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CULTURE MEETING - February 3rd, 6:30 PM

Preparing for the Big Show

By Debby Halliday, 2nd Vice President

As you know, the spring show is coming up March 27,28,29. This is our most important show of the year and what makes it special is member orchids – your orchids, on view for everyone to enjoy. In this show you also have an opportunity to do a display – there are categories for everything from several sizes of table top display up to a full floor display.

In this meeting we're going to talk about preparing your plants now so they'll look their best in March. We'll also discuss essential grooming and presentation tips to make your orchids stand out.

Displays are fun and not very hard. We'll look at some displays from previous shows and talk about how you can put one together yourself or with a friend.

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GENERAL MEETING - February 3rd, 7:30 PM

Stanhopeas

By Kay Klausing, 1st Vice President

The speaker at our February meeting will be Ron Parsons.

The topic of his talk will be Stanhopeas.

Ron Parsons has been growing orchids for over 40 years and has been interested in and has grown species orchids for most of that time. He loves to photograph orchids and other flowers whenever he can, whether it be in collections or on trips to see them in nature. Ron has approximately 40,000 digital images, most of which are orchids, and has a slide library of flower photographs that exceeds 100,000

images. He has about 2500 published photos that have appeared in magazines, periodicals, journals, and books. He was co-authored three books, all with Mary Gerritsen. The first two are called Masdevallias, Gems of the Orchid World and Calochortus, Mariposa Lilies and their Relatives, and a third book has just been published in January of 2014, a two-volume set called A Compendium of Miniature Orchid Species. The most recent book has nearly 1200 pages, 1800 photographs, and features more than 500 species.

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The tabletop winner last year was a 2 x 2 foot display, so you don't need tons of plants, just some imagination. I'll have some samples of backdrops, platforms, plant covers, props and more. You should come away confident and ready to add to the show.

At the March meeting Pam Peters, our judging chair, will join us to go over the details of registration and judging.

See you there!

General meeting - cont'd from page 1

Given Ron's excellent photography and the unique and spectacular properties of the flowers of Stanhopeas this will for sure be an interesting talk.

Join Ron and fellow society members for dinner at the Prado Restaurant, before the general meeting. Please call 619-929-1452 to R.S.V.P.

The plant table for the February meeting will be provided by Andy's Orchids.

From the Membership Desk

Please welcome our newest members, Pat Schmidt, Warren Johnson, and Deryl Adderson. Also, welcome back Sima Perkins.

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Membership Chair

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Upcoming Newport Harbor Orchid Society Orchid Show

by Bruce Berg

The Newport Harbor Orchid Society is hosting their Annual orchid show "Orchids: Jewels of the Jungle" at the Westminster Mall, in Westminster, CA the weekend of February 13 thru 15, 2015. Our society has been invited to participate in putting up a display table. In addition to needing volunteers, we will also need plants to enter for ribbon and/or AOS/CSA judging.

Our members can enjoy the displays exhibited by the LA area societies over the Valentine's weekend outing, and also do some orchid shopping from vendors who usually do not make it down to our shows.

We still need volunteers who can travel up with Dave Hoffmaster and myself on Thursday, February 12 to put up our display and return to remove the display on Sunday, February 15, 2015. Dave and I will provide the transportation. We are planning to meet at the Park and Ride lot located at the NE corner off the La Costa Freeway exit at the I 5 interstate at 10 AM. on the 12th.

Please sign up at this website

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/Q4YJM>

or on the sign up sheet at the next General Meeting if you can help us out. And by the way, there will be a number of vendors at this show who were not at our January show who will have

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Culture Column for February

by Bruce Berg

Members living close to the coast enjoy more temperate winter temperatures which allows them to keep many of their plants outdoors over the winter with minimal protection from the cold. Last month, in January, we had unseasonably warm temperatures. However by February, things may be different. Those of us who have to provide protection from cold temperatures have already done what we can, or we are crossing our fingers and hoping that our plants will survive where we have them for the rest of winter. But what do we know about how they will handle winter temperatures? We can look up information on parent species plants to see what temperature conditions they grow in. When we have hybrid plants, things get more complicated because hybrids will combine traits from both parents who may come from widely varying climate regions. We can also look at what we can do to protect the plants from exposure to temperatures colder than they are able to survive without having to use greenhouses.

