



# San Diego County Orchid Society

*Purpose: To promote interest in orchids and their cultivation, to educate by exchanging information and experiences related to successful orchid culture, and to support the conservation of orchids in the wild.*

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## CULTURE MEETING— February 7, 6:30 PM *Vandaceous Orchids*

By Scott LaBouff, 2nd Vice President

Nico Goossens will speak about Vandaceous orchids and their care. Vandas are a genus of approximately fifty species originating from Asia with distribution from India, through Southeast Asia and the islands of the Philippines and New Guinea to northern Australia. This is a horticulturally important genus often used for their color in producing intergeneric hy-

brids. *Vanda coerulea* is prized for its blue color and *Vanda dearei* for its yellow color. "Vandaceous" usually means "grows like a vanda" (monopodial). Some popular vandaceous genera include *Ascocentrum*, *Neofinetia* and *Rhynchostylis*. All of these orchids are very rewarding additions to any collection.

## GENERAL MEETING— February 7, 7:30 PM *ASO Award Photos* *SDCOS New Homepage*

By Paul Tuskes 1st Vice President

We will have two speakers at our February Society meeting. Arthur Pinkers, AOA photographer and judge will show us photos of the AOS awards given at San Diego this past year. Come see what you or your friends submitted for judging and what awards they received. Jack Schaefer will then show us how to get the most out of the new SDCOS home page. Both presentations should be fun and interesting. Nico and Lisa

will provide the plant table.

Remember, AOS Judging starts at 6 pm in room 104. Please bring your plants in before 6 pm for entry, then head out for dinner or attend the novice class. In January 10 plans received AOS awards during the judging session. That is more than are given at most shows...Will you be next?

## San Diego County Orchid Society

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### Meetings

San Diego Orchid Society meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at the Casa Del Prado in Balboa Park.

Culture Class: 6:30 PM, Room 101

General Meeting: 7:30 PM, Room 101

### Newsletter Entries

If you have monthly meetings, classifieds, submissions of interest, photos, or announcements related to orchids, please contact Christopher Croom at (619) 583-3804 or [batescroom@cox.net](mailto:batescroom@cox.net).

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## Orchid Dates to Remember

February 1

### **Palomar Orchid Society Meeting**

Culture class at 6:30; program at 7:00

First Wednesday of the month

The Carlsbad Woman's Club

3320 Monroe Street, Carlsbad

Melana Walding (760) 295-7228

February 4

### **SDCOS Species Group Meeting**

First Saturday of the month

Paul or Ann Tuskes (858) 274-5829

February 7

### **SDCOS Culture Meeting**

First Tuesday of the month

Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

February 7, 7:30 p.m.

### **SDCOS General Meeting**

First Tuesday of the month

Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

February 9, 7:00 PM

### **SDCOS Board Meeting**

Normally, the Thursday following the General Meeting, Balboa Park, Rm. 104

February 10-12

### **Newport Harbor Orchid Expo**

Westminster Mall

Orange County, CA

[www.nhos.org](http://www.nhos.org)

February 15

### **Cymbidium Society Meeting**

Regular meeting, third Wednesday of month

Culture class at 6:30, Meeting at 7:00 PM

San Diego Cty. Botanic Gardens– Ecke Bldg.

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February 17

### **San Diego Zoo's Orchid Odyssey**

Third Friday of the month

10 AM-2 PM (orchid greenhouse is open)

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March 3-4

### **South Bay Spring Show and Sale**

Torrance Cultural Arts Center

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March 9-11

### **San Diego County Orchid Society**

#### **Spring Show and Sale**

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March 16-March 18

### **The 67th Santa Barbara International Orchid Show**

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**Concerning Plants for  
Judging Sessions**

By: Helmut Rohrl

The Pacific South Judging Center conducts  
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**San Diego**

Balboa Park, Casa del Prado, room 104  
1st Tuesday of the month at 6 pm

**San Marino**

Huntington Botanical Gardens  
2nd Saturday of the month at 10 am

**Long Beach**

Whaley Park  
4th Saturday of the month at 7 pm

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have flowering plants judged at one of these  
sessions but is unable to take the plants to the  
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## Annual Orchid Auction

Saturday, February 11, 2012

### All Types of Orchids!

Preview at 11 a.m. Auction at 12 noon

San Diego Botanic Garden  
Ecke Building  
230 Quail Gardens Drive  
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Admission to the Garden for the auction is ½ price:  
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Auction Chairperson: [orchldy2@mac.com](mailto:orchldy2@mac.com) or 760-732-0055

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Meetings monthly (except July and August) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at the Botanic Garden

Culture class 6:30 p.m. - General meeting 7:00 p.m.

