



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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February 2019

President's Message

Happy February! Boy, are there lots of activities, events and holidays this month, some of which are...

Ground Hog Day, February 2, where Puxatawny Phil will come out to let us know if there will be more winter. Always an exciting day! **Superbowl Sunday**, February 3, our very own L.A. Rams vs N.E. Patriots... go Rams!! February 5 is the beginning of the **Chinese New Year**, with celebrations and festivals all over the world! We are so lucky to have the Little Saigon community so close so we can experience all the festivities and cuisines. And finally, February 14 is **Valentine's Day**, where romance blossoms and love is in the air...

But February is especially exciting for the Newport Harbor Orchid Society to proudly present "Orchid Mania!" the society's an-

nual Orchid Expo and Sale! **Please assist Richard Hara and Ha Bui by bringing your blooming orchids to the Westminster Mall, second floor, Penney's wing, Thursday, February 7, at 2:30 p.m., to add to NHOS's display this year.**

If you need assistance in transporting any of your larger plants, please contact Richard or Ha. Kudos to **Richard Hara**, who chairs the Expo Committee and **Ha Bui**, who, among other things, assists in coordinating with the Vietnamese Orchid Society to join in and display amazing art, photography, painting, and Bonsai displays beyond belief!

The Expo Committee members are loyal and hard-working. Without the entire team, this show would not happen. Many thanks to each and every one of you!!! Special thanks to **Ron DeWilde**, who once again this year designed the art for our flyers and tee shirts. Amazing job Ron,

Culture Class

7:00 p.m.

Speaker Tim Culbertson will conduct the culture class right before the general meeting. Please join us.

thank you. **Winn Winmaw has asked that anyone interested in orchid ribbon judging on Friday morning contact him by email.**

The Board of Directors met in January and after much discussion the decision was made to cancel the Ron Capps Memorial Annual Orchid Auction at this time. The idea of possibly planning it later this year was also discussed, but no decision was made.

I'd like to acknowledge a few more Committee Chairpersons, who, often silently, do their assignments with little recognition. In no particular order, I'd like to thank:

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February Speaker Tim Culbertson

"Encyclias of Mexico and Beyond"

Although I teach middle school kids for a living, one of my passions has always been plants. I began growing orchids as an offshoot from working at Longwood Gardens in Philadelphia, just after college.

From the very beginning it was all about Paphs, particularly awarded and select clones of historic importance, of which my collection numbers nearly 3000. While I love finding old, rare stepping stones in paph breeding, I also do a little hybridizing of my own, and growing up my own babies is a blast.

I am the youngest accredited judge with the American Orchid Society, and I have served in various capacities with various orchid societies in California and on the

East Coast. I love meeting other people who like orchids, too, and doing so often finds me traveling to shows, vendors, and people's greenhouses to see the latest and greatest in new hybrids and to get the best orchid gossip.

I like to be involved in plants as much as possible: in addition to Longwood, I've worked at the Smithsonian Institution tending to their orchids, and for years for the United States National Arboretum, collecting rare plants and documenting cultivated species and hybrids for their herbarium. In short, I really like plants.



For your meeting, I'll be sharing a presentation on Encyclias of Mexico and Beyond. These spectacular cattleya relatives grow well outside in Southern California, and with their compact habit, great fragrance, and ease of growth, these are delightful plants for every collection.

By extending the traditional definition of encyclias to include recently separated groups like Anacheilum, Panarica, Prosthechea, Euchile, and others that I and many of you grew up calling Encyclia, we end up with a diverse, beautiful, fragrant, exciting group of plants and flowers;

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Meetings are held on the **second Tuesday** of each month.

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

Dinner with the Speaker

Dinner will be at Basil Mediterranean, 1907 Newport Blvd., Costa Mesa. Parking is in front and more in the back. Reservations are at 5:30 p.m. Please be prompt so we can get the speaker to the meeting on time.

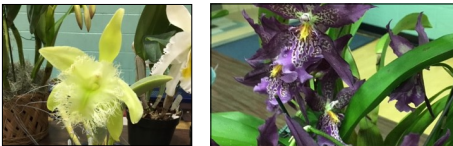
RSVP to Marilyn Bauer by Monday, February 11, if you plan to attend. Questions and RSVP: mjbauer@gmail.com.

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if we add those to the wonderful flora of Mexico and Central America, we have a group that every collector should grow.

