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Regular Meeting Schedule

Doors open at 6:30 pm
Table/chair setup, plants in place
Ribbon judging starts at 7:00 pm
Culture session
Speaker starts at 7:30 pm
Opportunity drawing
Table/chair teardown
Doors close at 9:30 pm

South Coast Orchid Society

Newsletter

Founded in 1950

January 2015

Culture of Cycnoches

by

Fred Clarke, Sunset Valley Orchids

Program Starts at 7:00 p.m.

Monday, January 26, 2015

Our 2015 speaker program starts off with a bang, as Fred Clarke discusses the Culture of Cycnoches. Fred is the proprietor of Sunset Valley Orchids in Vista, CA, and a grower of award winning Cycnoches and their hybrids. Those who have been with the SCOS for a few years will remember Fred as a very clear speaker, who packs his lectures with accurate detail.

Fred Clarke owns and operates Sunset Valley Orchids, located in Vista, San Diego County, CA (www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com). He is a successful grower of compact Cattleyas, and produces many hybrids encompassing a wide range of genera. His grex, Fredclarkeara After Dark has multiple FCCs and other awards, and is the "Black Orchid" in Rich Walton's documentary, "The Judge, The Hunter, The Thief, and The Black Orchid." He has written articles for the AOS Orchids and Orchid Digest publications. He has been growing orchids for 37 years, and hybridizing for 32 years.

Fred will speak on the genus Cycnoches and also provide the plant table. Cycnoches is a genus with 34 species indigenous to tropical America and growing as epiphytes or terrestrials from sea level to about 2000 feet. They have long, slender pseudobulbs and deciduous leaves, and a definite dormant period. (See some of Fred's awarded Cycnoches below!)

Refreshments

Last names starting with **S through Z** please bring refreshments.

President's Message

We closed out 2014 with our Christmas Party. Thank you to everyone who helped to make it possible and to all who attended. Special thanks to Maria Van Kooy and Marilyn and David Paulsen for preparing the main entree and setting up the feast.

We need everyone to pay their 2015 membership dues of \$20 as soon as possible so we can finalize our roster for the new year. Remember your dues help to keep our society running. Bring your dues to our January meeting or if unable to attend download the membership form on our website and mail them in. (Membership form included below.)

At our board meeting on December 11th we approved the following changes to the raffle ticket system for 2015. The changes will help to streamline the raffle sales and process.

- 1) Starting with our January meeting, you will receive 1 ticket for \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5.
- 2) You can return a maximum of 5 plant judging ribbons per meeting and will receive 1 exhibitor's ticket per ribbon. These tickets will go into the plant exhibitor's drawing.

We are still looking for volunteers to be officers or board members. If you have an interest please call me at 562 431-1142.

The Newport Harbor Orchid Society orchid show will be at Westminster Mall on February 13, 14 and 15. More details about our participation will be provided at the January meeting.

Last but certainly not least, don't miss our January meeting where Fred Clark will be our speaker. He always has a great presentation.

John Reyes

Ribbon Judging

Ribbon Judging results will return in February as we start another year of competition. Winners of last year's competition will be announced at our January meeting.

December Annual Christmas Dinner Meeting Photos

Thanks to Roger Kroll for the photography.



Setting Up



Talking Orchids



President, MC, and Bandmaster



More orchid talk



Happy orchid friends



Christmas entertainment

AOS Judging

Some of you may not know that, while we are holding our monthly meetings, the AOS Judges are busy just down the hall. Many fine orchids are brought in for judging, and quite a few are being brought in by our own members. If you receive this newsletter via email, then you have seen the award winners each month. If you receive this newsletter from the US Post Office, then you might want to find a friend with a computer, who will let you look at our newsletters on our website, and see the spectacular AOS award winning orchids beautifully photographed by Arthur Pinkers.

Upcoming Events

See our website for flyers: www.southcoastorchidsociety.com.

Orange County Orchid Society Annual Auction, Yorba Linda, Wednesday January 21, 2015, 6:30 preview, 7:00 pm start

San Diego County Cymbidium Society Annual Orchid Auction, Lake San Marcos, Feb. 7, 2015, start Noon

South Bay Orchid Society Show and Sale, Torrance Cultural Arts Center, Torrance, Feb. 21-22

Pacific Orchid Exposition, Fort Mason Center, San Francisco, February 20-22, 2015

Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara, March 13-15, 2015

Our February 2015 regular monthly meeting date is February 23, 2015

Meeting Location

The South Coast Orchid Society holds monthly meetings, usually on the fourth Monday of the calendar month, at the Whaley Park Community Center in Long Beach, CA. Whaley Park is on Atherton, just off Bellflower Blvd. near the Long Beach State University campus.

Vendor Sponsors

The South Coast Orchid Society thanks these commercial vendors for their generosity and support of our 2013 Annual Auction and other events helping to carry us through a successful 2014.

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Celsa's Orchids www.celsasorchidsandpottery.com	Diamond Orchids Diamond Bar, CA 909-396-0334 minicatt@yahoo.com
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South Coast Orchid Society
Membership Form
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SCOS membership is open to anyone. Membership dues are \$20 per year per household. New members may join at any SCOS monthly meeting or by mailing this completed form with your check. Any questions call John Reyes 562 431-1142.

Please mail completed form and your check made payable to **SCOS** to:

SCOS/John Reyes
10321 Lassen Street
Los Alamitos, CA 90720

Date _____

_____ Renewing Member (\$20 per year, per household)

_____ New Member (\$20 per year, per household)

_____ Lifetime Member (\$200)

_____ New Member Badge – optional (\$6 per person)

First Name _____ Last Name _____

***Please fill out information below if you are a New Member
or a Renewing Member with changed information***

Spouse/Partner _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Newsletter options: _____ email to address listed above (*preferred method*)

or _____ mail to my home at address listed above

Membership Directory: _____ Ok to list name, address, phone & email

or _____ Please list my Name only

Office Use Only (revised Jan. 2012)

Amount paid _____ Check _____ Cash _____

Date received _____

Date posted on membership list _____

New member information sent to Newsletter Editor _____

**AOS Awards Photographs
Long Beach, December 2014**

Thanks to Arthur Pinkers for the fine photography and awards information.



Cycnoches Jumbo Cooper
'Sunset Valley Orchids'

AM/AOS 80 pts.

Exhibited by Fred Clarke,
Sunset Valley Orchids



Mormodes Nitty Gritty 'SVO
Ripper'

Judges Commendation

Exhibited by Fred Clarke,
Sunset Valley Orchids



Fredclarkeara N.R. 'SVO
Purple Spots'

AM/AOS 81 pts.

Exhibited by Fred Clarke,
Sunset Valley Orchids



Phalaenopsis Tying Shin
Beagle 'OrchidPhile'

HCC/AOS 77 pts.

Exhibited by Norman's
Orchids



Cycnoches Sunset Cooper
'Sunset Valley Orchids'

HCC/AOS 77 pts.

Exhibited by Fred Clarke,
Sunset Valley Orchids



Catasetum Fong Cing
'SVO Love'

AM/AOS 86 pts.

Exhibited by Fred Clarke,
Sunset Valley Orchids



Phragmipedium Fliquet
'Montclair'

HCC/AOS 75 pts.

Exhibited by Norman's
Orchids