

The Palomar Orchid Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the understanding and cultivation of both hybrid and species orchids. We welcome members of all levels to join us for orchid fun and learning! Our mission is to promote interest in the appreciation of orchids and to provide an opportunity for their display and the exchange and dissemination of information relating to their culture.

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December 2017

#### **A Monthly Publication**



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#### **Calendar of Events**

The year ends with a set of open houses at our local orchid vendors as well as holiday events of the three San Diego orchid societies.



Annual Holiday Dinner • Wednesday, December 6, 2017 • 6:00 pm



#### PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

As the old adage goes, "In with the New, out with the Old." That applies to life as well the Palomar Orchid Society. We have had a wonderful year, but its time to move on and plan our 2018 programs, with our new board, new and old members and friends. Please make it a goal to attend all the meetings and invite your orchid loving friends to attend. One of the best things about POS is that we welcome visitors and new members and are generous in sharing information!!

Please remember that we will NOT have a December meeting. Instead, on December 6th, we will have our Holiday Dinner at Chan's Chinese Restaurant in San Marcos. This is one of the favorite events of the year for our members. We all enjoy the food and company, so don't forget to come. Conversely, if you haven't signed up, please do not show up as this disrupts our seating arrangements and menu.

The dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. for social hour and dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. Active members will receive a blooming orchid, which is another reason for coming.

We will have the installation of the 2018 POS Board and recognize the Member of the Year. We also want to express a special thank you to the 2017 Board for the hard work during the year and a thank you to the new Board for their anticipated contributions. Even if you are not a Board Member we appreciate your participation and support of our activities. The more you get involved, the more you will get out of POS.

As we strive to improve our society and our programs, we ask that all members renew their memberships early in the year. That means January and February. Too often members put off renewing until mid year and that creates more work for our Membership Chairperson and is lost revenue we need for our speaker programs, caravans, etc. Please see Wendy Daneau to renew as soon as possible.

In November about 15 of you participated in the final caravan to the home of Don

Rosenstock. Everyone had a good time and many of you picked up nice plants to add to your collection. Thanks to Don for hosting this event before he moves to his new home.

On the first weekend in December, several local orchid growers will be having open houses. These vendors support us during the year, and are generous to POS for our auction. We encourage all of you to stop by Sunset Valley Orchids and Casa de las Orquideas on Saturday, Dec. 2 and Andy's Orchids on Dec. 1-3 to take advantage of their sales. Pick up some beautiful plants and support our vendors.

Last month, we mentioned that the San Diego County Orchid Society was arranging a bus trip to the Huntington Botanic Garden on January 20 for a private tour of their greenhouses. We recently found out that the bus is filled to capacity and they are not accepting any more reservations. If you want to get on the wait list in case of a cancellation, please contact Ivan Allen.

Look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Holiday Dinner and we wish each of you a Happy Holiday and Best Wishes for happiness and good health in 2018!!

As always Bill and Alex are available to listen to your suggestions, questions and concerns. Please call Bill at 760-931-0502 or Alex at 760-529-5814. Bills e-mail is billtcwong@att.net and Alex's is anadzan@mac.com.

Alex Nadzan and Bill Wong Co-Presidents, POS

### 2018 POS Board Election

November was our Annual Meeting and Elections of POS officers for 2018 as stipulated by the bylaws.

The following slate of officers for 2018 was approved by voting of members in attendance at the November meeting. The elected officers will be installed at the December Holiday Dinner.

**Co-Presidents**: Bill Wong and Alex Nadzan

**Co-1st VP/Programs:** Tom Wisniewski and Alex Nadzan

**Co-2nd VP/Raffle:** Jerry Spahn and Open Position

3rd VP/Membership: Wendy Daneau

Secretary: Frank Vogel Treasurer: Vidya Sirsi

**1st Year Trustees**: Maryanne Kind, Sandi Sandquist, Helge Weissig

**2nd Year Trustees:** Suzie Sandore, Cher Whelan, Carl Wood

**Publicity:** Jim Anderson

Newsletter Editor: Susan Johnston

Webmaster: Helge Weissig

As indicated above, we still have one open position for the 2nd VP Raffle position to take over for Marita Hoit. This is a very important position and the volunteer will share it with Jerry Spahn. Responsibilities include managing raffle sales of tickets at meetings, the silent auction and the monies that are taken in for the society. Please contact Alex or Bill if you are willing to volunteer.

