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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 90815 at 7:00 p.m.

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South Coast Orchid Society

Newsletter

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March 2010

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

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Monday, March 22, 2009 "Repotting and Mounting Orchids"

Speaker: Norm Nakanishi

7:30 p.m.

Norm Nakanishi will be talking on his perspective on repotting and mounting orchids. Along with his talk he will demonstrate repotting of Cymbidiums, Cattleya, Phalaenopsis and or Laelia as time permit's. Norm has B.S. and M.S in Biology, a Horticultural Degree from Cal Poly Pomona and a teaching credential in Agriculture. Now retired he taught High School Agriculture for 27 years. He started growing orchids while still in High School way back in 1968 with mostly Cymbidium Orchids. He has over a thousand orchids but is in a downsize mode.

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7:00 p.m. Culture Session

Demonstration Testing an Orchid for Viruses

Dennis Mackewicz will demonstrate how to use one of the virus kits available on the market.

Members will be asked to share what precautions they take to prevent infecting their plants and when they might want to test a plant. Please come and participate.

Silent Auction Notice

There will be several large pictures of orchids with frames in this month's silent auction.

Special Opportunity Table Drawings

There are several ways that you can get on the inside track for one of those early Opportunity Table drawings. One is to donate in a nice-looking preferably blooming orchid for the Silent Auction table or the Opportunity Table. Another is to remember to bring in refreshments; see notice below. Russ will periodically put the drawing of these special tickets you receive with these donations to the beginning of the drawings.

Refreshments

Last names **Q to Z** please bring refreshments.
There is a special drawing for those who bring food!

President's Message March 2010

I would like to take a moment and review our last year's meeting speakers. 2009 was a good year, and we are off to a good start for 2010.

It is not easy to get up before a group and share your photographs and experiences, but last year two members did just that. Roberta Fox gave us an informative tour through Ecuador, chronicling her experiences there on an orchid tour along the back roads and up the high mountains in search of native Ecuadorian species. The benefits of a tour guide, both in terms of securing lodging and identifying native plants, were made clear, as Roberta was able to identify most of the plants she photographed. Andy Tao took us on a different journey, to Minneapolis, Minnesota for the AOS Members Meeting. (As Andy said, Minnesota has four seasons: Almost Winter, Winter, Still Winter, and Road Construction - but they still grow orchids!) His meticulous account of the displays, vendors, and nearby nurseries whetted our appetite for attending orchid events in other locations around the country.

We were fortunate to have two learned speakers in January and February of last year. Bob Lauri is a PhD candidate, who has studied the native California species. Bob gave us a review of the terrestrial orchids of North America, Africa, and Europe; his talk was not only accurate and precise, as befits a PhD, but interesting as well. Then, in February, we were fortunate to hear from Dr. Ron McHatton, AOS Director of Education and Regional Operations. With over 40 years growing orchids, and a wealth of information gathered from his work with the AOS, Orchid Digest, and local orchid societies, he presented a subject near to our hearts, Orchids that Grow Well Out of Doors in Southern California.

Our speakers are frequently local vendors, very knowledgeable folks who are often AOS judges meeting in the adjacent room in Whaley Park while we are having our meeting and who understand our own growing conditions and issues. We heard from Loren Batchman (who has already given another talk to SCOS in 2010) on Judging Cymbidiums, from Norito Hasagawa on the latest in Paphiopedilums, and Charles Weckerle-Thrun (better known to some of us as Butch from the Rowland Collection) on the culture of Paphiopedilums. We also heard from Paul Gripp on Summer Blooming Brazilian Orchids; who can forget the beautiful display of plants he brought to us in July from his creation, the Santa Barbara Orchid Estate? Finally, we heard from Steve Champlin. Although he started out in Southern California, he is now living and raising Brazilian species and hybrids in Brazil for Floralia.

These speakers were the focus of our regular meetings in 2009, and together with a hands-on session on mounting orchids, our annual auction, and our end-of-the-year Christmas Party, entertained us throughout the year. We are off to a good start for 2010, and can look forward to another banner year. And who knows, perhaps one of you has a set of pictures and a story to share. Yes?

Russ Nichols



Announcements

< Russ presents Dennis Mackewicz with the Orchid Digest's Diamond Award.

Dennis Mackewicz received the Orchid Digest Diamond Award in acknowledgement of his many contributions to the SCOS. Dennis edits, assembles and publishes the SCOS newsletter every month, which requires a constant focus on the society's deadlines. He has compiled an

enviable record for delivering a quality newsletter each month, not only for last year but also for several prior years. In addition, each year Dennis photographs and creates a DVD of the orchids members bring to each meeting, and then entertains the society by sharing these photos early the next year. Dennis also actively participates in other orchid functions on behalf of the SCOS. This dedication made Dennis Mackewicz a clear choice for our 2009 Diamond Award. (See page 4.) Russ Nichols



SCOS received a Second Place award for our display at the Newport Harbor Orchid Society, Ocean of Orchids, Society Display Award on February 12 - 14, 2010 which came with a \$100 prize for our treasury. This display also won an AOS award for "Show Trophy for Most Outstanding Orchid Exhibit". Our thanks go to all those who worked on the display and provided the many orchids needed: Kathy Synsteliën, Jim Hoyle, Butch Arciaga, Janell Schuck and our designers, Espie Quinn and John Reyes did an excellent job. Thanks also to Andy Tao for taking this and many more pictures which are at the end of the emailed newsletter version. Additional February judging table pictures are also there. The email version is available at our website: www.SouthCoastOrchidSociety.com

2010 February Meeting

< Speaker : Loren Batchman



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SCOS Awards for 2009

At our February meeting, we presented several awards to distinguished members of our society. In each case we recognized a special contribution based on either dedication to the South Coast Orchid Society or to the culture and presentation of orchids.

