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CULTURE MEETING - June 7th, 6:30 PM

Repotting & Dividing Cattleyas

Speaker - Dave Hoffmaster

By Debby Halliday

June is repotting time. For those of you who missed our very informative potting workshop this month, you're in luck. Dave Hoffmaster will be demonstrating and explaining how to divide and repot Cattleyas.

Dave is a life member of the SDCOS and has been in the club for about 12 years.

He was also our Spring Show chairman from 2013 – 2015. Dave learned to love growing plants early in life, when his father was a botanist at Penn State. He would hang out in the greenhouse and experience the pleasure of helping green things grow. His wife Patti introduced Dave to orchids when they met in 1999.

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GENERAL MEETING - June 7th, 7:30 PM

Multifloral Paphiopedilums

Speaker - Dr. Norito Hasegawa

By Kay Klausing

The speaker at our June meeting will be **Dr. Norito Hasegawa**. The topic of his talk will be "**Multifloral Paphiopedilums**".

Norito was born in Los Angeles and is a now-retired dentist. He first became interested in orchids after seeing orchids in mass at the World Orchid Conference held in Long Beach in 1966. Although he failed miserably with his first orchid, he persisted in

trying to grow them outdoors, and in no time he had hundreds.

Over 35 years ago, Norito became a judge in both the Cymbidium Society of America and the American Orchid Society. He has traveled over 3 million miles to many foreign countries talking and/or judging in places such as Japan, South Africa, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, Germany, New Zealand, Taiwan, England, France, Switzerland, and many

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When Patti & Dave moved to the San Diego area in 2001, he took advantage of the opportunity to begin growing orchids at home.

Dave grows his plants outdoors on the patio and in a very efficient shade house on their coastal North County property. His collection includes cattleyas, other hybrids, and also many of the more exotic and challenging species. He has about 250 plants which all thrive under his care.

Dave will repot and divide one of his cattleyas and will talk about the most important considerations for being successful. He will discuss culture, pot choices, and media selection, and will demonstrate the techniques he uses to create a healthy transplanted orchid. As a bonus, the division he creates will be placed on the opportunity table where you could win it in the raffle.

This is a great chance to become more knowledgeable and confident about repotting your cattleyas. Now is the perfect time of year for this job, so come learn from an expert!

Class starts at 6:30pm.

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cities in the USA.

His interest lies mainly in the hybridization of all Paphiopedilums and also the propagation of Paphiopedilum species. While he was still working as a dentist he founded Paphanatics, unLimited,

His interest and collection of 15,000 orchids, although focused on paphiopedilums, goes beyond them and includes miniature cattleyas, phalaenopsis, cymbidiums and variegated orchids of all sorts. Now, he can't imagine a life without orchids. For him orchids are

an endeavor of science, taxonomy, hybridizing, art, sociability and quiet reflections.

Please join Norito 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 June meeting will be provided by Norito Hasegawa.

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President's Message

Our Annual Awards Banquet last month made a very nice evening. Carey McCoy, Ivan Allen, and Kay Klausing did much in preparation. Kay selected a whole roasted pig for our main entrée. It took many hands to carve it for serving. It was delicious, as were all of the various dishes, hors d'oeuvres, and desserts brought by members to share. **Ann Tuskes presented a slide show of Spring Show highlights** featuring many of the beautiful orchids and people who made it such a great event.

The evening was special for me, as I had the honor to present Bruce and Carol Berg with well-deserved Lifetime Memberships. Bruce and Carol Berg have contributed a great deal to our Society, over many years. Bruce started his SDCOS career in August of 2009, as Second VP. Since, he has steadily stewarded our Society, as President for three years and now as Past President. Bruce has been serving as Show Chair for our recent park shows. He was co-Chair of the Spring Show from 2011-2015. Bruce has also championed SDCOS participation in regional shows for a number of years, specifically Newport Harbor and the San Diego Fair, and the Huntington Botanical Garden show last year. The past few years he has also organized our excursions afar, most recently to Agua Caliente County Park. Bruce in his current position has steered the Finance Committee with steady hands. Bruce has also worked with Bob Clark updating our By-laws which will be coming to a vote later this year. Bruce is always happy to share his experiences in growing orchids, whether through his culture writings in our newsletter or in person. He is always open to sharing his home for meetings and workshops. He is a true leader! I am happy that I've had the opportunity to work on the board with Bruce these past several years.

