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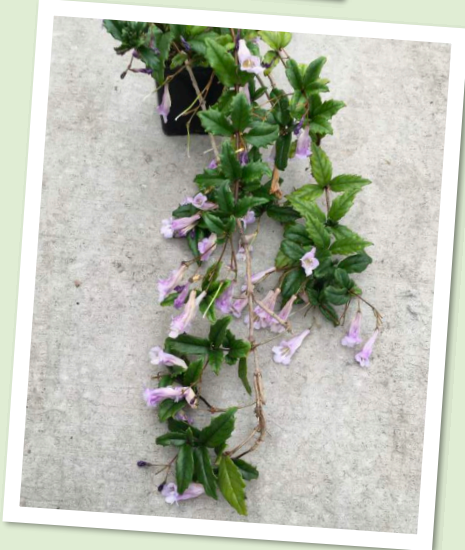
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This issue includes photos of gesneriads blooming now, *Sinningia stapelioides* photos, and the late Monte Watler's thoughts on "This Is My Society".

Hope you enjoy **Gleanings!**

Mel Grice, Editor



Ron Myhr, from Ontario, Canada, sent this photo of an unnamed *Sinningia speciosa* hybrid that he grew from a batch of 'Empress Mix' seeds. See more photos from Ron's windowsill on the following pages.

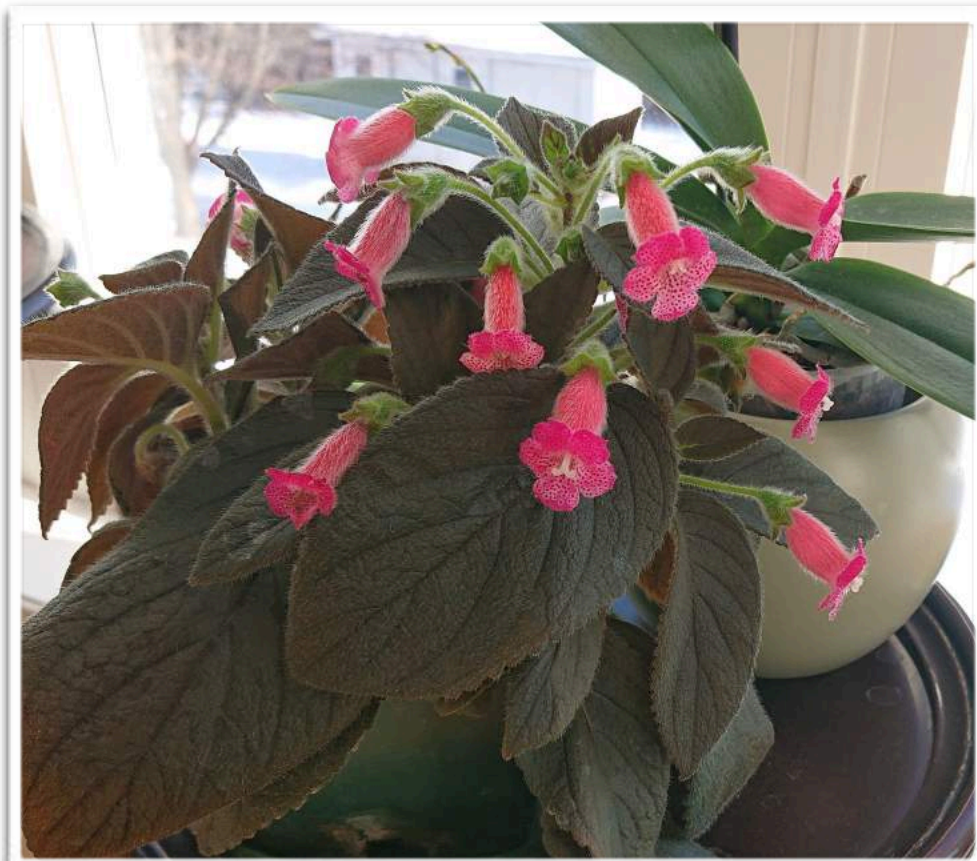
Ron Myhr photo



Gesneriads Blooming Now



Ron Myhr photos



Kohleria 'Bud's Strawberry Shortcake'



Sinningia speciosa 'Empress Mix'
hybrid
Ron Myhr photo

Saintpaulia 'Rob's Kitten Caboodle'
Vicki Ferguson photo



Saintpaulia 'RS - Zimniy Tsvetok'
Vicki Ferguson photo





Eucodonia andrieuxii 'Cathy'
Cathy Willis photo



Saintpaulia 'Cajun's Just in Time'
Cathy Willis photo



Streptocarpus 'Bristol's Oriental Art'

Terri Vicenzi photos

Streptocarpus 'Fred's Wrap Up'





