extra



Photo by Roger Chapin

large flower. Fast forward, today, according to the New York Times, India wants one of the Crown Jewels returned to its rightful owner the Indian

government. The historic 105.6 carat was either a gift to Queen Victoria from the maharajah of Punjab in 1849 or stolen by the British, depending on some widely divergent perspectives.

This diamond is set in the front cross of the crown once worn by the queen mother.

Currently residing in the Tower of London, where it is the centerpiece of the British Royal family's Crown Jewels. What a brew-ha-ha! This season, I had the good fortune to renew my friendship with this beauty. I was gifted with three lovely flowers. Alas, I missed photographing the flower. And so, friends, a tale of intrigue, history and beauty, here, in wondrous epi land.

Respectfully submitted, don

The name means "Mountain of Light" in Persian. It is believed that the name was first used by Nader Shah who took possession of the diamond in 1739. Prior to this date, the name Kohinoor wasn't used.

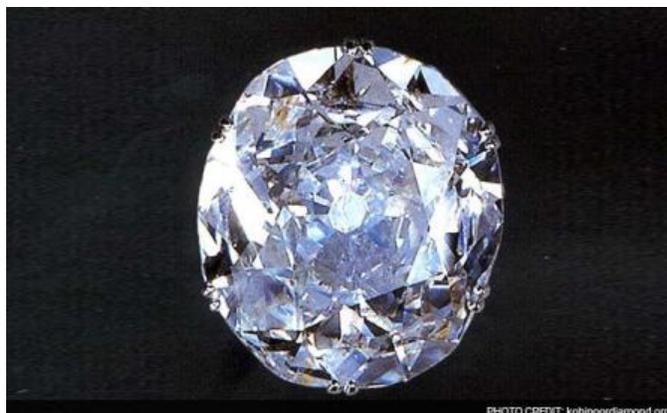


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## Now is the Time

- ✓ **Remove spent blossoms**, leaving a quarter of an inch of stem attached to the areola to avoid damage.
- ✓ **Remove unwanted apples**, if you don't intend to use the seeds.
- ✓ **With warmer, drier days ahead**, begin misting epies. Blooming season can take a toll on plants; help them plump up for the hot days ahead. A short "shower" in the morning may help your plants thrive between regular watering.
- ✓ **Don't allow soil to dry out.**
- ✓ **Resume feeding a 'balanced' or 'complete' fertilizer** now that blooming season is almost over. Choose a fertilizer where "N-P-K" are about equal, say 8-10-10 or 10-10-10.
- ✓ **A mild solution of liquid fertilizer** makes an excellent foliar mist and can add extra vigor to plants with visible results.
- ✓ **Plant new cuttings or repot older plants.** Remember to wait at least seven days before watering freshly repotted plants.
- ✓ **Last year's seeds can be planted now.** Shade them from bright light and keep them warm.

## Price Increase For Membership Receiving Printed Newsletter

Due to the cost of producing, printing, and mailing the printed version of *Epi News* the board of directors found it necessary to increase the cost of membership for those who receive the newsletter via US postal service upon renewal. SDES, in an effort to be financially responsible, made the decision at the May board of directors meeting. Starting immediately the price for a membership receiving a printed *Epi News* will be \$30.00 for a single membership and \$35.00 for a dual membership in the United States. The price for membership for the digital *Epi News* will remain the same rate, \$15.00 for a single membership and \$20.00 for a dual membership (location does not matter).



## Reminder: Annual Epi Photography Show/Contest at the November Meeting.

So start taking pictures of your epies now so you will have lots of pictures to choose from to enter into the contest.



## Keeping In Touch

—Beth Jackson

If you know of an older member who can no longer attend meetings and/or events, we can send them a cheery card to let them know we miss them. If there is a member who is having a milestone birthday we can send them happy birthday wishes. If there is member who is ill or a member who has passed away, we can send a get well or sympathy card.

Notify Your Corresponding Secretary Beth Jackson at [bethjackso@yahoo.com](mailto:bethjackso@yahoo.com) or call 858-638-0956.

