



*To promote interest in orchids and their cultivation,
to educate by exchanging information and experiences
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the conservation of orchids in the wild.*

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CULTURE MEETING - August 2nd, 6:30 PM

Tracking Your Collection With Photography

Speaker - Debby Halliday

By Debby Halliday

Your 2nd VP, Debby Halliday, (that's me), will be presenting this month's culture class. I will talk about and show you my photographic system for cataloguing and recording the progress of my orchid collection.

As your collection grows, it becomes harder and harder to remember when you got a certain plant or what it looked

like then. How does this year's flowering compare with last year's? How often does it bloom? Am I successful with this plant or is it going backwards?

Many people log their plants in a database or spreadsheet. I log mine with photos, of both the plant and the tag. It's fun and easy, and a real life saver if you

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GENERAL MEETING - August 2nd, 7:30 PM

Orchids of Madagascar

Speaker - Phyllis Prestia, Ed.D.

By Kay Klausing

The speaker at our August meeting will be **Phyllis Prestia, Ed.D.**

The topic of her talk will be "**Orchids of Madagascar**".

Phyllis S. Prestia, Ed.D. is a retired educator and Middle School Principal. She received a Doctorate of Education at Rutgers University, where she also served as instructor in the graduate education program.

Originally from New Jersey, she moved to California with her husband to retire in

the sunny, San Diego area and grow orchids. Her collection includes a variety of species and hybrids across several genera grown both in a small greenhouse and three outdoor growing areas under shade cloth.

In her orchid life she has been the President of the San Diego County Cymbidium Society and currently serves as the Vice President of the Cymbidium Society of America, as well as keeping active in several Southern California orchid societies.

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President's Message

Our "Orchids in the Park" Show and Sale is July 30th & 31th. Set-up is July 29th. Mark your calendars! Many volunteers are still needed! At last count we have 37 open volunteer positions needing to be filled for this show. Please sign-up now at <https://www.volunteersignup.org/PALM8>. Teamwork makes set-up and take-down easy and jobs in-between are fun and interesting. Plus, you get to hang out with your orchid friends and enjoy beautiful blooms. **If you have an orchid in bloom, register it for the competition and show. Registration is on Friday from 4 pm – 7 pm and Saturday 8 am – 9 am.**

Join us at 9:45 am on Saturday to participate in the judging of show entries. Judging is really a fun and rewarding activity. I always learn something new. Afterwards, re-energize with pot-luck good eats and stay to admire the orchids displayed, listen to a talk about orchids, and buy a new orchid or some needed supplies. I encourage SDCOS members to engage with our show visitors. The easiest way to do this is by simply offering some information about an orchid someone is admiring. **AOS judging will also be held at this show.**

October 22nd we are planning a chartered bus excursion to the Huntington Botanical Garden's *Elegant Orchids* 2nd Annual International Orchid Show & Sale. This will be a full day trip filled with fun! We'll visit the show and allow plenty of time for shopping among the many [orchid vendors](#) from around the world. **The highlight will include a docent led tour of the three off-exhibit greenhouses, housing over 10,000 orchids.** This collection includes the famous [S. Robert Weltz](#) Paphiopedium collection. Seventy-two AOS certificates, including five FCCs, have been awarded to plants in the HBG's collection since 2014. Cost for the trip is \$40 per person. Admission is free! SDCOS

will provide bottled water and snacks for the trip. Lunch options are available at cafes and restaurants on the grounds, or pick a nice spot to enjoy a picnic packed at home. **Sign-up at <https://www.volunteersignup.org/MTK7X>.** For some history of the HBG orchid collection read [The Orchid Collection at the Huntington Botanical Gardens](#). Also, [Exploring-the-Treasures-at-The-Huntington](#). **There is so much to do and see here! Additional details about the show and the AOS Fall Members Meeting are on page 5, Orchid Extravaganza Coming to The Huntington.**