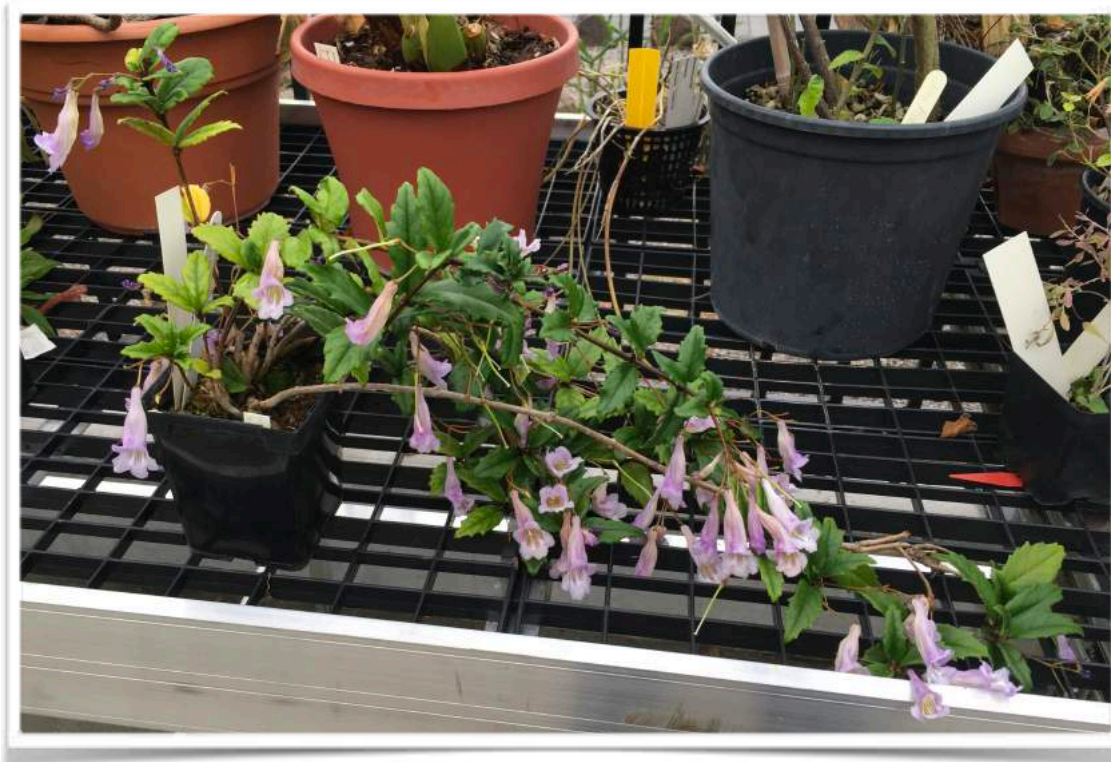
Streptocarpus 'Blueberry Butterfly'
Terri Vicenzi photo



Streptocarpus 'DS - Drama Queen'
Terri Vicenzi photo

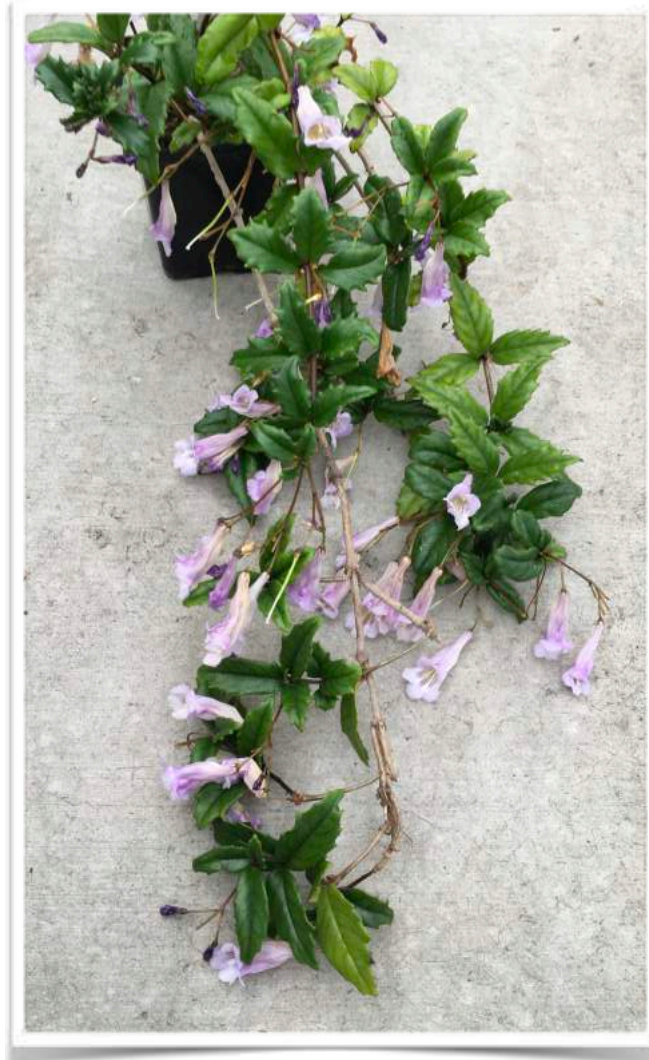


Saintpaulia 'Windsome'
Terri Vicenzi photo



Charles Huston photos

"*Lysionotus* sp. in bloom at the College of Biological Sciences greenhouse in St. Paul, Minnesota. It is not certain what species it is. It resembles *Lysionotus serratus* so we label it *Lysionotus* sp. aff. *serratus*. Species aff. = affinity or closely related to."
— Charles Huston — University of Minnesota



