



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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February 2014

President's Message

What a great turnout at the January 21st meeting with over 80 members in attendance.

Thanks to **Peter Lin** for providing tips on ribbon judging in the culture class and to **Fred Clarke** for his great talk on hybridizing for spotted Cattleyas combined with some very useful culture tips. Fred also provided a great plant table. Of course I can say that since one of my raffle tickets was the first to be called, which has never happened to me before.

February is upon us with its one-two punch beginning with the 13th Newport Harbor Orchid Expo the week-end of February 7-9, 2014, followed by the Ron Capps Memorial Auction on Tuesday, February 18. It will take lots of focus, energy, and adrenaline to pull off our two biggest events of the year within ten days of one another.

I can't help but think at times that we are gluttons for punishment. With everyone's collective support and help we always manage to get through this period with some fatigue but also with the satisfaction of having met the challenge.

Afterwards, we will breathe a huge sigh of relief and return to a more relaxed routine for the remainder of the year.

Here's to a successful show and auction.

Nancy Benay
President



Meetings are held on the
third Tuesday of each month

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

Orchid Paradise: Newport Harbor Orchid Expo

February 7, 8, 9, 2014 | Westminster Mall, Orange County, California

The winter show season is upon us, and the Newport Harbor Orchid Expo has the distinction of being the first in the long list of California shows. It's an exciting time when all of the planning and work come to fruition and thousands of blooming orchids and show goers fill the mall. Indeed, for three quick days the mall will be transformed into an "Orchid Paradise."

Lots will be happening for everyone's pleasure during the Expo: Eight society displays; fifteen vendor displays; a very large floral art exhibit including a bonsai display coordinated by the Vietnamese Orchid Society; two potting workshops geared for novice growers; and bonsai demonstrations all three days; members plant sales; and naturally, a large vendor sales area with some of California's top commercial growers.

Come enjoy the show, but please remember that carrying off an event of this size requires support and help from all society members. Recruit family, friends, and co-workers to attend the show. Enter your best bloomers in the NHOS display so that we can showcase our members' growing talents.

And lastly please volunteer your time during the show. Our thanks to those of you who have already signed up to volunteer; there is still time to do so. It's a little bit of work with a lot of social and aesthetic benefits. With fewer than two weeks to go, let's hope that Mother Nature continues to grace the Southland with sunshine and mild temperatures that week-end.



Volunteer Opportunities!

Wednesday, February 5, 7 PM

Set up tables, place tablecloths on tables, lay plastic floor coverings.

Thursday, February 6, 7 AM-9 PM

- Greet vendors and distribute vendor instruction packets beginning at 7 AM. If you are an early morning person this is the job for you!
- Assist vendors and societies unload plants and equipment as needed.
- Help with plant registration for AOS, CSA, and ribbon judging. If you know your plant genera and species, this is the job for you.

Friday, February 7, 7 AM-9 PM

- Ribbon Judges at 8:30 AM; judges' lunch at noon.
- Security in sales areas beginning at 7 AM.
- Information table, plant hotel, and security in display rooms, 10 AM to 9 PM.

Saturday, February 8, 7 AM-7 PM

- Security in sales areas, 7 AM
- Information table, plant hotel, and security in display rooms, 10 AM to 7 PM
- Assist in potting workshop, 4 PM to 5:30 PM

Sunday, February 9, 7 AM-to end

- Security in sales areas, 7 AM
- Information table, plant hotel, and security in display rooms, 11 AM to 6 PM
- Show break down and clean-up, 6PM on. We need lots of people for this!

To volunteer, contact

Tina Coombe at 949-759-1464 or
tina.coombe@gmail.com.

Rosemary Krumme at 714-892-2275
or roseqk@verizon.net.

Remember: volunteers who work for six hours will receive a show t-shirt.



Membership Corner

Nothing to report for this month.
Maybe next month!

Laura Perry
Membership Chairman

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Orchid photos courtesy of Tina Coombe.

Newport Harbor Display

I am very excited about creating this year's NHOS display, despite the fact that I am not a designer at heart. Fortunately, the theme, "Orchid Paradise," lends itself to creative interpretation.

In order to put together a beautiful display, I am hoping that you have many jewels in your respective collections that are just about to bloom or are newly opened.

My design incorporates a combination floor and table display requiring lots of orchids as well as tropical plants (bromeliads, tillandsias, Spanish moss, smallish palm trees and foliage) for the backdrop.

I am hoping to include a wide diver-

sity of genera, beautiful flowers, well grown and distinctive plants, hybrids and species, small and large plants, potted or mounted.

Please bring your plants to Room 1020, Westminster Mall, on Wednesday evening, February 6, or no later than noon on Thursday, February 6, 2014. Plants can also be dropped off at my house prior to February 5, but please call or e-mail me in advance of your plans.

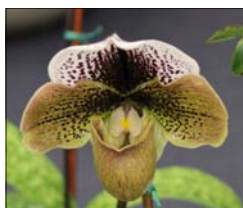
Be sure your plants are properly tagged, cleaned, and watered. If you want your plants to be judged (AOS, CSA or ribbon judging), it will be up to you to register them.