I welcome Tom Ketelaar to the Board of Directors as *Secretary*. I am certain that Tom, with his experience and enthusiasm, will serve us well. You'll often see Tom energetically lending a helping hand and welcoming visitors at our shows. Tom also serves on our Finance Committee. I am glad to have him on the team! I asked Tom to introduce himself. Following is what he had to say:

"While growing up in the Middle of America, Iowa, and acquiring the 'farming' and 'gardening' genes from my grandparents one set who immigrated from Holland in 1892 and the other who planted a garden every year, I have always enjoyed being around plants, soil, and the mysteries of Nature. My family always planted a large garden every year where I learned Nature's discipline of the seasons and patience. In the Midwest it is very easy to raise a good crop of weeds and insects; and each year the battle ensued as to which side would win! Since I knew at the beginning of each growing season who the winners would be, I gave up those battles in 1977 and moved to San Diego. What a relief!!

Orchid flowers are items of beauty I have always admired since I am able to remember.

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President's Message - continued

I attended a number of "Balboa Park Shows" not only of orchids but other plant shows as well. The orchids shown in park shows were always stunning, well presented, and drew my interests. Over the years I would attend the show in *Mission Valley* and made the decision to attend four of the "SDCOS" Tuesday night meetings during different seasons. On July 7, 2011, I joined the organization.

The sharing of information and experiences, opportunities to learn for the novice, ability to make mistakes and learn from them, friendliness of members, variety of opportunities, seeing and learning about various types of orchids and just being able to walk around listening and learning are a few of the items that attract me to the organization. Plus I get exercise when assisting with the set-up and take-down of the various shows; I do not have to pay for the exercise – it's free!

My favorite orchids are cattleyas, oncidiums, miltoniopsis, cymbidiums, and dendrobiums. My current collection is rather eclectic with cattleyas, cymbidiums, oncidiums, *maxillariella tenuifolias* (Pina colada fragrance), dendrobiums, four phalaenopsis, and a number of 'unknowns' which I am awaiting with anticipation to discover their true identity.

At this time I have not selected any particular member of the orchid family to learn about, concentrate on or in which to specialize; I am having too much fun being open to learning more. Some of the orchids I have learned about so far are ones I have never heard of or seen. That to me is another item of major importance presented by the organization - plants from around the world which others have visited while I vicariously share their knowledge, experiences, and 'see' plants

through their talks, slides, and insights." - Tom Ketelaar

Recently, while browsing, I happened upon the [Giant's Causeway \[wikipedia\]](#). Mentioned as one of the native flora is the "Frog Orchid" [Coeloglossum \[wikipedia\]](#). *Coeloglossum viride* is found throughout non-tropical, northern latitudes, having some of the widest distribution of any orchid. **With re-classification this orchid is also referred to as [Dactylorhiza viridis \[northamericanorchidcenter\]](#).**

I wish you success in growing orchids!

Scott LaBouff

Culture Meeting continued

break or lose a tag. As an added bonus, you start to build a library of lovely orchid images to use for cards or calendars. Many of mine appear on our new posters to advertise our shows.

I'll also be bringing along my camera and background setup to demonstrate what I do to take nice orchid pictures. This is a perfect system if you are a bit lazy and hate recording all the tag information for every plant. A picture is worth a thousand words!

I hope this presentation will give you some new ideas for recording and tracking your orchid collection. This system works well for me.

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.

General Meeting continued

She is currently participating in the orchid judge training programs of both the American Orchid Society and Cymbidium Society of America.

In her lecture Phyllis will present the Orchids of Madagascar with an emphasis on Angraecoids. This will include habitat photos from her trip in 2015 as well as a comprehensive review of their culture including tips from her own successful experience growing many of these species. This should be a very interesting and informative talk since these beautiful and often fragrant orchids are not frequently seen in cultivation - yet they deserve to be in every collection.

Join Phyllis and fellow society members for dinner at the Prado Restaurant, before the general meeting (Our reservation is usually at 5:30). Please call 619-929-1452 to R.S.V.P.