### **Annual Holiday Dinner**

The Palomar Orchid Society will be holding its annual Holiday Dinner and Officer installation on Wednesday, December 6 starting at 6 pm.

The dinner will be held at Chan's Chinese Restaurant located at 1650 Descanso Avenue, San Marcos, just off Highway 78 at the Rancho Santa Fe exit (ph. (760) 471-6088). This is the same location as last year

The deadline for sign up was November 20, but procrastinators can still sign up by contacting Bill Wong no later than November 30 to reserve your place at the table. Bill's phone number is (760) 931-0502 and his email is billtcwong@att.net

The cost is \$26 per person and includes a multi-course dinner and an

### Gems From The November Meeting





SIc. Circle of Life – Cecily Bird

Paph. Nitro x Paph. Outreach – Deb Amis







Cym. Cindy Lou 'Geyserland' 4n – Bill Wong



Den. Phok Bong x Den. Little Princess **Anita and Jerry Spencer** 



Coelogyne barbata - Carl Wood



Ascda. Fuchs Sunset x Vanda Wirat - Ken Campbell

Photos by Helge Weissig – Full album at www.palomarorchid.org

### General Meeting Information

The Palomar Orchid Society regularly meets the FIRST WEDNESDAY of every month at the Pavilion at Lake San Marcos (1105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078).

Traveling on State Route 78, take the Rancho Santa Fe exit and head South. The entrance to

the Lake San Marcos Resort is on your left about a 1/4 mile South of the San Marcos Blvd. intersection. Traveling on I5 South from Oceanside and North Carlsbad, take the Palomar Airport exit and turn right onto Rancho Santa Fe after about 7 miles. Traveling North on I5 from South Carlsbad and Encinitas, for example, take the La Costa Ave. exit and turn left onto Rancho Santa Fe. The

entrance to the resort will be the first right after the fire station in San Marcos.

Inside the resort at the first "T" intersection, turn left on San Marino Drive. At the next 4-way STOP, turn right on La Bonita Drive. Proceed ahead for one block on La Bonita. The pavilion will be on the left and there is parking in front of the pavilion.

### November Judging Report

There were two AOS judging sessions held in the last few weeks. At the SDCOS Fall Show in the Park, 6 orchids were presented for judging and one was awarded. At the monthly judging session, two orchids were presented and one was awarded.





### **Judging Sessions**

The Pacific South Judging Center conducts each month three judging sessions in the Los Angeles and San Diego area. Locally, the sessions are held in Balboa Park, Casa del Prado in room 104 on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 6 pm.

Visitors, with or without plants, are welcome anytime. If a member of the POS wishes to have flowering plants judged at one of these sessions but is unable to take the plants to the judging facility, please contact Paul Tuskes at (858) 274 5829

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orchid plant for members in good standing. Members may bring a guest if they choose to pay for them. The dinner menu is in the process of being finalized and will be similar to last year's with appetizers, multiple main courses, tea and a fortune cookie. A cash bar will be available for those wanting beer, wine or mixed drinks.

We hope you will join us for fun, food, good conversation and mutual enjoyment of orchids. Please plan to arrive at 6 pm with dinner to be served at 6:30 pm.

Deadline for receipt of your payment is Monday, December 4, 2017. No payments accepted at the door!

### Rosenstock Caravan

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# Don't forget!

