

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 2017

A Monthly Publication

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Member of the Year

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Monthly Meeting • Wednesday, November 1, 2017 • 6:30 pm



Arnold Gum

VIP Orchid Guest Travel Log and the Taiwan International Orchid Show

It is a pleasure to welcome back Arnold Gum to our society. Arnold will present a travel log on his trips to Taiwan, as a guest of the Taiwanese government, to judge the Taiwanese International Orchid Show. Arnold also spent some time exploring Taiwan including looking at some of their wild orchids, visiting orchid nurseries, and having wonderful meals with the Mayor of Tainan (in the South of Taiwan) and the President of Taiwan, visiting amazing temples, the national museum, the pottery museum, and of course, shopping. Arnold will review the highlights of his trips to this orchid rich part of the world. It is a presentation not to be missed.



Photo: Wang Han-ping, Taipei Times

Arnold Gum is a patent attorney by profession, working locally at Qualcomm. He has been growing orchids for over 45 years and spent his youth with some of Hawaii's greatest orchid pioneers including Ben Kodama, Tadao Kazumura, Isamu Ota, Richard Takafuji, Richard Takase, and Goodale Moir. Arnold has been an American Orchid Society Judge



A display at the 2016 TIOS

for around 25 years and has been a member of various orchid societies along the way. He has won over 85 AOS awards and grows all sorts of orchids including cattleyas, phalaenopsis, papiopedilums, including lots of rare and amazing plants. Over the years, Arnold has amassed a collection of several thousand plants. Like many of us, Arnold also grows other types of plants, including epiphyllum cacti, aloes, plumerias, and fruit trees.

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

We hope everyone will have a great and safe Halloween. As with prior years, Halloween also means we are approaching the final meeting of the year. Both Co-Presidents are pleased with the accomplishments of our society this year. It's been one of the best as far as quality speakers, interesting topics and supportive members. Thanks to everyone who contributed to making this a successful year and we look forward to your continued involvement. We also hope (and pray) that many of you will become more active and participate to a greater degree in our meeting, events, auctions, etc. Both Alex and Bill never try to put anyone on the spot for contributing more, but POS can only improve if more of you get involved. One of our unwritten goals is to be the best orchid society in San Diego, and we aren't there yet.

This month we will conduct our annual meeting where we select officers for 2018, review the status of the society and vote for member of the year so we hope to have as many members as possible in attendance for this meeting. The slate of officers for 2018 are listed below but we want thank those members who volunteered to continue for next year and to give special thanks to three individuals who stepped up to fill key openings for next year including Wendy Daneau, who volunteered to be Membership Chairperson, Jim Anderson who will



handle Publicity and Susan Johnston who will take over the Newsletter Editor responsibilities.

This past weekend several of you participated in the caravan to the Huntington Library and Botanic Gardens to enjoy the International Orchid Show and Sale. Some of you drove separately so you could spend more time exploring the Huntington grounds as well as the show and sale. We think all of you who attended will agree that the Huntington is the most outstanding garden in Southern California and, perhaps, in the United States.

This past week, Bill Wong visited the beautiful Longwood Gardens in Delaware (former DuPont estate). Longwood is a beautiful garden with a fabulous conservatory and fountains and it is even larger than the Huntington. However, the Huntington is a more diverse garden and probably has more unusual and rare plants, in addition to its fantastic library and art collection. We are fortunate to have the Huntington in our back yard.

We invite you to provide Alex or Tom with your thoughts on speakers and speaker topics for 2018 and ways to make our meeting more relevant to you needs/interests. We will do our best to accommodate all requests and suggestions.

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. Alex's e-mail is anadzan@mac.com.

Look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Alex Nadzan and Bill Wong Co-Presidents, POS

2018 POS Board Election

November is our Annual Meeting and Elections of POS officers for 2018 as stipulated by the bylaws. All POS members are encouraged to attend, confirm the board, and vote on Member of the Year.



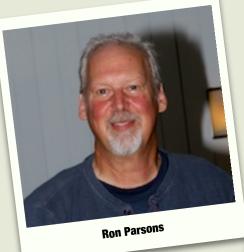
We still have one open position for the 2nd VP Raffle position to take over for Marita Hoit. The candidate will share with position with Jerry Spahn. Responsibilities include managing raffle sales of tickets at meetings, the silent auction and the monies that are taken in for the society. Please see Alex or Bill if you are willing to volunteer.

The board has identified a great slate of officers for 2018 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): Jerry Spahn and <u>Open Position</u>
- 3rd VP/Membership: Wendy Daneau
- **Secretary**: Frank Vogel
- Treasurer: Vidya Sirsi
- 1st Year Trustees (3 Positions): Maryanne Kind, Sandi Sanquist, Helge Weissig
- 2nd Year Trustees (3 Positions): Suzie Sandore, Cher Whelan, Carl Wood
- Publicity: Jim Anderson
- Newsletter Editor: Susan Johnston
- Webmaster: Helge Weissig

Gems From The October Meeting





Alan Castillo

Angraecum Longiscott "Lea" AM-AOS – Anita & Jerry Spencer



Blc. Toshi Aoki "Pizzaz" AM-AOS **Wendy Daneau**



Miltonia spectabilis var. moreliana **Cher Whelan**



Blc. Bold Step - Alex Nadzan







Den. laevifolium - Wendy Daneau



Blc. Love Sound "Lemon Star" **Alex Nadzan**

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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.

October Judging Report

There were 10 orchids presented for judging and no awards given.