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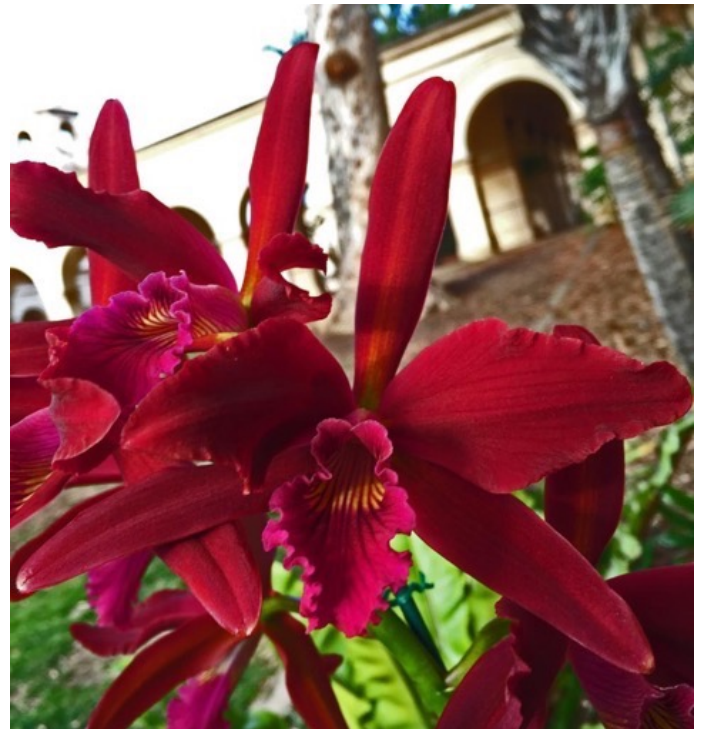
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CORRECTION

In the July newsletter judging report, the exhibitor for the below plant was incorrectly identified. The corrected attribution and award is shown below. The editor regrets the error and congratulates Alex Nadzan on a gorgeous plant.

C. Zip 'Red Velvet' AM/AOS
Exhibited by Alex Nadzan
Awarded AM of 82 points



**ORCHID EXTRAVAGANZA COMING TO
THE HUNTINGTON OCTOBER 19-23!
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The Huntington Botanical Gardens International Orchid Show (October 21-23) AND the American Orchid Society Fall Members Meeting (October 19-23) will be held concurrently at the Huntington Library, Art Museums and Botanical Gardens! Much more than just an orchid show, this orchid extravaganza will feature:

HEAR THREE DAYS OF ORCHID SPEAKERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD: Come hone your growing skills and expand your knowledge of our orchid passion! Friday, Saturday and (a shorter schedule) Sunday will feature these and more fascinating speakers:

Alfredo Manrique: Phragmipedium kovachii culture

Fred Clarke: Catasetum Species, Hybrids and their Culture

Dr. Harold Koopowitz: Evolution of the Slipper Orchids

Janet Lamborn: Don't put on the virus blinders, your collection is depending on you
Dr. Daniel L. Geiger: Growing Orchids in a Terrarium

Carri Raven-Riemann: Phalaenopsis Species: From Mega to Micro

Garry Clark and Graham Wood: Award Winning Growers Choose Orchiata

Gustavo A. Aguirre: Columbian Cattleyas

Peter T. Lin: Small Vanda Species and their Hybrids

Hadley Cash: Marriott Orchids... The Other Side of the Story!

Hilmar Bauch: The Genus Cattleya

Andy Cameron: Genes and Ploidy in Cymbidiums

Pleurothallid Alliance: Sponsored Speaker (TBA)

Jonathan Robbins: TBA

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and Sale at The Huntington

October 21-23, 2016
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the American Orchid Society
Fall Members' Meeting

Friday: Noon-4:30 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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- Orchids and related merchandise for sale from vendors from around the world
- Lectures for beginners and experts alike

Paphiopedilum Neeri-Gold

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More information: huntington.org/OrchidShow

AOS Members Meeting registration is required to attend the talks, and includes many other benefits!