The information which follows is general in nature and should be taken as a series of guidelines. Inland, we have colder winter temperatures. Most of my plants are cattleya hybrids and as such these plants combine the temperature tolerance traits from their parent plants. If you expose plants to extreme temperature variations, one of two outcomes can be expected: they may survive, or they may not.

Over the last several years, I have had more plants to than I could keep in my little greenhouse over the winter and have had to keep some plants outside here in Santee where we have winter temperatures drop into the 30's at night. While some plants died, surprisingly some did not. So what did I do?

First, I reduced the watering to keep the plants drier and only watered during the day when it warmed up. Less water in plant roots and plant tissues means less damage if and when freezing occurs. The pseudos dried up and the plants still look stressed, but the plants are still sending up new pseudos and they are looking good even though the plants have suffered.

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President's Message

I hope everyone who participated in our **SDCOS "Orchids in the Park" Winter Show and Sale** had a good time. Thank you to all who brought in plants for show, to everyone who volunteered their time, and to our vendors. Members' participation is essential for a successful show. Congratulations to all the winners.

I also hope everyone who participated in our **camp out and hike in the Anza Borego Desert** in late January enjoyed the trip. We camped at Agua Caliente Regional Park and enjoyed bathing in the geothermal hot spring water. As this is being published before the trip, a report regarding the native population of *Epipactis gigantea* will follow in a future newsletter. This has become a regular outing the past few years, thanks to Nico Goossens and Bruce Berg.

The 2015 **Newport Harbor Orchid Expo, "Orchids: Jewels of the Jungle"** is **February 13 – 15**. Visit: [NHOS Orchid Expo](http://www.nhos.org) for hours and location. If you'd like to volunteer for set-up and take down of the SDCOS display, please sign-up at

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/Q4YJM>.

SDCOS International Spring Show "Around the World with Orchids" is **March 27th – March 29th**. **Set-up is March 26th**.

Volunteer sign-up sheets:

Thursday March 26th

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/8LQJ7>;

Friday March 27th

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/TK9K7> ;

Saturday March 28th

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/3RJ4Y> ;

Sunday March 29th

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/JH8B8>.

This event is our largest of the year and biggest fund raiser for the society. Please pay for the pre-sale tickets that you have picked up or that were mailed to you. Encourage your friends and family to attend and share your interest in orchids. Income from this and our "Orchids in the Park" shows are used to bring you interesting speakers each month and all of the other benefits we enjoy as members.

Last month I mentioned SDCOS participation in the "**Garden Party for the Century**" on **May 9th**, 10 am to 4 pm. I attended the SDBGF meeting earlier this month. This City of San Diego sponsored event is the signature event for spring during this year's Centennial Celebration commemorating Balboa Park's 1915 Panama-California Exposition. SDCOS will have a booth, providing us another opportunity for out-reach to the general public.

Volunteer sign-up:

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/4CTFB>.

All San Diego Botanical Garden Foundation member societies will be participating in this event. The day will begin with a children's "Floral Wagon Parade" kick-off at 9:00 am along the El Prado. The remainder of the day will be filled with various events and activities celebrating Balboa Park's horticultural history. Also during this weekend SDFA will have a flower show in Balboa Park. Details for the SDFA flower show will be announced as they develop.

I wish you success in growing orchids!

Scott La Bouff

Judging at the San Diego Judging Center (Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park), January 2015.
Text and photos by Phyllis Prestia (unless otherwise noted).

There were 7 orchids presented for judging. Three were awarded:

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Secondly, I placed the plants up against the house where they would get a little radiant heat from the house under a patio cover where they did not get rain nor cold air drafts. This worked well. Many of these plants even bloomed when the weather warmed them up further.

