



# Desert Breeze

Newsletter of the Tucson Cactus & Succulent Society

August 2003

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### Next Meeting

Thursday, August 7 at 7:00 pm

Junior League of Tucson

2099 E. River Road

Tucson

### August Refreshments

Those with family names beginning with  
N to S, please bring your choice of  
refreshment to the meeting.

Everyone is Welcome!

Bring your friends, join in the fun,  
and meet the cactus and succulent  
community.

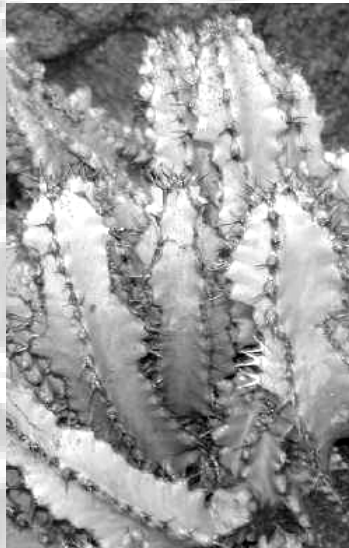
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7:00 pm

**Anthon Ellert**

## Euphorbias of Zimbabwe

Join Anthon Ellert for a tour of the succulent Euphorbias of Zimbabwe. Anthon was a long time resident of Zimbabwe before moving to Tucson and is very knowledgeable on the succulent flora of the region. The Euphorbias from this part of Africa are truly unique and interesting.

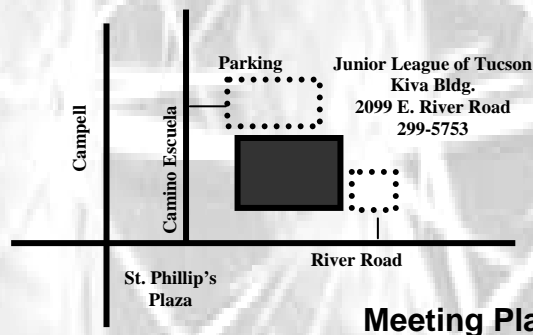


*Euphorbia memorialis*



*Euphorbia persistentifolia*

September Program will be Dylan Hannon on Succulents of Socotra



### President's Message



Last week you should have received an announcement about the Huntington's 20<sup>th</sup> Succulent Plants Symposium. I hope many of you will take this opportunity to attend all the Symposium events (including dinner) and spend another day at this and other

Botanical Gardens in the area with other members of the Tucson Society. We want to coordinate activities with those attending so be sure to send your reply to Gail Virtes. I want to be able to share photos and experiences of this trip at our September meeting.

### SONORAN V - THE BAJA

Please note that the correct dates are April 30 to May 2, 2004 at the Inn Suites Hotel. Friday night, May 2 will be a dinner for all members and vendors, speakers, workshop leader and conference

registrants followed by a kick-off speaker. We will open the sales and show areas at the end of the program as a special pre-sale event. We have purchased a bar code reading cash register that will be used at this event (hopefully).

Saturday, May 1, 2004 will feature speakers, workshops, silent auction, and a special gourmet dinner using cacti and succulents. This will be an exciting and tasty event. The conference will end on Sunday, May 2 with speakers, workshops, and a final luncheon with a closing speaker.

The conference activities are being planned now. Do you want to help? At the next Board of Directors meeting we will be appointing committee chairs and conference coordinator(s). We will send everyone a list of activities and committees in which you can take an active part either in planning or helping at the conference.

Thank you for your continued support of our activities.

Dick Wiedhopf

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