



*San Antonio
Cactus and Xerophyte
Society, Inc.*

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The San Antonio Cactus and Xerophyte Society will hold their annual Christmas Party on Friday evening, 7: pm December 13th, at the Sun Ray Apartments. The party will be held in their party house. Location is 7600 Blanco Road. Directions: most people will travel on Loop 410, look for the Blanco Road exit. (Exit is across from Central Park Mall) Take exit and proceed north. You should pass through two lights, the second one being Blanco/McCarthy. Just pass through and look for the Sun Ray Apts. on your right. Now, there are three entrances to these apartments. The second one has the "Sun Ray" sign, turn in there. Party room should be on your left. Parking is anywhere. The Christmas dinner will be the much awaited for roasted pig. Tamales will be included for those who do not want pork. Please bring a covered dish, since its Christmas, remember to think up something totally delicious, scrumptious, and at least 1000 calories per bite! If you do not a favorite recipe, please call Norma (695-8090) and she will suggest. Price for the meal is just \$2.00 per person, and you can pay when you come. The theme is of course, a Hawaiian luau, so Hawaiian dress/shirt please if you can.

THIS PARTY TAKES THE PLACE OF OUR REGULAR WEDNESDAY MEETING FOR DECEMBER, SO, NO MEETING THIS WEDNESDAY.

BABY PICTURES--- there will be a contest going during our party, for fun of course, and Gene Turpin will be looking for the cutest baby or maybe the funniest picture, he hasnt decided yet, but there will be a prize for the winner. Rules are simple, bring a picture of yourself (must be from infant to 5yrsold) and Gene, will do the judging and we'll all try to match up the pictures with the members.

NOVEMBER MEETING--

45 members attended. Cactus of the Month was on Kalenchoes presented by Connie Tabor. The second part of the program was given by Jeanne Irby. Both programs were excellent and both offered information and variety. Nice programs are always nice to listen to.*** We received a letter from Alfred Lau. His letters are mini-manuscripts, but in general he wished us a good Christmas, he was heading out for California and that area, so he will not be coming this way.***Christmas Party was discussed, and oh yes, I forgot to mention in the first paragraph, when you bring your covered dish, please bring a serving spoon to go with it.***

CHRISTMAS

Our November meeting was also our voting meeting for the 1986 officers. The following were elected for the next year: President, Claude Townsend; 1st Vice President, Barbara Schulze; 2nd Vice President, Ruthell Littleton; 3rd Vice President, Rudy Brieno; Recording Secretary, Cookie Waugh; Treasurer, Norma Tindall; Historian, Doris Miller; Publicity, Sidney Yarbrough; Directors, Doris Uhl, Tom Dickson, and Jeanne Irby. Congratulations to all and to a good '86 year!

If your interested, Abbey Garden is giving a discount on orders made with CSSA members. There will be a 15% discount on combined orders, with a 10% overall plant total order going to the club. If this sounds confusing, we will have some catalogues at the party and we will give more details there.

We have a new member. Mr. Ed Maddox, DVM, has joined our club for the coming year. Ed is from Decatur, Texas, and has been nominated by the Fort Worth Cactus and Succulent Society to serve as Vice President of TACSS for 1986-1987. We welcome him to our club and hope he will be able to attend some of our meetings next year. He has requested information on our club namely a brief "history". It seems, Ed is gathering information on all clubs for a "yearbook". Sounds interesting and I will keep you posted.

Dues are due NOW. Please bring to the party or mail them to Norma Tindall, 14303 Star Cross Trail, Helotes, Texas 78023.

Since this is the last bulletin until '86, let me wish good holidays ahead for everyone. The club can chalk up another good year: 18 new members, a good field trip to Arizona, plus a few nice hunts around here. Our own annual Cactus Show was considered a success. We are talking about and showing more cacti at our meetings and we managed to joint a young organization, TACSS.

We have new officers for the coming year but lets not forget the '85 group. I believe they've all done a good job and deserve a hand. Its not easy trying to please everyone, but fairness and good all around cooperation was always there. The outgoing officers, and directors did well!

Happy Cactus Holidays!

Cookie Waugh
Recording Secretary



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