Thirdly, I picked out plants to go out there that had the following species in their background: *Cattleya*, *Sophranitis*, *L. anceps*, *L. purpurata*, or *Den. speciosum*. Most of my cymbidiums also survived. All of my other plants went into the greenhouse.

This month, I thought I'd share some information from an article in ORCHIDS magazine written by Sue Bottom on cold tolerance ranges for orchids. This information appeared in the December 2014 issue.

Most phalaenopsis vandas, dendrobiums, and tricocentrums (mule-eared oncidiums) are the least cold tolerant plants, preferring night temperatures above 60 degrees. Most cattleyas and the other oncidiums can handle night time temperatures down into the 50s with some of the cattleyas, dendrobiums, and laelias able to handle even lower temperatures, down into the 30s.

Orchids are often grouped into three general categories based on their preferred winter night temperatures below which growth slows. The three groups are the warm growers with nights 60-65° F, the intermediate growers with nights 55-60° F, and the cool growers with nights from 55-60° F. Many orchids that demand cool conditions in winter also prefer cooler summers such as we have along the coast. Most plants that are in the intermediate to warm groups grow best in our inland areas when protected during the winter

Deciduous dendrobiums bloom better after a cooler, drier winter rest with no fertilizer, tolerating temperatures in the mid 40s. Australian Dendrobiums and Cymbidiums are the most cold tolerant plants down into the 30s.

Following is a partial listing of species and their lower temperature tolerances as listed in the referenced article.

Cattleyas: Above 55. Protect buds if temps drop below 50
Mid to upper 30s: *C. coccinea*, *C. loddigesii*, *L. anceps*, *L. purpurata*

Cymbidiums: Mid 30s

Onc lanceanum and other tricocentrum (mule-ear) oncidiums: Mid 50s:
Intergenerics, ie *Brassidium*, *Miltassia*, *Miltadonidium*, *Onidesa*, etc

Phalaenopsis: Generally above 60. Needs 2 week chill down to 55 then back up to 70 during day:
Phal. lindenii, *Phal. lobii*, *Phal. manii* are cold tolerant down to the mid 50s.

Dendrobium, Section *Phalaenanthe*: Are the least cold tolerant, minimum temp, 60: *Den. affine*, *bigibbum*, (*phalaenopsis*), *compactum*, *dicuphum*, *schroederianum*, *superbiens*, *williamsianum*

Dendrobium Section *Spatulata*: 60: *Den. antennatum*, *bicaudatum*, *canaliculatum*, *gouldii*, *johannis*, *lineale* (*veratrifolium*), *strebloceras*, *stratiotes*, *taurinum*, and *undulatum*

Dendrobium Section *Formosae*: Mid 50s: *Den. bellatulum*, *cruentum*, *dearei*, *draconis*, *infundibulum*, *lowii*, *margaritaceum*, *sanderiae*, *senile*, *schuetzei*, and *spectatissimum*

Dendrobium Section *Latouria*: Mid 50s: *Den. aberrans*, *alexandrae*, *atroviolaceum*, *formosum*, *convolutum*, *forbesii*, *johnsoniae*, *macrophyllum*, *rhodostictum*, and *spectabile*

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Dendrobium Section Pedilonum: Mid 50s:
Den. bracteosum, bullenianum, capituliflorum, crenatifolium, goldschmidtinum, purpureum, secundum, smilieae.

Dendrobium Section *Densiflora*: Mid 40s:
Den. lindleyi, chrysotoxum, densiflorum, farmeri, jenkinsii, sulcatum, thyrsoflorum.

Dendrobium Section *Dendrobium*: Mid to low 40s:
Den. anosmum, aphyllum, chrysanythum, heterocarpum, loddigesii, nobilen cucullatum, parishii, polyanthum, and unicum

Dendrobium Section *Dendrocoryne*: Mid to upper 30s:
Den. adae, aemulum, callitrophillum, falcorostrum, finniganense, fleckeri, gracilicaule, jonseii, kingianum, speciosum.

