



**September
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Newsletter**

***Santa Barbara Cactus and Succulent
Society***

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Our mission is to provide opportunities for fellowship and exchange of information among persons sharing an interest in succulents; to encourage, promote and support all aspects of the collection, culture and study of succulent plants; and to provide opportunities for the exchange and exhibition of succulent plants.

Program: Friday, September 5, 2008—7:30 PM
Meeting Hall: Louise Lowry Davis Recreation Center
De la Vina and Victoria Streets—entrance on Victoria

Meeting Speaker: Mark Muradian
The topic of his presentation will be
“Building a Succulent Garden.”

**Message from Co-President
Bette Eliason**

The Annual Summer Picnic was delightful! It was an enjoyable event, in a spectacular setting--at Bonnie Freeman's house, in her newly finished hardscape and landscape. She has a raised deck that overlooks the traditional, but now contested, open space of More Mesa. To know more history and the natural history of More Mesa, visit the website: www.moremesa.org. Learn how you can help save this beautiful open land from the developers. Their e-mail is: moremesa@mindspring.com. Now, please be thinking who you would like to nominate and elect at the September Meeting to serve on the Nominating Committee. We need three people. The Board chooses one, the Chairman, and two must be elected from nominations from the floor. Our Nominating Committee Chairman will be Rob Hofberg. Also be thinking, "What club leadership position would I enjoying doing?" There is a need for a Newsletter Editor and a new President or two Co-Presidents. The Newsletter Editor should be comfortable using a computer, specifically Microsoft Word, and email, at a minimum. We are also looking for someone to fill the Hospitality position--you men, it doesn't have to be a female). Dan Eliason has done it for two years now, time for someone else to take over. We also need sign-ups for people to help on a volunteer basis for refreshments--one month at a time.

So that's plenty to think about, and that's part of what goes into making our group such a great group. Hope to see you at our next meeting on Friday, September 5, 2008, at 7:30 PM!

A BIG THANK YOU TO BONNIE FREEMAN FOR HOSTING OUR ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC!