



# POS News

*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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**President's Message**

*Alex Nadzan and Bill Wong wrap up the year with their monthly message to the society.*  
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**Calendar of Events**

*As we enter the late fall and early winter Open House season, look for quite a few events in our area and beyond.*  
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**Annual Holiday Dinner • December 1, 2021 • 6:30 pm**

*Palomar Orchid Society  
Holiday Dinner*

*Gowland Meeting Room,  
Dove Library,  
December 1, 6:30 pm*



*B/c. Newberry  
Holiday Joy*

## PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

*Hello POS Members and Friends,*

*We wish all our members and friends a Happy Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas. This is a special time of the year where we spend more time with family and celebrate the holidays. We have a lot to be thankful for. We are fortunate that most of our members have not contracted COVID-19 and we are not aware of anyone that was hospitalized with serious complications.*

*We also are pleased that POS was able to resume live meetings in June at Lake San Marcos and found a new, more affordable meeting room at the Dove Library beginning with the September meeting. We save nearly \$3,000 annually at the Dove Library. All our meetings were well-attended, and we learned that our members enjoyed live meetings with excellent speakers and conversation with fellow members. We believe resuming meetings in June was the right decision. What's encouraging is the high energy level at the meetings and appreciation for the opportunity to converse with members and to show off our beautiful orchids.*

*In order to make it easier for those members who can't attend our meetings in person, we have begun to broadcast the business and speaker parts of our meetings on Zoom so stay tuned for newsletter email links to connect to next year's meetings.*

*We also can celebrate our successful fundraising campaign. We raised over \$5300 with our matching fund campaign. That, along with the less expensive meeting location, will ensure our financial stability for a few years. Thanks to all the*

*members who contributed money and plants and to those who purchased plants.*

*As indicated last month, we decided to have a Holiday Dinner on December 1 at the [Gowland Meeting Room at the Dove Library](#) (our new meeting location). We believe our members and friends want to enjoy a meal together to celebrate the holidays and a successful return to live meetings. We decided to have a catered meal at the Dove Library to minimize exposure to others. It is also more affordable than dining at a restaurant or banquet room. The last time we had the holiday dinner, we determined that restaurants had become very expensive, and it is difficult to get a private room. One recent quote from a prior venue was over \$80 per person for a two course sit down dinner. We both agreed that a catered dinner is the best option this year. For \$25 per person, we will have a nice Chinese meal and can provide an orchid plant for each attendee. There will be plenty of food and refresh-*



*ments, but no alcohol. Please fill out the form included in the Newsletter and send your check and form to Bill ASAP. We need enough advance notice to plan the menu and to order orchids from a vendor.*

*Last month Ron Kaufman, of the SDCOS, gave a very nice presentation on Cattleya Eldorado: 'Searching for Gold in the Brazilian Amazon'. During the past 6 months we have been pleased with all 6 of our guest speakers and are planning our programs for 2022. It's always good to get your feedback on our meetings/programs, good and bad, so please don't hesitate to give us your thoughts. We can't improve our meetings if we don't know what you are thinking.*

*As we approach 2022, please plan to renew your POS Membership early or join if you have not already done so. These fees are minimal but are important and help cover the speaker fees, Opportunity Table, Meeting Room expense and other operating expenses. Mail renewals to POS, P.O. Box 130774, Carlsbad CA 92013 or renew online.*

*Besides the holidays, it a busy time for growing orchids. Cymbidiums are starting to spike, and many of our Cattleya's are in bloom or in sheath. If you are traveling during the holidays or just busy planning holiday events, be sure to make time for normal orchid care activities. It's easy to neglect your collection during this busy season.*

*We hope our members and friends remain healthy, upbeat and optimistic about the future. 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 or e-mail them at [president@palomarorchid.org](mailto:president@palomarorchid.org).*

## General Meeting Information

The Palomar Orchid Society regularly meets the **FIRST WEDNESDAY** of every month at the [George and Patricia Gowland Meeting Room located in the Carlsbad City Library](#) on Dove Lane, just off El Camino Real in southern Carlsbad. The address is [1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, CA 92011](#).

Traveling South on I-5, take the Poinsettia Ln. exit and travel east to El Camino Real. Turn right on El Camino Real and turn right again on Dove Lane.

If traveling North on I-5, take the La Costa Ave. exit and travel east to El Camino Real. Turn left on Dove Lane (first traffic light after Aviara Pkwy.)

Traveling West on S-78, take the San Marcos Blvd. exit and travel west, continuing on Palomar Airport Rd.. Turn left on El Camino Real and then turn right on Dove Lane.

The Dove library will be on your left and there is a large, well-lit parking lot. The Gowland Meeting Room is located on the right hand side of the main entrance.

# Fall Show & November Judging Reports

There were 7 orchids presented for judging at the October 30 Fall Show in the Park. Four were awarded.



Rlc. Anita's Surprise 'Rainbow Valley'  
Exhibited by Anita and Jerry Spencer  
Awarded AM/AOS, 82 points



Den. Little Green Apple 'Imp'  
Exhibited by Debbie Halliday  
Awarded AM/AOS, 80 points



Den. Adrien Loone 'Purple Haze'  
Exhibited by Tom Biggart  
Awarded AM/AOS, 80 points



*Dendrobium laevifolium* 'Little Joy'  
Exhibited by Debbie Halliday  
Awarded HCC/AOS, 76 points

There were 6 orchids presented for judging at the November Judging Session. Four were awarded.



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## 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.

Due to COVID-19 protocols, all exhibitors and judges must wear a mask and follow a specific health protocol. For the time being, no visitors are allowed. For any questions, or 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 Phyllis Prestia at [orchldy1@mac.com](mailto:orchldy1@mac.com)



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*Text and Photos by Phyllis Prestia*

## 2021 POS Officers

**Alex Nadzan & Bill Wong — Co-President**  
**Tom Wisniewski & Alex Nadzan — Co-1st Vice President/Programs**  
**Jerry Spahn — 2nd Vice President/Raffle**  
**Trudy Ibbetson — 3rd Vice President/Membership**  
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## Contact Us

## Upcoming Events

**December 1, 2021**  
 POS Holiday Party  
 Gowland Meeting Room  
 Dove Library, Carlsbad  
[palomarorchid.org](http://palomarorchid.org)

**December 4, 2021**  
 Open House  
 Sunset Valley Orchids  
[sunsetvalleyorchids.com](http://sunsetvalleyorchids.com)

Open House  
 Case de las Orquideas  
[orquideas.com](http://orquideas.com)

SDCOS Species Meeting  
 David Vanden  
[4davidv@gmail.com](mailto:4davidv@gmail.com)

**December 7, 2021**  
 SDCOS Holiday Party  
 TBD

**December 10 & 12, 2021**  
 Open House  
 Andy's Orchids  
[andysorchids.com](http://andysorchids.com)

**January 4, 2022**  
 AOS Orchid Judging  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park  
[aos.org](http://aos.org)

SDCOS General Meeting  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park  
[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)

**January 5, 2022**  
 POS General Meeting  
 Gowland Meeting Room  
 Dove Library, Carlsbad  
[palomarorchid.org](http://palomarorchid.org)

**January 15 & 16, 2022**  
 65th Paphiopedilum Guild

Crown Plaza Hotel, Ventura  
[orchiddigest.com](http://orchiddigest.com)

**January 21, 2022**  
 Orchid Odyssey  
 San Diego Zoo  
[sandiegozoo.org](http://sandiegozoo.org)

**February 1, 2022**  
 AOS Orchid Judging  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park  
[aos.org](http://aos.org)

SDCOS General Meeting  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park  
[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)

**February 2, 2022**  
 POS General Meeting  
 Gowland Meeting Room  
 Dove Library, Carlsbad  
[palomarorchid.org](http://palomarorchid.org)

**February 18, 2022**  
 Orchid Odyssey  
 San Diego Zoo  
[sandiegozoo.org](http://sandiegozoo.org)

## Our Sister Society's Meetings

The 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 Meetings are still being held online for now [sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)



### Open House

**Fantastic discounts on all plant stock!**

Saturday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> from 9AM till 4PM  
 1255 Navel Place, Vista CA 92083 (760) 310-0778  
[www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com](http://www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com)

*You are cordially invited to:*

OUR ANNUAL

## OPEN HOUSE

December 4, 2021  
 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Treat yourself to a gift of cool-growing bloomers!

*AMM*

*Casa de las Orquideas*

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