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## CULTURE MEETING - June 6th, 6:30 PM Seeing Your Orchids – Recognizing the Clues

Speaker - Debby Halliday

By Debby Halliday

We all look at our orchids regularly, but do we really <u>see</u> them? Orchids give us many clues about how they are doing if we just know what to look for.

I am about to end my term as your 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, so I wanted to give one more culture class before I hand my duties off. I was in my greenhouse the other day and was thinking about the changes that have

evolved in the way I grow orchids over the years. I've had my collection in Rancho Santa Fe for about 7 years now. As most of you know, I grow a large variety of different orchids and always enjoy trying something new. This presents some challenges as not everything wants to grow in the same area or be treated the same way. It

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## GENERAL MEETING - June 6th, 7:30 PM The Fascinating Orchids of Vietnam

Speaker - Angelic Nguyen

By Kay Klausing

Angelic Nguyen developed a passion for orchids when growing up with them and other tropical flowers in her hometown near Saigon, Vietnam. She emigrated to the U.S. in 1990, and has been growing orchids for more than 20 years.

In 1999, she started her company, Orchid Design, and works on growing and arranging orchids as well as graphic and web design. Recently she has added photography to her list of activities and has since taken thousands of pictures of orchids.

She grows Cattleya, Phalaenopsis, Laelia, Dendrobium, Oncidium, Paphiopedilum, Phragmepedilum, Lycaste, Bulbophyllum and Vanda; both hybrids and species - and has several rare Cymbidiums. She has also done some hybridizing of Cymbidiums, Laelias, and Cattleyas.

Angelic has served as president, show chair, and board member of several Bay Area orchid societies and has supported many orchid societies in graphic design related topics. She is currently the show

#### **President's Message**

Our annual awards banquet last month was a very nice evening. Carey McCoy, Ivan Allen, and Kay Klausing did much in preparation for a celebration of our very successful Spring Show and Sale, "Orchid Fiesta!". Our dinner consisted of a variety of entrees from Ponce's Mexican Restaurant. Members contributed an assortment of delicious side dishes, hors d'oeuvres, and desserts. The evening was special for me, as I had the honor to present a Life Membership to Jack Schaefer for his contributions to our society over many vears.

- Jack has served as our Web Master since October 2010. He has incorporated enhancements to our website with the addition of listing Conservation grants we've awarded, the Volunteer tabs to make sign-up easy, and our "The Doctor is In" tab for easy access to ask orchid care questions.
- Jack undertook construction of our Best of Section & Best of Show showcase to stage our top show winners. He has made this easy to assemble and disassemble, improving upon my initial prototype.
- 3. Jack consistently volunteers at our shows, assisting with many duties.
- For a number of years, Jack has assisted Bruce Berg and Dave Hoffmaster with our displays at Newport Harbor Orchid Shows.
- 5. The past two years Jack has taken the lead in collecting and transporting loaned plants for us to participate at the Huntington Botanical Garden Orchid Shows.
- We recently formalized a Regional Show Coordinator Standing Committee position in the by-laws. Jack graciously accepted to serve us in the position.
- 7. Jack has served on the Board of Directors as Secretary from June 2014 to June 2016.

8. Finally, Jack has served as Co-Chair of our Spring Show the past two years. This position requires yearlong dedication in planning to ensure our main annual event runs smoothly and is as profitable as possible.

I am very grateful for all that Jack has contributed to our club. I am certain that his dedication to SDCOS will continue into the future.

Tom Ketelaar provides an excellent summary of the evening in his May General Meeting Minutes on page 7. I thank Ann Tuskes for her slide presentation and narration of all of the prize winning orchids and displays, plus pictures featuring many of our volunteers. I also thank Mary Whittemore for her expert and entertaining auction of a donated Cattleya Maxima 'Hercules' with the proceeds going to our club. We'll definitely call on her again the next time an auction opportunity arises.

It's time to elect your new Board of Directors this month. At our dinner last month, Pam Peters, Nominating Committee Chairperson, named the following members who will present themselves at the June General Meeting for election by the membership, in their respective positions; Kay Klausing, President, Debby Halliday, 1st Vice President; Ken Campbell, 2nd Vice President; Tom Ketelaar, Secretary; Myra DeTate, Treasurer and Pedro Sanchez, Director-at-large. I am delighted that these members have stepped up to lead our society for the next twelve months. Pedro, as Director-at-Large, will serve a three-year term. I thank the Nominating Committee for their service. This year's committee members were: Pam Peters - Chairperson, Felisa Acantilado, Tom Biggart, Charley Fouquette, and Dave Hoffmaster.

