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CULTURE MEETING - September 1st, 6:30 PM Orchids to grow indoors & out

Speaker - Debby Halliday

By Debby Halliday, 2nd Vice President

Your 2nd VP, Debby Halliday, (that's me), will be presenting this month's culture class. We will have a slide show and discussion of orchids you can grow successfully without a greenhouse – either indoors or on your patio. With San Diego's wonderful mild climate, there are many kinds of orchids that will thrive outside with just a little protection from the sun or extreme cold. There is fun to be had indoors as well with our many bright sunny days lighting up your house. I'll also be giving some culture tips based on my own experience and what I've learned from the many excellent growers in our club.

I have grown orchids on and off for over

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GENERAL MEETING - September 1st, 7:30 PM Coelogyne

Speaker - Arthur Pinkers

By Kay Klausing, 1st Vice President

The speaker at our September meeting will be **Arthur Pinkers**. The topic of his talk will be "**Coelogyne**". The genus Coelogyne comprises about 200 species with a large distribution area ranging from India through Southeast Asia, southwest China, the Philippines and the islands of Indonesia to as far east as New Guinea and islands of the southern and eastern Pacific. Despite containing a number of showy and easy to grow species this genus is not often covered in articles and we have not had a presentation on it in recent history, so this talk should be very informative on this uncommon subject.

Arthur has been an orchid enthusiast for almost 40 years when, as a 16 year-old, he acquired a plant of Slc. Glittering Jewel (Sl. Gratrixiae x Slc. Hermes) and was infected by the orchid bug. He and his wife Margie of over 23 years have two adult children who recently graduated from high school and are attending College of the Canyons. Arthur grew up in the Seattle area and attended Western Washington University graduating with a

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Culture class continued

40 years in many different climates, from a lean-to greenhouse in Brooklyn, to the Caribbean rain forest, to my present location in Rancho Santa Fe. Of all the places I have grown orchids, San Diego County is by far the most flexible. I find myself constantly experimenting with new varieties for the patio or the shade house. Although I love greenhouse growing, I keep discovering more & more orchids that are happy outdoors.

If you are a beginner, I hope this presentation will give you the courage to try some new varieties you haven't grown before. If you are experienced, I hope you enjoy the pictures!

We like to start promptly at 6:30, so please plan to be in your seats and ready to listen on time. See you then.

photographer for the Pacific Northwest Judging region.

Join Arthur 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 opportunity table for the September meeting will be also provided by Arthur Pinkers featuring plants from Cal Orchids and Santa Barbara Orchid Estate.

From the Membership Desk

Please welcome our newest member Michele Magnin. And, please welcome back George Lombard and Benjamin Alcazar.

Bob Clark

General meeting continued

B.S. in Chemistry and Biology. He and his wife currently live in Santa Clarita, California where Arthur is learning to grow orchids under extreme conditions, very different than those in his native Pacific Northwest. Arthur worked for many years as a chemist and also had the fortune of holding his dream job as the Lab Director for Beall Orchid Company until shortly before its close in 1990. Arthur's interest in orchids covers a broad range of types with botanicals being a special draw.

Arthur has served on most executive positions on the Board of the Northwest Orchid Society and is a Past President. He is a veteran Accredited Orchid Judge and serves as a photographer and as Chair of Information for the Pacific South Judging region. Previously he served as center



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President's Message

Our Fall "Orchids in the Park" Show and Sale is just around the corner, October 24th & 25th. Your participation makes this show what it is. Come and enjoy time with friends and fellow members during the show. Please sign up at https://www.volunteersignup.org/R87h9. We need you! Plant registration is open Friday, October 23rd, from 4 pm to 8 pm and Saturday, 8 am to 9 am.

Refer to the <u>Show Registration Schedule</u> to determine the Section and Class for your plants.

