



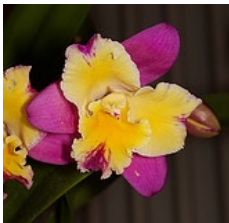
# POS News

The Palomar Orchid Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the understanding and cultivation of both hybrid and species orchids. We welcome members of all levels to join us for orchid fun and learning! Our mission is to promote interest in the appreciation of orchids and to provide an opportunity for their display and the exchange and dissemination of information relating to their culture.

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**February 2015**



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Spring Show Season is upon us. Check out the calendar and please also consider helping us put together the display at the SDCOS Show.  
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**February Meeting • Wednesday, February 4, 2015 • 6:30 pm**



## Ron Parsons

### Colombia, August 2014

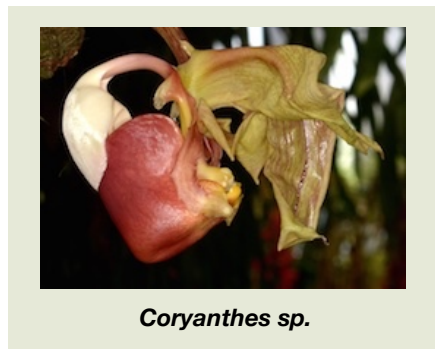
We are fortunate to be able to welcome back Ron Parsons as guest speaker for our February Meeting. Ron will be speaking about his experience traveling to Columbia in August of 2014 and the many orchids he encountered there. His trip included visits to nurseries, forest reserves, and a national park as well as three days at the Medellín orchid show and botanical



*Cattleya quadricolor*

gardens. All in all he saw and took pictures of nearly 120 native orchid species in bloom in the wild, as well as hundreds of others at the show and nurseries.

Ron Parsons has been growing orchids for going on 40 years and has been interested



*Coryanthes sp.*

in and has grown species orchids for most of that time. He loves to photograph orchids and other flowers whenever he can, whether it be in collections or trips to see them in nature. Ron's collection of photographs includes approximately 40,000



*Lepanthes frusta*

digital images, most of which are orchids, and a slide library of flower photographs

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Looks like this winter is turning out to be another mild one, which will benefit our plants by limiting the cold weather stress they normally experience in the SD area. Hopefully, it will stay that way throughout February and March.

Orchid show season is upon us this month with the initiation at the Newport Harbor Orchid Expo on February 13-15 at the Westminster Mall, Orange County, followed by the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, March 13-15, and our own San Diego County Orchid Society's Annual Show on March 27-29. I am looking forward to attending as many as I can this year.

We are seeking volunteers to put together another display at the San Diego Show, since we have had previous successes in receiving awards for our displays. Ivan Allen has generously agreed to organize and coordinate the effort. The theme for this year is "Orchids Around the World". It will be important to amass a team of members who can come up with some creative ideas for the display and provide plants.

We also are looking for a chairperson to organize and coordinate efforts for our upcoming auction on Saturday, May 2. I encourage all members to participate in some way to support our only fund raising event of the year. It is important for our society as it funds all of our speakers, opportunity tables and related activities throughout the year. There will be sign up sheets at the February meeting for both the display and auction.

We welcome back in February, Ron Parsons, who will give a presentation on 'Columbia 2014' on Wednesday, Feb. 4. This should be an interesting talk on orchids found in Ron's travels to Columbia. Ron is being co-sponsored by the SDCOS and POS so he will be giving a talk on Feb. 3 to SDCOS on 'Stanhopeas'. Members are welcome to attend that talk as well.

In closing, I always encourage input from our members at any time via email ([anadzan@mac.com](mailto:anadzan@mac.com)), phone (760-529-

5814) or in person. Feel free to contact me, as the board and I are here to serve you.

Happy Growing,



Alex Nadzan  
President, POS

## Membership Renewals

It is that time of the year again, when we are asking you to renew your membership! If your personal information has not changed no application form is needed. If you are a new member, you can sign up at the meeting or download the form from [our website](#). Payments can be made by check or check in person (see Sandi Sandquist at the next meetings) or via mail to

Sandi Sandquist  
6408 Crossbill Court  
Carlsbad, Ca 92011

Your ongoing support for the society is greatly appreciated!



## Snacks & Refreshments

This month, all members with last names beginning **T through C** will share at break time!  
We appreciate everyone's effort in supplying our meeting with goodies. It makes for a great meeting all around!

Thank you!

