

Geraniamania

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A Publication of the San Diego Geranium Society
The San Diego Geranium Society meets the Second
Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., in Room 101 of the
Casa Del Prado in Balboa Park.
Meetings are Free! All Welcome!

Presidents Message

Jean and I had a wonderful holiday season with family and friends, and we hope you did too! We're heading into a New Year, and I would like to thank and congratulate Marilyn Ketteringham for becoming our next President! I would also like to thank the membership for your support during my two terms. The highlights were many.

We had two great Shows, and two successful Sales. We also participated twice at the San Diego County Fair, and also at the "Garden Party of the Century" held this summer in Balboa Park. We also hosted a very successful Geranium Conference, and received many complements from the attendees.

It's time to start planning for our next Show and Sale. SO - put your thinking caps on, and come to the meeting with ideas for this year's Show/Sale theme. It's never too soon to be thinking about the show!

Jim Z will continue with his pruning presentation so bring in your plants from the November meeting. This will be my last President's message, and again, thanks for all your support!

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January Meeting Tuesday, January 10, 2017

*Out with the old...
In with the NEW!*

Don't forget to -

Bring Cuttings from your Garden -

Bring a plant for "Show and Tell"



Geranium Calliope® Medium Dark Red
2017 AAS Ornamental Vegetative Winner

With an outstanding deep red velvety flower color and great branching habit, Calliope® was unmatched in the AAS Trials when compared to other market varieties. Calliope® Medium Dark Red geranium is an interspecific hybrid with zonal-type flowers and leaves. This AAS Winner has a mounded, semi-spreading growth habit with strong stems supporting the flower heads that are loaded with deep red blossoms. These plants work great in containers, combination plantings, hanging baskets as well as in an in-ground landscape. Gardeners will enjoy exceptional landscape performance in normal conditions as well as in more challenging high heat and drought conditions.

*WELCOME IN THE
NEW YEAR!*



This simulated cut-away view shows how clay pot shards can be arranged in the container to mimic alpine crevices, which many erodiums need to thrive. Well draining soil amended with crushed limestone can also be helpful.

From the Autumn 2016 Geraniaceae Group News (UK) by John Beaulieu



Hardy Geraniums & Erodiums in Canada

Geranium Danny West has striking orange flowers. The leaves are golden with a decorative bronzy zone. Breeder's Brian West, UK, 1994. From Pelargon Zon



Pelagonium Ochroleucum
Native of South Africa



From Per Fischer
Planet Geranium

The world is full of beautiful/unusual Geraniaceae!