Carol has also served our Society for many years. In August of 2010, she joined the Board as Treasurer. You will always see Carol setting up and managing our Sales booth at shows. Behind the scenes she is diligently managing the finances of our Society with expertise and care. This takes time, patience, and a mind for numbers, all of which Carol has graciously given to our Society. Carol also cordially welcomes us into her home for Society gatherings. She is a courteous host and a good friend!

Election of your Board of Directors will be held this month. The current board is seeking re-election, with the exception of Jack Schaefer who is stepping down after doing a very thorough job as Secretary for several years. Jack will be continuing his efforts as our Webmaster and will also serve in the newly created post of Show Oversight Coordinator. Tom Ketelaar has graciously agreed to join the Board as its new Secretary. I know that Tom will do an exceptional job. I thank the Nominating Committee: Pam Peters - Chairperson, Felisa Acantilado, Tom Biggart, Charley Fouquette, and Dave Hoffmaster for their work in the nomination process. I also thank all the current officers who were willing to serve in their posts for another year. Each and every officer has contributed much to our Society, bringing significant innovations and energy. I can say that we've all had a lot of fun and satisfaction serving the Society's members and in our outreach to the public. We look forward to tackling additional projects in the coming year.

***Orchids in the Park* show dates for the coming year are now on the Balboa Park App.** Here is the listing for our Summer show: <http://www.balboapark.org/SDOS-Orchids-in-the-Park>.

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Speaking for our Summer Show, July 30th & 31st, many volunteers are needed. Please sign-up at

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/PALM8>.

SDCOS is participating in the San Diego County Fair on Flower Festival Day, June 19th. If you'd like free tickets to attend the fair and give an hour of your time at our information booth, please sign up at

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

Another opportunity is June 23rd – sign up at

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/BBR33>.

You may also contact Bruce Berg for details at b2berg@yahoo.com. No matter when you visit, be sure to check out our club display and the many beautiful orchids from our members in the competition area.

I wish you success in growing orchids!

Scott La Bouff

2017 Spring Show Updates

Debby Halliday and Jack Schaefer Co-Chairs

At the wrap-up meeting held in late April, your Spring Show Committee decided to accelerate the schedule for choosing a theme and producing the poster artwork. This decision was based on the lead times that various magazines have for their advertising content. We are trying to increase the advance publicity for our show and it has become clear that we need to get going earlier. In order to get our information into their magazines for the winter publishing dates, we need to have our press packets and artwork ready by the fall.

We are therefore starting the process of choosing a show theme early. We want your

input so that we can choose a theme at the **July** General Meeting. This will allow our resident artists (and you do know that we are the **ONLY** show in Southern California to base our show posters on original artwork, right?) enough time to create a new show poster so that we can have it to the various publications before their deadlines.

Please submit your suggested themes to Debby Halliday (debhallid@gmail.com) and Jack Schaefer (klumchuck@gmail.com) as soon as possible. We will choose the top 5 themes and present them for your vote at the July Meeting.

The past 5 themes, "Orchids In Paradise", "Around the World with Orchids", "A Symphony of Orchids", "Orchids by the Sea" & "A Galaxy of Orchids" will not be re-used, however there are many variations on those general themes which would be considered.

Put on your thinking caps and send us some creative suggestions! Remember, the displays will be using this theme for inspiration, so give our exhibitors something great to work with.

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Judging at the San Diego Judging Center (Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park), May 2016.
Text and photos by Phyllis Prestia.

