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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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Webinar: Fertilizing - From Beginner to Geek

by John Salventi

Monday, June 25, 2018

Presentation starts at 7:30 p.m.

John Salventi holds a PhD in Microbiology. He was co-owner with Tom Purviance of Parkside Orchid Nursery growing a plethora of genera for 20 years. The partners developed many new hybrids. Salventi traveled extensively in search of orchid species.

If you're like me then you're seeing a lot of new root growth and new leads popping up – as long as squirrels don't get them first. Now's the time to capitalize on this growing period. We hear people proclaiming "weakly, weekly" or parts per million this and TDS that. It all sounds rather tedious if you ask me. Then there's "you should use this fertilizer" and that depending upon – well whatever. 30-10-10 and 10-30-30. But wait – 21-7-7 or 20-20-20 and 20-10-20. Good golly, it's a cornucopia alphabet soup ... wait, that would be a cornucopia of numbers soup. It's enough to make my head spin.

This will take the mystery out of fertilizer and fertilizing whether you're using RO, DI, or what comes out of your tap. How much fertilizer you can really use to get the best growth out of your plants. Is it different for RO then tap water and how much different? (A Lot!) What happens when you over fertilize and how bad can it be? (Bad!) And how do you know when you are?

Instead of listening to blanket statements about what to do (which come without context for your situation) we're going to spend some time with the wizard behind the curtain. You'll walk away with new insights and context for how you grow, where you grow and how you feed your plants (water and fertilizer).

Using the information in the webinar, Don Goss will provide water quality data for Long Beach, PV, and Redondo. This will give you a strong clue about how you are fertilizing. Is it too much or too little? Are you helping or causing damage? Based on what Don learned from listening to the webinar he has already changed how he fertilizes his plants.

Refreshments

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

President's Message

Summer is here but pretty mild at this point. A little rain would have been nice to start off the growing season but I will take the nice weather. I have actually started to take more interest in my orchids since I don't have any trips or vacations planned until September. I have started repotting, especially my cymbidiums; most of them are still alive and well. Make sure to look at your collections to assess their needs.

Now to the needs of your society. First, We have to take ownership of our website by July 1, 2018. I am in the process of taking it over from Tony Glinkas who has been including SCOS on his Fascination of Orchids website. If there is someone that has expertise in computers that can help us out with organizing our website and posting our newsletters each month it would be a great assist for our society. Second, the current SCOS officers are looking for new members for our Board of Directors; please think about these needs and help us out if you can. I will be discussing these needs at our June Meeting, but if you have an interest and want to know more about what is required before the meeting please call me at 562-431-1142 and I will discuss it with you.

John Reyes

South Coast Orchid Society Ribbon Judging Results May 23, 2018

Cattleya (Laeliinae Subtribe)

First	Encyclia Tampra Grand	Agnes Nguyen
First	Cattleya schilleriana	Espie Quinn
Second	Slc. Jewel Box	Earl Felt
Second	Eplc. Jackie Bright	Agnes Nguyen
Third	(Bc. Bill Worstey x L. cinnabarina)	Una Yeh
Culture	Encyclia Tampra Grand	Agnes Nguyen

Paph & Phrag (Cyrtopodioideae Subfamily)

First	Paphiopedilum hainanensis	Lynn S. Wiand
Second	Paphiopedilum Coro Beauty	Lynn S. Wiand
Culture	Paphiopedilum hainanensis	Lynn S. Wiand

Dendrobium (Dendrobiinae Subtribe)

First	Dendrobium Nestor 'Red Dragon'	Una Yeh
Second	Den. Stardust 'Firebird'	Una Yeh
Third	Den. officinale	Lynn S. Wiand
Culture	Den. officinale	Lynn S. Wiand

Pleurothallids (Pleurothallidinae Subtribe)

First	Pleurothallis cyanea	Lynn S. Wiand
Second	Masdevallia Pixie Shadow 'Satyr Hill'	Elaine Murphy
Culture	Pleurothallis cyanea	Lynn S. Wiand

Phalaenopsis, Vanda, and Doritis (Sarcanthinae Subtribe)

First	Ascf. Cherry Blossom 'Hawaii'	Espie Quinn
Second	Thrixsmum formosanum	Una Yeh
Third	Sedira Javonica	Una Yeh
Culture	Ascf. Cherry Blossom 'Hawaii'	Espie Quinn

Aerangis Relatives (Aerangidinae, Aeridinae, Angraecinae Subtribes)

none submitted

Oncidium and Allied Genera (Oncidiinae Subtribe)

none submitted

Cymbidium (Cyrtopodiinae Subtribe)

First Cym. Pharlap x Last Tango
Second Cym. Sweet Devon
Third Cym. Little Beauty 'Dark Harry'
Culture Cymbidium canaliculatum

