



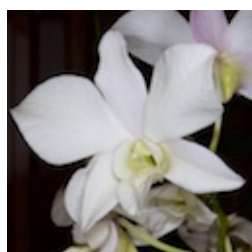
POS News

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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November 2016



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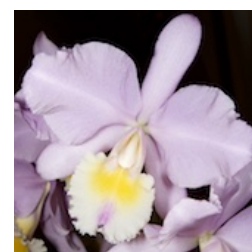
James Rose, who loves his picture taken, gave an entertaining and highly informative talk about Growing Mexican Orchids.

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Calendar of Events

The year is quickly coming to an end but there are still shows and several open houses on the calendar!

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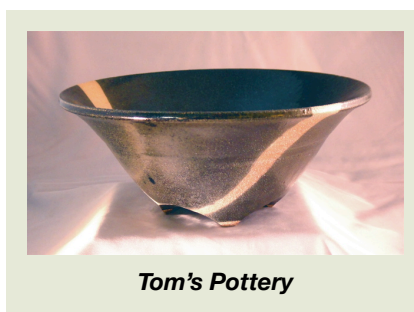
Monthly Meeting • Wednesday, November 2, 2016 • 6:30 pm

Tom Biggart

Thai One On: Some Tips on Culture of Orchids from Northern Thailand

We welcome back Tom Biggart to POS this month. Tom will be speaking on the culture of orchids of North Thailand. He will be discussing climatic issues and how to adapt these plants to our situation. The second part of his talk will highlight some of the orchid species that he encountered during his trip to Thailand.

Tom Biggart is the owner and head grower of [Granite Hills Orchids](http://GraniteHillsOrchids.com) in El Cajon, CA (a small town 15 miles east of



Tom's Pottery

San Diego). His nursery is a hobby-based business, which means he doesn't make a living growing plants. It is more of a labor of love! Tom loves plants in general, and orchids are his main passion. He is very interested in encyclias and has a large collection of encyclia species and hybrids. The Australian cool growers are a current interest as well as Brazilian rupicolous laelias.

Tom is a retired elementary school teacher with orchids as his new students. He would love to have anyone stop by to talk orchids should one be in the San Diego area.

The past few years he and his wife, Neal, have gotten interested in ceramics. In typical Biggart fashion they now have a throwing building, a glazing building, and a kiln yard with 3 kilns. His pottery

is designed primarily for plants and can be seen at most of the local orchid shows and at the nursery. He would love to talk orchids and pottery with anyone interested!



Dendrobium speciosum

Tom will provide the opportunity plant table this month.



Granite Hill Orchid Display



Sarco. Bernice Klein 'Painted Lady' x Zoe Crimson CV426

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

As we enter the fall season, members should be preparing their orchids for whatever Mother Nature brings us this winter. According to the weather service, our winter should be colder than normal and drier than normal so keep this in mind as you prepare your plants for winter. Please review the November and December "To Do Lists" located on our website for tips on how to winterize your plants. Unfortunately, over the last couple of years it has been difficult to know what to do with the unusual weather conditions Southern California has been experiencing, but review of the lists and careful monitoring of the weather channels and websites should aid members in planning for whatever we experience this winter.

Fortunately, we have been able to finalize a slate of officers to serve in 2017, since most of this year's board agreed to continue next year. Our membership will confirm the majority of continuing board members and vote on 1st Year Trustees at the Nov. 2 meeting. We also will vote on Member of the Year so we hope many members as possible can attend this meeting.

Attendees also will be treated to an interesting talk by Tom Biggart on his travel experience to Northern Thailand. Tom also will supply the plant table from his eclectic collection of orchids.



Finally, our annual Holiday Party will be held on December 7 at Chan's Chinese Restaurant, formerly Chin's Szechwan Restaurant, in San Marcos. We had a great dinner last year and anticipate an equally good one this year. Sign up will be available at the November meeting with the cost of dinner being the same as the last two years at \$26 per person. This will include an orchid plant for each member in good standing. We also will induct the new board and announce the Member of the Year at the dinner. We always have a great meal and fun time at our Holiday Dinner so we encourage members to consider attending.

