

2007 Officers

President	Jim Miller
1st Vice President	Janell Schuck
2nd Vice President	
Recording Secretary	Margaret Nerio
Membership Secretary	Kathy Smith
Treasurer	Mildred Carr
Immediate Past Pres.	Ruben Colmenares



The South Coast Orchid Society meets on the fourth Monday of each month except holidays at the Whaley Park Clubhouse, 5620 East Atherton Street, Long Beach, California at 7:00.

www.southcoastorchidsociety.com

South Coast Orchid Society

Newsletter

Founded in 1950

November 2007

Board of Directors

Expires 2007	Butch Arciaga
Expires 2007	John Reyes
Expires 2008	Irma Hughes
Expires 2008	Andy Tao
Expires 2009	Russ Nichols
Expires 2009	Ron Nash

Committees

AOS Judging	Open
Programs	Janell Schuck
Orchid Digest	John Reyes
AOS Rep	Janell Schuck
Publicity	Janell Schuck
Culture Sessions	
Ribbon Judging	Russ Nichols
Newsletter	Dennis Mackewicz
Kitchen	Marylyn Paulson

Shows

John Reyes

Opportunity Table and Silent Auction

Jane Brecht and Helen Powell

Monday, November 26, 2007
South Coast Orchid Society
Orchid Auction 2007

6:30 PM

Come early to view plants

**Whaley Park 5620
Atherton St, Long
Beach, CA**



Nominating Committee Slate of Officers and Board Members for 2007

The following candidates were nominated for one year terms as Officers of our Society for 2008 at the October Board Meeting.

Russ Nichols	President	Margaret Nerio	Corporation Secretary
Janell Schuck	1st Vice President	Kathy Smith	Membership Secretary
Shawn Bird	2nd Vice President	Mildred Carr	Treasurer
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New Board Members nominated for 3-yr terms are: Marylyn Paulson and Dennis Mackewicz
Board Member nominated for 2-yr term is: Butch Arciaga (replacing Russ Nichols' Board seat)

Additional nominations presented at our October meeting: Nupur Pandey for a Board Member seat.

These candidates will be presented to the membership for a vote at our regular December meeting.

2008 SCOS Membership Form

With checkbooks in hand for our November Auction, please also write a check for your dues for **2008** at our November meeting (cash also accepted). SEE RENEWAL FORM ON PAGE 3. Also consider trying the EMAIL-ONLY option for this newsletter and save your Society money.

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Stories, articles and news items are welcome. The deadline is the 5th of the month.

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President's Message

November 2007

I want to extend a special thanks to all who came out for the October meeting on that smoky evening with fires burning everywhere in the LA and San Diego area. Also, Dennis Mackewicz who gave us a demonstration of the new virus test kits that are now available for purchase and this updated version now tests for two virus types. We will also be able to provide these test kits to our members at a discount price if we can obtain enough orders. Please see elsewhere in this newsletter if you want more information or wish to order.

Our panel of highly knowledgeable orchid growers provided the program and each one gave us an overview of their growing culture and answered questions from the members. I certainly learned a few new culture tips and the participation was very good. Thank you to our panel members that consisted of Butch Arciaga, Espie Quinn, Jim Hoyle, Kathy Synstelien and John Reyes. We appreciate your sharing your knowledge with us. Our first Vice President Janell Schuck works very hard to provide us programs and plant tables each month while staying within our limited budget. Be sure and say thank you the next time you see her.

Nominations for the 2008 elections were also announced by the Nomination Committee. There were some additions from the last newsletter and a complete list is listed on page 1 in this newsletter. The vote for our new slate of Directors and officers will be at the December meeting.

Please do not forget this month is our annual auction. Many of our members have already volunteered to help in one way or another. This is a good time to donate any divisions you may have extras of or are just tired of. We appreciate your help and please tell your friends who may wish to buy some orchids. Please come early and help set up if you are able or donations of food and or boxes to pack plants in are also appreciated. This is the principle way we raise funds to pay for our facility and programs. Thank you again.

