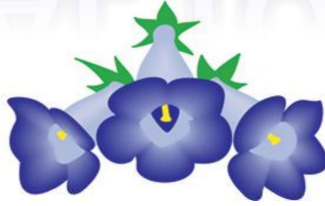


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Sharon's *Sinningia bullata* x 'Pink Tiger'

MEETING LOCATION:

Emmanuel United Methodist Church
10755 Scaggsville Road, Laurel, MD 20723

July 11th: Zoom Meeting 10:30am
August 8th: Zoom Meeting 10:30am
Sept 11th: Zoom Meeting 10:30am
Show and Sale are canceled
October 10th: TBA
November 21th: TBA
December 12th: Holiday Party TBA

NCAC Charter

Barb Stewart

In order to be a chapter of The Gesneriad Society, Inc, a group must meet the following qualifications, as stated in the Bylaws of the society:

"Chapter Qualifications - Any group of ten (10) or more members of this Society who wish to affiliate themselves to forward the work and purposes of the Society may be organized into a local Chapter of the Society, and shall be issued a Charter."

After asking a number of long standing members, I was not able to find anyone who had a copy of our original charter. The national society does not keep records of charters, so the Chapters and Affiliates Chairperson, Karyn Cichocki, agreed to issue another, providing we could determine the date the chapter began. Unfortunately, no one had this information either, and there are no charter members still in the club. However, Jim Roberts was able to locate an old magazine in which NCAC first appeared as a chapter. So it was July 1972 when our chapter first began. This month we celebrate our chapter's 48th birthday! More on page 10.

President's Message

Barbara Stewart

I would say our Zoom meeting last month was quite successful. Participants all had a lot to share. We have decided to do this again this month and have been experimenting with different options. Participants are encouraged to share either a plant or two, a video of their growing areas, or just a growing tip. Everyone is encouraged to share something. Janet has been working on adding videos or photos to a PowerPoint before the meeting, so people can prepare and send her things ahead of time. This way you can practice your photography skills and not feel pressured on the spot during the meeting.

President's Message continued

We are still looking for program ideas for the coming months. If we are still meeting through Zoom, a slide presentation is a great option. If you have a topic you would like to present, contact me or Donna. Please review the tips for participating in a Zoom meeting. We will start with our sharing and then have a short business meeting. **Look for the meeting link from Petal Tones on Thursday.**