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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

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Orchid Adventures in Thailand by Bruce Kidd

Program Starts at 7:00 p.m. Monday, April 27, 2015

Bruce Kidd is a retired Agricultural Pest Control advisor for Dow AgroSciences, a 30-year career that brought him into frequent contact with ornamental growers around the country, including orchid producers in California and Hawaii. It was great fun and a constant learning experience. For example, Bruce remembers receiving this question on his first orchid grower call in 1987: "How do we control weeds growing on the hapu (tree fern) in Vanda teres cut flower production in Hilo, Hawaii?" It was like that; questions nobody could anticipate that needed answers.

In retirement, Bruce and his wife Yasue have become orchid tourists, including four trips to SE Asia since 2010. Tonight's topic, "Orchid Adventures in Thailand" recaps a variety of orchid related experiences in Thailand and Vietnam, including visits inside botanical gardens, nurseries and university Ag programs, hikes through virgin forests, lots of temples, interesting people and strange sights, and participation in the Blue Vanda Conservation Project with local farmers near Chiang Mai, Thailand. If you have never yet visited SE Asia, after tonight, you will want to.

Bruce received a M.Sc in Plant Protection from the University of Arizona in 1980. He and his wife live in Murrieta, where they wrestle with the challenges of growing a few hundred temperamental orchids in a hot, interior climate.

Refreshments

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

President's Message

The theme for this month is "Come out and support your society". Janell Schuck has put together some great programs for this year. We'd like to see you all at our meetings supporting the speakers, silent auctions and the plant table. Your participation is what keeps our society strong. At our board meeting on April 16th we discussed the need for our members to take a more active role in the society. We need members to help Russ Nichols with the monthly plant judging to alleviate his workload. Russ as you know also prepares and publishes our SCOS newsletter. Don't be bashful; talk to Russ at our meetings about helping. We are also in need of filling several board positions. Please contact any of our officers or board members at our meetings if you have an interest or would like to know what each position entails. Contact information can also be found on the front of our SCOS newsletter.

As you know our annual auction is our primary fundraiser. We need more SCOS members to be involved with the auction process. In the next few months we will be defining auction tasks that we will need members to lead. More details to follow.

Thanks in advance for your support

John Reyes

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Ribbon Judging Results March 23, 2015

Cattleya (Laeliinae Subtribe)

First	Rhync. Love Passion	Espie Quinn
Second	Cattleya x guatemalensis	Jim Hoyle
Second	Cattleya skinneri x Cattleya intermedia	Jim Hoyle
Third	C. intermedia var. amethystina	Espie Quinn
Culture	Leptotes bicolor	Lynn S. Wiand

Paph & Phrag (Cyprpedioideae Subfamily)

First	Paph. Julius	Don Goss
Second	Paph. Topsy Turvey	Don Goss
Third	Paph. Chastity	Espie Quinn
Culture	Paph. Hsinging Rasin x Acmodatun	Don Goss

Dendrobium (Dendrobiinae Subtribe)

First	Dendrobium Spring Dream 'Doreen'	Lynn S. Wiand
Second	Dendrobium Oriental Smile	Agnes Nguyen
Third	Dendrobium nobile	Agnes Nguyen
Culture	Dendrobium suffusum	Jim Hoyle

Pleurothallids (Pleurothallidinae Subtribe)

First	Masdevallia Copper Angel	Don Goss
Second	Pleurothallis edwallii	Jim Hoyle
Third	Masdevallia heathii	Don Goss
Culture	Pleurothallis quadrifida	Jim Hoyle

Phalaenopsis, Vanda, and Doritis (Sarcanthinae Subtribe)

First	Ascda. Princess Mikasa	Don Goss
Second	Phal. Baldans Kaleidoscope 'Golden Treasure'	Mike Kusik
Third	Ascofinetia Cherry Blossom	Earl Felt
Culture	Darwinara Blue Charm	Lynn Wiand

Aerangis Relatives (Aerangidinae, Aeridinae, Angraecinae Subtribes)

none submitted

Oncidium and Allied Genera (Oncidiinae Subtribe)

Maxillaria curtipis First Lynn S. Wiand Second Ada aurantiaca Lynn S. Wiand

Third Oda. Wearside Galaxy 'Storm Cat' Earl Felt

Cymbidium (Cyrtopodiinae Subtribe)

First Cym. Fifi Harry Ruby Pendant Tom Rue Second Cym. Mad Mouse Agnes Nguyen Selsa Sanchez

Third Cym. Pinata 'Jungle Cat' x Pizaze 'Royal Charms'

Other Genera

First Lycaste Nagai International Espie Quinn Second Zygopetalum mackayi Bonnie Kroll Polystachya ottoniana Lynn S. Wiand Third Culture Dendrochilum tenellum Nico Goosens Culture Dendrochilum tenellum (dwarf) Lynn S. Wiand

Thanks to Lynn S. Wiand and Russ Nichols for judging. Categories (subtribes) based on 'Home Orchid Growing' by Rebecca Northen Thanks to Jay's Internet Orchid Species Photo Encyclopaedia for correct spellings of genus and species names.

March Meeting Ribbon Judging Photos

Thanks to Roger Kroll for the great photography. See more photos below.







Paphiopedilum Topsy Turvey

Upcoming Events

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

Spring Garden Show, South Coast Plaza, April 23-26

Palomar Orchid Society Annual Auction, Lake San Marcos, May 2 (Preview 10, Start 11 am)

Casa de Las Orquideas Seedling Sale, 170 S. Nardo Ave., Solana Beach, May 16

San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists Annual Auction, LA County Arboretum, Arcadia, May 21 (Preview 6, Start 7 pm)

Orchid Digest Speaker's Day, Huntington Library & Gardens, San Marino, June 13

Our May 2015 regular monthly meeting date is May 18, 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.

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More Orchids from Our March Meeting

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