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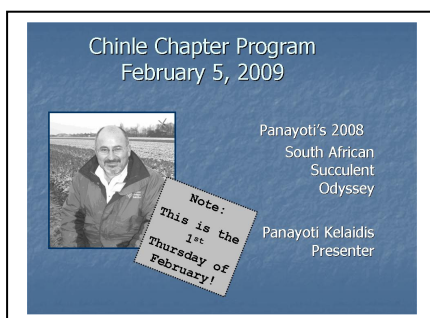
ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS! VERY IMPORTANT MEETING FEBRUARY 5TH, 2009

CHINLE CHAPTER TO ESTABLISH ITSELF AS INDEPENDENT CHAPTER

On January 6, 2009, the Chinle Chapter Board of Directors voted to move forward with a recommendation to the membership to separate from CCSS and become an independent organization club. Becoming this new organization requires the membership to approve several changes as itemized below: The members at the February meeting will need to vote on the following important issues:

1. Approving the change from Chapter status to an independent organization entitled "Chinle Cactus & Succulent Society".
2. Approving new Bylaws. A copy of the proposed Bylaws are included with this newsletter, are posted on the Chinle website at www.colostate.edu/Depts/CoopExt/TRA/PLANTS/chinlecactus.html for members to review, and will be available at the February meeting. Significant changes from the previous By Laws include:
 - a. Add a Board Member at Large and description of responsibilities..
 - b. Add a Mission Statement of the club..
 - c. Increase the percentage of members required to implement new Bylaws from 10 to 20 percent.
3. Vote to accept the current Chapter Board of Directors as the Board of Directors for the new organization.
4. Vote to accept organization dues at \$20.00 per individual or organization, and \$25.00 for family; to prorate dues for members joining during the year.

Please make an effort to attend this very important meeting to cast your vote. You may send a proxy vote if unable to attend the meeting. Contact Dieter Kubisch or Don Campbell if you have further questions.



ANOTHER REASON TO ATTEND THE FEB. 5TH MTG: PANAYOTI KELAIDIS IS FEATURED SPEAKER

Panayoti will be the featured speaker at the February meeting (scheduled a week early to accommodate his schedule). He will present a report on his trip to South Africa, and the myriad of spectacular succulents he found on his trip. Don't miss this most interesting presentation!

Landscape West 2009 Garden Conference Offers Wide Variety of Topics - Feb. 6-8

Friday, February 6th

The Evolution of Insecticides – Bob Hammon, CSU Ext. Agent, Tri River Areas

What's Old is New at the Learning Garden – Aline LaForge, Archaeologist, BLM, GJ

The Evolution of the Western Colorado Botanical Gardens – David Brown, Exec. Dir., and Elizabeth Neubauer, Operations Mgr.

The Geological History of the Grand Junction Area – Dr. Rex Cole, Prof. of Geology, Mesa State College

The Evolution of Parasitic Plants – Dr. Kristy Duran, Dept. of Biol., Mesa State College.

Saturday, February 7th

The Evolution of a Gardener – Panayoti Kalaidis, Sr. Curator & Dir. Of Outreach, Denver Botanic Gardens

Which Came First the Flower or the Bee – Sheryl Williams, Inst./Coord. Of Horticulture and Landscape Tech., Delta-Montrose Tech. College

Native Plants; Adaptations for Survival – Susan Rose, Horticulture Educator, CSU Ext.

Weapons of Botanical Defense – Mary Ann Bonnell, Naturalist, City of Aurora

The Evolution of the Garden – Susan Carter, Carter Designs, Fruita

Going Beyond Sagebrush and Hollyhocks: New Frontiers in Plant Selections – Marcia Tatroe, Author, Columnist & Teacher, Denver, CO

Sunday, February 8th

Bulbs for Colorado Gardens – Martha Tatroe

Living Fossils – Dr. Curtis Swift, CSU Ext., GJ.

Using Ancient Lavender in your Modern Garden – Kathy Kimbrough, CSU Master Gardener and Lavender Specialist.

“Get the Drift” – Evolution is in Your Own Garden – Panayoti Kelaidis.

GET OUT YOUR GARDENING TOOLS!

Kathleen McGinley and the Gardening Committee have developed the Gardening Days list for you to post on your calendars. As we remember from last year, Gardening Days are fun, a great way to fellowship, and provide opportunities to learn and even come home with cuttings!

