

# South Coast ORCHID Society, Inc.

LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

Meets on the 4th Monday of each Month at Silverado Park Club House, 31st Street and Santa Fe Ave.

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PROGRAM - DECEMBER 28, 1959 - 8:00 P.M.

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Our President, Mr. Charles Bowman, has announced that the program for the Christmas meeting is to be a SURPRISE. It is something he feels we have had need of for some time, and for which there have been requests from time to time. So come on the 28th and see what he has in store for you. The shouting and the tumult of Christmas will have abated somewhat, and the New Year's festivities are still ahead, so in the lull between holidays, come to the December meeting prepared to have a good time.

Mr. Glenn Hiatt was our speaker last month and we all enjoyed his informative but informal talk on what to do after you get your first greenhouse. The error most of us fell into was trying to grow orchids requiring different conditions in one small house; if the house is very small, it is impossible to successfully grow such different genera as phaleanopsis, cymbidiums and cattleyas. He also outlined the different methods he uses at the Arboretum for heating and ventilating orchid houses.

#### **PLANT FORUM**

Again the plant tables were loaded with lovely flowers, but there were two which we feel deserve especial mention. The first was a Blue Orchid, owned and bred by Mr. B. O. Bracey - LC Blue Boy (C. Ariel var. Bodnant x Lc Elegans, Var. Werkhauserii). This was definitely of a blue cast and quite spectacular. The second plant was brought by Doc Charles, L. Autumnalis, var. Alba. The Chairman of the Plant Forum, Harry Rapella asked Mrs. Crothers and Doc Charles to comment on the Botanicals; Mrs. Nel Howard on the Cypripediums; and Ernest Hetherington and Glenn Hiatt on the Cattleyas. With such an array of experts to discuss the plants, who are we to make further comments!



#### PLANT DRAWING

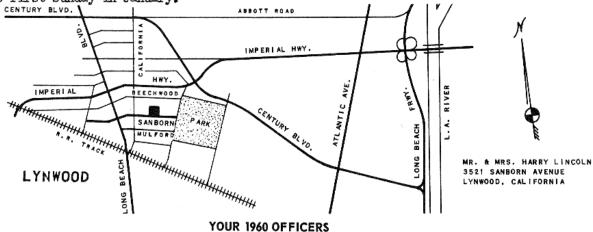
The plants last month were from B. O. Bracey & Company, and were of that firm's usual fine quality. Our thanks, too, to Rheinfrank & Associates for the bag of hapu, to Rapella's Orchids and to the Southern California Greenhouses for their donations. The plants for the December meeting will be up to the membership itself, so the quantity and quality are directly up to YOU. Members are asked to donate a NAMED plant of the kind you would like to win yourself for our drawing. No castoffs, please!

#### SOUTHLAND ORCHID SHOW

For the benefit of those who are receiving this Bulletin for the first time, we are repeating the announcement of the Second Annual Southland Orchid Show at the Arboretum in Arcadia March 17, 18, 19 and 20, 1960. Mr. Dennis Carroll has offered the use of a heated greenhouse (an exact location map will appear in a later issue) as a receiving point for flowers for the Show and Mr. R. J. Fraser has offered a covered furniture van. Anyone unable to bring their own plants to the Show may avail themselves of this service. Tentatively, flowers will be received at the greenhouse on the afternoon and evening of March 16 - further details later - and arrangements are also being made to return the plants to the greenhouse after the show. Any questions?

#### **NOVICE CLASS**

The Novice Class was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Field on Sunday, Dec. 6. Mr. Field spoke on his methods of raising orchids, whose results were very evident in and out of his greenhouses. Vandas growing and flowering under lath, as well as cattleyas and a host of healthy cymbidium plants, macadamia trees and plumerias. He uses regular Long Beach Colorado River water and waters heavily all the time, using a potting mix that dries out rapidly. Vandas, phaleanopsis and dendrobiums are fed every Sunday morning, cymbidiums and cattleyas once a month. He uses a very acid solution for feeding, 15-5-5 or 20-10-10, except for cymbidiums in flowering season. He also uses phosphoric acid in proportion of 1 cup to 3 gallons of water, plus fertilizer, run thru Hydromix. Mr. Field also mentioned two points to remember in the greenhouse: 1) watch for a sour smell in pots, and, if noted, repot immediately; 2) do not let salts build up on the sides of the pots as the root tips will be damaged upon contact. Another point Mr. Field stressed as that the orchidist should learn the habitat of his plants, where they come from originally, the climatic conditions they required in the wild state, their water requirements, humidity, etc., so that one can try to duplicate them in the greenhouse. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lincoln have offered their home for the next Novice Class meeting the first Sunday in January.



Election of officers for 1960 was held at the last meeting. The new officers are as follows: President, Mr. Woodrow C. Wilson; 1st Vice President, Mr. Wilfred Jeal; 2nd Vise President, Mr. H. W. Crothers; Secretary, Mrs. Arthur A. Frambach; Treasurer, Mr. Horace E. Whittaker; Membership Secretary, Mr. Calvin Worthen. Mr. George D. Field and Mr. Rolan R. Howard were elected as Directors for a term of three years. Mr. C. E. Bowman becomes a director ex-officio.

#### ANNUAL INSTALLATION DINNER

The Annual Dinner and Installation of Officers will be held at the New Petroleum Club on Monday, January 25. Tickets are \$5. each and reservations will be taken at the December meeting. The speaker of the evening will be Dr. Lee W. Lenz of

Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Gardens, Claremont. This will be an opportunity for our membership to have a rare treat listening to a man of such eminence in his field. Dr. Lenz graduated from Montana State College, took his Masters Degree in Botany at Louisiana State, then on to Washington University in St. Louis, which maintains a close working agreement with the Missouri Botanical Gardens, and there he took his Doctorate in Botany. It is interesting to note that the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Gardens has the same close working agreement with the Claremont Colleges. During World War II while in the Navy in the South Pacific he collected and classified many plants, even using orchids to decorate the wardroom. Space forbids our giving more details of this interesting man, but we hope you will all come to the dinner and hear him.

#### VISITORS

Our Mrs. Worthen read a long list of visitors to the November meeting, too long, alas, to be recorded here. However, we welcome them warmly and hope they will join our Society as regular members.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please make the following corrections in your Membership Directory -Mr. Leo Holguin - 7556 W. 80th St., Los Angeles 45 - OR 0-0479 Mr. & Mrs. Julius Perez - 1417 Silvius Ave., San Pedro - TE 2-2360

#### SOUTH COAST AND ORCHID DIGEST REGIONAL JUDGING

November 23, 1959

Judging Chairman:

Glenn Hamilton

High Class Certificate

Judges Present:

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Ernest Hetherington, Nel Howard, Rolan Howard

Associate Judges Present: Jean Field, Woodrow Wilson

Clerks Present:

Ed Bauman, Francis Eaton, Earl Monson

Award No.	Plant Name		Cert.	Points	Exhibited By
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246	C. Joyce Hannington "Gay"		H.C.C.	77.5	Karl Mayer – San Clemente, Calif.
247	Lc. Brazilia "Cantarranos"		H.C.C.	76.3	A. E. Hecker – Las Vegas, Nev.
248	Cyp. Nubian ''AM/RHS''		H.C.C.	75.2	Fred A. Stewart Co. – San Gabrial, Calif.
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