

The Gesneriad Society
2026 Annual Report to the Board For Calendar Year 2025



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Current properties: Many print back issues, electronic back issues, Publications sales items consisting of Registers, Calendars

Replacement value for properties held: approximately \$1000 (actually irreplaceable since we won't be reprinting these items)

How my committee process works: I solicit and assemble written material and images, work with Damian Adshead on layout, work with proofreaders through two or more stages of editing.

The job description/committee process is up to date: yes

Current Suppliers and Contact Information:

Layout and Graphics: Damian Adshead <damianadshead@gmail.com>

Printer/Mailer: Sheridan Press: Katy Seibert katy.seibert@sheridan.com

Activities/accomplishments during past year (2025): Once again we were able to create four colorful 64-page issues of Gesneriads, all published on time. I am grateful to the authors who contributed material for the journal.

Green activities/possible actions: The journal is produced entirely electronically. No paper is involved in the production process. We distribute the journal electronically to our “Green Members.” The PDF version is enhanced; all links, email addresses, and Table of Contents entries are clickable. We continue to feature articles on plant exploration and conservation, to raise awareness of the endangered habitats of gesneriads in the wild.

Future plans/goals: I hope to solicit more original material for the journal. I would like to work more closely with the editors of specialty newsletters (*Gleanings*, *CrossWords*, *Appraisal*) to share and coordinate material for publication.

Last year’s expenses (2025): \$469.49 Reimbursed: \$469.49

Please note these expenses are for mailing publications orders. They are not my actual editor expenses.

Receipts for budgeted and approved expenditures, which are not submitted for reimbursement, will be deemed to have been incurred on behalf of the Gesneriad Society as a benevolent gesture of kindness.

Proposed budget for next year (2026): \$2200 (\$1600 stipend + 600 misc)

Income comes from memberships. It is impossible for me to calculate, but it is some number less than the total income from membership.