There were 15 orchids presented for judging. Eight were awarded:

Myrmecocattleya Mem.
Louise Fuchs 'Purple
Rain' FCC/AOS
Exhibited by Tom
Biggart
Awarded FCC/AOS 90
points



Phal. Haur Jih Fancy
'Cherie CT #3' AM/
AOS
Exhibited by Glenn F.
Stall
Awarded AM of 82
points



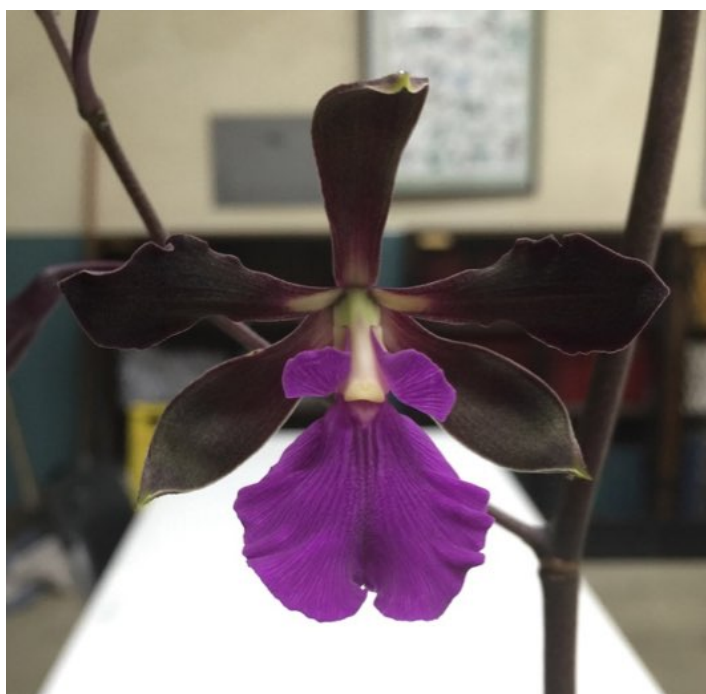
Phal. Haur Jih Fancy 'Cherie CT #2' AM/AOS
Exhibited by Glenn F. Stall
Awarded AM of 80 points



Paph. Jolly Holliday 'Seagraves' AM/AOS
Exhibited by John Hagee
Awarded AM of 81 points



Enc. Rioclarense 'Arnie' AM/AOS
Exhibited by Arnold Gum
Awarded AM of 83 points



Rlc. Unregistered 'Arnie' AM/AOS
Exhibited by Arnold Gum
Awarded AM of 81 points



C. Unregistered 'Brazil Treasure' AM/
AOS
Exhibited by Tom Biggart
Awarded AM/AOS 82 points



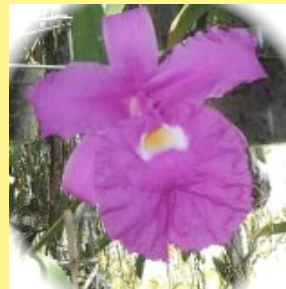
Ansellia africana 'Rainbow Valley' HCC/
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Exhibited by Anita and Jerry Spencer
Awarded HCC of 78 points



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SUMMER SHOW IN THE PARK

By Bruce Berg



Debby Halliday with Best of Show Trophy for
Brassavola Little Stars X *B. nodosa*

On the weekend of July 30th and 31st, 2016, we will be hosting our Summer Show in the Park. All members are invited to bring in their plants for judging. In addition, members wishing to enter tabletop displays may do so. Because of space limitations, please coordinate with me before the show if you wish to enter a display. See the show rules published on the website for more information, or contact Pam Peters.

We will have members give talks during the show again on various cultural topics.

We need help setting up the show and in hosting the show. Set up involves setting up the lattice partitions, the tables, and the tablecloths. Set up will begin about noon on Friday the 29rd. Many hands make quick work. We will also need help during the show with various tasks, including security and helping with sales. Ivan Allen has the online volunteer sign-up form ready for you to login and sign up to help with one or more of the jobs needed to put on the show. Please go to the website and sign up to help out. Signup sheets will also be available at the June meeting.

