



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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January 2013

President's Message

Greetings from Boulder, Colorado, where I am spending the holidays with my daughter, Francoise, my son-in-law, Ryan, and my new little grandson, Miles, who was born on December 26th. Happy times for our extended family.

Our annual holiday potluck on December 18th was a high-spirited evening with over 70 members in attendance. I hope everyone enjoyed it as much as I did. Special thanks to **Arlene and Rick Wells, Phil Duke, and Rose Nakabara** for having organized a great party. Thank you, **Norito**, for inviting Sandy Tillisch Svoboda, current AOS President, to speak on the reorganization and immediate goals

of the American Orchid Society. Her talk capped off a wonderful event.

I am very excited for 2013 and look forward to our Orchid Expo in February and the Ron Capps Memorial Auction on Tuesday, February 19, which are our main fundraisers. Your support is key to making both events successful so that we can continue to invite excellent speakers and arrange enjoyable activities for the group throughout the rest of the year.

Speaking of which, I cannot thank **Norito Hasegawa** enough for all of his efforts in bringing so many notable orchid experts to speak at our monthly meetings. It is indeed refreshing. And, by the way, the receipts for our monthly raffle tables are in the

Culture Class

Joe Rupp is going to give a wonderful class. Come and see.

black for the first time in many months.

Thanks again to **Nico Goossens** for taking over the preparation of the monthly ribbon judging grid for the newsletter. His knowledge and familiarity with orchids makes this task so much easier.

Happy New Year! I hope 2013 brings happiness and good health for all of you. And happy growing!

Nancy Benay
President

January Speaker

Theresa Hills: "Miltoniopsis"

Hillsview Gardens is a grower of fine quality Paphiopedilums, Miltoniopsis, and Masdevallias. It supplies a wide variety of hybrids and species – connoisseur-quality divisions and specimen plants for discriminating hobbyists, cutting-edge hybrids in wholesale quantities for retail nurseries, and outstanding decorator quality plants to chain stores in Portland, Oregon. Hillsview Gardens has been breeding orchids for 24 years since the operation began in 1985 and has received numerous awards.

Theresa Hills, a partner in Hillsview Gardens, is therefore a "rare bird" in the commercial world of orchids, dominated mostly by men. I can only think of a few women actively growing in large sized greenhouses. I was amazed to see her operation when I visited her place two months ago—just immaculate, beautiful

plants. She will be talking to us about Miltoniopsis (aka Pansy Orchids).

BTW, Theresa will be visiting other orchid societies in our area and speaking on different topics. See Roberta Fox for details on Theresa's Masdevallia talk and Karen Muir for Theresa's talk on Paphs.

Theresa will provide the plant table and assures us a great combination of different genera. She will sell individual plants as well.

The society will be hosting her for dinner at Mimi's Restaurant facing Harbor Blvd., across from the meeting location, at 5:30 p.m., before the meeting. Please RSVP by Sunday, January 13 at 714-458-5615 or email me at norito1@hotmail.com.

Norito Hasegawa
First Vice President



Tina Coombe Receives Orchid Digest Diamond Award

I am pleased to share with you that Tina Coombe is the second NHOS member to receive the Orchid Digest's Diamond Award of Excellence for outstanding service to a society. The award was presented to her at our holiday party.

Tina has been the NHOS official photographer for close to ten years, routinely documenting our meetings, displays, shows, and special events. She also serves the society in numerous other capacities: Board member; press liaison routinely sending out meeting announcements to the local newspapers; coordinator of the NHOS electronic listserv sending frequent communiqués to members; collaborator with Laura Perry on the preparation of the annual membership directory; and, until recently,



Orchid Digest President Sandra Svoboda (right) presenting the Diamond Award to Tina Coombe.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month

Culture Class at 7:00 p.m.
General Meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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Count Down: 2013 Newport Harbor Orchid Expo

It's crunch time once again with the 2013 Newport Harbor Orchid Expo just a month off. This year's show dates are Friday, February 8, to Sunday, February 10, 2013, at the Westminster Mall, and the theme is "Show Us Your Bloomers." We can still use help getting the word out on Orchid blogs, orchid calendars, various garden clubs, Facebook, YouTube, Twitter.

Everyone bring blooming plants for the society display or to sell at the members booth (we will make announcements in January). To volunteer, contact either Tina Coombe, tina.coombe@gmail.com, or Margaret Nerio. Everyone get on board!

The link to the Newport Harbor Orchid Expo 2013 is on the front page of the Newport Harbor Orchid Society website, nhosinfo.org. Check it out!

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Orchid photos courtesy of Tina Coombe.

New Domain Name for the NHOS Website

Effective immediately the new domain name for the Newport Harbor Orchid Society has changed from nhos.org to nhosinfo.org. It's crazy, that's for sure. Unfortunately, our old domain name has been purchased by someone else or another organization necessitating the creation of a new one. The next time you look at our website you will see our new moniker: nhosinfo.org.

2013 Paphiopedilum Guild

Slipper orchid growers take note! The 2013 Paphiopedilum Guild meeting will take place in Goleta, California, at the Holiday Inn on Saturday, January 19, and Sunday, January 20, 2013. The list of speakers includes Graham Wood from Lehua Orchids (HI), Dr. Harold Koopowitz (CA), Theresa Hill from Hillview Orchids (OR), and Tim Culbertson (MA). Plus there will be the 2012 Paph. Awards. For more: <https://sites.google.com/site/paphiopedilumguild/>.