# Our annual open house is coming!

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Saturday Dec. 2, 2017 9 am - 4 pm

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Casa de las Orquideas 170 S. Nardo Ave. Solana Beach, CA 92075 858.755.7572 casa@orquideas.com

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for more information, check www.orquideas.com





# Open House

### Fantastic discounts on all plant stock!

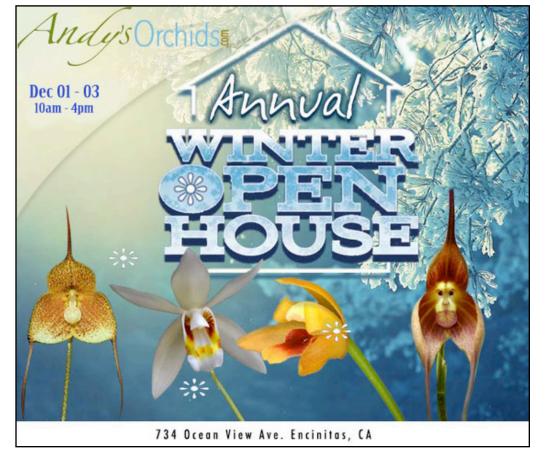
Authentic handmade 'street tacos' from 10AM till 2PM Don't miss this day of plant raffles, fun and food

Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9AM till 4PM 1255 Navel Place, Vista CA 92083 (760) 310-0778 www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com

Bring this invite for a raffle ticket









### The Editor's Corner



As noted in the POS Board election write-up, the POS News will be edited by Susan Johnston going forward. It has been a real pleasure putting together the articles and pictures every month, as well as hunting down the many upcoming orchid events. After a little more than 6 years, it is time for someone else to take on this task and I am very grateful that Susan has volunteered to do so.

My thanks go out to all the contributors over the years! While many have contributed to the newsletter, I want to

specifically thank Alex Nadzan, Bill Wong, Sandi Sandquist, Phyllis Prestia, and Debra Funakoshi. Without all of you, there would have been many blank pages. Please continue to support Susan in her efforts!

As you probably all know, photography is one of my other hobbies and I am happy to continue taking pictures of all your beautiful plants (and sometimes faces) at the meetings. I will also continue to manage the web site.

Your comments and/or contributions to this newsletter are very much appreciated! Please email them to newsletter@palomarorchid.org.

Happy Growing!

### 2017 POS Officers

Alex Nadzan & Bill Wong — Co-President Tom Wisniewski &

Alex Nadzan — Co-1st Vice President/Programs Marita Hoit & Jerry Spahn — 2nd Vice President/Raffle Sandi Sanquist — 3rd Vice President/Membership Frank Vogel — Secretary

Vidya Sirsi — Treasurer

Lisa Humphreys, Maryanne Kind,

& Carl Wood — 2nd Year Trustees

Susie Johnston, Suzie Sandore,

& Cher Whelan — 1st Year Trustees

Frank Vogel — Publicity

Helge Weissig & Ivan Allen — Newsletter & Website Editors

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### **Upcoming Events**

December 1 - 3, 2017 Annual Winter Open House Andy's Orchids andysorchids.com

December 2, 2017 Annual Open House Case de las Orquideas orquideas.com

Open House Sunset Valley Orchids sunsetvalleyorchids.com

December 5, 2017 SDCOS Annual Holiday Party sdorchids.com

December 6, 2017 POS Annual Holiday Dinner Chan's Chinese Restaurant San Marcos palomarorchid.org

**December 15, 2017** Orchid Odyssey San Diego Zoo sandiegozoo.org

**December 20, 2017** SDCCS Holiday Party

#### January 2, 2018 Orchid Judaina Center

Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting sdorchids.com

January 3, 2018 POS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos palomarorchid.org

January 17, 2018 SDCCS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

January 19, 2018 Orchid Odyssey San Diego Zoo sandiegozoo.org

February 6, 2018 Orchid Judging Center Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting sdorchids.com

February 7, 2018 POS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos palomarorchid.org

### February 16, 2018 Orchid Odvssev

San Diego Zoo sandiegozoo.org

### February 21, 2018

SDCCS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

### March 6, 2018

Orchid Judging Center Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting sdorchids.com

#### March 7, 2018

POS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos palomarorchid.org

March 16, 2018

Orchid Odyssey San Diego Zoo sandiegozoo.org

March 21, 2018 SDCCS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

### Other Orchid Societies' Meetings

### San Diego County Orchid Society

Meets First Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm in Room 101 in the Casa del Prado of Balboa Park in San Diego Bob Clark (858) 270-8352 membership@sdorchids.com

San Diego Cymbidium Society Regular meetings 3rd Wednesday of each month, September-June, 7pm, Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

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