2009 Chinle Chapter Gardening Days

DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION TO MEET
March 14	Saturday	9:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
March 25	Wednesday	9:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens
April 4	Saturday	9:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
April 15	Wednesday	9:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens
April 25	Saturday	9:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
May 6	Wednesday	9:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens
May 16	Saturday	9:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
May 27	Wednesday	9:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens

June 6	Saturday	8:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
June 17	Wednesday	8:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens
June 27	Saturday	8:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
July 8	Wednesday	8:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens
July 18	Saturday	8:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
July 29	Wednesday	8:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens
August 8	Saturday	8:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
August 19	Wednesday	8:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens
August 29	Saturday	8:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
September 9	Wednesday	9:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens
September 19	Saturday	9:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
September 30	Wednesday	9:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens
October 10	Saturday	9:00 AM	CSU Extension Office
October 21	Wednesday	9:00 AM	WC Botanical Gardens

- If the weather is too cool or too hot for you to work, feel free to come later or earlier than the scheduled time.
- We'll meet at the location listed on each of the gardening days. After completing our work there, we'll proceed to the other garden, time permitting.
- Please make sure that any of the tools you bring are identified as yours.
- As we work on the gardens, please remember our motto: "When in doubt, don't pull it out!" We expect, however, that we will have experts available to help us identify which plants are to be removed, moved, or pruned.
- The Goodie Goddess/Gnome will make sure refreshments are served at each session!
- We're looking forward to seeing you at our gardening parties. THANK YOU!

PROPOSED BYLAWS FOR YOUR REVIEW

PURPOSE (MISSION) OF THE CHINLE CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY

The purpose of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society is to promote knowledge, enjoyment, cultivation, and conservation of cacti and other succulent plants among its members, other individuals and organizations throughout the area.

BY-LAWS OF THE CHINLE CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY

The following By-laws are for the regulation and governance of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society.

Article I

Name and Office of the Organization

Sec. 1.01

Name

The organization shall be officially known as the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society.

Sec. 1.02 Offices

The Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society may have one or more offices (mailing addresses) as determined by the Board of Directors.

Article II
Membership and Dues

Sec. 2.01 Membership

Membership shall be available to those individuals and families that have paid the current annual dues to the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society.

Family memberships include membership and voting rights for two members.

Sec. 2.02 Voting Rights

Each member shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society.

Sec. 2.03 Dues

Annual dues shall be paid no later than March 1st of each year.

Changes in annual dues of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society shall be proposed by the Board of Directors and published in the newsletter prior to the meeting at which the vote is to be taken. Approval of any proposed changes to the annual dues requires a simple majority of the members present at the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society regular membership meeting immediately following publication in the newsletter.

Sec. 2.04 Member in Good Standing

A member in good standing is one who conforms to the Bylaws of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society and is not delinquent in payment of the annual dues.

Article III
Meetings

Sec. 3.01 Annual Meetings

The regular December Membership Meeting of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society shall be considered the Annual Meeting for purposes of electing officers.

Sec. 3.02 Special Meetings

Special meetings of the general membership of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society may be called by the President, the Board of Directors, or by at least 20 percent of the members in good standing.

Sec. 3.03 Notice and Purpose of Meetings

A written notice of any special meeting shall be provided to the general membership of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society at least 15 days prior to any such meeting. The notice shall contain details about the date, time, location, and general subject matter to be addressed.

Written notice of all general membership meetings shall be contained in the Society's newsletter or in other written communication. Such notification shall be sent to all members about 7-10 days prior to the meeting and shall contain details about the date, time, location, and general subject matter to be addressed.

Sec. 3.04 Scheduled Meetings

Advance notification of date, time and location of all monthly programs, meetings, special activities and field trips will be sent to each member in good standing via the most expedient method, (regular mail, E-mail or telephone).

Sec. 3.05 Quorum

A quorum at any meeting of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society requiring a vote of the general membership shall consist of at least twenty percent (20%) of the members in good standing.

Sec. 3.06 Organization

The President shall normally preside over all meetings of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society. In the President's absence, the "chain of authority" shall be: 1st the Vice President, 2nd the Secretary, 3rd the Treasurer, 4th the Newsletter Editor, 5th the Member-at-Large and 6th a chairperson chosen at the meeting.

The Secretary or a designated substitute shall maintain a written record of all meetings.

Article IV
Board of Directors

Sec. 4.01 Membership

The Board of Directors of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society shall consist of at least seven members which includes the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and Member-at-Large. In addition,

the immediate past president shall be a member of the Board.

Sec. 4.02 Vacancies

The Board of Directors of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society may at any meeting appoint a member in good standing to fill any vacancy on the Board of directors.

Sec. 4.03 Meetings

The Board of Directors of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society shall meet as often as necessary to ensure the smooth operation of the Society. Meetings shall normally be held at the call of the President, but may be called at the request of three or more members of the Board of Directors. All Board members shall be notified at least seven days in advance of all Board meetings.

Sec. 4.04 Quorum

A quorum at any Board of Directors meeting for the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society shall consist of three or more members. A three member majority vote of the Board members present is required to conduct any business of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society.

Sec. 4.05 Powers

The operations of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society shall be managed by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have the following powers:

1. To make and change rules and procedures which are consistent with these By-laws for the routine operation and management of the Society.
2. To select an appropriate depository for the funds of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society and who shall be authorized to conduct the necessary financial functions of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society.
3. To delegate any powers of the Board of Directors as deemed appropriate.
4. To approve applicants to membership and to suspend members, subject to Sec. 2.04
5. To make, alter and amend rules for the conduct of the members of the Society and for the governing procedures of the Board.

Sec. 4.06 Remuneration

Members of the Board of Directors shall not receive any salary or other compensation for their services as directors. The Board may, depending upon the availability of funds, authorize reimbursement of actual expenses incurred by individual members for activities directly related to the activities of the Society.

Sec. 4.07 Ethics

Ethical behavior is expected of all Board members.

Article V

Officers

Sec. 5.01 Number

Officers of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society shall be elected by the general membership and include a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and Member-at Large. These elected officers along with the immediate past president shall constitute the Board of Directors.

Sec. 5.02 President

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society and shall be ex-officio member of all committees, except the nominating committee. The President shall provide general overall management of the affairs and business of the Society. The President will maintain liaison among the Society Board and the general membership and will ensure the objectives of the Society Board are achieved.

Sec. 5.03 Vice President

The Vice President shall, in the absence of the President, perform all of the duties of the President. In addition, the Vice President shall function as the Program Chair and will coordinate all of the Society's programs and activities.

Sec. 5.04 Secretary

The Secretary shall act as the official secretary and recorder of all meetings and activities of the Society. The Secretary will also provide summaries of appropriate activities to the editor of the Society's Newsletter.

Sec. 5.05 Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be responsible for all funds and financial activities associated with the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society. In addition, the Treasurer will maintain a current membership listing. The Treasurer shall keep full and accurate records of all financial transactions and activities and shall make such records available to the Board as required.

Sec. 5.06 Newsletter Editor

The Newsletter Editor shall be responsible for preparing and distributing the Society's Newsletter and meeting notifications on the frequency prescribed by the Society's Board of Directors.

Sec. 5.07 Immediate Past President

The Immediate Past President shall assist the Board in maintaining continuity for the Society and perform other duties as assigned by the Board for the benefit of the Membership

Sec. 5.08 Member-at-Large

The Member-at-Large shall be responsible for maintaining liaison between and among the general Chinle C&S Society membership and the Chinle C&S Society Board. In addition, the Member-at-Large shall provide coordination and liaison with the activities of other Colorado organizations such as the Colorado Cactus & Succulent Society which have interests, goals & objectives similar to the Chinle Cactus & Succulent Society. The Member-at-Large shall also function as the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society Affiliate representative to CSSA.

Sec. 5.09 Elections and Terms of Office

Officers of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society must be members in good standing. Officers shall be elected at the December general membership meeting.

The term of office for all Officers shall be one year. Individual Officers may serve a maximum of three consecutive terms in any one office plus the unexpired portion of a departed Officer's term.

Article VI

Books

Sec. 6.01 Records (Books)

The Secretary shall maintain a complete set of minutes of all board, special and regular membership meetings of the Society.

The Treasurer shall maintain a complete set of financial records and also maintain a current membership and mailing list for the Society.

Article VII

Committees

Sec. 7.01 Nominating Committee

Annually, in September, a nominating committee shall be appointed by the President of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society. The nominating committee shall provide the Board of Directors with a list of one or more nominees for each position on the Board of Directors. Potential nominees must give their approval to the nominating committee prior to being listed as a candidate.

The Secretary and Newsletter Editor will ensure the list of nominees is presented to the general membership in the Newsletter preceding the December general membership meeting.

Sec. 7.02 Garden Committee

The Garden Committee is responsible for coordinating all activities associated with maintaining the Gardens that are supported and sponsored by the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society.

Sec. 7.03 Other Committees

Other committees and sub-committees may be appointed by the President as needed to facilitate activities of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society.

Article VIII

Disposition of Assets upon Dissolution

Sec. 8.01 Disposition of Assets

Upon dissolution of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society, all property and assets remaining after the payment of all obligations will be given to a botanically oriented western Colorado non profit organization.

Article IX

Amendments

Sec. 9.01 Amendments to the By-Laws

Amendments to these By-laws may be proposed in writing at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society shall present the proposed amendment(s) in writing to the membership at least 30 days prior to a vote at the general membership meeting. Approval of any amendment to the By-laws shall require at least twenty percent (20%) of the members in good standing.

Article X

Effective Date

Sec. 10.01 Effective Date

The effective date of these By-laws for the Chinle Cactus and Succulent Society is January??????

Approved
January???2009
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Secretary
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***Chinle Cactus & Succulent Society usually meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Community Room at Mesa Mall.
This month's meeting is the 1st Thursday, Feb. 5th.
Guests are always welcome***