The Huntington Botanical Gardens International Orchid Show is October 16 to 18, 2015. I invite your participation in this show. Dave Hoffmaster will Captain our Show Team. All plants loaned for our display will be handled with care and promptly returned. Loaned plants may be entered for competition in the show, if you wish. There are also opportunities to volunteer for various duties during the show. Please contact Dave Hoffmaster at <u>davehoff5@yahoo.com</u> for details. This is their 1st Annual Show. I'd like SDCOS members to give our support in making it a success.

It is with a heavy heart I inform you that Jim Wright passed away on August 8 at 11:30 pm. Jim will forever be present in my thoughts as he always shared his wisdom and joy with enthusiasm. He was a wonderful man. I invite you to share your fondness and memories of time spent with Jim through the years for inclusion in our SDCOS In Memoriam page. Please send these to scott.labouff@gmail.com, Pictures are also welcome.

A 'Celebration of Life' Memorial Service is scheduled September 26th, 9 am to 11 am at the San Diego Botanic Garden in Encinitas. Anyone interested in the planning of, speaking in, or another contribution to Jim's remembrance should contact me. *I request that you e-mail me now if you plan to attend*; <u>scott.labouff@gmail.com</u>. A count is needed for the planners. Attending will be family, friends and those who Jim had the pleasure to know through the years. Jim Wright's orchid collection has been secured. Peter Tobias, Tom Biggart, and I, have transported many orchids to SVO to be cared for until our October show. Peter will personally care for the remainder of the collection at his home. I thank Peter and Tom for many hours spent ensuring Jim's collection remained intact. I was able to assist in finishing this task so I know how much time and energy Peter and Tom contributed. I thank Fred Clarke and Peter for their generosity in caring for Jim's collection.

Jim willed his collection to SDCOS. His plants will be available for sale to SDCOS members on Friday, October 23rd, 3 pm to 8 pm, and Saturday October 24th, 8 am to 9 am, before the start of our *Fall 'Orchids in the Park' Show and Sale*. Afterwards, the plants remaining will be offered for sale to the public. All sales proceeds will be recorded by SDCOS in Jim's name.

In the memory of Jim and his late wife, Lise, the Show Committee has renamed the Best of Show trophy for park shows, the *James & Lise Wright Best of Show Trophy*.

Jim was always eager to share information, often guiding novice growers with wise advice. He was an ardent volunteer where he could. He always volunteered to judge plants at each of our shows over many years and he has given many talks, sharing his wealth of knowledge. Jim also regularly opened his home and gardens. A Botanical Haven, for SDCOS Species meetings and repotting workshops. I always relished discussing the culture of various plants with him. I've learned much from his experience. Jim proudly displayed numerous awards from our shows including an AOS award. In Jim's spirit I encourage you to be curious, share, and volunteer. All of these will make you and your fellow members better growers, becoming more accomplished, wiser and happier.

I wish you success in growing orchids!

Scott LaBouff

Judging at the San Diego Judging Center (Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park), August 2015.

Text and photos by Phyllis Prestia.

There was 1 orchid presented for judging and it was awarded:

C. Hawaiian Variable 'Rainbow Valley' AM/AOS Exhibited by Anita and Jerry Spencer Awarded 85 points



NEWCOMERS POTTING WORKSHOP -August 29

Attention New Members! Back by popular demand. We are having a potting workshop on August 29 at Debby Halliday's house. Dave Hoffmaster will demonstrate how to divide and repot an overgrown plant – with some divisions available to share. Debby will demonstrate how to repot a phalaenopsis.

We will meet at **12 pm** for potluck lunch and then get to work. It is an afternoon schedule this time because our work area will be in the shade then. After the demonstrations you will be free to work on your own plants – for best results they should be showing new root growth. There will be experienced members on hand to help if you need it. There will be a few donated cymbidiums to repot as well.

We are asking for a nominal fee of \$3 per plant to cover supplies. Ben Machado will provide medium and a range of pots. He will also have a few other supplies on hand for sale if you need them.