As always, we welcome input from our members at any time via email, phone or in person (anadzan@mac.com, 760-529-5814 or billtcwong@att.net, 760-931-0502). Feel free to contact either of us, as we are here to serve you.

Happy Growing!

Alex Nadzan and Bill Wong
Co-Presidents, POS

POS Board Elections

November is our Annual Meeting and Elections of POS officers for 2017 as stipulated by the bylaws. All POS members are encouraged to attend, confirm the board, and vote on First Year Trustees.

The board has identified a great slate of officers for 2017 as shown below:

President (Co-Pres): Bill Wong and Alex Nadzan

1st VP/Programs (Co-VPs): Tom Wisniewski and Alex Nadzan

2nd VP/Raffle (Co-VPs): Marita Hoit and Jerry Spahn

3rd VP/Membership: Sandi Sandquist

Publicity: Frank Vogel

Snacks & Refreshments

This month, all members with last names beginning **M through T** will share at break time!

We appreciate everyone's effort in supplying our meeting with goodies. It makes for a great meeting all around!

Thank you!

Newsletter: Helge Weissig

Secretary: Frank Vogel

Treasurer: Vidya Sirsi

1st Year Trustees (3 Positions): Ivan Allen, Susie Johnston, Suzie Sandore, Cher Whelan (confidential ballot runoff at meeting)

2nd Year Trustees (3 Positions): Lisa Humphries, Maryanne Kind (both continuing from 2016), Carl Wood (to fill the second year of Charlie Padelford)

Annual Holiday Dinner

The Palomar Orchid Society will be holding their annual Holiday Dinner and Officer installation on Wednesday, December 7 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

We will be taking reservations and payment for the Holiday Dinner at the November meeting for those who want to do so. Ivan Allen has agreed to receive forms and payments at the meeting.

The cost is \$26 per person and includes a multi-course dinner and an orchid plant for members in good standing.

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Holiday Dinner continued

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.

If you would like to attend, please fill out the RSVP form and either bring it and your check or cash to the November meeting (forms will be available at the meeting as well) or mail it in with a check payable to the Palomar Orchid Society to Ivan Allen, 1493 Monte Mar Road, Vista, CA 92084.

Deadline for receipt of your payment is November 23, 2015. No payments accepted at the door!

If you have any questions, please contact Ivan at (760) 533-4975 or by email at aaallen@cox.net.

Don't forget!

Our annual open house is coming!

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Saturday, Dec. 3 2016

9 am - 4 pm

Sunday, Dec. 4 2016

9 am - 1 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



734 Ocean View Ave. Encinitas, CA



Open House

Fantastic discounts on all stock!

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

Saturday, December 3rd from 9AM till 4PM
1255 Navel Place, Vista CA 92083 (760) 310-0778
www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com

Bring this invite for a raffle ticket



Palomar Orchid Society

Annual Holidays Dinner and Officers Installation
Chan's Szechwan Restaurant, San Marcos
Wednesday, December 7, 2016 – 6 p.m.

Yes I/we would like to attend and I have enclosed my check for

- \$26 (one attendee)
- \$52 (two attendees)
- \$78 (three attendees)
- \$104 (four attendees)

PLEASE CHECK THE CORRECT DOLLAR AMOUNT AND NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN YOUR PARTY

Names of Attendees:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Please mail this completed form and your check made out to:

Ivan Allen
1493 Monte Mar Road
Vista, CA 92084

If you have any questions, please call Ivan at (760) 533 4975 or via email at aaallen@cox.net.

Gems From The October Meeting



James Rose, who loves the camera!