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/PALM8>.

If you wish to sell your plants and need more information, contact Carol Berg or me. If you need more bar code stickers, contact Kay Klausing: Klausing@san.rr.com ((619)275-2308) so that he can have them printed out for you. You can either pick them up at the show, or we can mail them to you for an additional \$2.00. The deadline for letting Kay know what bar codes you need is June 21st, 2016.

Please bring in plastic bags, paper bags with handles, and small cardboard boxes to put orchids in when they have been sold.

If you have plants to donate to Conservation, please bring them in on Friday afternoon or contact Ron Kaufmann or Betty Kelepecz if you can't bring them in. As usual, there will be tables at the back of the sales area for member sales.

Plant registration will be between 3 PM and 7 PM on Friday the 29th and from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM on Saturday the 30th. Judging will begin at 10:00 AM. Members are encouraged to participate on the judging teams where you can learn more about orchids

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Tom Biggart receives Forrest Robinson trophy for cultural excellence on Epicatt El Hatillo x E. tampensis

as well as meet your fellow members. After judging we will again have a potluck for the judges and volunteers. So bring a dish to share and join in the fun!

Our vendors will have many tempting plants to add to your collections. Buying quality blooming plants at a show is a good way to have blooming plants that will be in bloom for next year's Summer Show.

There will be AOS judging provided at this show.

This is a great time of year for many varieties of orchids including, Oncidiums, Dendrobiums, and Cattleyas, so if you have plants in bloom, bring them in to show them off!

See you at the show!

GREAT DAY FOR A POTTING WORKSHOP

by Debby Halliday

Our thanks to Bruce and Carol Berg for hosting an excellent potting workshop on Saturday, May 21st. The weather was delightful – not too hot or too cold – and they have a nice covered patio area to work in.

Bruce Berg led off with an introduction and welcome to our participants. It was a good mixture of new members, neighbors, and prospective members from our sister societies. We also had some long time members on hand to help and answer questions. Debby Halliday then demonstrated how to repot a Cattleya and also how to repot a Phalaenopsis in

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sphagnum moss in a clay pot.

We also had two very large specimens to break up, which is the perfect mixture of challenge and opportunity. We first attacked a *Maxillaria picta* from Helen Pfister's collection. Jack Schaefer and Bruce Berg worked away on it until we had enough pieces for everyone to take home a souvenir. Jack had also brought an enormous *Oncidium sphacelatum* that was donated to the club at the spring show. It took all hands to deal with this monster, but it was beautifully healthy and produced many fine plants, some of which will be for sale at the next show. Everyone got lots of potting practice as we tucked the many pieces into new containers.

Ben Machado supplied us with plenty of bark and pots. Carol Berg took pictures and we enjoyed her wonderful sun tea. Everyone brought delicious offerings for lunch, which we ate with gratitude once we could tear ourselves away from the potting fun.

Bruce and Carol have wonderful gardens with not only orchids, but succulents, roses, vegetables and more. Everyone enjoyed touring Bruce's greenhouse and shade house where his orchids were thriving as always. One of the fun aspects of our potting workshops is that they are held at members' homes, so you get a chance to see how different people grow their orchids. There are always new tricks to be learned.

It was afternoon before we knew it. The hardest part of a good potting workshop seems to be ending it. It's too tempting to work on just one more plant. However, we finally all got to cleaning up the mess and packing up our freshly planted orchids. It was another successful event. We all know each other better and the newer growers have gained important skills and confidence to help them be more successful with their orchids. Definitely a worthwhile Saturday.



If you missed this one, don't worry. There will be another one this summer, probably in July.

VIRUS TESTING SERVICE

We are now offering a Virus Testing Service at our SDCOS regular meetings. The charge is only \$6 to cover the cost of the kit. Debby Halliday or another experienced member will be happy to virus test any plant you are concerned about.

