



Open Gates

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NEXT MEETING, No December 2020 Meeting
AT THE REDLANDS CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
1307 E CITRUS AVE, IN REDLANDS, CA

Plants of the Month

Cactus –

Succulent –



Next Month

Cactus –

Succulent –

From Our President:

So it's December this month and as we close out another year, this year will certainly go out as one to remember...or not. The irony to still not being able to get together for a big group meeting is that we started out this year without meeting in January as well; it was on the 1st of the January. In fact, we were only able to meet twice for 2020. Needless to say, you all know the current health pandemic situation and that the club will not be having any monthly meeting for the foreseeable 2021. As a reminder, all paid members as of June 2020 will have their current membership automatically extended and applied to their 2021 membership.

Congratulations to John Reynolds and Karen Roholt for being elected to serve as Directors on the Board for 2021-2022. Thank you to the members who had voted with this unconventional method and for your continued support to the club. Many of you did not vote. Maybe you forgot or you didn't want to?! Regardless, you are members of the club so please keep in touch with one another. Keep in touch with the club. Let us know how you have been and what you have been doing.

Like you, I too, would have been looking forward to and preparing for our annual end-of-the-year holiday party. As we remember celebrations from previous years, keep the memories of our friends and fellow members who have left us during this past year. The newsletter has not had much news to share each month besides giving updates with the ongoing CSSA webinar lecture series. This is the temporary new "norm" for many, if not all CSSA affiliates. Some of the clubs have been conducting monthly zoom web-meetings in addition to the speaker lectures. Give us your thoughts if you would be interested with this new format...at least temporarily.

Through this communication, I can only express to each of you my most sincere and warmest Season's Greetings. Whatever your holiday plans may be, I know you will be nice and not naughty; be safe and not daring; and be vigilant to not giving up hope on seeing everyone again soon at a cactus/succulent event. May your health remain unchallenged and the New Year brings us all better prospect. Happy and Cheerful Holiday. - Phuc

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