Jim Miller

UPCOMING EVENTS

Cymbidium Society of America - Orange County Branch

Annual Orchid Auction

Wednesday, November 14th

7:30 pm

Garden Grove Community Center 11300 Stanford Ave., Garden Grove

SCOS Orchid Auction

Annual Orchid Auction

Monday, November 26th

6:30 pm

Whaley Park Clubhouse 5620 Atherton St, Long Beach

Rudvalis Orchids LAST PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE & Cymbidium SALE FOR 2007

December 1st and 2nd

9 AM to 3 PM

CARLSBAD

For Directions and more information: 760-438-2121

Casa de las Orquideas and Sunset Valley Orchids Open Houses

Saturday & Sunday, December 1st - 2nd

10 am - 4 pm - Casa de las Orquideas

9 am - 4 pm - Sunset Valley Orchids

Casa de las Orquideas 170 S. Nardo Ave., Solana Beach, CA 92075

Sunset Valley 1255 Navel Place, Vista CA 92083

Parking is limited -- please consider carpooling.

The Rowland Collection, Islander Delights, and Andy's Orchids will also be at Casa de las Orquideas.

More information: email casa@orquideas.com or (858) 755-7572 and website www.orquideas.com

More information: (760) 310-0778 or www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com

Don't be left out. If you have not received your personalize membership form from our Membership Secretary, Kathy Smith, be sure to complete this form and bring it to our November meeting or mail it to our Treasurer with your dues for 2008.

**South Coast Orchid Society
Membership Form
2008**

Membership in the SCOS is open to anyone. Membership dues are \$20.00 per year per household. New members may join at any monthly SCOS meeting by completing this membership form or by mailing it with your dues to our Treasurer, Mildred Carr. New members and guests will receive our news letter the following month.

Treasurer:

**SCOS / Mildred Carr
3862 Marron Avenue
Long Beach, CA 90807**

Membership Secretary:

**Kathy Smith
5459 Lemon Avenue #B
Long Beach, CA 90805
562-423-2682
kjs.smith@verizon.net**

Please make checks payable to: SCOS

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE:

Date: _____

Check One Membership Type:

_____ **Renewing Member** _____ **New Member** _____ **Guest** _____ **Lifetime Member**

_____ **Email Only Newsletter Option**

_____ **New Member Badge Order \$5.00 each**

_____ **Print only my name (s) in the Membership Directory**

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Spouse / Partner or Other Information: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____ (Please print clearly)

Contact information above is correct? _____ **YES** _____ **NO**
(If no, please correct above)

Office Use Only:

Amount Paid _____ Paid Via: _____ Date Paid: _____ Receipt: _____

Posted on Membership List: _____

New Information sent to Newsletter Coordinator _____

Group Purchase of Agdia Orchid ImmunoStrip Tests For Cymbidium mosaic Virus and Odontoglossum ringspot Virus

October's Culture Session demonstrated the use of this new virus test strip. If there is enough member interest to purchase a cumulative total of 250 tests or more, we can purchase them at a favorable price. Some members signed up at the October meeting. **If you are interested, please sign up and make your payment at the November meeting/Auction.** The tests will be ordered the following day. The company will package the tests in groups of 5's, 10's, 25's, 50's and 100's at no additional cost to make distribution easier.

You can also send this sheet to our Treasurer, filling out the form below with the quantity you want and a check to 'SCOS' to cover the cost. Make sure it will arrive by November 25th so your order can be included. See the form below for details.

Cost for aggregate quantity of 250 tests or more = **\$5.00 Per Test**
(Cost should be a little less depending upon shipping costs; any excess will be donated to SCOS)

Current cost if you ordered the 25-Test Pkg direct = (Including shipping)	\$5.40 Per Test
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Note: tests must be stored in the refrigerator and have an expiration date of approximately 12 months.

