



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

Sherman Library & Gardens | 2647 East Coast Highway | Corona del Mar, CA 92625

May 2022

President's Message

Hello all NHOS members,

It was great to see so many of you in person again after the pandemic!

Our first in-person monthly meeting at Sherman Gardens was a successful occasion. It is hard to believe the last time we met in person was March of 2020 at the Costa Mesa Senior Center.

This month's meeting will be a full-

scale meeting with the speaker in person. Please bring your blooming plants for Show & Tell so all members can enjoy them.

Carol Siegel, our speaker for the April meeting, was very entertaining and educational at the same time. I hope we can arrange to have Carol give another presentation in person in the future. Our vice president, **Julie Ford**, once again arranged another great speaker for our club.

The NHOS Show Committee is currently in the process of preparing for our Summer Exotic Plant & Orchid Festival at the Westminster Mall. I really appreciate all show committee members who participate in this groundwork!

Thank you,

Winn Winmaw
NHOS President

May Speaker

Scott McGregor

"Growing Orchids in the Southern California Coastal Climate"

Scott McGregor has been growing orchids since he was 12, when a neighbor gave him a plant. That plant had a short life, but the hook was set, and he found books and sources for orchid species while growing up in St. Louis.

His collection has morphed over time, living in different location around the world, but has always centered around the more unusual species. Scott grows all his plants outdoors, without a greenhouse, just "subtracting some sunlight and adding some water" to what nature provides in Southern California.

He especially enjoys finding new species that grow well in our cli-



mate (many are far more adaptable than most people would believe), and now grows over 500 different orchid species, along with cloud forest companion plants such as Heliamphora and epiphytic Utricularia.

Scott rarely uses chemical insecticides or fungicides, preferring fresh air, beneficial insects and our na-

tive tree frogs. Scott retired from the corporate world a few years ago, and stays active on corporate boards and working with non-profit groups that promote science education for kids. He resides with his family in San Juan Capistrano, California.

Topic

Don't have a greenhouse? No problem, we live in a very orchid friendly climate. This talk describes the journey experimenting with hundreds of species in our Southern California coastal climate to find what grows well.

Surprisingly, many species listed as "warm growers" or "greenhouse" actually do just fine outdoors, so if you don't have a greenhouse, here are some you can try. If you do have a greenhouse, you can free up some space by booting some outdoors, where they may be happier anyway.

Meetings are held on the **third Tuesday** of each month.

General Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Officers and Board of Directors

At the April meeting, the Nominations Committee read out its recommendations for the NHOS officers and Board of Directors. They are:

Officers

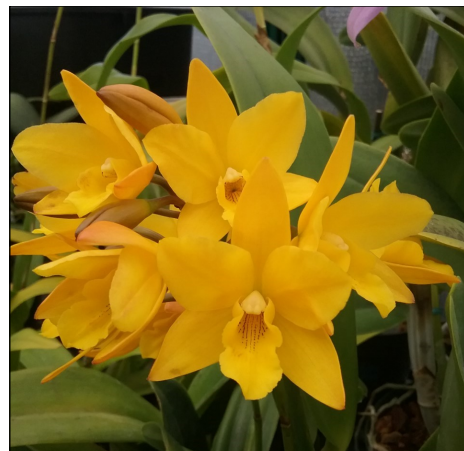
President	Tom Harrison
1 st Vice President	Open
2 nd Vice President	Joe Rupp
Secretary	Rosemary Krumme
Treasurer	Richard Hara
Membership Secretary	Open

Board of Directors

2022-23 Marilyn Bauer, Ron DeWilde, Valerie Sanders
2022-24 Julie Ford, Jan Hennessey, Bill MacCorkel
2022-25 Paula Butler, Michael Miranda, Chitsaya Winmaw

Please note that Winn Winmaw will be returning as *ex officio*, and Kira Jones was nominated for 1st VP at the April meeting.

If you are interested in serving as Membership Secretary, please contact Winn Winmaw or Tom Harrison. The new board will be installed at the June meeting.



Officers 2020-2022

President

Winn Winmaw

First Vice President

Julie Ford

Second Vice President

Joe Rupp

Corporate Secretary

Rosemary Krumme

Membership Coordinator

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Treasurer

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Valerie Sanders

Board of Directors

Three-year Term (expires 2024)

Jan Hennessey

Tom Harrison

Marilyn Bauer

Two-year Term (expires 2023)

Chitsaya Winmaw

Paula Butler

Ron DeWilde

One-year Term (expires 2022)

Elizabeth Hau

Bill MacCorkell

Michael Miranda



Orchid Sales at Sherman Gardens

NHOS will again be participating in Sherman Gardens Plantorama on July 16 and 17.

Last year's sale was a huge success. We will have tables and limited space available to us for our members to sell plants, if desired. We will be there as a Society but each member will be selling their plants on their own.

If interested in participating, each member will be responsible for their own plant labeling, pricing, and handling sales transactions. Only Orchid plants, please. The Board has decided that to help offset our costs, we will be charging \$2 per plant to a maximum of \$30 from each seller.

If you have any questions, please contact Joe Rupp at 714-329-5155 or Ann Rupp at 714-329-7721.

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May Meeting Information

We will begin the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with Show and Tell. Bring in your blooming plants to share with everyone. No ribbon judging, just appreciation of your orchid growing skills. Our speaker will be in-person.

Please bring your own drink; finger dessert to share would be appreciated.

No raffle table this month but we will have a door prize plant giveaway.