President's message cont'd



At Fiesta Botanica on Saturday, May 27th in Balboa Park, organized by the Balboa Park Conservancy, we had many visitors crowding into our SDCOS booth throughout the day. I arrived early to set-up our booth and found Tom Ketelaar already there waiting to help. He and I set up our Orchids in the Park Show & Sale banner, membership pamphlets, printouts made by Debby Halliday listing a selection of good orchids to grow indoors and outdoors, with basic culture information, and a selection of orchid picture books for visitors to page through. We arranged many orchids for display. Debby Halliday loaned a Maxillaria tenuifolia, Encyclia Cynthia x Ginger Snap, Bulbophyllum lobbii, Paphiopedilum Memoria Richard Allen Davidson, Encyclia profusa, Tolumnia Pretty in Pink, Lc. Jungle Eyes, Lycaste skinneri 'alba', and Paphiopedilum Lady Isabel 'Tails' x P. sanderianum, showing four magnificent flowers with their long tails. I displayed two more Maxillaria tenuifolia plants and a Dendrobium unicum with five freshly opened flowers, and four more yet to open. Carol Kerr and Debby Halliday joined us at the booth later in the morning. We answered numerous questions about orchids and handed out lots of our bookmarks listing upcoming show dates. See pictures on this page.

If you are going to the San Diego County Fair this year, be sure to see the orchids displayed for judging, and our SDCOS display. You can find these at the Paul Ecke Jr. Flower Show, at O'Brien Hall. June 7th is a special day filled with orchid talks, just outside of

O'Brien Hall. SDCOS will share the stage with the Palomar Orchid Society from 11 am to 3 pm with a different talk at the top of each hour. Members from both SDCOS & POS will meet and greet visitors during this time to share information about orchids, our shows, and meetings. If you wish to help greet visitors at this event, see Bruce at the June meeting for a free pair of tickets to the fair.

Mark your calendars for July. Due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday falling on a Tuesday, <u>our meeting is moved to Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>.</u> July 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> is our Summer Show and Sale. Please volunteer! Signup now at <a href="https://www.volunteersignup.org/FQ7TW">https://www.volunteersignup.org/FQ7TW</a>.

I wish *you* success in growing orchids! Scott LaBouff





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seems to me that I look at them differently now than I used to. I am more alert to the subtle clues they exhibit to let me know if they are thriving or suffering. I see them more clearly than I did before.

I thought it would be fun to share what I have noticed with all of you. We'll look at signs of stress, bugs, and disease, as well as the hallmarks of good culture. I hope you'll pick up some clues you had missed. I hope you'll also share some signs and signals you use for better growing of your own plants.

It's been fun organizing culture classes. My best wishes to the next 2<sup>nd</sup> VP. Thank you all for being such a receptive and satisfying audience!

We'll start at 6:30. See you Tuesday.

Debby Halliday

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chair for the SFOS's summer show "Orchids in the Park".

For the past decade she has been participating in many shows with her company, Orchid Design, including the Pacific Orchid Exposition, the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, the San Diego

International Orchid Show and the San Francisco Flower & Garden Show.

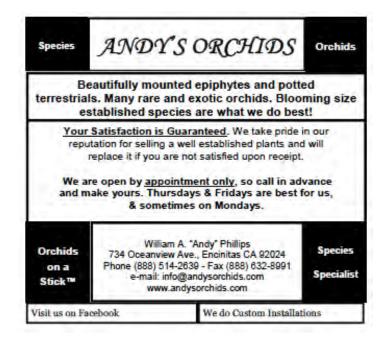
She has given many orchid presentations and skill sessions for orchid and garden societies, using her experience and large selection of photographs.

In her lecture Angelic will present orchids from her native Vietnam. This country boasts a plethora of beautiful orchids which should make this a very interesting and informative talk.

Orchid Design will provide the plant opportunity table.

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







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#### Laelia Anceps

By Bruce Berg

This month I'm writing about one of the orchids that can be easily grown outside year round here in San Diego. Most of this article has been taken from our web site cultural section. I started growing mine in pots, until I realized that they could do better mounted. This year, I have taken several mounted plants and zip tied them to branches of my fruit trees where they will be shaded during the summer and exposed to dappled light in the winter. I have run drip irrigation water lines to them from my city water garden water system which at this time tests about 200 ppm TDS. I'll let you know next winter how this experiment worked. I have included photos of a Laelia anceps species bloom (L. anceps 'Rebecca Tyson Northern'), and a popular anceps hybrid (L Santa Barbara Sunset 'Showtime').

