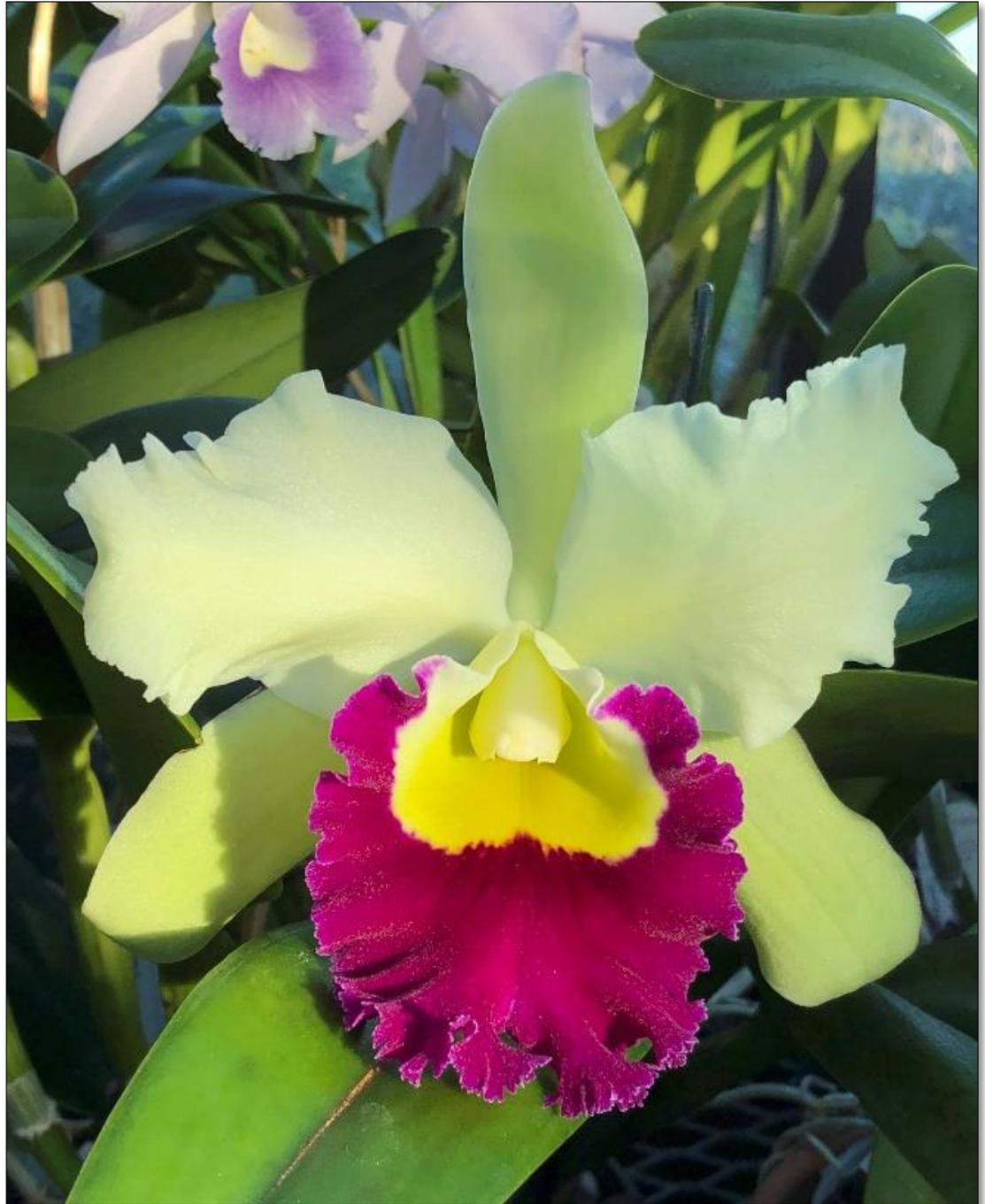




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*B/c. Praetum Green 'Splash'*

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## General Meeting, Holiday Party 2019

Text by Debby Halliday, First VP

It's almost December! The SDCOS Holiday party is **Tuesday, December 03**, at **6:00pm**. Start the season off right by celebrating with your favorite orchid friends. We will have a potluck dinner with entrée (Honey Baked ham & turkey) and beverages provided by your club. Arthur Pinkers will present a photographic review of the AOS awards won during the year by our members. You could take home something wonderful from the Orchid Exchange. You can even choose a free orchid as a present from the SDCOS Orchid Santa!

