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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

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# Integrated Orchid Pest Management by Doug Overstreet

## Monday, January 23, 2017 Program starts at 7:00 p.m.

Doug Overstreet did an excellent job as our Auctioneer in October, and now he is back to talk about a subject we all dwell on from time to time, keeping our orchids free of pests. The focus of this talk is an integrated pest management approach you can use to care for your orchids. Though the title is similar to a talk last year, be prepared for more facts and practical recommendations. Doug was born and raised in southeastern New Mexico. Mr. Overstreet comes by his interest in plants and animals naturally. His family has been American farmers since 1684. He began growing orchids at the age of 10. The first orchid he purchased in 1972 was Cattleya Trimos, a primary hybrid between C. trianaei and C. mossiae.

Doug moved to California in 1975 and continued his love affair with orchids. In 1984, his collection began to grow by leaps and bounds with his first professional job. He also became an active participant in the local orchid community. Over the years, Doug has served on the Board of the Orchid Society of Southern California, is a Past President and active board member of the Southland Orchid Show Committee. He is a former Ribbon Judging Chair for OSSC and is an Accredited American Orchid Society Judge in the Pacific South Region. Doug has written several articles for *Orchid Digest* and has served on the Editorial Committee of that publication as Assistant Editor. In 1998, he wrote, produced and hosted *Anyone Can Grow Orchids…Even You!*, a how-to video about growing orchids in the home. Currently, he is the orchid specialist in charge of the Thornton Conservatory of the Huntington Botanical Gardens.

#### <u>Refreshments</u>

Last names starting with A through M please bring refreshments.

### **President's Message**

Happy New Year to everyone! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season with your friends and family. The SCOS Christmas party was a nice ending to 2016 after a very successful auction and year. Thanks again to Maria Van Kooy, Marilyn and David Paulsen for their fine work in the kitchen which helped make our party an enjoyable evening. Unfortunately for me burglers visited our house the Sunday before the SCOS party; they smashed the sliding glass door leading to the patio and ransacked the house. Luckily, they were unable to find most of our valuables, and Pat and I were not home. We were able to get the glass door replaced by the Friday before Christmas eve so we had our usual Tamale feast and celebration with our family on Christmas Eve. So all is well that ends well.

I would like to thank everyone who has supported SCOS throughout the year, SCOS Officers, Board Members, Commitee members, AOS Judges and last but not least our regular members who attend our meetings and events. With your support SCOS thrives.

I hope to see a large turnout for our first meeting of the New Year.

"Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow" - Albert Einstein

John Reyes

#### **SCOS 2016 Auction Success**

Our auction in October was a great success. We again presented a diverse collection of orchids, species and hybrids, blooming and out-of-season, large and small, to accomodate every taste. Doug Overstreet did a fabulous auctioneering job, in spite of being hobbled by injury, and Mong Noiboonsook kept us organized throughout the process. Society members (Elaine, Wendy, Roberta, Ron, Janell, Maria, Marylyn, and more) turned out in force to fill the varied needs of this complex operation both before and after the event. The revenue we took in will help support an exciting program for 2017. All this was made possible by donations from our vendor supporters and, importantly, from our members. Thank you to all who contributed, especially those members donating orchids and supplies (Agnes, Espie, Don, Ruben, Barbara, Andy, Janell, Bonnie, Whitney, John, and Roberta.)

#### SCOS Will Participate in Westminster Mall Show

February brings another opportunity to show off our orchids at the NHOS Show and Sale at the Westminster Mall, held February 10-12. Displays are generally set up the day before, on Thursday, February 9. All members are invited to participate. If you have orchids for the display, bring them along between 10 and 11 am that morning. Or, if you just want to watch a display being set up, or help set it up, come along and see the magic happen. As an organization, we need to have a large enough group to put up a display when the opportunity presents itself, and it would benefit the society if some of you who have not done this before came out with the idea of learning the ropes. Anyway, we do have a good time doing this, and it is an opportunity to show what our society does and can do.

#### Winter Bloomers from the Editor's Garden

Though the days be bleak and chilly, many orchids are busy pustting up flowers. I already have Cymbidiums in spike, and the Laelia anceps are making a last push (buds swelling and darkening)

before opening. L. anceps crosses, L. Finkeniana and L. Santa Barbara Sunset, have bloomed. An old favorite, Laelia Lucy Ingram, has pushed its buds clear of the flower sheath.



Laelia Finkeniana



Epidendrum ciliare



Laelia gouldiana



Laelia Santa Barbara Sunset 'Showtime'

### **Upcoming Events**

See our website for flyers: www.southcoastorchidsociety.com. Orange County OS Annual Auction, January 18, Yorba Linda Library, Viewing 6:30, Start 7:00 p.m. NHOS Orchid Expo and Sale, Westminster Mall, February 10, 11, and 12, 2017 Pacific Orchid and Garden Exposition, San Francisco County Fair Bldg., Feb. 24-26 Long Beach Amateur Orchid Society Auction, 6201 Willow, LB, March 13, Preview 6;00, Start 6:30 Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, Earl Warren Showgrounds, March 17-19 Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Open House, Friday - Sunday, Mar 17-19 Cal-Orchid Open House, Friday - Sunday, Mar 17-19 San Diego Orchid Society Show and Sale, Scottish Rite Center, Mission Valley, March 24-26 South Bay Orchid Society Annual Auction, So. Coast Botanic Garden, April 21

#### Our February 2017 regularly scheduled monthly meeting date is February 27, 2017

#### **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

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