There are several species of Laelia that are native to Northern Mexico that should grow well here in addition to anceps. I have had good luck with a Laelia gouldiana. A search through Orchidwiz gives the following Mexican Laelia species that have high and low temperature ranges similar to those in our local regions. You may want to try one or more of these orchids if you can find them for sale: Laelia albiba, Laelia aurea, Laelia autumnalis, Laelia rubescens, Laelia speciosa, and Laelia superbiens. The cultural requirements would be similar for all of them as follows:

Laelia anceps, a native of Mexico but also occurring more rarely in Guatemala and Honduras, is one of the most common, yet one of the most satisfying orchids to grow outdoors in San Diego. Its ease of care makes it an ideal plant for the beginner as well as the expert. Laelia anceps is one of



the hardiest for cold tolerance of any of the Cattleya alliance, tolerating reported lows of 22°F without any damage, and high temperatures over 100°F rarely trouble it. Its blooming season is customarily November through January. It is grown in pots or mounted, and in subtropical areas is noted for being one of the best to naturalize on trees around the garden, where regular watering is usually adequate. Many trees (except pines) are well suited for L. anceps. Oaks are among the best of trees, and jacaranda, palms, citrus, fiejoa, dracinias, and white birch are quite good. should be tied or stapled to trunks and branches.

Light: This Laelia likes medium to high light, about 2000-3500 foot-candles. Bright light to some sun must be given to the plants, but no direct sun in the middle of the day. Leaves should be a medium green color. Very low light is not adequate for successful blooming.

Laelia anceps cont'd

Temperature: Laelia anceps is one of the more temperature tolerant orchids in cultivation today, making it a natural for outdoor growing in southern California and comparable climates. It has been known to survive winter nights of down to 22°F unharmed, higher day temperatures can be tolerated (up to 100 degrees F), if humidity, air circulation and shading are increased.

Water: Water frequently throughout the growing season, which is mostly April through November. Mounted plants may be watered daily during spring and summer. Water may be reduced in the winter dormant time. Washing off the flower buds by rain or hose is often needed to keep buds from sticking together.

Fertilizer: Regular feeding with a balanced fertilizer will enhance growth, particularly during the growing season of April to November.

Potting: Potting is necessary when 1) the rhizome of the plant protrudes over the edge of the pot, or 2) the potting medium starts to break down and drain poorly (usually after 2 to 3 years). It is best to repot 1) just before new roots sprout from the rhizome. 2) after flowering, or 3) in the spring time.



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#### San Diego County Orchid Society General Meeting Minutes May 2, 2017

#### Summary

This meeting was the combination General Meeting and the Annual Awards presentation. Scott LaBouff, President, invited Pam Peters to approach the podium area to present the nomination slate for the approaching annual election of SDCOS officers for the coming vear. Pam read the section of the current Bv-Laws, ARTICLE VI Election of Directors and Officers, Section 2. Nominations. This section pertains to those names to be placed before the membership at the June meeting when election of officers will occur. Nominating Committee consists of five SDCOS members in good standing and none of which is currently an officer or director of the Society. The Nominating Committee Pam Peters, Nominating members are: Committee Chair, Felisa Acantilado, Tom Biggart, Charley Fouquette, and Dave The names presented by the Hoffmaster. Nominating Committee for the approaching election are: President, Kay Klausing; First Vice-President, Debby Halliday; Second Vice-President, Ken Campbell; Secretary, Tom Ketelaar; Treasurer, Myra DeTate; Director-at-Large, Pedro Sanchez. Nominations may also be made by the membership at the time of the June meeting and prior to the actual voting on the candidates.

Scott thanked Pam and the other members of the Nominating Committee for their efforts in presenting the nominations for the team to be elected for this coming year. Please give a 'BIG THANK YOU' to all the officers and Board Members that have served and those that are willing to serve next year! After the election of new offices at the June General Membership meeting, installation of new

officers will take place at the July General Membership meeting.