Concerning Plants for Judging Sessions

The Pacific South Judging Center conducts three judging sessions in the Los Angeles and San Diego area each month. They are:

San Diego

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

San Marino

Huntington Botanical Gardens
 1151 Oxford Rd, San Marino, CA 91108
 2nd Saturday of the month at 10 am

Long Beach

Whaley Park
 4th Saturday of the month at 7 pm

Visitors—with or without plants—are welcome anytime. If a member of the SDCOS wishes to have flowering plants judged at one of these sessions but is unable to take the plants to the judging facility, please contact one of the following AOS judges:

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Christopher Croom (619) 583-3804

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Spring Show Update

by Bruce Berg and Pam Peters

The Spring Show is only a month away!

There are a number of things that the Show Committee would like the members to be aware of as the time for our big event of the year draws near.

We will need plants to be brought in for ribbon judging and awards. The Show Committee requests that you support this show by entering your lovely orchids for judging. Please help make this a fantastic show by bringing in all your plants that are in bloom. They should be cleaned and well presented. Tips on how to prepare them will be given at the February General Meeting Culture Class.

The last two years, personal **Large (8'x8') and Small Tabletop Displays (4'x4' or 2'x 2')** have been a huge success. If you want to display your orchids in one of these displays, contact Show Chair Dave Hoffmaster at (760) 529-2947 to reserve a display area. Registration forms for small displays are on the show website. There are **CASH prizes** from \$100 to \$250 for Most Educational Exhibit (Open and Amateur) and Best Exhibit (Open and Amateur) (see page 14) The list of award plaques, trophies, and cash prizes are on pages 13, 14, and 15 of the Show Schedule.

There is a **Junior Entry Section** for children under the age of 18.

Registration of Plants: Thursday, March 26 from 3:00 – 8:00 PM Friday, March 27 from 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Show tickets are available for pick up at the SDCOS Winter Show-in-the-Park (Jan 24 & 25) in Balboa Park, and the general meeting on Tuesday, Feb 3, or from Patti Hoffmaster at (760) 632-8220. Please support our society's once-a-year fundraiser by purchasing your tickets.

The **Show Schedule** (registration of classes for plant entry) is found on the SDCOS website [here](http://www.sdorchids.com/SpringShowSchedule2015.html) (at <http://www.sdorchids.com/SpringShowSchedule2015.html>). Several improvements have been made such as adding more "color" Classes, dividing Species into large and small Sections, and dividing the Vandaceous Alliance into large and small Sections.

We also need our members to help volunteer your time to help out with all of the tasks required to put on our show. We have an online volunteer sign up system in place that will give you an email confirmation of the jobs and times that you have volunteered for, as well as reminders before the day you are scheduled to work. The Show Committee is providing lunches each day to all who volunteer. In addition, at the end of the show, all volunteers will be given a gift for helping out. You can also sign up at our meetings and we'll enter the info for you. You will need to enter your volunteer information for each day of the show. The web addresses for the four days are:

Thursday, March 26, Setup Day

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/8lqj7>

Friday, March 27,

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/tk9k7> ,

Saturday, March 28,

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/3rj4y>, and

Sunday, March 29,

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/jh8b8> .

We are also going to have a corsage and arrangements booth. If you have small attractive vases suitable for floral arrangements that you wish to donate, please bring them in to the show. We will also need greenery, orchid blooms (cymbidiums, catts, paphs, phrags, other long lasting showy blooms) and twiggy things to decorate in floral arrangements.

The Doctor is IN!

At the January meeting, we had the first session of our new “The doctor is IN” program. This program gives members the chance to bring in plants that are sick or just not growing and flowering to your satisfaction and have experienced growers diagnose the problem and provide solutions (see the October and November 2014 newsletters for details of this program).

The plant that was brought in was a Cologne mooreana showing leaf browning. The plant is being grown outdoors in Carmel Valley as a surface mount, exposed to direct sun approximately 2 hours per day, and watered with city water. Fertilizer includes Grow-More 20-20-20.

The plant was noted to be free of signs of insect or pest infestation and putting out new growth at the base. The mature leaves were turning brown from the tips towards the base, with the oldest leaves having the largest areas of brown (leaf detail lower right).