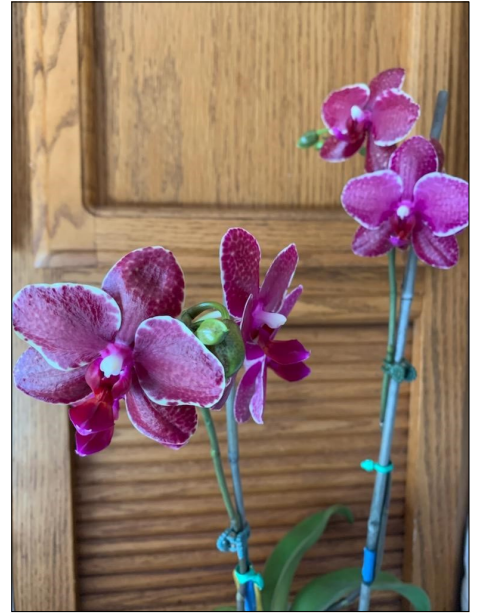
We will resume collecting dues at our June meeting. \$25 for two people at the same address and \$20 for a single.

Location and Parking

Sherman Library and Gardens
2647 East Coast Hwy, Corona del Mar CA 92625

Parking Lot A – On Dahlia & PCH

Parking Lot B – Behind the Gardens at Dahlia & 3rd



Mark Your Calendars

Here are the dates for our monthly meetings at the Sherman Gardens for the remainder of the year.

May 17

June 21

Installation Banquet at Michael Miranda's home in Costa Mesa

July 19

August 16

September 27**

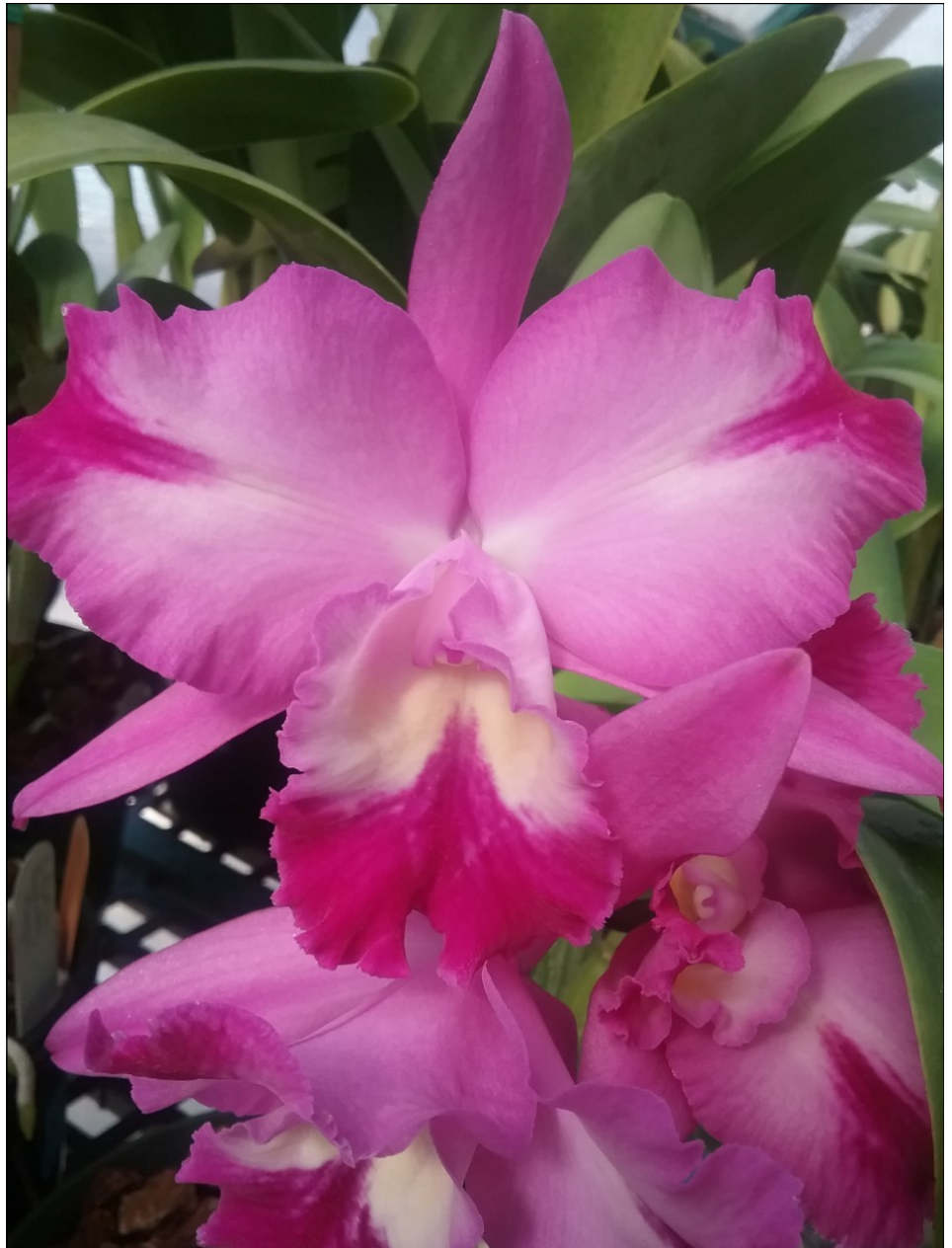
October 25**

November 15

December to be determined

**These dates are NOT the third Tuesday of the month because of a conflict with Sherman Gardens.

Please mark your calendars!





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