NHOS Auction 2013

It's getting ever closer—the biggest fundraiser of our year. It won't be nearly as successful without the support of our members. We need plants and people, and you can help with both. Donate your divisions, extra plants, duplicates and whatever else you might think would be a good auction item. Blooming plants are especially welcome. Also, always make sure your gift plants don't have any bugs or viruses.

We need volunteers to help make the event a success, so please sign up at the January meeting. And finally, be sure to bring a friend to the auction. If you have any questions or need more information, phone me at 714.329.5155 or email me at joerupp@earthlink.net.

Joe Rupp
Second Vice President

AOS News

AOS Spring 2013 Members' Meeting

March 21-23, 2013 | San Diego, CA
Held in conjunction with the San Diego County Orchid Society Show.
Contact the American Orchid Society at spring2013@aos.org or 305-740-2010
Thanks for supporting the AOS!

Sandra Tillisch Svoboda
President, American Orchid Society
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Orchids Goes Digital Online January 2013

While waiting for *Orchids* to arrive in the mail, you will be able to access the digital version of *Orchids* by logging on to the AOS website using your current user name and password.

\$50,000 for "Practical" Research in Orchids

The AOS is asking members and the general public for suggestions of topics for practical/applied research whose results could be immediately applied by all, hobbyists and commercial growers alike. The ideas will be reviewed, a few chosen, and then requests for proposals will be sent out to universities. Funds, generated from a donation, will be used to support the researchers. Please send any ideas, with your contact information to ideas@aos.org.

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compiler of the monthly ribbon judging grid for inclusion in the newsletter. Two years ago Tina joined the Orchid Expo Show Committee and immediately offered lots of help which we desperately needed. For the last two years Tina has designed the show flyers (using Michael Miranda's art work this year). Congratulations to Tina Coombe on this well-deserved recognition and many thanks.

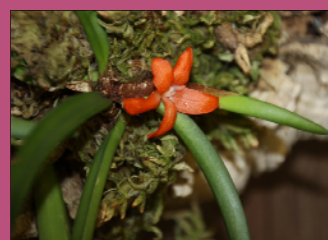
Nancy Benay
NHOS President

Refreshments

Members from **Bill MacCorkell to Alan & Diane Reynolds** are asked to provide refreshments for the meeting.

Thank you!

NHOS Annual Holiday Party Photo Gallery



2012 December Judging Results

GENUS POINTS	FIRST PLACE 5 pts	SECOND PLACE 3 pts	THIRD PLACE 1 pt	JUDGES
CATTLEYA	BLC Maikai 'Mayumi' Merle Robboy, MD	Cattleya Decheri Espie Quinn	BLC Hauserman Jade Espie Quinn	Dave Smith
CYMBIDIUM	Cym Chan's Ruby Kenton Boettcher	NA	NA	Dave Smith
DENDROBIUM	NA	NA	NA	Guy Gottschalk
EPIDENDRUM	Epi. (cristatum x Encm) x Ptavii Unk	NA	NA	Lynn S. Wiand
MAXILLARIEAE	Lycaste June Simpsa Ha Bui	Lyc Abou First Spring Nancy Benay	Lyc. Abou First Spring Nancy Benay	Dave Smith
ONCIDIUM	Trichocentrum splendendum Espie Quinn	Onc. Gower Ramsey Earl & Joyce Hass	NA	Bob Laughlin
PAPHIOPEDILUM	Phrag Red Sky Joe Rupp	Paph Pinocchio Ann Rupp	Paph Fair Ben Marcel Carlson	Lynn S. Wiand
PHALAENOPSIS	NA	NA	NA	Guy Gottschalk
PLEUROTHALLID	Masd. Mary Staal Joe Rupp	NA	NA	Rosemary Krumme
VANDA	NA	NA	NA	NA
MISCELLANEOUS	Arpophylum giganteum Ha Bui	Chelowistele sulphurea Merle Robboy	Bulb. Amawdale Unk	Guy Gottschalk
POINTS	3 pts	2 pts	1 pt	
NOVICE	No entry			
CULTURAL AWARD WINNER—7 points	Arpophylum giganteum Ha Bui			Sandra Svoboda



Mark Your Calendars...

January 16, 2013: Orange County Orchid Society Annual Orchid Auction. Yorba Linda Public Library, Community Room (lower level), 18181 Imperial Highway, Yorba Linda, 92886. Preview at 6:30 p.m.; Auction begins at 7:00 p.m. Information: Janhennessey@yahoo.com or egulrich@att.net.

January 19-20, 2013: San Diego County Orchid Society Winter Show and Sale. Casa del Prado, Room 101, Balboa Park. Saturday, 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.; Sunday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Information: www.sdorchids.com.

February 8-10, 2013: Newport Harbor Orchid Expo: "Show us Your Bloomers" Orchid Show! Westminster Mall. Be sure to sign up to help out. It will be lots of FUN!

Tuesday, February 19, 2013: NHOS Annual Ron Capps Memorial Auction, Costa Mesa Community Center. Preview at 6:30 p.m. Auction begins at 7:00 p.m. (note: this is the February meeting). Information: www.nhosinfo.org.

Friday-Sunday, March 8-10, 2013: 68th Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, "Orchids in Focus," Earl Warren Showgrounds, Highway 101 and Las Positas. Information: www.sborchidshow.com.



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