

Great Day at Pima Prickly Park

CELEBRATING 20 years of CACTUS RESCUES. Thank you all!





































































Celebrating CACTUS RESCUES



Tucson Cactus and Succulent Society

Celebrating 20 Years Of The

Cactus Rescue Crew Program

Event Photos by John Durham of the Celebration Event Held At

Pima Prickly Park

October 5, 2019 - 10 AM to 2 PM















Saving our Native Cactus

our society the opportunity of salvaging native cacti growing on a 15-acre acon-to-be cleared elementary school site in the Amphi school district. While a portion of the site is being preserved in its natural state, the school district is salvaging some of the plants in the area to be cleared for later use in the school landscaping. Many more plants were growing happily in the area soon to be

With the permission of the school district, Dick Wirdhopf, Vonn Watkins, and Lois Ladwig met Chris's parents and one of their neighbors on the site and counted and marked many ferocactus, echinocereus, and mammil-Peniocereus greggii. With this information

and salvage permission from Mike -Orr of the Amphi construction ofto allow salvage of 94 plants. Marry Harry and his son collected

approximately 35 cacti and brought them to be included in the successful Silent Auction held June 26th at TBG.

Following this initial collection, more plants were collected and stored at TBG until they

hris Monrad, ICSS member, brought could be placed in new homes in the community. Plants were donated to TBG for use in the gardens and to the Desert Museum to add to the desert setting there. At the July 8 TCSS meeting the Peniocereus greggii was a raffle plant and many of the other plants were sold to members of the society. Dick went back to get more tags and seals and another collection effort saved more plants. The salvaged plants will continue to be available to TBG and ASDM and available for pur-

This is a new direction for TCSS and one that has already provided great satisfaction to participating members whose efforts have saved beautiful laria as potential salvage plants along with one cacti scheduled to be destroyed. When walking the site for the survey, it was amazing how many

cacti were hiding under the bursage Every step and desert trees. Every step revealed fice, Dick went to the AZ Depart- revealed another another plant soon be bladed by a bull-Office and obtained tags and seals

[cactus] soon to dozer. A portion of the site had already been bladed with mammillaria and echinocereus uprooted and cholla broken up and dying. While we were

not able to save all the plants on this site, we feel this first effort was very successful and a good learning experience.

We hope to identify a group of members who

want to act as a TCSS salvage team continue our plant rescue.

Thanks to the Amphi school district for allowing us to salvage some of these smaller plants that are not normally saved and to Chris who was instrumental in giving us this opportu-

The Oro Valley residents care about was no problem.

plants of Arizona.



and are looking for more salvage opportunities. There are two more sites posted as potential salvage sites and Dick and Vonn are contacting the owners/developers to see if we may

native vegetation and called the local police to check out what we were doing on the school site. We had the appropriate permit and tags which were verified by the police so there

Everyone needs to be aware of the native plant laws and to adhere to them. There is a web site: http:// agriculture.state.az.us/PSD/nativeplants.htm> (nativeplants is one word) which has files of the laws and permits required for clearing land and salvaging protected native plants. It also includes a 12-page list of the protected

For those who purchased plants and used the plastic flats to carry them home, please bring the flats to the next meeting so we can reuse them in further salvage efforts. If you have extra flats that you want to donate to this effort please bring those to the next meeting on August 5. Thank you.



Wrap nylon cord around plant, drawing closely into the plant and fasten with a knot. No more than I inch space shall be between the knot and the plant. Remove the backing from the carefully drape it behind the knot. Position the tag so the knot will be centered in the space below. Fold the tag over the knot pressing the tag together making sure the tag cannot slide away from the knot.



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