## Updates from your President

By: Bruce Berg

The weekend of January 21 and 22 was our Winter Show in the Park. This is one of the fun activities we schedule as a Society to share our orchids with the public and to hopefully encourage new people to join our Society.

Some of our members made significant contributions to make the show a success. Thanks to **Paul Tuskes and Scott LaBouff** for all the work they did to organize the show, **David Brown** for advertising the show as well as transporting the lattice dividers and directing the show setup, **Ernie Acantilado** for his delicious pancit meal for all the members who participated in the judging, **Pam Peters** for all the work she does to organize the judging, and all of the others who pitched in to help make this one of the best shows we have had for some time.

Special thanks for those of you who brought in plants. **Felisa and Ernie Acantilado** won the Best of Show Trophy with their beautiful *Cymbidium Camouflage x Cymbidium devonianum*. **Tom and Barbara Smith** brought in *Cymbidium erthraeum x Cymbidium erthrostylum* which was awarded the Forrest Robinson Trophy for the best grown and cultivated orchid. We also appreciate the vendors who brought in some really nice plants to sell.

We have been notified by the Botanical Garden Foundation that there will be a re-roofing project on our meeting room buildings from mid January until about the middle of April. During that time, the contractor will be removing old roofing and replacing it with new roofing. Please be careful when you are entering or leaving the building area to watch out for any materials that may be in our walkways. Also, depending on when they are working on the roofs, the heating system may be shut down so that the odors will not be

drawn into our meeting rooms.

Lila Wagar, one of our board members, has had to leave the board for personal reasons. We appreciate her participation on the board. The board will fill the Director-at-Large position whose term will be up at the end of this current year.

Remember that our Spring Show will be held next month on March 9 thru the 11 at the Scottish Rite Center. You can help out by volunteering and also helping by selling tickets. We depend on both our volunteers and contributors to make the show a success.

Your Board is working to keep the Society active, financially sound, and to provide for the activities that we enjoy as members of the Society. Consider becoming a Board member for our new Board which begins in July.

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## In Passing: Bell Garner, SDCOS Legend

By Charles and Sue Fouquette

Our Orchid Society recently lost a dear and loyal member, Bell Garner. Bell and Leo were from the Chickasha, Oklahoma region, so even if you didn't know them personally at least you knew they were "OK." They moved to San Diego in 1941 and Leo worked at Consolidated Aircraft during the War years. Bell was a wire-(wo)man and Leo was a mechanic and expediter.

Like all of us, the Garners were orchid hobbyists. Their neighbor had a commercial orchid nursery and wanted to retire. A deal was made and Solana Orchids was born. Bell and Leo grew everything from orchids to peanuts. Leo was raised on a farm and a member of the FFA when he was young, so this was a natural turn of events. According to Leo's sister, Nita (who called him "Ralph"), he could never get the peanuts to dry well enough so that he could store and sell them. The many other plants they grew became their mainstay. The Garners shipped cut orchids all over the world and became very well known. They had two sons. Gary was a geophysicist who married Cynthia, the daughter of SDCOS members Jean and Al Sharp. Gerald was an outstanding and famous local landscape architect.

Leo and Bell were members of the Society for over 50 years. In the early 1970's, Leo wanted to slow down so he donated his half of their orchid plants to our Society. With the money made from the Society from selling many of these orchids, the Garner Educational Trust Fund was established, which provided award incentives to organizations for setting up educational exhibits at our Spring Shows.

Bell wanted to keep on doing what she did best: raise orchids. She entered every category she could at the Del Mar Fair, year after year. Living only a mile from the Fairgrounds was

convenient. Bell was famous for saying that "every two and three dollar prize adds up." Over the years, Bell and Leo added more to their Fund by donating plants. While Leo died back in 1992 and members went to their nursery to help Bell hold auctions of extra plants, splitting the proceeds with the SDCOS to add more money to the Fund, she persevered and continued to grow orchids until her death, developing a reputation for tenacity. The Garners were also generous to our Society in other ways, donating thousands of cut orchids for our corsage booths at the annual show. Bell will be sorely missed.