Please bring a lunch dish to share. We'll



provide drinks and utensils. You are invited to enjoy the meal and conversation and take a tour of Debby's greenhouse and gardens before or after the workshop.

Here are the details. We ask that you sign up in advance so that we can have a place for you to work and enough supplies. Here is the link for online signup:

https://www.volunteersignup.org/9DTXF

Date:	Saturday, August 29
Time:	12 pm
Address:	6769 La Valle Plateada
	Rancho Santa Fe
Cost:	\$3.00 per plant

Our previous workshops have been lots of fun. Here's your chance to find that "way in" to repotting orchids. You'll also get to enjoy socializing and becoming better acquainted with your fellow club members. Put it on your calendar!

NOTE – as always, you don't have to be a new member to come. If this session interests you, go ahead and sign up. You'll be welcome.

It Was a Fun July Show

By Bruce Berg

Show Chairman

What a Great weekend. Thank you to all of you who made it work. Thanks to David Eveleth who was able to post the list of winning plants and photos in the July newsletter. Thanks also to Debby Halliday for her hard work in coordinating the judging. Thanks to Jack Schaefer, our photographer and webmaster who did double duty in getting the newsletter photos as well as publishing the newsletter on our website. Thanks to all the members who brought in their plants to share with the public, I heard many compliments on the beauty and diversity of the plants made the show a wonderful show.

Congratulations again to Debby Halliday for her Best of Show Brassavola Little Stars X *B.nodosa.* Also kudos to Tom Biggart and his Forrest Robinson Trophy for Epicatt El Hatillo X *E. tampensis* which was subsequently awarded a HCC/AOS and the clone renamed Catyclia Leaf Hopper 'Bruce Berg.' What an honor! Thank you Tom!

Thanks to David Eveleth who put together the newsletter last month so soon after the show, going through many last minute revisions to articles as we rushed to get our items to him. This article was too late for the press in last month's newsletter.

The show wouldn't have been possible without the support of all the volunteers. Thank you setup and tear-down crews; David Brown for doing the table and lattice setups along with, Ivan Allen, Lee Smith, Betty Kelepecz, Carol Kerr, Debby Halliday, Bob Clark, Laurence Lhoest, Tom Ketelaar, Lou Wilson, Myrna De Tate, and Scott La Bouff: Plant Registration; Debby Halliday: Security; Fely Acantilado, Jack Schaeffer, Linda Humiston, Nancy Walters: Host; Renate Schmidt, Scott Ia Bouff, Carol Kerr, Lou Wilson, Ivan Allan, Finance Cash register and sales; Kay Klausing, Myra De Tate, Jack Schaefer, Dolores Maxwell, Vangie Nagrampa, Carol Berg: Conservation; Betty Kelepecz, Carol Kerr, Debby Halliday, Membership desk signups; Bob Clark; Plant Hotel; Shirley Hall, Lee Smith, Anna Majevskis, Ivan Allen, Lou Wilson; Many of you met Lee Smith, a family friend of ours who is a new member who lives in Mesa, AZ and who came over just for the show because of her love of orchids and to be with us. Т may have missed your name here, if you did not sign up, or if I did not spot you working at the show. If so, I thank you for your service. Behind the scenes: Ivan Allen for coordinating the volunteers, David Brown for figuring out the changes to modify the table layouts, and Carol Berg for taking care of the finances.

Ribbon Judging: Thanks to Debby Halliday for a smoothly run judging event and to the members who volunteered to be judges. This is one of the most fun parts of the show when we get to look at the plants and talk about how nice they look while trying to determine what color ribbons to award to the flowers.

AOS judging: Our Pacific South Judging Center judging team consisting of Renate Schmidt, Arnold Gum, Steve Pruyn, Paul Tuskes, along with student judge Phyllis Prestia evaluated and judged orchids submitted for AOS judging. The results and photos appear elsewhere in this newsletter. Thanks for your help in judging.