Enthusiastically,
Nancy Benay

Refreshments

Members from **John and Paula Butler** to **Elizabeth Hau** are asked to provide refreshments for the meeting.

Thank you!



Culture Class

Buy some plants at the auction and we will tell you how to grow them starting in March.

NHOS Auction 2014

Our annual auction is taking place at the February 2014 meeting.

Save your plant divisions and anything else orchid related you might want to donate to help support our society. Blooming plants are especially welcome and, as always, make sure the plants are healthy and disease free.

Please bring your donations to the community center by 5:30 PM the night of the auction so that we are able to catalog and arrange them on the stage for viewing.

Joe Rupp
2nd VP

The Newport Harbor Orchid Society
Proudly presents the annual

Ron Capps Memorial Orchid Auction

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM



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Tuesday, Feb. 18th at 7:00 pm
Costa Mesa Community Center
1845 Park Ave, Costa Mesa
Website: www.nhosinfo.org

Discount Coupon

\$2 off \$20 to \$49 total purchase
\$5 off \$50 and over total purchase

Limit of one discount per bidder

JANUARY MEETING PHOTO GALLERY



2014 January Judging Results

GENUS POINTS	FIRST PLACE 5 pts	SECOND PLACE 3 pts	THIRD PLACE 1 pt	JUDGES
CATTLEYA	C. loddigesii Joe Rupp	Sophonitis coccinea Earl Falk	Laelia anceps v. veitchiana Kayoko Nebrig	Roberta Fox
CYMBIDIUM	C. Sydney Harbor X devonianum Lynn S. Wiand	C. Tethys X traceyanum 'evergreen' Jack Kittrell	C. Snow Court 'the levy's' Earl & J. Webes	Winn Winmaw
DENDROBIUM	D. teretifolium Nahid Khonsari	D. Aussie Treat Espie Quinn	D. alexandrae 'Hisoko Harciquchi' Dick Hess	Joe Rupp
EPIDENDRUM	E. porpax Lynn S. Wiand	NA	NA	Roberta Fox
MAXILLARIEAE	M. variabilis Nancy Benay	M. chrysanthae Merle Robboy	NA	Jack Kittrell
ONCIDIUM	Odcdm Midnight Miracles 'Massai Red' Kay Firebaugh	O. Mayfair 'Trinity' Bill MacCorkell	O. hyphaematicum Merle Robboy	Lynn S. Wiand
PAPHIOPEDILUM	P. villosum Kay Firebaugh	P. spicerianum Merle Robboy	P. Coro Beauty Lynn S. Wiand	Guy Gottschalk
PHALAENOPSIS	Rhy. Gigantean Merle Robboy	NA	NA	Winn Winmaw
PLEUROTHALLID	Masd. Cinnamon Twist Nico Goossens	Masd. Ignea Joe Rupp	P. scholei Kayoko Nebrig	Guy Gottschalk
VANDA	NA	NA	Angraecum eburneum v. brevicar Merle Robboy	Winn Winmaw
MISCELLANEOUS	Dendrophylax funalis Nico Goossens	Coelogyne speciosum Nancy Benay	Ceratrocetrum fessellii Nico Goossens	Dick Hess
POINTS	3 pts	2 pts	1 pt	
NOVICE	None			
CULTURAL AWARD WINNER—7 points		Dendrobium teretifolium	Nahid Khonsari	Fred Clarke



Mark Your Calendars...

February 7-9, 2014: Orchid Paradise by Newport Harbor Orchid Society, Westminster Mall, 1025 Westminster Mall, Westminster, CA. More information: www.nhosinfo.org.

February 12, 2014: Orange County Branch Cymbidium Society of America Annual Auction, at the Masonic Lodge of Garden Grove, 11270 Acacia Pkwy, Garden Grove, CA. More information: www.ocbsca.com.

February 15-16, 2014: 2014 South Bay Orchid Society Spring Show and Sale. Torrance Cultural Arts Center, 3330 Civic Center Dr., Torrance, CA. More information: 310-707-7097 or <http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Show/index.html>.

February 20-23, 2014: Pacific Orchid Exposition "Orchids and all that Jazz" by the San Francisco Orchid Society. More information: 650-548-6700, www.orchidsanfrancisco.org or flarose@prmagic.com. **Note:** If we could get a count of who would like to go to this from NHOS, we could get a group rate! Let Nancy know if you are interested!

March 21-23, 2014: A Symphony of Orchids 2014 Show & Sale by San Diego County Orchid Society at the Scottish Rite Center, 1895 Camino Del Rio South, San Diego, CA 92108. More information: 760-529-2947 or www.sdorchids.com.

Special: Hatfield Cymbidium Orchids will be for sale at the Yamada Company, 706 W. Garden Blvd, Gardena, CA, on the following Saturdays: March 8, April 5, May 17, June 14. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. More information: 310-327-5668.



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