

ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

Norma Herzog Community Center | 1845 Park Avenue | Costa Mesa, CA 92627

January 2023

President's Message

Happy New Year! It is wet and rainy and that is good. We need it. I managed to get the yard into relatively good order before the rains so the bulbs are coming up and everything is greening. Now is the time to get into the greenhouse and sort things out; unfortunately, Christmas and New Year's Day have left me lazy. Oh well, there's tomorrow.

Speaking of the garden, we need one more volunteer for the Garden Tour for this spring. I am thinking March or April at the latest. If you would like to volunteer, see me at the next meeting.

The Christmas party at Stonefire Grill went well. Seeing everyone was good and the venue has worked well. Speaking of venues, so far as we know the Westminster Mall is going away, so we are looking for a new venue in Orange County for an orchid fair or show.

The Board of Directors will take up the issue soon, but this may be a major structural obstacle for us. Malls are obviously a natural for us. If you have any other ideas with See you there, adequate customer traffic, parking, capacity, and so forth, let me know.

Our new meeting place is the Norma Hertzog Community Center, 1845 Park Ave, Costa Mesa, CA 92627. That is basically where we were before the Senior Center, though it is in a different renovated building. See page two for more information.

I am sure there will be a few technical glitches to start with but it is looking good. I encourage you to bring plants to show. We should have the space and tables to do so now.

Tom Harrison **NHOS President**

January Speaker

Peter Lin

"Spectacular Orchids: a Portrait of the Most Beautiful and Spectacular Orchids from around the World"

Peter Lin started growing orchids over 40 years ago, but then stopped due to school and starting a career. It wasn't until about 15 years ago that the orchid "bug" came back, and he is now heavily involved once again.

He is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society and a hybridizer of mini-catts. He enjoys meeting with other orchid enthusiasts and can often be found at various orchid shows and societies

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month.

General Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

around the country.

Due to limited growing space, Peter likes to specialize in miniature orchids, both species and hybrids, and has received numerous AOS awards. His other interests in orchids include Dendrobiums, Angraecoids, and Neofinetias.

He is also known as "Mr. Sophronitis" as he has a passion for growing and collecting them. He maintains a collection of several thousand orchids at his home in Southern California in three small greenhouses, outdoors, as well as an offsite greenhouse.

Peter will be speaking on his favorite fragrant orchids







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A New Venue for NHOS

We're starting off the New Year with a new venue!

We're moving to the Norma Herzog Community Center, 1845 Park Ave., Costa Mesa 92627. This is the "old" Costa Mesa library building. Before we met at the Senior Center, we met at the CM Community Center.

That building has been torn down, but the old library that shared the parking lot has been renovated into a very large meeting hall. We'll have plenty of room to spread out and show our plants.

We're very grateful to Sherman Library and Gardens for providing us with a place to meet while we got back to meeting in person again.

The first meeting in the Herzog location is Tuesday, January 17, at 7:00 p.m.

Please bring your own beverage and goodie to share with everyone.

And bring your blooming plants to share!!