By the end of this presentation, you will have a new appreciation of the range of plant habits, floral forms, and fragrances of Encyclia broadly, as well as an appreciation of their lovely flowers and ease-of-growth.

I will be providing a plant table of seedling Encyclia species from Central and South America, suitable for culture outdoors in Southern California.



Refreshments

Members from **Bill MacCorkell** through **Joe and Ann Rupp** are asked to provide refreshments for the meeting. Thank you!

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"Orchid Mania" NHOS Expo Is Almost Here!

Yes, the Newport Harbor Orchid Society 2019 Orchid Expo is almost here, at the Westminster Mall. Admission is free. Parking is free and handicap accessible. Dates and times are:

Friday, February 8 10 am - 9 pm

Saturday, February 9 10 am - 8 pm

Sunday, February 10 11 am - 6 pm

There will be potting workshops daily at 2:00 pm. Cost is \$6.00 including plant, pot, and potting medium. You may sign up in advance at nhosinfo.org/orchidshow; scroll down to the form and fill out.

NHOS will have a display room featuring painting, photography and Bonsai/ Sculpture exhibits by the Vietnamese Orchid Society members. There will be displays by other orchid societies and by some of our vendors.

This year's theme is "Orchid Mania," and we need all of you great volunteers to help make it a huge success. **Volunteers who work six hours will receive a free t-shirt**, with our theme image, designed by Ron DeWilde (NHOS artist), on the back.

We need volunteers as follows:

Wednesday 2/6 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

For set-up.

Thursday 2/7 8:00 am - 8:00 pm

For set-up of displays and vendor booths (three-hour shifts).

Friday 2/8 10:00 am - 9:00 pm

For three-hour shifts at the info desk, plant hotel and display rooms.

Saturday 2/9 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

For three-hour shifts at the info desk, plant hotel and display rooms.

Sunday 2/10 11:00 am - 6:00 pm

For three-hour shifts at the info desk, plant hotel and display rooms.

Sunday 2/10 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

For clean-up.

If you are able to volunteer, please contact **Rosemary Krumme** at **714-892-2278, 714-269-8877**, or Rosegk@verizon.net.

Members who wish to sell their orchids at the Member Sales Booth are required to work a three-hour shift in the booth if they bring more than four plants to sell. Please contact **Ann or Joe Rupp** at **714-329-5155**.

A big thank you in advance to everyone who attends, works in a booth or volunteers in any way.

Rosemary Krumme and the NHOS Show Committee

Southern California Orchid Species Society has ceased its meetings, but has moved into cyberspace. We would like to continue to maintain a presence on our website <http://socalorchidspecies.com/>. We are hoping that this forum can continue to be a place where we can continue showing each other our blooming species orchids, a virtual Show and Tell. We also hope to occasionally get together at people's homes and growing areas.

We would like to extend an invitation to anybody with an interest in orchid species to join our "online community". Anyone who is interested in receiving an approximately monthly email when new material is posted, who might want to contribute their own photos and notes and perhaps participate in occasional get-togethers is welcome. All that is needed is an email to me indicating their interest and they'll be added to the email list.

Roberta Fox
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Julie Ford, our Silent Auction Chairperson, who manages the members and their plants for auction. At times, there are so many plants, Julie can use an assistant or two. If you'd like to help Julie, contact her, I know she will be happy to mentor you. Many thanks, Julie.

Phil Duke and Michael Miranda, our Installation Banquet Chairmen. Michael, who silently and magically creates a wonderland backyard venue on his property, and Phil, who contributes so much time and energy in completing so many other necessary details to create such a memorable evening. Thank you both very much.

Lily Hara, NHOS Ribbon Judging Chairperson, who monthly, at that magic moment, recruits members to ribbon judge all the beautiful orchids that have been brought in for display. She also calculates ribbon winners points, charts them, and

delivers results to our editor for publishing in the *Orchids Aweigh* newsletter. No easy task, but Lily makes it look like a breeze! Heartfelt thanks to you, Lily.

A CORRECTION AND APOLOGY:

Last month in my President's message, I incorrectly stated that Phil Duke had roasted two turkeys and ham with all the trimmings for our Christmas Pot Luck Dinner. What really happened was Phil Duke did cook the two hams, which Michael Miranda had donated! Thank you, Phil, for your cooking skills and thank you, Michael, for your generosity!