Mary Lee Gray
Lynn S. Wiand
Harry & Janell Schuck
Agnes Nguyen

Other Genera

First Ctsm. Ten Dragons
Second Lyc. (Shonan Harmony x Auburn 'Red')
Third Dendrochillum orbianum
Culture Lycaste jamesiana

Bill MacCorkell
Espie Quinn
Lynn S. Wiand
Lynn S. Wiand

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

May Meeting Photos



Mary Lee Gray and her 82 point AM/AOS
Cymbidium



Rhyncholaelia (Brassavola) digbyana file photo

Upcoming Events

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

San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists Annual Auction, LA Arboretum, Arcadia, June 21, 7 PM start
Andy's Orchids Summer Open House, 734 Ocean View, Encinitas, June 22-24, 10 AM - 4 PM
Sunset Valley Orchids Open House, Vista, June 23, 9 AM to 4 PM
Cal-Orchid's Summer Hummer, Santa Barbara, July 13-15, 9 AM to 5 PM
Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Summer Open House, Santa Barbara, July 13-15, 9 AM to 5 PM
Orchids in the Park, San Francisco County Fair Bldg., July 21-22, 10 AM to 5 PM
NHOS Summer Orchid and Exotic Plant Festival, Westminster Mall, August 17-19
Fascination of Orchids Int'l Show & Sale, So. Coast Plaza Village, Sept. 29-30, 10 AM to 5 PM

Our June 2018 regularly scheduled meeting date is July 23, 2018

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 2017 Annual Auction and other events helping to carry us through a successful 2018.

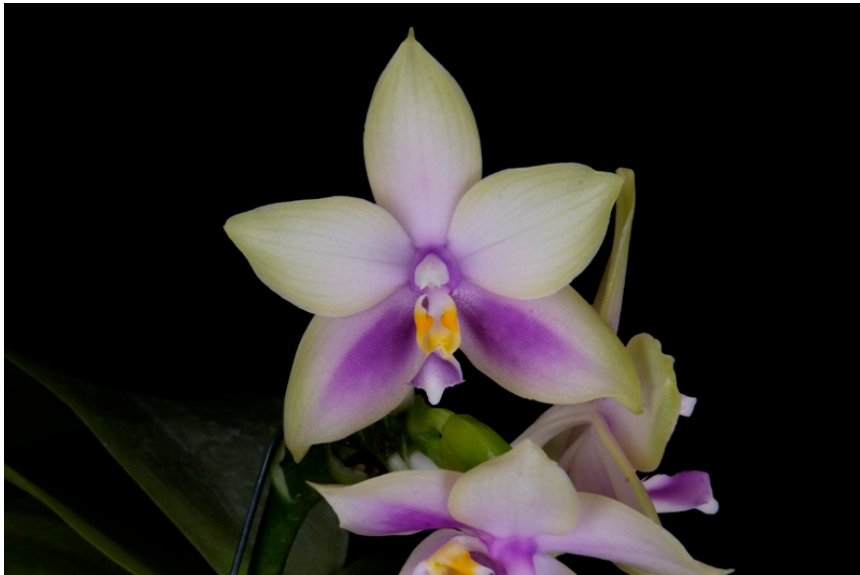
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Thanks to Our Panel Members

A special thanks to those who volunteered their time and expertise to be panel members in last month's discussion of orchid problems and how to cure them: Espie Quinn, Bill MacCorkell, Una Yeh, and Lynn Wiand. Thanks also to our members for revealing that, like all of us really, they could use a little advice. (If I left out a panel member, I apologize. Ed.)

AOS Awards Photographs Long Beach, August 2017

Thanks to Arthur Pinkers for the fine photography and awards information.
(We are playing "catch up" with the AOS awards photos. Please bear with us. Starting next month, we will present several months in each newsletter over the next several months. Meanwhile, enjoy the lovely flowers.)



Phalaenopsis N.R.
'Montclair'

HCC/AOS 75 pts.

Exhibited by Norman's
Orchids



Dendrobium Big Alex
'Elizandro'

CCM/AOS 85 pts.

Exhibited by Alfred
Hockenmaier



Dendrobium Hibiki 'Pink
Elephants on Parade'

AM/AOS 84 pts.

Exhibited by Alfred
Hockenmaier



Paphiopedilum sangii 'Lulu'

HCC/AOS 76 pts.

Exhibited by Alfred
Hockenmaier



Prosthechea (Encyclia)
cochleata 'Green Giant'

AM/AOS 82 pts.

Exhibited by Alfred
Hockenmaier



Cattleya (Laelia) Seagull
'Diamond Orchids'

AM/AOS 84 pts.

Exhibited by Peter T. Lin