Scott made special presentations to members of the Society. Jack Schaefer received elevation to lifetime membership in recognition of his many activities with the Society. Some of the many contributions Jack has made are: assuming the responsibilities of Society Webmaster in October of 2010, improvements to the Best of Section presentation area at the Society's shows, assisting in coordination of shows, acting as co-chair of the annual spring show, serving as secretary on the Board of Directors, coordinating the participation in the 2016 Huntington International Orchid Show in San Marino, California, and many more. Jack Schaefer presented Carol Kerr and Jennifer Buckner with gift certificates in recognition of their assistance in design and artwork for the spring show, the marketing post cards, show posters, and the panels over the Best of Section area, just to name a Scott added his appreciation to Carol and Jennifer and also thanked them for their contributions of graphics for the "Orchids in the Parks" shows, posters, and Best of Section and Best of Show banners. Peters was also recognized for her artwork incorporated into the design of the posters and other marketing materials for the 2017 Spring Show. In addition Scott acknowledged Carey McCoy and Kay Klausing for their preparations in setting up the Society dinners with main dishes provided by SDCOS accompanied by members' potluck contributions and for Carey's serving as the refreshment chair at monthly meetings for the most recent three years.

Following Society business and special recognition of members' contributions, Ann Tuskes presented a slide show, with commentary, of the prize winning 2017

#### SDCOS general meeting minutes cont'd

Spring Show plants, their owners, volunteer cameos, and snapshots of activities. the presentation had taken place, a special activity happened. Kay Klausing, First Vice-President, offered one of his special plants to be auctioned to the highest bidder. The plant offered was a Cattleya Maxima 'Hercules' of South American origin. Our own in house Mary Whittemore, offered to auctioneer. apply her skills and talents by using the Auction Chant (aka: bid calling, the auction cry, the cattle rattle, or simply auctioneering) and conduct the auction of the plant. rhythmic repetition heard by all was in itself enjoyable as well as entertaining. The plant found a new home with SDCOS member. John Oswalt, who took the plant home by making the highest bid of \$50.00. For more information, history, culture, how he acquired it, etc. of the auctioned plant speak with Kay Klausing for the auctioned plant's legacy. At the June Board meeting Scott will verify with Kay and the Treasurer that the bid amount was added to the general account. present at the May meeting enjoyed the activities, the pot luck, Mexican cuisine reflecting the 2017 Spring Show's theme, Orchid Fiesta!, camaraderie, and last but not least many members offered their assistance by staying to help with the clean-up after the festivities.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Ketelaar, Secretary

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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.

#### 2018 Spring Show Updates

Debby Halliday and Jack Schaefer Co-Chairs

Whew! It seems like we just completed our 2017 Spring Show and now it's time to start planning for 2018.

As we did last year at this time, we're asking for your input so that we can choose a show theme at the July General Meeting. This will allow our resident artists and creative folks enough time to create a new show poster so that we can meet the lead time requirements of the various publications for advertising.

Please submit your suggested themes to Debby Halliday (debhalid@gmail.com) and Jack Schaefer (klumchuck@gmail.com) as soon as possible. We will be presenting the best 5 themes for your vote at the July Meeting.

The past 5 themes, "Orchid Fiesta!", "Orchids In Paradise", "Around the World with Orchids", "A Symphony of Orchids", and "Orchids by the Sea" will not be reconsidered, however there are many variations on those general themes which we would look at. Keep in mind that the displays use the theme as inspiration for their designs.

Put on your thinking caps and send us your brightest ideas! We are excited to see what you come up with.

# San Diego County Orchid Society Minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting May 4, 2017

#### **Summary**

#### Attendees:

Scott LaBouff, Kay Klausing, Tom Ketelaar, Bob Clark, Carol Kerr, Carey McCoy and Bruce Berg. Carol Berg and Debby Halliday were not present - excused absent. Also in attendance was SDCOS member, Myra DeTate.

The meeting was held at Balboa Park - Casa Del Prado Building, Room 104. The call to order came at 7:11 P.M. by Scott LaBouff, President.

#### Secretary's Report: - Tom Ketelaar

April 2017 Board meeting minutes had been approved via email. The General membership meeting was held on Tuesday, May 2 when the nomination slate for the approaching annual elections was presented to the membership. The General membership meeting minutes have been filed.

#### Treasurer's Report: - Carol Berg

Although not being physically present Carol provided the March financial report. Some of the revenue and expense accounts for the Spring Show have not yet been reconciled; a finalized report for the financial results of that show will be provided once they are tabulated. Scott made a motion to file the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

#### Membership Report: - Bob Clark

Membership for the month ending April 30, 2017 was 349.