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Ten Shin Gardens (Taiwan), Floralia (Brazil), CalWest Tropical (California), Orchid Conservation Alliance (California), Orquideas Katia (Columbia), Centro de Jardinaria (Peru), Marriott Orchids (North Carolina), Gold Country Orchids (California), Popow Orchids (Germany), Asendorfer Orchideenzucht (Germany), Mundiflora (Ecuador), Wing Studio (California), Agdia (Indiana), Orchiata (New Zealand), Orchid Design (California), and more to come! ***Requires paid admission to the Huntington OR event registration OR qualifying free admission as a volunteer for the event (see below for details.)***

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AOS Members Meeting Event registration required

PARTICIPATE IN RIBBON JUDGING, AND/OR OBSERVE AN AMERICAN ORCHID SOCIETY JUDGING

During ribbon judging, you can join a group of other orchid enthusiasts working informally under the guidance of a supportive expert to evaluate the plants entered for ribbon judging at the show. *No experience required* – this is a learning opportunity and you can ask all of the questions you want! Later, you can also discreetly observe an American Orchid Society judging, where accredited judges with years of experience compare the entered show plants to database records and photographs of all similar plants that have ever been evaluated by the AOS.

Free Admission

ENJOY AN ELEGANT DINNER AND/OR A VARIETY OF OTHER AMERICAN ORCHID SOCIETY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

The American Orchid Society management and members gather twice a year to both celebrate their orchid passion and conduct the work that makes the operations of organization possible. This is your chance to visit and participate with the AOS!

Requires AOS Members Meeting event registration and prior additional payment for meals associated with certain specific events

HAVE FUN VOLUNTEERING AT THE SHOW AND MEETING!! HELP THE HUNTINGTON GROW ORCHID PASSION LOCALLY!

There will be a myriad of opportunities for volunteers to staff information desks, act as exhibit room docents, help with greenhouse tours, staff the plant hotel, assist with setup and teardown and many other tasks. Online volunteer registration will soon be available, and volunteers will be able to pick their choice of jobs and three-hour time slots!

All volunteers will receive a qualifying free admission to the Show, vendors, and grounds only (does not include the AOS Members Meeting and speakers). Your volunteer badge will entitle you to free admission to the Huntington grounds (including the library, art museums, gardens, orchid displays and judgments) from October 19-23. AOS Members Meeting (separate) event registration will be required for admission to the speakers talks as well as banquets and meals.

TO REGISTER FOR THE EVENT OR FIND MORE INFORMATION, GO TO WWW.AOSFALL2016.COM.

TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE ORCHID SHOW OR TO BE A RIBBON JUDGE, GO TO www.signup.com/go/kV6Q9S

Oncidium

By Bruce Berg

This is a rewrite of the culture sheet published on our website with changes I made to reflect growing Tolumnias.

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This is an extraordinarily large and diverse New World genus with an equally diverse number of habitats. Oncidiums may originate anywhere from sea level in the tropics to the high elevations of the Andes. This obviously makes cultural generalizations difficult. More specific instructions may be available from the grower. Some genera included are Aspasia, Brassia, warm-growing miltonias (often called the Brazilian type), and many of their hybrids.

Light needs can vary from bright to nearly full direct sun depending on the species. Most will thrive with one to several hours of full sun a day. Generally, thicker leaved plants, such as "mule-ear" and "equitant" oncidiums (Tolumnias), can withstand more light. In a greenhouse, 20 to 60 percent shade is required, or about 2,000 to 6,000 foot-candles, depending on the plants. In the home, east, south or west windows are ideal. Many types of oncidiums will grow under artificial light. If your oncidium is growing well, but does not bloom, the problem is most likely that the plant needs brighter light.

Temperatures for this group are generally considered intermediate to warm: 55 to 60 F at night, and 80 to 85 F during the day. Temperatures up to 95 to 100 F are tolerated if humidity and air movement are increased as the temperatures rise, a good general rule in any case.

Water requirements vary with the type of plant. Generally, plants with large fleshy roots or leaves need less-frequent watering than



thin-leaved or thin-rooted plants. Watering should be thorough, and the medium should dry at least halfway through the pot before watering again. This may be every two to 10 days depending on weather, pot size and material, type of orchid and type of potting medium. Plants not actively growing should be watered less. Many species have winter rest periods.