Speakers: We had very informative presentations on orchid cultural topics by several of our members. Thank you, Nico Goossens, David Brown, and Debby Halliday for your great talks.

Potluck: After judging we again had a fun time sampling potluck lunch provided by our members. Fely Acantilado again brought in

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my favorite Shrimp Pancit. Myra De Tate brought in a super fig pie that, if you haven't had before could quickly become a favorite dessert. There were many other dishes to tempt us and I thank the cooks who brought them in.

Thank you vendors who brought in those wonderful plants to tempt us: Lico Orchids, Rex Foster Orchids, Calavo Gardens, Courtland Orchids, Orchids by Anita, Granite Hills Orchids, Everything Orchids, Casa de las Orquideas, Orchid Source, SDCOS Conservation, and Member Sales.

This show, we had several new things that the Society tried out. The first was new signs designed by our graphic artist Carol Kerr. Check out the photos online in the July newsletter.

The second change is the way we sell plants at our shows. We are eliminating the old system of using blue tape marking of plants by implementing a new bar code system. It is similar to the type of system used by the Cactus and Succulent Society at their shows. Kay Klausing investigated and purchased a system for the Society to replace our old cash register and blue tape / hand written receipts system that we had been using for many years. Vendors and members who are selling plants now will have to obtain bar code stickers with the prices and their identification information printed in bar code on a sticker that will be attached to the item to be sold. When the item is brought up to the sales checkout area, the item is scanned and the item(s) are ready to be charged to a credit card or paid for by cash. No more writing receipts. The system worked well the first time. Detailed procedures are being developed by Kay Klausing and Carol Berg and will be provided to everyone wishing to sell items at Society events in the future. Thank you Kay and Carol for your hard work to get this system up and working for the show!

October Show in the Park

By Bruce Berg

This is the time to start looking at your plants to see new spikes emerging that will need staking to present the flowers well for judging. Remember to water and fertilize them and watch out for insect predators.

We have a signup sheet online at:

https://www.volunteersignup.org/R87h9

Please go to this link, or go to our website and go to the volunteer tab and from there go to the sign in sheet to volunteer to help us at the show.

Just a quick reminder this month to any of you planning to sell plants at the October show that you will need to get your bar codes from Kay ahead of time. We found out that mailing them out costs about \$2.00, which will be added on to last minute requests for sheets of bar code labels. Plan ahead and pick them up at the meetings.

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Armed with the wealth of information from Peter Tobias' recent talk and demonstration on mounting orchids, I recently undertook to free a few more of my Catts from their mundane, pot bound existence. Not that I haven't had some success mounting Catts in the past ... but Peter provided some new tips that lead me to believe I had more than just a little room for improvement. So motivated by the thought of freeing up bench space for additional acquisitions, as well as seeing more of my beauties flourishing in a more natural state, I began my task.

My first takeaway from Peter's talk was to ditch my usual grapewood mounting medium. Although easily available at Home Depot, I've had my fill of the wood rotting out after only a few years, plus uncontrollable infestations of Powder Post Beetle. One of his suggestions was to use cork bark, which I found easily available at Amazon.com. This bark has a wonderful rough and craggy surface that my Catts just love to sink their roots into. And visually, isn't this a much more natural environment for the plants? Plus you'll find that cork is relatively soft and easy to cut or shape without using special tools.

My second takeaway was to place the Catts' bare roots directly on the cork no moss in between the roots and the cork. That way the roots have the shortest distance to travel to start attaching themselves. Over the roots I place a layer of sphagnum moss... just enough to cover them completely. I went with AAA New Zealand sphagnum moss, again available from Amazon.com, because of its long strands (meaning the pieces don't fall out) and high water retention ability. Then to initially keep everything in place it all gets wrapped with 30 pound monofilament line. If the plant still needs a little more support, which it typically does, then I use a little plastic garden tie to help steady the leaves. You don't want the plant being able to wiggle around while the roots are trying to attach themselves to the cork. Lastly, I simply push a bent wire hook into the back side of the cork and hang the mount on the greenhouse wall.