#### **2017 Spring Show Review:**

A request is made of the membership for suggestions on how to get better show

exposure to prospective attendees. For more membership participation with marketing efforts, the membership will be presented with resources, demonstrations, and suggestions on how to use social media and other resources to target prospective show attendees through social groups, neighborhoods, clubs, etc. in an effort to increase show attendance.

#### President's Items:

- 1. The Master Gardener Association of San Diego County (MGA of SDC) coordinator is requesting SDCOS make presentations to their membership at future MG (MGA of SDC) seminars. Debby Halliday has already committed to one of these presentations and Scott will continue to follow-up on these activities.
- 2. As previously published SDCOS participated at the Coronado Flower Show on April 8-9. It was a great success and the SDCOS booth was overflowing with interested attendees many of whom were delighted to see the orchids back at the show. Many of the SDCOS stellar volunteers were also present to share their knowledge, smiles, assistance, answering questions, passing out bookmarks and marketing postcards, and promoting our organization and meetings. Many of the Coronado show attendees were made aware of our shows, website, and activities to help them further and expand their orchid hobbies. SDCOS has been invited to participate in the 2018 Coronado Flower Show. A different, larger, wired and more centrally located position on the grounds is anticipated for 2018.
- 3. On May 27th Fiesta Botanica: Celebrating Balboa Park's Plants & Gardens will take place on the Prado from 10:00 A.M. 3:00 P.M. Setup will take place from 8:00 9:30 A.M. It is a community outreach for all SDBGF (San Diego Botanical Garden Foundation) clubs presented by the Balboa

#### Board minutes cont'd

Park Conservancy in partnership with the City of San Diego Park & Recreation department. The SDCOS application to participate has been accepted. There is no cost to attend, a canopy, tables, and chairs are provided. Scott will send out an email blast reminder to the membership prior to this event's date and to seek volunteers for the event.

- 4. The SDBGF has approved storage space in room 104 for a rolling book case to hold the Helmut Rohrl library and other society books. The activity of having the library case and books present at the monthly meetings continues to be in the planning process. In addition the opportunity of obtaining another bookcase previously used by another organization has arisen and Scott is pursuing that possibility also.
- 5. Jack Schaefer was all smiles and very appreciative for being awarded the Life Membership at the May General meeting. He shared a couple of stories about his experiences and how the previous webmaster's relocation led to Jack's temporary-tentative take over position as webmaster that turned in to a learning experience.
- 6. Scott reminds the membership that because the July Fourth holiday for 2017 is a Tuesday, the July General meeting will take place on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> at the normal location and time.
- 7. The Board was presented with a request to have the Society donate and support an AOS sponsored trophy/award. The implications and ramifications of present and future requests of agreeing to commit the Society's funds to these types of requests were discussed. Tom Ketelaar made a motion the request to commit the funds be passed upon and the Society not proceed with the request. The motion was seconded and approved.
- 8. SDCOS storage needs space arrangements may be changing. Other

storage space in the near vicinity of the current El Cajon facility has been located. Scott and Bruce will be looking further into the alternative location and reviewing the rental fees, hours of availability, access, security issues, etc.

#### First Vice-President Items: - Kay Klausing

1. Information for the June speaker, presentation topic, and plant table provider will be presented by Kay in the June newsletter.

#### Second Vice-President Items:

1. Although Debby was not physically present, she informed Scott and Kay that the Culture Class presenter for the June meeting will be David Brown. Debby will be providing more details in the June newsletter as to topic.

## <u>Directors-at Large Items:</u> - Carol Kerr and Carey McCoy

#### Carol Kerr:

1. Carol emphasized how important it is to settle upon a theme for the 2018 Spring The more lead time available the better for all. In the past the name and theme of the annual spring show was voted upon at the July General Membership Carol suggested that the date of this vote may be adjusted to give further time to get things rolling earlier for the next show. She suggested that mention to the membership be made at the next General Meeting to get thinking about show themes and names. Also, Carol made a suggestion to get word out to the membership for artists, friends or relatives of SDCOS members who are artists, and others who may wish to submit designs for show marketing ideas. It takes time to get notices, announcements, contacts, etc. out through the proper channels; the earlier the machinery gets rolling the better.