Tolumnias and other mounted oncidiums will need more frequent misting when the weather is warmer, especially in the warmer parts of the county where daily misting in the summer may be required. Along with increased watering, plants will need increased airflow to dry the roots.

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Humidity should be between 30 and 60 percent. Many oncidiums require less humidity than other orchids. Most greenhouses have adequate humidity. In the home, placing the plants above moist pebbles in trays is ideal.

Fertilize regularly while plants are actively growing. Applications of 30-10-10 formulations twice a month are ideal for plants in a bark-based potting medium. A 20-20-20 formulation should be used on plants in other media or on slabs. If skies are cloudy, applications once a month are sufficient.

Potting should be done when new growth is about one-half mature, which is usually in the spring. Fine-grade potting media are usually used with fine-rooted plants and coarser mixes with large-rooted plants; the standard size is medium grade. The plant should be positioned in the pot so that the newest growth is farthest away from the edge of the pot, allowing the maximum number of new growths before crowding the pot. Spread the roots over a cone of potting medium and fill in around the roots. Firm the medium around the roots. Keep humidity high and the potting medium dry until new roots form. Tolumnias, as well as other fleshy-leaved or large-rooted plants, can be grown on drift wood, slabs of cork bark, tree fern, or in pots filled with a coarse, well-drained medium. This allows the

drying between waterings that these types need.

Problems with oncidiums: These plants are generally robust growers. I have noticed, however that my brassias and other thin leaved oncidiums tend to get small black spots on the leaves toward the end of winter in my greenhouse. I believe these to be due to low temperatures. New growths in the summer when the plants are growing outdoors do not have these spots. I think it is most likely that they are susceptible to fungal infection. Periodic treatment with Bayer's 3-in-1 seems to keep sucking pests away.



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**San Diego County Orchid Society
Board Meeting Summary
July 7, 2016**

Attendees:

Scott LaBouff, Kay Klausing, Debby Halliday, Tom Ketelaar, Carol Berg, Carol Kerr, Carey McCoy, Bruce Berg. Bob Clark not present - excused absent.

The board meeting was held at *Balboa Park - Casa Del Prado Building, Room 104*. The call to order came at 7:10 P.M. by Scott LaBouff, President.

Secretary's Report: - Tom Ketelaar

The June Board Minutes were approved by email prior to this meeting and were published in the *July SDCOS Newsletter*.

Treasurer's Report: - Carol Berg

For the month of June, Carol presented the monthly treasurer's report; there was some discussion. Bruce made a motion the June report be accepted and filed. The motion was seconded and approved.

Membership Report:

There was no *Membership Report* since membership chair was excused absent.

2016 Fiscal Year Budget (Period 07/01/16 to 07/01/17):

An extensive discussion of the past *2015 Fiscal Year SDCOS Budget* and the proposed *2016 Fiscal Year SDCOS Budget* took place. Two changes were made to the 2016 proposed budget:

- a) The line item amount allocated for "Speaker Fees" is raised from the current \$2,000.00 amount to \$2,500.00 for the 2016 fiscal year.
- b) The line item for "Equipment/Fixtures/Capital" is retained in the 2016 fiscal year budget at \$1,000.00; funding of this line

item will be from the *Jim Wright Collection* account.

When there was no further discussion of the *2016 Fiscal Year Budget*, Debby made a motion the adjusted budget be approved. The motion was seconded and approved. Carol Berg will make the adjustments and provide a *final* copy of the 2016 fiscal year budget to board members as a matter of record.

Shows Items:

At the Tuesday, July 5, 2016, *General Membership* meeting, the 2017 spring show theme selections were voted on by all those in attendance wishing to vote on the theme. The "2017 Spring Show" theme winning the most votes is "**Orchid Fiesta!**"

Discussion took place pertaining to the name and design of the banner signage above the "Best of Show" plant stage section at the *Balboa Park* seasonal shows and the *spring* show. Carol Kerr presented three banner options for use at all the shows. The board discussed the options and renaming of the section. After much discussion, Scott made a motion to rename the plant stage section to "Awards of Excellence" with funding for the banners and materials in the amount of \$200.00 provided by the *Jim Wright Collection* account. The motion was seconded and approved. Carol Kerr is working on the new banners; on or before July 14 she will email a proof to a select committee for final approval of the design.