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I was surprised how fast the roots take hold in the bark. Pictured is a Catt I mounted only 3 months ago, and as you can see it has firmly attached itself. Once established the garden tie can be removed, and with some of the plants I also remove the moss. I think there is no more natural look for our orchids than to see them, bare roots and all, clinging to their new home. As for watering, now that it's summer I find I need to water my mounted plants almost daily. It's easy to know if it's time to water, simply feel the moss. If it's dry, it's time to water.

Besides the Catts I also mounted a few Phals. including a recent acquisition from our Summer Show. The only thing I did differently with them was to make the layer of moss a little thicker so there's more water retention... Phals of course don't want their roots to dry out as much as Catts. That allows me to keep with the same watering schedule for both Catts Pictured is that acquisition, a and Phals. Doritaenopsis, which I'm hoping will take to mounting as well as my Catts have ... only time will tell. By the way, the Doritaenopsis is a cross between a Phalaenopsis and a Doritis... lovely compact plants with showy flowers... but that's a topic for another article.

So pick out a plant or two from your collection and let's mount those orchids. The undertaking will be an adventure, and if nothing else, will free up some bench space to make room for a few new acquisitions. Yes, orchids... a world of beauty and discovery.

SDCOS is seeking someone skilled in advertising for promotion of our shows,

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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:

Tuskes, Ann and Paul 858-274-5829

2016 Spring Show Committee,

Debby Halliday & Jack Schaefer Co-Chairs

Debby is in England so I'm writing for the both of us. Our Spring Show activities are off to a fine start. Over 55 suggestions for the Show Theme were received by co-Chair Jack Schaefer and "retiring" co-Chair Dave Hoffmaster ("retired" in name only!). By the time this article is in the newsletter, the Show Committee will have narrowed that list down to the five or six best suggested themes and you, the membership, will be asked to vote for one at the September General Meeting.

Tom Biggart has agreed to create artwork for the Show Program & Show Poster. Tom has created art for the Show previously and we look forward to his new artwork. Naturally his artwork will be used to create the Show Program cover and the Show Posters.

Carol Berg has proposed a budget for the Show and with some minor adjustments we will be asking for the membership's approval. Here is the proposed budget:

Advertising and marketing	\$ 3,500
Awards and judging	\$ 3,000
Facilities	\$ 18,600
Food	\$ 3,300
Merchandise	\$ 400
Seed money	\$ 3,000
Supplies, copies and	
postage	\$ 1,500
Total	\$33,500

We do need to invest some funds in repairs to the lattice work we use to create displays on the Show Floor. Not a lot, just enough to spruce up some partitions and fix up the 1 by 1 poles we use to keep the bark somewhat under control. We are also looking for help with advertising. This is a particularly difficult job as we do not have a bottomless pocket to pay for billboards and TV spots. Anyone who would like to help is welcome to join the committee but I must admit the budget is a bit restricted.



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Board of Directors Meeting Summary

The San Diego County Orchid Society's Board meeting was held on August 6th, 2015.

Attending were Scott LaBouff, Kay Klausing, Bruce Berg, Carol Berg, Jack Schaefer, Carol Kerr & Carey McCoy. Excused absent were Debby Halliday & Bob Clark. The meeting was opened at 7:15PM

The Secretary reported that the July Board minutes were approved by email and were published in the August Newsletter. The Secretary noted that he would be absent from the September Board Meeting. Bob Clark has been asked to stand-in as temp Secretary. Carol Kerr volunteered to do the job if Bob was not able to make the meeting.

The Treasurer presented the financial report for August. A motion was made & passed to file the report for audit. Carol also reviewed the use of the new Square Inc, Point of Sale (PoS) cash register system. She said that the checkout process went very well. Minor issues cropped up applying discounts on Sunday afternoon sales.