Streptocarpus 'Gator's Tail'

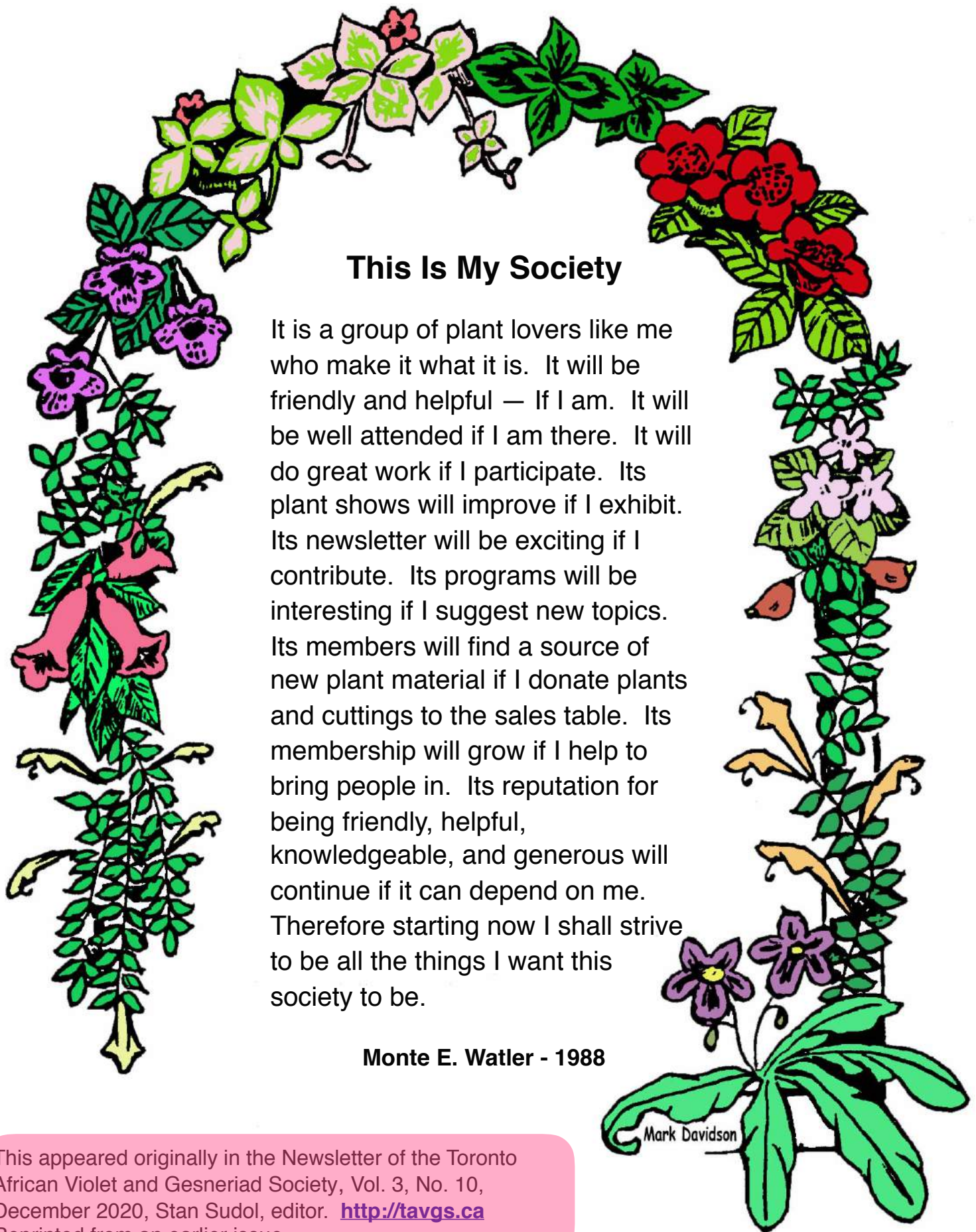


Sinningia stapelioides, formerly known by the holding name "Pancas", has an interesting growth habit, with (normally) just one stem and one leaf. The flowers appear in winter, usually after the stem and its one leaf have dropped.

Tuber photos by
Karyn Cichocki



Flower photos by Carolyn Ripps



This Is My Society

It is a group of plant lovers like me who make it what it is. It will be friendly and helpful — If I am. It will be well attended if I am there. It will do great work if I participate. Its plant shows will improve if I exhibit. Its newsletter will be exciting if I contribute. Its programs will be interesting if I suggest new topics. Its members will find a source of new plant material if I donate plants and cuttings to the sales table. Its membership will grow if I help to bring people in. Its reputation for being friendly, helpful, knowledgeable, and generous will continue if it can depend on me. Therefore starting now I shall strive to be all the things I want this society to be.

Monte E. Watler - 1988

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From the editor —



This is NOT *Smithiantha multiflora* as labeled in last issue. Label it as *Smithiantha* NOID.

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