Rick and Arlene Wells not only donated two turkeys for our Christmas Pot Luck Dinner, but roasted them, prepped them for the dinner, and also made the stuffing and gravy. Deepest apologies for not acknowledging this Rick and Arlene, and many, many thanks for your cooking skills and generosity!

REMINDER: Until further notice, our monthly NHOS meetings will be held on the second Tuesday, instead of the third Tuesday of the month, starting this month. So, the next meeting will be the second Tuesday of February, February 12, at the Costa Mesa Senior Center. Any questions? Call me.

Valerie Sanders
NHOS President



2019 January Judging Results

GENUS	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE	JUDGES
POINTS	5 points	3 points	1 point	
CATTLEYA	Sophranitis rosea Dick Hess	C. Mr. Bojangles Dick Hess	L.C. Stonehouse Mike Miranda	Lynn Wiand
CYMBIDIUM	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry	
DENDROBIUM	Den. Yukidaruma 'The King' Jan & Fred Anderson	No Entry	No Entry	Yen Zhou
EPIDENDRUM	Epi. Trialatum Roberta Fox	Epi. Melanoporphyreum Lynn Wiand	No Entry	Ron DeWilde
MAXILLARIEAE	Max. hedwigiae Jan & Fred Anderson	No Entry	No Entry	Yen Zhou
ONCIDIUM	Blla. Marfitch 'Howard's Dream' Gen Gundersen	Milt. Morris Chestnut Jan & Fred Anderson	Oncostele Wildcat Gen Gundersen	Nancy Benay
PAPHIOPEDILUM	Paph. Gerda Lynn Wiand	Phrag. Cape May County Dick Hess	Paph. (Don Egger X Khasi River) Dick Hess	Guy Gottschalk
PHALAEOPSIS	Phalaenopsis Elizabeth Hau	Phalaenopsis Elizabeth Hau	Phalaenopsis Elizabeth Hau	Yen Zhou
PLEUROTHALLID	Myoxanthus punctatus Ron DeWilde	No Entry	No Entry	Roberta Fox
VANDA	Ang. Memoria Mark Aldridge Michael Miranda	Microcoelia gilpiniae Roberta Fox	Angraecum loenis Roberta Fox	Lynn Wiand
MISCELLANEOUS	Coelogyne Jannine Banks 'Snow White' Lynn Wiand	Eria javanica Jan & Fred Anderson	Mormolyca Nancy Benay	Guy Gottschalk
POINTS	3 points	2 points	1 point	
NOVICE	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry	
CULTURAL AWARD WINNER—7 points	Sophranitis rosea Dick Hess			Thomas Mirenda

Mark Your Calendars...

February 8-10 | Friday-Sunday

Orchid Mania! Newport Harbor Orchid Society Orchid Expo and Sale at Westminster Mall, 1025 Westminster Mall, Westminster, CA. Second level, near Penney's Wing. **See you there! Support our wonderful vendors which supports our amazing club!** More information: www.nhosinfo.org/orchidshow.

February 9 | Saturday

San Marcos Annual Orchid Auction. San Marcos Community Center, 3 Civic Center Dr., San Marcos, CA 92069. More information: Ivan Allen, 760-533-4975.

February 22-24 | Friday-Sunday

Pacific Orchid Exposition, "Orchids of the Enchanted Forest." Country Fair Building "Hall of Flowers," 9th and Lincoln, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, CA. More information: www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/orchid-events/pacific-orchid-expo-poe/.

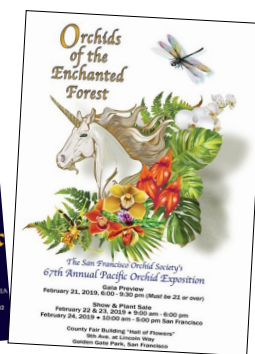
March 15-17 | Friday-Sunday | 9 am-5 pm

Santa Barbara International Orchid Show "Orchid Magic." Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara, CA. General Admission \$14; Seniors, Students with IDs and Advanced Group Sales \$12; 3-Day Pass \$22; Children under 12 are free with paid adult. More information: www.sborchidshow.com.

March 22-24 | Friday-Sunday | 10 am-4 pm

San Diego Orchid Show & Sale "Orchid Treasures." Scottish Rite Center, 1895 Camino del Rio South, San Diego CA. More information: www.sdorchids.com.

Be sure to check out the NHOS website for the latest information on orchid and other botanical events: <http://nhosinfo.org/events/>.



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