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May General Meeting

Monday, May 13, 2024
at the Farm Bureau Meeting Room
3290 N. Ad Art Road, Stockton
6:30 PM

Worldwide Orchid Conservation with Mary Gerritsen

Our speaker is an active member of the Peninsula OS, having served as Director, Vice-President, President, and Show Chair; has been a past President of the SFOS and currently serves as the President and CEO of the Orchid Conservation Alliance. She is on the Board of Directors of the Orchid Digest, and has co-authored multiple botanical books on orchids, as well as a contributor to the AOS magazine, *Orchids*, *Orchid Digest*, and *Orchid Review*. One of her favorite pastimes is to photograph orchids *in situ* in varied places around the world.

Like many of us, she has been interested in plants for most of her adult life. She had been growing orchids on and off for about 35 years, but her passion was rekindled in 1997 after attending an orchid show and bringing home a few plants. She joined the local Orchid Society (POS) to learn how to

President's Message

Please check out our newly updated website, www.SanJoaquinOrchidSociety.org, and many thanks to Amanda Barlow and to Paula Williams who will be our new webmaster. Please send pictures and news to her (paula2405dw@yahoo.com) and she will upload them onto the site. She already has taken many photos of our meetings and club activities, so please be free with your own orchid photos and stories about how you grow them, ie: in the kitchen window, outside on your patio, under a tree, etc.

We have three new Board Members: Paula Williams, JoEllen Certain and Elsie Alegre. They will be officially installed at our Christmas Dinner in December.

We recently got a new member, Ed Rickman as of the April meeting. Please add him to your membership list: His email address is Trexed@aol.com.