Our webmaster reported on the web activity for June. The page hit count increased to 2600 hits/month as due to the Summer Show. Both the "Doctor Is In" and Volunteer pages were active during the month. The yearly fee for the website was paid during the month. The "*Orchids in the Park*" judging schedule was updated. And a new Spring Show 2016 Advertising poster has been added to the website. See below for more Spring Show information.

The Membership Chair was absent so there was no membership report.

Spring Show 2016 – Co-Chair Jack Schaefer reported on the initial activities of the Show Committee.

Tom Biggart has volunteered to create an art work for use on the Spring Show Program and Spring Show Poster. This will replace the Advertising poster noted above when Tom has finished his artwork.

The Show Committee received over 50 suggested themes and narrowed those down to the best 5 themes. The membership will then vote to pick 1 of those 5 to be our Show Theme at the September meeting.

Scott LaBouff, Society President, reported that we used a new advertising sign at the Summer Orchids In The Park Show and Sale. This sign was a custom design by board member Carol Kerr. The only problem noted was that the sign needed staking to keep it from falling over. Additional signage was discussed and will follow in the future. Scott also noted that we need to purchase a new microphone system for the general meetings as the current microphone does not work well.

Our 1st VP, Kay Klausing, reported that Arthur Pinkers will be speaking at the September general meeting. The topic of his presentation is the species *Coelogyne*. Arthur will also provide the Opportunity Table.

Kay reviewed the PoS system in some detail. He showed new samples of barcodes using a larger font and a different label layout. An add-in module for MS Word is available to help do the layout. After some discussion a motion was made to purchase the add-in module. Further discussion noted that an additional barcode scanner suitable for use with a tablet is available for a reasonable price. The motion was amended to include the barcode scanner, 2nd and passed.

The 2nd Vice-President, Debby Halliday was absent however she had reported to Scott prior to the meeting that she will be the speaker for the September Culture Class discussing "Orchids to grow easily indoors and outdoors in San Diego". As was noted last month, Debby will be hosting a New

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Member Repotting Class on the 29th of August at her home. A volunteer signup sheet is available online.

Our Past President Bruce Berg stated that he plans to host a Finance Committee meeting at his home in September. Bruce asked if someone would like to be Co-Chair for the "Orchids in the Park" Show and Sale events. Carey McCoy volunteered to do this. Bruce also indicated his desire to have a Show Committee to handle all three "Orchids in the Park" Shows. Bruce also asked Jack Schaefer to produce vendor area layouts to follow when setting up for these shows. He noted that the change to the Show Schedule added sections for table top and floor displays in the "Orchids in the Park' Shows.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM and the next SDCOS Board meeting will be on September 3rd at 7PM.



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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 <u>develethos@gmail.com</u>.

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

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Orchid Dates to Remember

August 29th Newcomers Potting Workshop see article this issue

September 1st, 6:30 PM **SDCOS Culture Meeting** First Tuesday of the month Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

September 1st,, 7:30 PM **SDCOS General Meeting** First Tuesday of the month Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

September 2nd **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

September 3rd, 7:00 PM SDCOS Board Meeting Normally the Thursday following the General Meeting, Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room104

September 5th **SDCOS Species Group Meeting** First Saturday of the month Paul or Ann Tuskes (858) 274-5829

September 16th **Cymbidium Society Meeting** Regular meeting, third Wednesday of month Culture class at 6:30, Meeting at 7:00 Lake San Marcos Pavilion 1105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078 orchldy2@mac.com or (760) 732-0055

September 18th 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



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From the editor -

Thanks so much to all the contributors to the newsletter for making this an engaging and informative few pages.

In the endless summer of San Diego, many of us visit local (and some faraway) places where orchids grow and bloom. I ran across an interesting project in the UK where orchid hobbyists are helping the tracking of climate change by photographing and documenting orchid blooming in the wild

http://www.orchidobservers.org

I don't know if this kind of project would be useful here, but be sure to keep your photos they may be useful for more than you think!

Suggestions for the newsletter always welcome.

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