The doctor (Debby Halliday, top right) and various other senior members consensus was that the plant was suffering from bad water. The prescription was to water it with distilled water rather than tap/city water.



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The San Diego County Orchid Society's Board meeting was held on January 5th, 2015.

Attending were Scott LaBouff, Kay Klausing, Debby Halliday, Carol Berg, Jack Schaefer, Bob Clark, Carol Kerr, Felisa Acantilado & Bruce Berg. The meeting was opened at 7:03 by the President, Scott LaBouff.

The Secretary reported that the November Board minutes were approved by email and were published in the December Newsletter. The Treasurer presented the Financial report for December. A motion was made & passed to file the report for review.

Our webmaster reported on the web activity for November and December. He also reported that a preliminary design had been completed for the online Board Minutes page. That page would be accessible only to board members. A brief discussion of our Facebook page was held and it was noted that a FB event for the Spring Show should be created.

The Membership chair reported that the membership count was down 7.

The President complimented Kay Klausing, our 1st VP, on the great Holiday Party. A good time was had by all in attendance. Thank You Kay!

Next, Scott discussed plans for the Balboa Park's "Garden Party for the Century" which happens on May 9th 2015. The Society has a booth which will feature blooming plants, membership brochures, newsletter samples and other information. The booth will be staffed in 2 shifts of 3 hours each and we will need 3 Society members on each shift. After we all recover from the Spring Show, we will be asking members to loan plants to decorate the booth.

Also Scott discussed his goals for the 2015 year. He discussed the possibility of recruiting ads from equipment suppliers who

do not already advertise in the newsletter. Particularly, virus test kit suppliers, automatic misting & irrigation equipment suppliers & greenhouse equipment suppliers would be contacted.

Debby Halliday was asked about continuing the "Beginners Saturday Culture Class". This activity will continue in 2015 teaching topics such as repotting, mounting orchids & other hands on orchid care activities.

Another item on the agenda is to convert from the manual cash register system we currently use at the Park Shows to a more automated point-of-sale(POS) system which would reduce the number of people required and speed up the sales process. Towards this goal, Scott will be in contact with the Cactus & Succulent Society for information about how they implement their POS system.

Our 1st VP, Kay Klausing, reported that Ron Parsons would be our February main speaker. His talk will be about Stanhopeas. The Opportunity Table will be provided by Andy's Orchids.

Our 2nd Vice-President, Debby Halliday stated that the February Culture Class will be "How to prepare your orchids for the Spring Show".

Our Past President, Bruce Berg, reported on an Orchid Camping Trip is scheduled for January 30th, 31st & February 1st. These trips to Agua Caliente Hotsprings County Park combine the ever popular hotsprings with desert camping, hiking and native orchids.

The Newport Harbor Orchid Show is scheduled for the weekend of February 14th. Bruce and Dave Hoffmaster will be coordinating our entry in that show.

Bruce reported that the presale Spring Show Tickets are now available to members. They may be picked up at the February meeting. If

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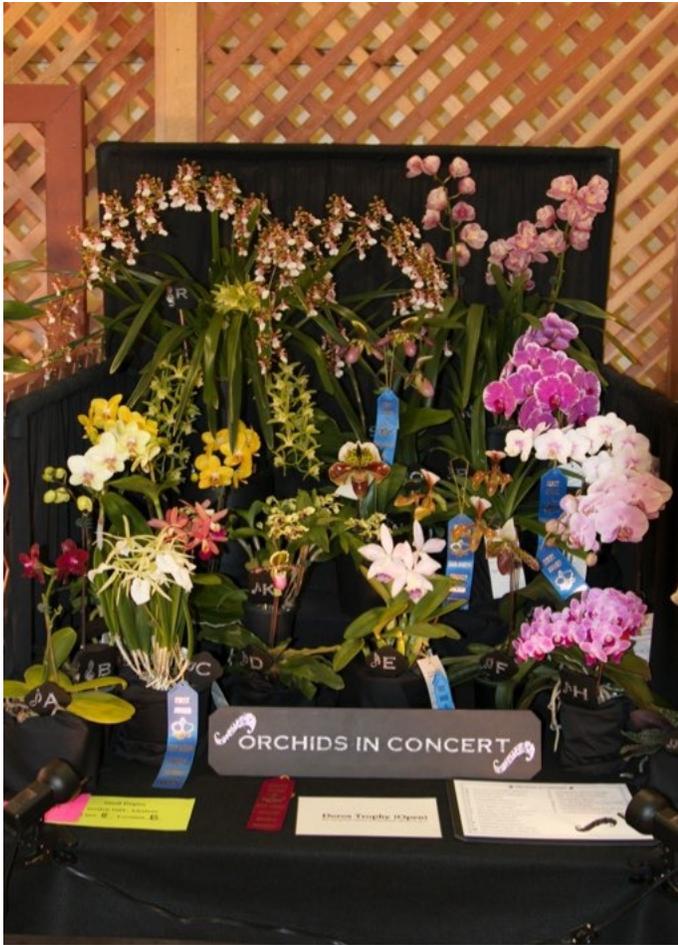