It was great to see a species orchid on the winner's table at the winter (mini) show for a change (no trophy, of course), a difficult feat due to having to compete with 3 categories *each* of hybrid Cymbidiums and Cattleyas (not to mention the other hybrid categories). Renate Schmidt's *Dendrobium goldschmidtianum* (formerly *D. miyakei*) took 1st Place and Best of Section 12. This plant is a hardy outdoor grower that blooms at least three times a year.





Tom and Barbara Smith's *Cymbidium erythraeum* x *C. erythrostylum* took 1st Place, Best of Section 11, and the Forrest Robinson trophy at January's Balboa Park extravaganza.



Jim Wright's unknown (*P. druryi*-intensive) *Paphiopedilum* hybrid earned a 1st Place and Best of Section 7, as well as a Cultural Award. This is a leggy "bulldog-type" lady slipper.



*Cymbidium* Camouflage Candy 'Geyserland' x *C. devonianum* took 1st Place, Best of Show, and Best of Section 3, and was grown by the Acantilados.



*Cymbidium* Sweet and Savvy (sorry, "savvy" actually has 2 v's) was entered by Jerry Spencer, and it swept 1st Place and earned a Cultural Award for Section 3.



Debbie Halliday grew this beautiful unknown *Doritaenopsis* hybrid, winner of Section 8, a cross between some *Doritis* and another *Phalaenopsis*. We all wish you could know more, but you can't.



*Cymodes Chiriquecii* is a warm-growing intergeneric hybrid between *M. hookeri* and *C. warscewiczii*. It earned Renate Schmidt 1st Place and Best of Section 10.





Odcdm. Tiger Crow 'Golden Girl' grown by Debbie Halliday took 1st Place and Best of Section 9. The "Od" part of "Odcdm." stands for "*Odontoglossum*," indicating that this plant can be grown outdoors.



Slc. Golden Treat, grown by Reante Schmidt, took 1st Place and Best of Section 4, also earning a Cultural Award. The "S" part means you can grow this *C. aurantiaca*-based hybrid outdoors.



Kay Klausing's *Cattleya walkeriana* smelled like Lily-of-the-Valley and took a 1st Place in Section 12G. This species has so many subspecies and cultivars, making it very nice to see a "normal" one.



Felisa (P.) Acantilado's *Cymbidium* had so many things involved in its parentage that I can't mention them all here. It took 1st Place and Best of Section 2.



Blc. Husky Boy 'Romeo' earned a 1st Place and Best of Section 5. Ken Campbell brought this beautiful plant to flower.



Steve Lowe's *Cymbidium* Unkn (shorthand for unknown) took a 1st Place and Best of Section 3. This one has a lot of *C. insignis*.

## San Diego County Orchid Society Board Meeting Minutes

**January 5, 2012**

Attendees: Bruce Berg, Carol Berg, Helen Pfister, David Brown, Paul Tuskes, Bob Clark, Jim Wright, Scott LaBouff and visitor Jack Schaefer.

President Bruce Berg called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

### Officer Reports:

Minutes for the December meeting were approved via email prior to this meeting and were published in the January newsletter.

Carol Berg presented the Treasurer's report for December. David Brown moved to file the report for audit—the motion passed.

### Committee Reports:

Bruce Berg updated the Board on the Spring Show. More volunteers and vendors are needed, otherwise everything is moving forward as scheduled.

Paul and Scott who will be co-chairing the Winter Show in the Park stated more volunteers are needed, and if necessary they will start calling previous volunteers to see if they are available to help out. Without our volunteers our shows are not possible. Suggestions for getting people into our show were: Talking with the Park Ranger who conducts tours for the Park, asking that he inform the tourists about our show. David Brown will be looking into putting posters on Park Boulevard as well as in the Botanical Garden to advertise our show.

David Brown will chair the July 2012 Summer Show in the Park.

Jack Schaefer, our Webmaster, reported that the new web page will be up by the first of the

month. He is still working on a hit counter for the new site.

Bob Clark reported that the membership roster has been sent to all members. The goal for mailing the 2012-2013 roster is September of 2012. Delinquent notices have been sent to members whose dues have fallen behind.