# SDES needs your help!!

These are positions that need to be filled



## Hospitality Coordinator

a. The President shall appoint the Hospitality Coordinator, to be confirmed by the Executive board.



The Hospitality Coordinator will serve a term of one year, to run concurrently with the Office of the Presidency.

b. The Hospitality Coordinator shall set up the Hospitality Table at monthly meetings with separate sign-in sheets for members and guests and welcome brochures.

c. The Hospitality Coordinator shall greet guests and give them a guest nametag.

d. The Hospitality Coordinator shall welcome and announce our guests at the beginning of the business meeting and invite them to select a potted plant from the Cuttings Sales Table.

e. The Hospitality Coordinator shall hold a drawing among the members wearing SDES name badges at the beginning of the business meeting. The members whose number are drawn get a gift.



## Refreshments Coordinator

a. The President shall appoint the Refreshments Coordinator, to be confirmed by the Executive board. The Refreshments Coordinator will serve a term of one year, to run concurrently with the Office of the Presidency.

b. The Refreshments Coordinator shall have available a sign-up sheet for the Goodies List and will ensure the list is given to the Editor for inclusion in the next Epi News.

c. The Refreshments Coordinator shall set up the refreshment tables for the monthly meetings and will coordinate members' contributions to the refreshments.



d. The Refreshments Coordinator shall maintain a supply of items needed for the refreshments table (i.e. napkins, paper plates, plastic ware, cups, coffee, punch, etc.)

e. The Refreshments Coordinator shall ensure that the kitchen area is cleaned and all items stored properly following monthly meetings.

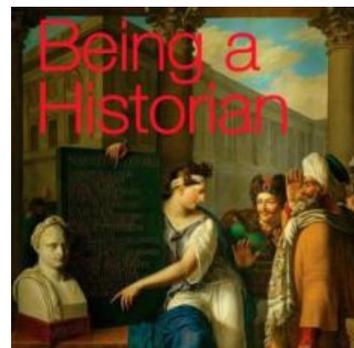
f. As a courtesy to the security/custodians people, the Refreshments Coordinator shall leave a plate of goodies for them.

## Historian

a. The President shall appoint the Historian, to be confirmed by the Executive Board. The Historian will serve a term of one year, to run concurrently with the office of the Presidency.

b. The Historian shall ensure that historical events and annual shows are recorded in the SDES scrapbooks and photo albums, which are retained in the Library.

c. The Historian shall accept and review any photographs, articles or epi memorabilia submitted by members for inclusion in the scrapbooks.



## Internet Coordinator

a. The President shall appoint the Internet Coordinator, to be confirmed by the Executive Board. The Internet Coordinator will serve a term of one year, to run concurrently with the office of the Presidency.

b. The Internet Coordinator shall oversee and manage the SDES presence on the World

Wide Web and will be responsible for the design, content, and all changes necessary to make information available on the Internet, consistent with SDES objectives, outlined in Article II of the SDES by-laws.

c. All activities of the Internet Coordinator are subject to review by, and approval of, the Executive Board.



If you are interested contact President Janice Wakefield [jwakefield@cox.net](mailto:jwakefield@cox.net) (619) 464-1086

## Cactus & Succulent Society of America Coming next year!

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The  
Date**

*Reserve July 26-31 2017*

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Hosted by  
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1. Desert Botanical Garden
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3. Private Gardens
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Tempe Mission Palms. It is in downtown Tempe, home to Arizona State University, with many shops, restaurants and entertainment venues. It is a 4-minute walk to a light rail station and 3.5 miles to the airport.




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‘Ber-Tee’  
Named for Ethyl Hurst’s daughter Bertha  
photo by Don Crain



‘Quest For Fire’  
George French hybrid  
‘Tele’ x ‘Jennifer Ann’  
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**NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

**June 8, 2016**

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month  
7:30 p.m. in Room 101, pre-meeting workshop 7:00 p.m.  
Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

**Next Board meeting:**

**June 22, 2016**

7:00 p.m. in Room 104,  
Casa del Prado, Balboa Park.

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