Photo: Debby Holliday (this is also her display)

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they are not picked up they will be mailed to members. Presale ticket price to members remains at \$30.00 for 6 tickets.

Also Bruce reported that the advance tickets and bookmarks for the Spring Show are at the printers.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 PM and the next Board meeting is February 5th at 7PM.

The Spring Show Schedule – What Is It?

Pam Peters

The Spring Show Schedule for our March Show “Around the World with Orchids” <http://www.sdorchids.com/SpringShowSchedule2015.html> is a reference manual for information you will need to know about the show. It begins with “Show Rules for Displays & Exhibits and Plant Registration.” The difference between Open and Amateur entries is explained. It outlines how long exhibitors must have grown plants prior to entering in the show, and what happens if the plant is diseased or has pests. There are rules for vendor and orchid society exhibits and personal plant entries within those exhibits. The Show Schedule explains the minimum and maximum number of plants that may be entered, as well as Rules for Small Displays and Junior Entries.

The Show Schedule is also the plant registration guide. There are 18 sections broken down by plant category (genera & hybrids) and Classes (colors). Listed on pages 13, 14, and 15 are the Awards for Entered Orchids, Awards for Displays, and National Orchid Societies’ Awards. There are cash prizes for Best Exhibit (Open and Amateur) and Most Educational Exhibit (Open), so put your thinking cap on and create your own small display or volunteer to help with our own SDCOS display.



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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

David Eveleth at develethos@gmail.com.

Information for the newsletter must be submitted by the 15th of the month.

Advertisers

Please contact Carol Berg at winklerca@yahoo.com.

Orchid Dates to Remember

February 3rd, 6:30 PM
SDCOS Culture Meeting
First Tuesday of the month
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

February 3rd, 7:30 PM
SDCOS General Meeting
First Tuesday of the month
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

February 4th
Palomar Orchid Society Meeting
Culture class at 6:30; program at 7:00
First Wednesday of the month
Lake San Marcos Pavilion
331105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078

February 5th, 7:00 PM
SDCOS Board Meeting
Normally the Thursday following the General Meeting, Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 104

February 7th
SDCOS Species Group Meeting
First Saturday of the month
Paul or Ann Tuskes (858) 274-5829

February 18th
Cymbidium Society Meeting
Regular meeting, third Wednesday of month
Culture class at 6:30, Meeting at 7:00
Lake San Marcos Pavilion
331105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078
orchldy2@mac.com or (760) 732-0055

February 20th
San Diego Zoo's Orchid Odyssey
Third Friday of the month
10 AM-2 PM (orchid greenhouse is open)
Janette Gerrity (619) 231-1515 ext. 4306