POS Caravan and Orchid Plant Sale

Join us for a visit to Don Rosenstock's home on Saturday, November 4 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm to tour his property and to purchase orchids and other plants he is selling. Don is in the process of selling his home and moving to Poway so he wants to sell a good portion of his collection, which consists of numerous cattleyas, dendrobiums and laelias grown in his greenhouse, including plants he has collected during his world travels. He also has several cymbidium species and hybrids to sell.

Don will host a tour from 10 am–noon, followed by lunch. Attendees will enjoy seeing his tropical garden, the large koi pond, and the Japanese garden at the back of the property. From there, you can enjoy an unobstructed view of nearby mountains.



Following lunch, Don will be selling orchids as well as some of his other plants (cycads, succulents and tillansias). Please bring boxes for your plant purchases. If you plan to buy several plants, you may want to drive individually, however, for those who want to car pool, we will announce a location near his home for everyone to meet at 9:30 am.

Sign up at the meeting or call Alex Nadzan (760-529-5814,

anadzan@mac.com) to let us know if you plan to attend. Directions to Don's home and the carpool location will be available at the meeting.

Annual Holiday Dinner

The Palomar Orchid Society will be holding their annual Holiday Dinner and Officer installation on Wednesday, December 6 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.

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

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 Bill Wong, 7098 Heron Circle, Carlsbad, CA 92011.

Deadline for receipt of your payment is Monday, November 20. No payments will be accepted at the door! If you have any questions, please contact Bill at (760) 931-0502 or by email at billtcwong@att.net.

Member of the Year 2017

The following members, listed in alphabetical order, were nominated for the Member of the Year 2017 Award. We will hold a vote at the November meeting and the award will be presented at the Holiday Dinner in December.

Alex Nadzan

Alex has served as both co-president and co-1st vice president of the society in 2017. In addition to the responsibilities associated with both positions, he also organized the 2017 auction.

Merle Robboy

Merle presents the Show & Tell plants at every monthly meeting and volunteered as auctioneer at the 2017 auction. He also participated in the culture class panel discussion held earlier in the year.

Jerry Spahn

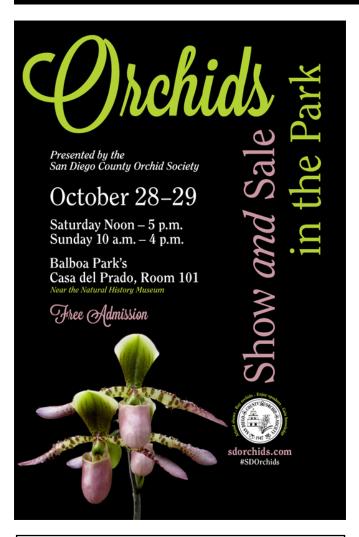
Jerry served as co-2nd vice president in 2017 and volunteered as cashier for the auction.

Anita and Jerry Spencer

The Spencers hosted a caravan and repotting session at their home this summer. Both always bring many wonderful plants to our meetings for Show & Tell.

Bill Wong

Bill served as co-president in 2017 and volunteered to organize the POS show displays as well as the 2017 holiday party.





Our annual open house is coming!

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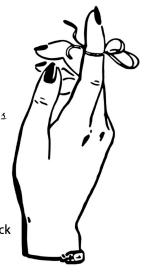
Saturday Dec. 2, 2017 9 am - 4 pm

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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 2nd 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



Ever since we lost our cat last year, we have had a rodent problem. Figs, tomatoes, cucumbers, and egg plants being nibbled on are par for the course, and I don't mind sharing. Where I draw the line, it's with my orchids! Unfortunately, my traps and bait stations went empty for a couple of nights and the damage was done. They climbed the sturdy, two-foot high reeds of all three of my *Sobralia dichotoma* divisions and gnawed off almost all the new shoots at the top. And my specimen-size *Lc*. *Bowri-Albida* lost at least four pseudobulbs. It was

hanging from a stand and they must have jumped onto the pot from the adjacent fence that is teeming with them, well hidden in the vines growing all over it. So now it is war! Does anyone have a shotgun I can borrow? I am obviously open to alternative suggestions!!!

On a more serious note, I want to emphasize the importance of everyone's participation in the board election and the vote for the Member of the Year. Obviously, we would also love to see recently joined members and those that have taken a break from volunteering for a while get more involved.

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

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Frank Vogel — Publicity
Helge Weissig & Ivan Allen — Newsletter & Website Editors

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Upcoming Events

October 28 & 29, 2017
Fall Orchids in the Park
Show & Sale
San Diego County Orchid Society
sdorchids.com

November 1, 2017
POS General Meeting
Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
palomarorchid.org

November 7, 2017 Orchid Judging Center Casa del Prado. Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting sdorchids.com

November 15, 2017 SDCCS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

November 17, 2017 Orchid Odyssey San Diego Zoo sandiegozoo.org

November 18 - 19, 2017 Falling for Orchids Show & Sale Santa Barbara Orchid Society SB Museum of Nat. History orchidsb.org **December 5, 2017** SDCOS Annual Holiday Party

December 6, 2017
POS Annual Holiday Dinner
Chan's Chinese Restaurant

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December 15, 2017Orchid Odyssey
San Diego Zoo
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December 20, 2017 SDCCS Holiday Party

January 2, 2018Orchid Judging Center
Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

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

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February 7, 2018POS General Meeting
Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
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February 16, 2018Orchid Odyssey
San Diego Zoo
sandiegozoo.org

February 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 1105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078