Here's what you need to do:

- Sign up on the website to bring an appetizer, side dish, or dessert. Don't forget a serving spoon.
- Plan to bring a beautiful blooming orchid to display as a centerpiece on your table.
- To participate in the Orchid Exchange, bring an orchid that you are willing to trade, clearly marked with your name. Make it look nice, because when someone chooses your orchid, you get to go next!
- Please sign up to help set up, serve, or clean up. The party does not put on itself, so extend some Xmas spirit to your board members and others who work hard on this celebration and pitch in yourself. Many hands make light work.
- If you want to bring a bottle of wine, you may. SDCOS will provide non-alcoholic beverages only.

The Holiday party is always a fun way to end the year. We hope you'll put it on your calendar and plan to join us. Since it's a potluck, you're sure to find some food that suits you, no matter your dietary needs. See you in December!



*Laelia anceps*

## Judging at the San Diego Judging Center (Casa del Prado, Balboa Park), October Show in the Park, 2019

Text by Phyllis Prestia

There was one orchid presented for judging. None were awarded.

## Judging at the San Diego Judging Center (Casa del Prado, Balboa Park), November 2019

Text by Phyllis Prestia

Text by Phyllis Prestia.  
Of the three orchids presented for judging, none were awarded.

## President's Message

Text by Kay Klausing

Dear SDCOS Members,

Happy Holidays!

Our holiday dinner party is on Tuesday, December 3rd, starting at 6 pm.

The society will provide the main course as usual – members will bring appetizers, sides and desserts. We are still in need of side dishes, so please sign up on our website: <https://www.volunteersignup.org/bweqt>

Please also see Debby's article in this newsletter on page 2 for details.

I wish all our members a Merry and Peaceful Holiday Season!

See you all at the Holiday Party!

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## People's Choice at the October Show

Text by Debby Halliday, First VP

The People's Choice Award voting at our park shows is always interesting. As you know, we urge our visitors to pick their favorite plant in the show and give them a ballot to vote for it in our People's Choice Award competition. The real goal is to get the people to slow down and really look at the plants our members have gone to considerable trouble to grow and bring into the show. It works very, very well. Many people walk around several times trying to decide. Couples have heated discussions about which plant to choose. Even children get into the act by voting for their personal favorites.

It is so satisfying to see the range of plants that catch someone's eye. This show was no different. The top vote getter and winner was C. Hausermann's Holiday 'Christmas', brought in by Alex Nadzan. It was stunning with huge deep purple fragrant flowers. Overall, 74 different plants received at least one vote. Nineteen exhibitors had at least one plant chosen. Species and hybrids, large showy blossoms, and interesting little ones all received their share of votes. Huge thanks to all who participated. Clearly our visitors were looking carefully and enjoyed the show.

## From the Membership Desk

Text by Bob Clark, Membership Chair

Please welcome our new members: David Rimlinger, Helena Beyer, Gayle & Jim Kollitz, and Eva Shore.