Please email Debby at debhallid@gmail.com if you plan to bring in a plant. We'll arrange to have kits there to help you.

If you only have a few plants to test or don't feel comfortable doing your own testing, this service is for you.

REMEMBER – The Doctor is In at our meetings. If you are worried about a plant, put it in a bag and bring it in. We'll have a look and do our best to advise you.

Summary of Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting for May 2016

By Jack Schaefer, Secretary

Board of Directors Meeting: The San Diego County Orchid Society's Board meeting was held on May 5th, 2016.

Attending were Scott LaBouff, Kay Klausing, Carol Berg, Bruce Berg, Jack Schaefer, Bob Clark, Carol Kerr & Carey McCoy. Debby Halliday was excused absent. The meeting was opened at 7:09 PM.

The Secretary reported that the April Board minutes were approved by email and were published in the May Newsletter.

The Treasurer distributed copies of the monthly treasurer's report to board members for review. A motion was made & passed to file the report for audit.

The webmaster reported on updates to the website. Bob Clark noted that a copy of the current membership email list would be given to the webmaster to update the web email facility.

The Membership Chair reported that the total membership was up.

Spring Show Relocation Report – The Board has been researching alternative venues for the Spring Show with an eye to reducing the cost of the facility. A review of the facilities at Marina Village in Mission Bay was conducted including an on-site tour of the buildings. It was concluded that Marina Village did not provide any advantage in terms of price and had several deficits.

Jim Wright Fund – Scott noted that the board should focus on projects with long term benefit to the Society.

Kay reported on the proposal to provide LED lighting over all plant display tables for our shows. Jack provided table sizes and counts plus power availability data. Kay showed 4 possible designs to the board and reported on

the cost of each. In all cases the cost would make the project unfeasible. It was decided to drop this proposal. Debby Halliday had noted at a prior board meeting that providing lath panels as backdrops in the vendor area would be welcomed by the vendors using the central portion of the floor space. The board approved the idea. Scott noted that supplies for this project could be obtained from a local source using the source's community non-profit vouchers.

The report on the Spring Show Wrap-Up meeting was deferred to the next board meeting.

Bob Clark moved to rescind the motion creating a new Director-at-Large position. The motion passed after much debate. Bob moved to create a Show Oversight Coordinator position as a Standing Committee. The board accepted the motion.

President Scott LaBouff commented on a new student member, Olivia Salonen, who has joined the Society. Welcome Olivia!

Scott commented on plans for the Society to develop a quarterly program for use in education systems in the San Diego area. He reported that John Walters has committed to providing support for our plan.

He also reported that the Society's page has been implemented on the Balboa Park App. He had a few wording issues to discuss with the app's creator, but generally our page looks good.

Scott asked Carol Berg to research a Bus Excursion to the Huntington Botanical Garden's Orchid Show in October. He noted that the AOS Fall Member meeting is being held in conjunction with the Show.

The Balboa Park Garden Party event has invited the Society to participate. However this year they are asking for a sizable application

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fee. It was decided that we would not participate.

Our 1st VP, Kay Klausing, reported that Norito Hasegawa will discuss Multifloral Paphs at the June General Meeting. He noted that *Orchids* magazine will have the dates for our orchid shows in their next issue.

Our 2nd Vice-President Debby Halliday was absent but had noted previously that the Culture Class in June would feature Dave Hoffmaster with a presentation on Cattleya Repotting.

Under General Board Member's Items, Carol Kerr continued her review of the current Society Seal. She showed the board a large version of the old seal and discussed various ways of creating a new clean copy.

Carey McCoy reported on the design of our booth at the San Diego County Fair. She showed the board several sketches and reported on the quantity and positioning of loaned plants. There was some concern about lighting in the booth so Jack Schaefer and Bruce Berg agreed to look at the lights available in the garage and decide what would work best.

