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Shelter at Home Edition
April general meeting is cancelled.

In keeping with the medical necessity to shelter in place during this corona outbreak, the Peninsula Orchid Society is cancelling its April 2020 meeting. We hope everyone is doing their best to practice social distancing. Our entire community depends on how we adhere to medical recommendations to flatten the curve.

The Board is evaluating whether we will be able to have our May 2020 meeting which we had planned to be a member plant sale at the time of the meeting. Since the medical conditions are so fluid, we are not able to make specific plans at this time. The Board will re-evaluate the situation and the viability of the May meeting later in the month of April. In the meantime, please keep yourself and your family and your community safe.

Thanks.
Carol Zoltowski
President, POS

Member News

March Birthdays

Clarice Hampel, Evelyn Jones, Anna Margarita Quiroz, Roey Shaviv, Isis Trenchard, Carol Zoltowski, Jyotsna Prakash, Frank, Blomquist, C. Todd Kennedy, Su McMurtry, Nancy Francis, Margery Mayer, Javier Perez

April Birthdays

Jana Sokale, Carl Jukkola, Mark Khoo, Japheth Ko, Tanya Lam, Eric Langland, Elizabeth Lee, Pauline Wong, Michael Bautista, Katy Waugh, Steve Briscoombe, Greg Corrales, Don Creevy, Cassandra Gaunt, Lynne Gentry, Mike Green

Happy birthday!!

February meeting refreshments – thank you!

Anna Chai, Chen-Hao Hsu, Annie Green, Lisa Pace, Jung Ra, Mike Rector, Isis Trenchard, Janusz Warszawski, Helena Wee

Membership Renewals:

Annual membership dues are due in January; they can be paid by check, cash or credit card at our monthly meetings, on the website <http://penorchidsoc.org/membership.html> using Paypal, or mailed to the address provided in the 2020 Membership Renewal form.

Sarcochilus Sale

It was intended that Scott Barrie of Barrita Orchids would come to the AOS members meeting in Sacramento, and give the keynote address. In preparation for his trip, he shipped a significant number of special sarcochilus, seedling sarcochilus, and sarcochilus in flask into the US. Obviously, the AOS members meeting has been postponed, which is the bad news. The good news is these plants are now being made available to orchid enthusiasts in the Bay area.

You can view the list of plants and flasks on the Barrita Orchids home page (about a third of the way down), or by following this link: https://barritaorchids.com/pages/usa-2020?_pos=1&_sid=6deg743da&_ss=r Note that Scott will handle any and all monetary transactions (from Australia), while I will help with distribution.



Thanks!
Ken Jacobsen

Google Group and AOS seminars

I wanted to be sure you are aware that the American Orchid Society has currently made all of its webinars available to everyone. Usually only some of the webinars are available to non-AOS members. There is a wealth of information there and this is a great time to take advantage of these webinars. Many of us belong to AOS, but you may not have checked out all of the different webinars that are available.

Recently I sent invitations out to all of our members in good standing (this year's dues have been paid) to join the POS Members' Google Group. This group was created to allow members to post photos of orchids you have in bloom now and to allow members to ask and answer any orchid related questions. If you did not receive your invitation please let me know at chaunie@cluemail.com and I will send a new one. If you have a gmail address but that is not the email address you listed for POS use, you may want to send that to me as it can be easier to get Google Groups to function correctly using the gmail address.

It is possible that your invitation went into your spam folder.


If you didn't accept your invitation, it has expired. Please let me know if you want to join and I will reissue the invitation. I have forgotten how long you have - 5 days? 9 days? before the invitation expires. That is controlled by Google.

Also, the accept button is way down at the bottom of the screen, it is not the link to the group up near the top. Please contact me to help you with any issues.

Stay safe!
Chaunie

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Interesting links to help kill the time

- [Deborah Halliday Greenhouse tour video](#) – Deborah is the sister of our member, Tom Waugh, and in this video she gives a tour of her amazing greenhouse.
- [Orchid Roots](#) – a neat resource to look up plant lineage and photos. You can contribute photos as well.
- [Ancient Energy Orchids](#) – our members’ A’na and Paul Sa’tara website with great articles and photos
- [Pleione Culture](#) – a detailed description of how to grow Pleiones
- [St Augustine Orchid Society](#) - This orchid society has a great library of orchid culture articles online

If you have interesting links you would like to submit, send them to peninsulaorchid@gmail.com to be included in the next newsletter.

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Upcoming Orchid Events

April 15-18, 2020

AOS Spring Members Meeting
Postponed.

April 18-19, 2020

Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Show and Sale Redwood City Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave,
Redwood City, 94061
Cancelled.

May 30 & 31, 2020

Sacramento Orchid Society 73rd Annual Orchid Show and Sale
Cancelled.