Schoenorchis tixieri – Merle Robboy



Bc. Hippodamia – Alex Nadzan



**Catasetum pileatum
Alex Nadzan**



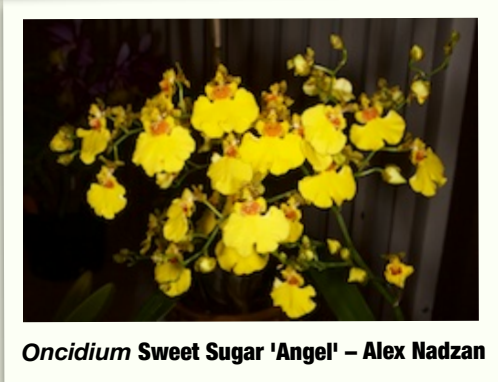
C. perrinii – Anita Spencer



**Lc. Rojo 'Cardinal' x Cattleytonia Why Not
Lanai Staley**



Potinara Burana Beauty – Suzi Sandore



Oncidium Sweet Sugar 'Angel' – Alex Nadzan



**Dendrobium lawsii
Lisa Humphreys**

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.

The Editor's Corner



A few weeks ago, my ancient sprinkler controller decided to quit on me. Looking for a replacement, I ran across ads for "[smart](#)" controllers that obviously fascinated this geeky nerd immediately. They cost a pretty penny, but some of that cost was offset by a \$80 rebate from the water district.

Initially somewhat surprised to not find any knobs or dials on the actual controller, setting the thing up was actually very easy and I (obviously) connected it to [my own weather station's data feed](#). While I was working on some sprinklers, the fact that I could turn them on and off with my smart phone also was great. I also liked, that it reduced watering times twice already with the seasonal cooling. The best part though was when we had a bit of rain the other day and the controller did what it does best: not water when it is not needed. Here is hoping, that it will do so more often this winter.

Your comments and suggestions are very much appreciated! And, as always, your contributions to the newsletter or website are very welcome as well. Please email them to newsletter@palomarorchid.org.

Happy Growing!

POS Officers

Alex Nadzan & Bill Wong — Co-President
Alex Nadzan & Merle Robboy — Co-1st Vice President/Programs
Marita Hoyt & Jerry Spahn — 2nd Vice President/Raffle
Sandi Sanquist — 3rd Vice President/Membership
Frank Vogel — Secretary
Vidya Sirsi — Treasurer
Lena Shiroma, Tom Wisniewski, & Carl Wood — 2nd Year Trustees
Lisa Humphreys, Maryanne Kind, & Charlie Padelford — 1st Year Trustees
Frank Vogel — Publicity
Helge Weissig & Ivan Allen — Newsletter & Website Editors

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Upcoming Events

October 29 & 30, 2016

San Diego County Orchid Society
 Fall Show In The Park
sdorchids.com

November 1, 2016

Orchid Judging Center
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
sdorchids.com

November 2, 2016

POS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
palomarorchid.org

November 5 & 6, 2016

58th Annual Santa Barbara
 Orchid Estate Fall Open House
sborchid.com

Fall Open House
 Cal-Orchids
calorchid.com

November 16, 2016

SDCCS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

November 18, 2016

Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
sandiegozoo.org

November 19 & 20, 2016

Fall Show and Sale
 Orchid Society of Santa Barbara
orchidsb.net

December 2 – 4, 2016

Open House
 Andy's Orchids
andysorchids.com

December 3 – 4, 2016

Open House
 Casa de las Orquideas
orquideas.com

December 3, 2016

Open House
 Sunset Valley Orchids
sunsetvalleyorchids.com

December 6, 2016

Holiday Dinner
 San Diego County Orchid Society

December 7, 2016

Holiday Dinner
 Chan's Chinese Restaurant
 Palomar Orchid Society

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Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
sandiegozoo.org

January 3, 2017

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 San Diego Zoo
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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
membership@sdorchids.com

San Diego Cymbidium Society

Regular meetings 3rd Wednesday of each month, September-June, 7pm, Pavilion at Lake San Marcos 1105 La Bonita Dr. San Marcos, CA 92078