Past President Bruce Berg gave an update on the San Diego County Fair plans. Bruce requested, and was granted, funds for supplies for the display. He asked Jack Schaefer to use the web email system to send out a notification of the application process for Society Members who wish to enter plants for competition at the Fair. Bruce agreed to write up a paragraph and forward it to Jack for distribution.

Bruce also commented that the bookmarks we use as advertising materials need to be updated with new photos on the front side and a revision of the Show dates and information on the back side. He requested

funds for the purchase of updated bookmarks to be available at the Fair. His motion was passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 PM and the next SDCOS Board meeting will be on June 2nd at 7PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Jack Schaefer,
Secretary

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

County Fair Meet and Greet Opportunities

By Bruce Berg

Members will have two opportunities during June to help man informational tables at the County Fair. The first opportunity will be **Sunday, June 19th** when we will have a table set up in the gardens area on "**Flower Festival Day.**" You will receive free Fair entrance tickets for the day. What we ask is that you volunteer for a one hour shift between 11:00 AM and 5:00 PM. We will have brochures, bookmarks, and photos of society activities so that you can talk to fair visitors about the benefits of joining our Society. We will be joined by members of the other orchid societies in the County who will bring information about their society activities. It's a good opportunity to meet some new friends who share our interest in orchids.

The second opportunity is on Thursday, June 23rd when we will have an informational booth available for us to do the same meet and greet. The times are the same, and free tickets will be provided.

Please sign up at the following web sites and you will be given further information when it becomes available. The current plan is that you would show up at the SDCOS display booth outside the O'Brien Display Hall about 15 minutes before the time your shift starts. If you don't sign up thru the website, you will need to contact Bruce Berg at 619.258.1963 or b2berg@yahoo.com to arrange for your tickets and to confirm your schedule.

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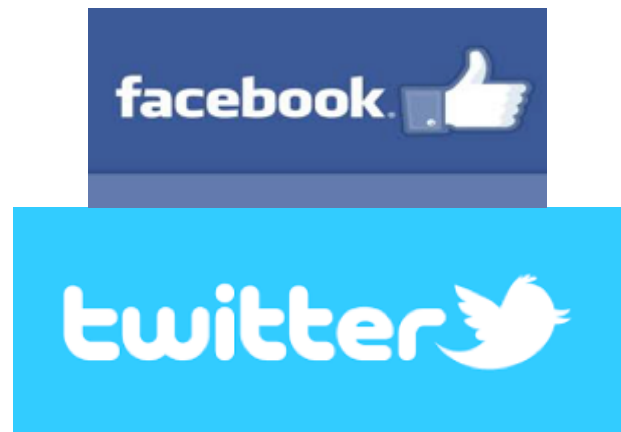
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Orchid Hotlines

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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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

June 1st
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

June 2nd, 7:00 PM
SDCOS Board Meeting
Normally the Thursday following the General Meeting, Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 104

June 4th
Fourteenth Orchid Digest Speakers Day
12:30pm - 8 pm
Huntington Library
San Marino, CA

June 7th, 6:30 PM
SDCOS Culture Meeting
First Tuesday of the month
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

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

June 11th
SDCOS Species Group Meeting
First Saturday of the month
Paul or Ann Tuskes (858) 274-5829

June 15th
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

June 17th
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 -

This past month, the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, the organization that maintains Sander's List, issued its first assessment of the state of the world's plant life

(https://stateoftheworldsplants.com/report/sotwp_2016.pdf)

It's a great report full of interesting stuff, including the figures that of the 369,000 known flowering plant species, 31,128 have known uses by man and that 2,034 new species of plant were discovered last year. It also outlines the issue that 21% of the world's plants are threatened.

One spot of good news for orchids is the colonization of an old mine site, where thousands of native orchids are now growing - see

<http://news.nationalgeographic.com/2016/05/160512-millions-orchids-blooming-abandoned-mine/>

Suggestions for the newsletter always welcome.

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