President's Items:

New secretary officer, Tom Ketelaar, was welcomed to the *SDCOS Board of Directors*. The approaching July 30-31, 2016 summer show in the park will be the first appearance of the "Children's Corner" project initiated by Nancy Walters. Scott made a motion to allocate \$100.00 from the *Garner Educational Fund* for supplies and materials to get the

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corner up and running as well as being a continuing presence at future shows. The motion was seconded and approved. A team headed by Nancy is currently working on the project's first appearance.

The online "Balboa Park" app (application) in connection with the "Balboa Park Online Collaborative" system has shown results. One member reported our summer show is one of the items featured in the "Viking River Cruises - San Diego Summer 2016" edition of the "Viking Cultural Calendar": <http://viewemails.vikingcruises.com/events-calendar/san-diego-summer-2016/cultural-event-calendar.html> Check out the "Enrichment" section. The "Learn More" block links directly to the SDCOS website. Try it, you may like it!

The application for a SDCOS display at the "Huntington Botanical Gardens Second Annual International Show and Sale" October 19-23, 2016 has been accepted. Theme for that show is "Elegant Orchids". For members interested in participating, a one day bus trip is planned to the show; a back-stage tour of greenhouses and grounds will be incorporated into the event planned for Saturday, October 22, 2016. Carol Berg has begun making arrangements for the bus trip. More details about the bus trip will be forthcoming. Watch for emails, the newsletter, and **listen** to meeting announcements for information. The "AOS Fall 2016 Members Meeting" will also be held in conjunction with that show. The website for information is:

<https://www.aosfall2016.com>

First Vice-President Items: - Kay Klausing

General Membership Meeting speaker for August will be Phyllis Prestia; topic will be announced.

The provider for the August plant *opportunity table* is yet to be determined.

Publication of SDCOS show dates will be placed in "Orchids", local publications, and other favorable publications to gain more exposure for SDCOS events. If you know of other publications, let Kay or other members of the board hear about those.

Second Vice-President Items: - Debby Halliday

The SDCOS August meeting *Culture Class* speaker will be Debby Halliday; topic will be announced.

There was very good participation and interest at the "Dr. Is In" station during the June meeting when Debby explained and demonstrated testing for viruses. Members are urged to bring to the *General Membership* meetings any suspected plants for virus testing. Please contact Debby prior to bringing in your plants so supplies will be available for testing. Debby's contact information can be found through the "Contacts" block on the society's website: <http://www.sdorchids.com> Suspected plants are to be brought to the *General Membership* meetings enclosed in a plastic bag covering the entire plant. The cost for virus testing remains at \$6.00 per test.

The next "Potting Workshop" will be held Saturday, July 23 12:00 P.M. (noon) at Debby's house.

Directors at Large Items: - Carol Kerr and Carey McCoy

Carol is working on promotional materials, show posters, and other items for the summer show.

Carey provided the list of educational speakers she has arranged for the summer show.

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Past President Items: - Bruce Berg

Bruce reviewed the activity and success of the society's participation at the *2016 San Diego County Fair*. He also presented to the society via the board an award given for participation. The award is from California State Senator Joel Anderson who represents the thirty –eighth state senatorial district. The "Certificate of Recognition" states in part the following: "San Diego County Orchid Society Garden Show in Honor of Outstanding Community Spirit." Bruce will have the "Certificate of Recognition" available at future meetings and shows.

Next summer the Society will be participating in the "2017 San Diego County Fair." Keep tuned for more information.