Orchids in the Park Winter Show Winners

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| | Best of Show | <i>Dendrochilum wenzelii</i> | Tom Osborn |
| | Forrest Robinson Cultural Award | <i>Dendrochilum wenzelii</i> | Tom Osborn |
| 1 | Cymbidium Standard Hybrid | Cym. Fire Storm 'Blaze' | Mary Ann Chanthala |
| 2 | Cymbidium Hybrid Miniature | Cym. Murasaki Genji | Betty Kelepecz |
| 3 | Cymbidium Hybrid Pendulous | Cym. Pendant white | Jerry & Anita Spencer |
| 4 | Cattleya Alliance Standard | Lc. Purple Plume | Jerry & Anita Spencer |
| 5 | Cattleya Alliance Compact | Pot. Little Toshi 'Gold Country' AM/AOS | Ken Campbell |
| 6 | Cattleya Alliance Miniature | Lc. Chian-Tzy Ocoset '4 Seasons' | Tom Biggart |
| 7 | Paph & Phrag Hybrids | Phrag. Jason Fischer HCC/AOS | Betty Kelepecz |
| 8 | Phalaenopsis Alliance Hybrids | Phal equestris-type hybrid | Pam Peters |
| 9 | Oncidium Alliance Hybrids | Onc. Solana | Debby Halliday |
| 10 | Other Genera Hybrids | Vanda Somsri 'Pink Diamond' HCC/AOS | Renate Schmidt |
| 11 | Specimen Plants | <i>Dendrochilum wenzelii</i> | Tom Osborn |
| 12 | Species > 6" | <i>Lycaste lasioglossa</i> | Betty Kelepecz |
| 13 | Species < 6" | <i>Bulbophyllum lasiochilum</i> | Nico Goossens |







Show photos - Jack Schaefer

SDCOS would like to thank all the people who brought plants to the show...

Displays

Casa de las Orquideas
Susan Lewitt

Orchids for display

Acantilado, Felisha
Adams, Irma
Berg, Bruce
Biggart, Tom
Brown, David
Chanthala, Mary Ann
DeTate, Myra
Garnica, Wendy
Goossens, Nico
Halliday, Debby
Helt, David
Hoffmaster, Dave & Patti
Kelepecz, Betty
Klausing, Kay
La Bouff, Scott
Machado, Ben & Susie
Nagrampa, Vangie
Osborn, Tom
Peters, Pam
Schmidt, Pat
Schmidt, Renate
Spencer, Jerry & Anita
Wright, Jim





In Memoriam

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Liz Hildreth. Liz was a long time member of SDCOS, an avid orchid grower who enjoyed drawing and painting orchids. Below are a few words from her dear friend Susan Chenven.

Liz Hildreth

Born on September 19, 1948
Passed on January 1, 2015

Liz was a passionate orchidist who had a special interest in cymbidiums & vandas. Most of her vandas grew in her greenhouse, but she was one of the few people I've met in Southern California who could grow dark-colored vandas outside in her lathe house. Her interest in orchids was learned from her father who grew orchids in Northern California where Liz grew up. Her father had a special love of cymbidiums & passed a number along to Liz. She had over 60 mature cymbidiums, almost all spiking or blooming when she passed away.

Liz loved traveling & attended three World Orchid Conferences: Dijon in 2005, Singapore in 2011, & Johannesburg in 2014. She also incorporated orchids into other trips, an orchid tour to Columbia, a visit to Miami and trips to England & the Channel Islands.

She was a warm & empathetic person & I was lucky to be able to travel with her and meet many avid orchidists throughout the world. Some became valued friends. We had planned a trip in February to San Francisco for POE & to the WOC trip to Ecuador in 2017. She is donating some of her orchids to SDCOS Conservation.





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From the editor

February is the last month of the meteorological winter (the coldest three months of the year in the northern hemisphere) so it is time to plan for the spring and summer. This includes our spring show. There are several articles on the show in this newsletter and there will be articles in the March newsletter as well. Get your plants ready - spring is coming! The time to decide which plants you will be bringing to the show and start preparing them is now, not in mid-March. Think about putting together a display, and if you don't have enough plants, get together with another member.

I would really appreciate suggestions for new and different articles for the newsletter - in this newsletter we have a "The Doctor is IN!" article and I would like to be able to treat readers to other interesting articles. Your suggestions for newsletter content are always welcome.

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