



PETAL TONES



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Dena's *Saintpaulia* "Opera's Juliette". "The blooms are covered with white fantasy puffs when they first open, & mature to a lovely pale lavender blue, which is a nice contrast against very dark foliage."

No Meeting on May 11th Members will meet Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 9am – 3 pm to participate in Plant Sale at Green Spring Gardens, Fairfax, VA

June 8, 2024 Kitty Hedgepeth on Grooming Plants for Show

July 2024 No meeting Gesneriad convention

August Savannah Scollar on Artistic Design with Gesneriads

September 14th Mini Show at the Church

October 12th TBD

November 9th No meeting due to MAAVS show

December 14th Holiday luncheon and meeting at the home of Johanna Zinn

President's Message

Abundance is all around. We have had an abundance of rain and now we have an abundance of heat. After two African violet shows and numerous local plant sales, I now have an abundance of plants. We can have too much extreme weather, but can we really have too many plants? The only thing lacking is an abundance of time. (Too many plants, too little time...) I plan to have a good supply of garden and house plants to bring to the Green Spring Garden sale. There will also be gesneriads, of course, like my *Streptocarpus* seedling below. Hope you can stop by. Barbara




Spring GARDEN DAY
The Big Plant Sale
Green Spring Gardens



Saturday, May 18, 2024 • 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Annuals • Perennials • Shrubs • Trees • Bake Sale
Gardening tips & more from dozens of local vendors and master gardeners

Green Spring Gardens
4603 Green Spring Rd, Alexandria
Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring for more information
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