### Old Business:

The Articles of Incorporation have been requested from the State. The Board, having had discussions for the last 2 or 3 meetings, voted on the following:

Jim Wright moved that we use Fidelity Investments—the motion passed.

Bruce Berg moved that we adopt the following investment strategy:

“Keep General Funds separate from Garner Funds. Investments should be conservative to moderately conservative. Would like a average annual rate of return at 5-6%. Keep at least 6 months expenses liquid. Keep all conservation funds liquid. We will have a semi annual review. We will reallocate annually to our targets.”

After a brief discussion, the motion passed.

The Board will discuss at the next meeting whether or not to have an investment committee like we have for the Garner Educational Fund.

Bruce Berg moved to adopt the following allocation—the motion passed.

### Recommended allocation:

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Large Cap     | 50%        |
| Mid Cap       | 10%        |
| Small Cap     | 5%         |
| Emerging Mkts | 5%         |
| <u>Bonds</u>  | <u>30%</u> |
| Total         | 100%       |

At the request of the trustee of Bell Garner's estate no donations or flowers were sent by our Society.

During the weekend of March 2, 3 and 4 Paul Tuskes will be heading up our Membership booth at the San Diego Spring Home & Garden Show. Bob Clark will forward Paul the information needed. This will be an excellent opportunity for us to sell tickets for our Spring Show.

The following dates have been reserved at the Prado: March 1, 2012 and November 1, 2012 for the Board Meetings, and July 26, 27, and 28 of 2013 for the Summer Park Show.

### **New Business:**

The speaker at our Culture Class will be Nico Goossens talking about Vandaceous Orchids.

Our General Meeting this month will have two speakers. Arthur Pinkers, the photographer for AOS, will show photos of AOS awarded orchids that our members have brought in for judging. Our other speaker will be Jack Schaefer, our Webmaster, who will help us navigate the new website. Bob Clark will be taking our speakers out for dinner. People wishing to go to dinner should call Bob Clark.

The Newport Harbor Orchid Show, Romancing the Orchid, is fast approaching—February 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. If you have any orchids that you wish to submit for AOS judging please let us know. We will gladly take them to the show for you. Also, any orchids that are outstanding and might help us win again this year would be greatly appreciated. Contact Bruce and Carol Berg, Helen Pfister or Dave Hoffmaster.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Helen R. Pfister, Secretary

## **Help Hotline**

The SDCOS offers this service to members who seek cultural information about their orchids. Here are some friendly hobbyists with a great deal of experience about certain types of orchids, and they have kindly volunteered to answer your questions.

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## Letter From the Editor

Dear SDCOS,

I'm going to go out on a limb here and editorialize, something I rarely do. I am NOT doing this to offend anyone who entered a beautiful plant in the last show or spent their volunteer time judging them, but I am very curious about this food for your thoughts. I'm not trying to throw a grenade, but I have a legitimate concern surrounding the following question: "Should unnamed (unknown) orchids be awarded at orchid shows?"

Not to discount the painstaking attention to floral detail that our judges and the judges of orchid shows across the country pay, but I see two major problems with awarding *any* unnamed orchid. First, even if it has awesome flowers, no one will ever be able to get that plant, grow it for themselves, or keep it in cultivation if it has no name or progeny. Second, awarding unnamed plants at orchid shows encourages sloppy collection practices by ensuring that orchid hobbyists will continue to purchase unnamed orchids from industrial growers that don't care enough to bother to track the breeding involved in their plants. These are the same industrial growers that have saturated the market and outcompeted the very ma-and-pa orchid businesses that are

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the reservoirs of knowledge, technique, and inventory for our Society. Awarding unknown orchids undercuts local, small-scale growers and does nothing to further the education about, nor the cultivation and collection of orchids, since you will never be able to order an Arachnis "unknown" and have it be the *same* Arachnis "unknown" that you were smitten with when you saw it at the show, nor will you know much about how it grows. Unknown plants suck the economic value out of our hobby—it's no wonder orchid societies had trouble raising funds just as soon as everyone could buy a \$6 Colmanara with no family from Mall-Wart.

Am I totally wrong here? I thought the point of orchid societies was to build a community around our hobby. How can we do that if plants that the community recognizes often have no name that means anything accurate to the community? "Unknown" means "no info," and info is all we got in this hobby. Names are everything. Beauty is cool, but it doesn't matter if you can't find it again.

Happy Growing,  
Christopher