Sign Up Below (SCOS Members Only)

ONLY

[5's, 10's, 25's

50's or 100's]

[Qty x \$5]

Ttl Cost

For Completion by Treasurer / Coordinator	
Cum Qty	Paid Date

Member Name	Phone Number	Quantity of Tests	Ttl Cost
1 John Doe	(777) 123-4567	25	\$125
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Mailing address to Treasurer:

SCOS / Mildred Carr

3862 Marron Ave., Long Beach, CA 90807

Dennis Mackewicz, Coordinator

Orchid Growth Types - Epiphytes, Lithophytes, Terrestrials

People who are new to orchids sometimes think that orchids are parasitic plants because the pictures of them growing in the wild often show the plants growing in trees. It is this unusual growth habit that separates orchids from most plants generally grown in the home and why it is important to plant in a porous medium and water carefully.

Epiphytes

Actually orchids which grow in trees are **Epiphytes**. The term comes from the Greek words, *ipe-*, meaning on and *phyte*, a plant. Orchids only use the tree or bush they grow on as a place to anchor their roots; all nutrients come from the air or from droppings from higher up in the branches. All their roots are exposed to the air in order to give them more opportunities to absorb water and nutrients.

The majority of orchids grown by man around the world are Epiphytes. Many are grown mounted on wooden rafts such as cork; some are grown in baskets; and some can be grown in pots in an extremely porous mixture of bark, perlite and charcoal. Cattleya, Phalaenopsis and Brassia are common examples of epiphytes.

Lithophytes

It is relatively common for epiphytes to also grow on rocks which provide no nutrients to the plant. There are also many orchids which do not grow on trees at all, but only on specific kinds of rocks. These plants are called **Lithophytes**. The term comes from the Greek words, *litho-*, meaning stone and *phyte*, a plant--thus a plant that lives on stones. Often they are found around the bases of trees or in crevices on rocky hillsides where pieces of debris collect.

Many of these orchids can be grown as epiphytes on cork rafts, on tree fern, or open baskets. An example of a lithophyte is Sophronitis.

Terrestrial

The last major group of orchids are referred to as **Terrestrials** because they grow in the ground. However, they do not grow in the same soil that most of us understand as potting soil. They grow in humus or leaf litter accumulated on a forest floor. This humus is an extremely open and porous medium which can be duplicated with a fine bark mix in cultivation. Examples of terrestrial orchids are cymbidiums and most of the slipper orchids.

**South Coast Orchid Society
Ribbon Judging Results
October 22, 2007**



October Meeting

Orchids on the Ribbon Judging Table

Paph & Phrag (Cyrtopodioideae Subfamily)

First	Paph. unknown	Espie Quinn
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Dendrobium (Dendrobiinae Subtribe)

First	Den. Mrs. Fleming	Doris & Larry Arakakis
Second	Den. bracteosum (pink x white)	Doris & Larry Arakakis

Cattleya (Laeliinae Subtribe)

First	Cattleya Porcia 'Appleton'	Espie Quinn
Second	Epicat. Don Herman 'H&R'	Espie Quinn
Third	Epicat. Siam Jade 'AVO' AM/CST	John Reyes
Culture	C. Bactia	Espie Quinn

Oncidium (Oncidiinae Subtribe)

First	Miltonia spectabilis var. Moreiana 'Candellas Delight' AM/AOS	Jim Hoyle
Second	Milt. Bluntii	Jim Hoyle

Pleurothallid (Pleurothallidinae Subtribe)

First	Zootrophian schenckii	Jim Hoyle
Second	Octomeria gehrtii	Espie Quinn
Second	Pleurothallis strupifolia	Jim Hoyle

Phalaenopsis (Sarcanthinae Subtribe)

First	Vanda unknown hybrid	Butch & Miranda Arciaga
Second	Asda. Crown Fox 'Red Gem' x Vanda Kasem Delight	Butch & Miranda Arciaga
Third	Vanda Robert's Delight 'Blue Butterfly'	Butch & Miranda Arciaga
Culture	Vanda Robert's Delight	Butch & Miranda Arciaga

Thanks to Jim Hoyle for helping judge our orchids.



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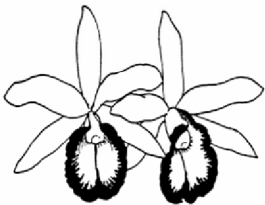
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dwmackewicz@yahoo.com, e.g., add to your "Contacts" list.



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