Show Winners, October 2019			
Sec	Award	Orchid	Winner
	James & Lise Wright Best of Show	<i>Oncidium</i> Lemon Drop	Debby Halliday
	Forrest Robinson Cultural Award	<i>Laelia perrinii</i>	Jerry & Anita Spencer
	Siv Garrod Most Unusual Species Award	<i>Catasetum schunkei</i>	Charley Fouquette
	People's Choice Award	<i>Blc.</i> Hausermann's Holiday 'Christmas' AM/AOS	Alex Nadzan
1	Cymbidium Standard Hybrid	<i>Cymbidium</i> Golden Elf	Irma Adams
2	Cymbidium Hybrid Miniature	<i>Cymbidium</i> Hawaiian Gold	Jerry & Anita Spencer
3	Cymbidium Hybrid Pendulous	No Entries	-
4	Cattleya Alliance Standard	<i>Lc.</i> Juvenilis x <i>L. pumila</i>	Debby Halliday
5	Cattleya Alliance Compact	<i>Lc.</i> Mona Pink 'Hiromi'	Alex Nadzan
6	Cattleya Alliance Miniature	<i>Lc.</i> Aloha Case 'Ching Hua'	Alex Nadzan
7	Paphiopedilum Hybrid	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> Avalon 'Love Stone'	Debby Halliday
8	Phragmipedium Hybrid	<i>Phrag.</i> Living Fire 'Jim Wright' AM/AOS	Debby Halliday
9	Oncidium Alliance Hybrid	<i>Oncidium</i> Lemon Drop	Debby Halliday
10	Dendrobium Hybrids	<i>Den.</i> Phok Bong x <i>Den.</i> Little Princess	Jerry & Anita Spencer
11	Vandaceous Alliance	<i>Vanda</i> Yano Blue 'Toby'	Alan Castillo
12	Hybrids of Other Genera	<i>Catasetum gladiatorum</i> x <i>barbatum</i>	Charley Fouquette
13	Phalaenopsis Alliance	<i>Phalaehopsis</i> hybrid Purple Harlequin	Debby Halliday
14	Specimen Plants	<i>Ocidium onustum</i>	Kay Klausung
15A	Species over 6" tall Classes A - S	<i>Laelia perrinii</i>	Jerry & Anita Spencer
15B	Species over 6" tall Classes T - II	<i>Prostechea radiata</i>	Debby Halliday
16A	Species under 6" tall Classes A - S	<i>Laelia dayana</i>	Debby Halliday
16B	Species under 6" tall Classes T - JJ	<i>Pleurothallis grobyi</i>	Betty Kelepecz
17	Small Displays	Tree with Species Plants	Bill & Maggie Loy

## October Show Winners

Above are the show winners for our October Show in the Park. Thanks to everyone who brought in plants! For a full review of the show, please see last month's newsletter.

## Board and General Meeting Minutes

The SDCOS Board and General Meeting minutes can be found at:

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## Orchid Dates to Remember:

December 3rd

### **SDCOS General Meeting: Holiday Party!**

Because of the Holiday Party, this month we will be **starting at 6:00 pm**

Usually: Culture class at 6:30; program at 7:30

First Tuesday of the month

Casa del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

December 4th

### **Palomar Orchid Society Meeting**

Culture class at 6:30 pm; program at 7:00 pm

First Wednesday of the month

1105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078

December 6th – 8th

### **Andy's Orchids Open House**

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

734 Ocean View Ave, Encinitas 92024

December 7th

### **Casa de las Orquideas Open House**

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

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December 7th

### **SDCOS Species Group Meeting**

Breakfast 8:30 am, meeting 9:00 am

First Saturday of the month

Paul or Ann Tuskes, (858) 274-5829

December 8th

### **SDCOS Board Meeting**

First Thursday of the month, 7 pm

This month the board will be meeting via teleconference. Please contact the

President if you need to attend.

December 16th

### **Sunset Valley Orchids Open House**

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

1255 Navel Place, Vista, CA 92081

December 18th

### **Cymbidium Society Meeting**

Meeting at 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Third Wednesday of month

111 Richmar Avenue, San Marcos 92069

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December 20th

### **San Diego Zoo's Orchid Odyssey**

10:00 am – 2:00 pm (orchid space is open)

Third Friday of the month

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**From the Editor:**

Hello everyone,

It looks like we've hit the holiday lull as people recover from our October show and the Huntington show. That said, we have a lot to look forward to: our holiday party is coming up next week and there will be several orchid open houses in early December – and then it will be only a few short weeks before our January show!

Hopefully your plants are faring well as the weather turns cold and we start to get a bit of rain.

I am always looking for more additions, so please feel free to send contributions to me at [SDCOSNewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:SDCOSNewsletter@gmail.com). Deadline for submissions is end of day on the **second Friday of the month**.

Best,

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