Bruce stated the society is actively exploring the possibility of using the courtyard space adjacent to Room 101 in order to provide extra area and better exposure for the shows in *Balboa Park*; he will be approaching vendors regarding their views about using the courtyard area for their sales during future shows. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

The most recent meeting of the *SDCOS Finance Committee* meeting was on Saturday, June 18, 2016. Bruce presented a brief summary of the meeting since *SDCOS Finance Committee* secretary, Debby Halliday, had previously provided the minutes of that meeting to the Board members. The next meeting of the *SDCOS Finance Committee* is scheduled for Sunday, December 4, 2016, 10:00 A.M., at Debby Halliday's house.

Scheduled Date for the next San Diego County Orchid Society Board Meeting:

Thursday, August 4, 2016, at 7:00 P.M. –
Balboa Park - Casa Del Prado building, Room 104

Meeting Adjournment: 9:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Ketelaar, 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

Fair Update

By Bruce Berg

As I promised last month, the winner of the this year's San Diego County Fair's Orchid Trophy for the most ribbon awards won during the five weeks of the fair was Tom Biggart. Thanks to those members who participated in representing the Society with putting together our Blue Ribbon display booth as well as the members who brought in

the many beautiful plants for display and ribbon awards during the fair. Also thanks to the folks who participated as judges and ambassadors in meeting with the public and representing your society and sharing your interest in orchids. We were joined by members of the Palomar Orchid Society and the Cymbidium Society showing that people can join societies near wherever they live across the County!



July Judging Report - Photos by Arnold Gum

Paphiopedilum Carolyn Butcher 'Arnie' HCC/
AOS 78 pts. (Paph. x fanaticum x Paph.
delenatii) - Arnold Gum



Paphiopedilum Crouching Tiger 'Piedmont'
HCC/AOS 78 pts. (Paph. philippinense x
Paph. Bel Royal) - John Hagee



Cattleya Leoloddiglossa 'SVO Speckled Blue'
FCC/AOS 90 pts. (C. Loddiglossa x C.
tigrina) - Fred Clarke



Cattleya warscewiczii 'Fatima' HCC/AOS 78
pts. - Linden Burzell



Paphiopedilum Ap Philip 'Seagraves' AM/
AOS 80 pts. (Paph. Judge Philip x Paph.
rothschildianum) - John Hagee



Cattleya tenebrosa 'Windflower' AM/AOS
85 pts.- Betty Kelepecz



Paphiopedilum Temptation 'Seagraves' AM/
AOS 80 pts. (Paph. kolopakingii x Paph.
philippinense) - John Hagee



Cattleya N.R. 'Sunset Valley Orchids' AM/
AOS 85 pts. (C. Penny Kuroda x C. Diana
Rehfield) - Fred Clarke



Laeliocatarrhon Silver Maker 'Sunset Valley Orchids' AM/AOS 80 pts. (Lcr. Silver Toy x C. Dubiosa (1890)) - Fred Clarke



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Orchid Hotlines

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858-756-3578

Species, all types

Indoor and outdoor
Ann & Paul Tuskes (858) 274-5829

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Christopher Croom (619) 583-3804

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Cymbidiums

Karl Batchman casa@orquideas.com

Northeast County, all types

Dave Reid, Reid's Orchids (760) 310-2153

San Diego Central

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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.

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Orchid Dates to Remember

July 30th-31st

SDCOS Summer Show in the Park
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

August 2nd, 6:30 PM

SDCOS Culture Meeting
First Tuesday of the month
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

August 2nd, 7:30 PM

SDCOS General Meeting
First Tuesday of the month
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

August 3rd

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

August 4th, 7:00 PM

SDCOS Board Meeting
Normally the Thursday following the General Meeting, Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 104

August 6th

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

August 17th

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

August 19th

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 -

A hot summer follows a warm winter for us, for orchids a good growing period. I hope that those who live inland can keep their greenhouses cool enough, and everyone can keep their plants wet enough in the heat. This is when those that took Bruce's advice to build a rainwater collection system are feeling smug and deservedly so.

I hope all members have a chance to take some vacation time, recharge and regroup. Some may have even gone to see orchids in the wild. I look forward to some excellent presentations including the one in August by Phyllis.

May your plants always grow!

David
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