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#### Carey McCoy:

- 1. Carey has been speaking and will be continuing to speak at some local clubs/ organizations where she gives mention about SDCOS activities while she is providing information about gardening and orchids.
- 2. She plans to arrange the speakers for the July "Orchids in the Park" show but may need to reconsider future commitments for arranging future speakers. At this time Carey plans to continue with the task of refreshments coordinator; she stated the refreshments budget continues to run under budget while refreshments at meetings continue to be enjoyed by all.
- Carey and Bruce continue with the planning for this year's San Diego County Fair. This year the fair's theme is "Where the West is Fun" and this theme will be used throughout the fair's marketing. presented some of the preliminary sketches for the SDCOS display with the theme of "Happy Trails"; some of the ideas to be incorporated were discussed. During this session of Carey's presentation, Bruce also shared ideas taking shape. suggestions, materials, etc. are requested of the membership; if you have any of the foregoing, have questions, need more information, etc. contact Carey or Bruce.

#### Past President Items: - Bruce Berg

- 1. In the June newsletter Bruce will provide more information and details about participation in and available awards at this year's San Diego County Fair. The entry deadline is Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. Exhibits will take place from June 2<sup>nd</sup> through July 4<sup>th</sup> for a total of twenty-six days.
- 2. At the fair this year SDCOS will be presenting 'potting demonstrations', 'meet-and-greets', will have volunteers present to answer questions the show attendees may have regarding orchids and their culture,

- passing out bookmarks, orchid culture sheets, and much more. Membership is reminded that ideas, comments, volunteers, materials, etc. are always welcome.
- 3. Scott requested that Bruce be present at the fair to make the awards presentations to the orchid sponsored awards winners. Bruce stated he would be honored to do so and agreed.
- 4. Due to health and personal issues Bruce will be stepping aside as the "Orchids in the Park" show coordinator. He will not be chairing and coordinating the July show, however, he plans to be available as the transition teams take shape.
- 5. Bruce announced the next meeting of the SDCOS Finance Committee is scheduled for Sunday, May 14th, 10:00 A.M. at the Berg's residence. SDCOS members are always welcome to attend; if interested, contact the SDCOS President.

## **Scheduled Date for the next Board Meeting:**

Thursday, June 1, 2017, at 7:00 P.M. – Balboa Park - Casa Del Prado building, Room 104. This meeting will be taking place prior to the June General Meeting.

Meeting Adjournment: Respectfully submitted, Tom Ketelaar, Secretary 8:50 P.M.

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## San Diego County Orchid Society

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#### Meetings

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

Culture Class: 6:30 PM, Room 101

General Meeting: 7:30 PM, Room 101

#### **Newsletter Entries**

If you have monthly meetings, classifieds, submissions of interest, photos, or announcements related to orchids, please contact

David Eveleth at <a href="mailto:develethos@gmail.com">develethos@gmail.com</a>.

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, 7:00 PM

#### **SDCOS Board Meeting**

Normally the Thursday following the General Meeting, Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room104

June 3rd

#### **SDCOS Species Group Meeting**

First Saturday of the month

Paul or Ann Tuskes (858) 274-5829

June 6th, 6:30 PM

#### **SDCOS Culture Meeting**

First Tuesday of the month

Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

June 6th, 7:30 PM

#### **SDCOS General Meeting**

First Tuesday of the month

Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

June 7th

#### **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 21st

#### **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 16th

#### 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

Coming up...

July 3rd - MONDAY, 6:30 PM

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#### From the editor -

In Canada, there are orchids too - and one is now in competition to become <u>Canada's national flower</u>. Hooded ladies tresses ( *Spiranthes romanzoffiana* ) is a terrestrial orchid that has a distinctive spiral whorl of inflorescences. It grows into the far north in Canada and was discovered by an explorer looking for the Northwest Passage. The plant also grows here in California, mostly in the Sierras and along the north coast in redwood or evergreen forests along stream banks and in meadows.

I'm going up into the mountains several times this summer and will be looking for this flowerif I see some I will be sure to post some pics. Pictures of native orchids are always welcome!

Due to the overabundant snowfall over the winter, many places in the Sierras are still

snowed in and the opening of many roads are delayed.

With the warm season now upon us, we all need to make sure that our plants get enough water and that the growing season is maximized with good fertilizer. Just keep in mind that the bugs are not far behind! Keep your plants healthy and keep the bugs at bay.

Suggestions for the newsletter always welcome.

May your plants always grow!

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