Dennis Mackewicz received the Orchid Digest Diamond Award in acknowledgement of his many contributions to the SCOS. See p. 2.

Throughout 2009, SCOS members brought their plants to our monthly meetings for display and ribbon judging. In 2009, we had some spectacular plants and flowers to dazzle our senses. For those who brought in the best flowers, we awarded first, second, and third place ribbons, and for the best grown plants we gave culture awards.

Butch Arciaga earned the most points in our ribbon judging for the year. To compile this record, Butch had to produce orchids of top quality throughout the year, requiring knowledge of different genera and their culture in order to consistently bring blooming specimens to our monthly meetings. His attention to the needs of orchids - their growing media, light, and watering - and his ability to define and execute a presentation pleasing to the eye make Butch our overall winner for 2009 and winner of the Phil Plotcher Award.

Rounding out our winners for 2009, **Espie Quinn** took second place for her orchids. A past overall winner, Espie also skillfully grows a variety of different plants, brings them to share with us at the meetings without fail, and is proficient in setting up and displaying orchids. Third place went to **Kathy Synsteliën**, who grows a great variety of orchids and regularly participates in the ribbon judging. Fourth place overall goes to **Ruben Colmenares**, a past president of SCOS and orchid grower since childhood. Ruben's plants are often spectacular, worthy of blue ribbons; will he bring his orchids to more meetings this year, and be in the running for the Phil Plotcher Award? Will you? Russ

Speaker: Norm Nakanishi Cont.

He raises primarily Cymbidiums, Catleyas, and Phalaenopsis but also includes other genera. Norm also raises Palms, Cycads, Ferns, Bromeliads, Begonias, Clivias, Chrysanthemums, Geraniums, and Ti plants. He has hybridized and grown just about everything in his collection including Cymbidium and Phalaenopsis. He is currently President of the Orange County Chrysanthemum Society, President of the Orange County Begonia Society, Leader of the Southern California Clivia Group, and writer for the Los Angeles International Fern Society. Don't miss this exciting talk.

John Reyes

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mariposa Gardens Open House

Sat. March 20th and April 17th
9 am - 3 pm

6664 South Street
Lakewood, Ca. 90713
(562)920-5588

www.mariposagarden.com

The San Diego County Orchid Society "A Rainbow of Orchids" show and sale

March 26 - 28, 2010

Fri. 4 pm - 8 pm; Sat. 9 am - 6 pm; Sun. 10 am - 4 pm

Scottish Rite Event Center
1895 Camino Del Rio South, San Diego CA
Info: www.sdorchids.com

Orchids at The Flower Fields

April 23 - 25, 2010

Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 9 am - 6 pm

Interstate 5: exit on Palomar Airport Road in Carlsbad, CA
Info: (760) 431-0352 or www.theflowerfields.com
Get coupon at mtg for \$3.00 off one General Admission Ticket!

Santa Barbara Orchid Estate International Orchid Fair

July 9 - 11, 2010

South Coast Orchid Society
Ribbon Judging Results
February 22, 2010



Cattleya (Laeliinae Subtribe)		
First	Slc. Little Pot "SVO" x Slc. Cherry Country "SVO"	Ruben Columnares
Second	L. anceps var. Williamsiana 'Snowdrop Blush'	Ruben Columnares
Third	Lc. Tiny Treasure x C. Iodigiesii 'Aranda B'	Ruben Columnares
Culture	Lc. Hotsauce "Remake"	Ruben Columnares
Dendrobium (Dendrobiinae Subtribe)		
First	Den. speciosum Windermere x Capricornicum	Ruben Columnares
Second	Den. Cheryl's Glory x speciosum var. Corvicaule "Best"	Ruben Columnares
Third	Den. Aussie Aurora	Kathy Synsteliën
Culture	Den. Mondroak	Ruben Columnares
Phalaenopsis (Sarcanthinae Subtribe)		
First	Angraecum Sesquipedale	Ruben Columnares
Oncidium (Oncidiinae Subtribe)		
First	Ada Aurantiaca	Jim Hoyle
Second	Brassia Rising Star	Roberta Fox
Third	Osmoglossum pulchellum	Jim Hoyle
Culture	Miltonia Unknown	Doris and Larry Arakakis
Paph & Phrag (Cyrrpedioideae Subfamily)		
First	Paph. Ripple	Butch Arciaga
Second	Paph. Fanaticum	Butch Arciaga
Third	Paph. unregistered	Butch Arciaga
Culture	Phrag. Keirateanum x Eric Young	Butch Arciaga
Other Genera		
First	Lycaste Koolena x Absolutely Stunning	Butch Arciaga
Second	Dendrochilum javierii	Butch Arciaga
Third	Pterostylis carta	Roberta Fox
Cymbidium		
First	Cym. Sarah Jean "Ice Cascade"	John Reyes
Second	Cym. Solana Rose "Nancy"	John Reyes
Third	Cym. Knute Kid (Knute Rockne x Cisco Kid)	Roberta Fox



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MONDAY, **March 22nd**

Meeting at Whaley Park Clubhouse

Meeting Starts at 7:00 p.m.



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2010 February Meeting - Ribbon Judging Orchids cont.



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Ocean of Orchids SCOS Display

