

The Desert Blooms

Newsletter of the Tucson African Violet Society



May 2017

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Jeri Anderson

Those of you who made it to one of the April meetings got to take in one of our best presentations of the year. All three meetings had a wonderful program presentation. Lots of shared information and a few shared leaves too. Hopefully, a few more members will try to grow minis and semis in the future.

May has one of my all-time favorite programs - a potluck! Our potlucks have such yummy food. Be sure to plan on attending. Guests are more than welcome, so bring a friend.

There will be one last chance to give ideas for our summer and fall programs at the potluck. Also, we have to decide upon a theme for next spring's show.

Summer heat is upon us, so cut down on the amount of fertilizer and light you give your plants.

Hope to see you all at the potluck.

CASCADES SALE

Jeri Anderson

Please note that the date of the Cascades sale has been changed to **Saturday, May 13th**. The times remain the same: Set up 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon; Sale 12:00 noon – 3:00p.m.; Clean-up 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Please let Kathy Bell know if you are going to bring plants to sell.

WEEKLY GROWING TIPS

The Weekly Growing Tips that are sent out from the AVSA Membership & Promotions committee (aka Joyce Stork) are now archived on the AVSA.org website. Thanks to our very own Candace Baldwin for developing this area and maintaining the updates. You will now see the Weekly Growing Tips as an option on the home page. There is even a search option!

MAY POTLUCK

Date: Saturday, May 6th, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Event: Joint Potluck

Program: Violet Bingo

Location: The Fountains in the basement meeting room.

Bring: Dish to share; please bring serving utensil. Club will provide drinks, paper products and plastic ware.

Bring: Plants and leaves for violet bingo.

DUES ARE DUE

Dues will be collected at the Spring Potluck. There is a \$5 delinquency fee to reinstate membership after June 30th.

HELP WANTED

We need someone to take over making name tags. Anne-Lee has stopped doing those beautiful machine embroidery name tags due to trouble with her sewing machine. The name tags do not have to be machine embroidered.



Best Semi-minature: *Mac's Misty Meadow*
 Exhibited by: Robert Richert



Best Miniature: *Windsome*
 Exhibited by: Judy Soop

TAVS CALENDAR

Spring Potluck

Sat., May 6th, 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 The Inn at the Fountains

Cascades Sale

Sat., May 13th, 12:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 3rd floor of the Cascades

AVSA National Convention

'Gateway to the Tropics'

Orlando, FL
 May 28– June 4, 2017

Newsletter Deadlines

Thur., May. 18th Deadline for Summer
 Thur., Aug. 23rd Deadline for September

† The Cascades, 201 N. Jessica Avenue.
 In the Third floor Fit Center.

*The Inn at The Fountains, 5830 N. Fountains Ave.,
 behind (south of) The Fountains Retirement Village,
 2001 W. Rudasill. In basement meeting room.