## Next AOS Webinar

The next AOS Webinar will be broadcast on February 25, 2015 from 5:30 to 6:30 PST. The speaker is Dr. Harry Gallis and the topic will be "Demystifying AOS Judging: What are those Judges Looking For?"

Dr. Harry Gallis has been growing orchids since 1980, and currently has about 380 plants. The largest groups are cattleyas, phalaenopsis, and dendrobiums, the latter being his current passion. His plants have received 41 AOS awards, and, says Harry, "I very much enjoy growing plants for shows and awards." He entered the AOS judging program in 1991, and is an Accredited Judge and Past Chair of the Carolinas Judging Center in Greensboro, NC. In 1999, he was asked to take on the position of national training coordinator for AOS judges. He served as Chair of the Judging Committee for two years. Harry knows lots about judging, getting plants awarded, and will help us all understand what the judges want and how we might get one of those awards.

Visit the [AOS Website](#) for more information on the webinar as well as a link to the registration form. Registration opens in February and participation is free.



# Gems From The Last Meeting



**Kay Klausing**



**Kay Klausing and Alex Nadzan**



**Paph. spicerianum**  
**Merle Robboy**



**B/c. Maikai Mayumi**  
**Merle Robboy**



**Merle Robboy**



**Terri and Karl Lofthouse**



**Angraecum magdalenae**  
**Phyllis Prestia**



**Warren Stehle**



**Ancistrochilus rothschildianus**  
**Alex Nadzan**

Photos by Debra Funakoshi - full album at [www.palomarorchid.org](http://www.palomarorchid.org)

## General Meeting Information

The Palomar Orchid Society regularly meets the **FIRST WEDNESDAY** of every month at the Pavilion at Lake San Marcos (1105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078).

Traveling on State Route 78, take the Rancho Santa Fe exit and head South. The entrance to

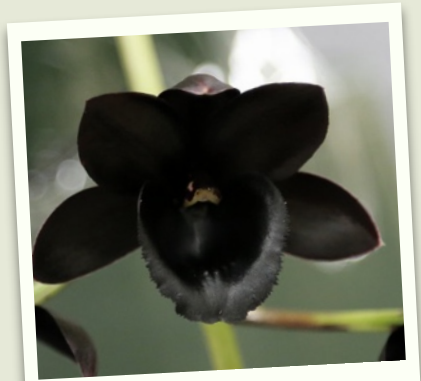
the Lake San Marcos Resort is on your left about a 1/4 mile South of the San Marcos Blvd. intersection. Traveling on I5 South from Oceanside and North Carlsbad, take the Palomar Airport exit and turn right onto Rancho Santa Fe after about 7 miles. Traveling North on I5 from South Carlsbad and Encinitas, for example, take the La Costa Ave. exit and turn left onto Rancho Santa Fe. The entrance to the

resort will be the first right after the fire station in San Marcos.

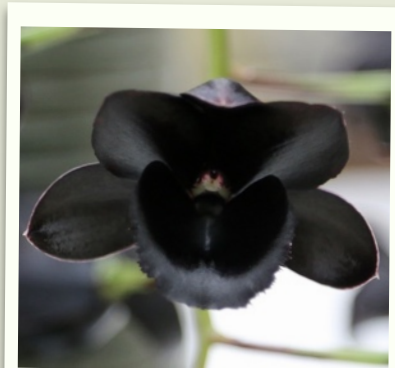
Inside the resort at the first "T" intersection, turn left on San Marino Drive. At the next 4-way STOP, turn right on La Bonita Drive. Proceed ahead for one block on La Bonita. The pavilion will be on the left and there is parking in front of the pavilion.

## December Judging Report

There were 7 orchids presented for judging. Three were awarded.



**Fdk. Frank Smith 'SVO'**  
Exhibited by Fred Clarke  
Awarded FCC/AOS 93 points



**Fdk. Frank Smith 'SVO Darkest Night'**  
Exhibited by Fred Clarke  
Awarded AM/AOS 88 points



**Fdk. Dark Thereafter 'Crazy Good'**  
Exhibited by Fred Clarke  
Awarded AM/AOS 81 points

## Judging Sessions

- The Pacific South Judging Center conducts each month three judging sessions in the Los Angeles and San Diego area. Locally, the sessions are held in Balboa Park, Casa del Prado in room 104 on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 6 pm.
- Visitors, with or without plants, are welcome anytime. If a member of the POS wishes to have flowering plants judged at one of these sessions but is unable to take the plants to the judging facility, please contact Paul Tuskes at (858) 274 5829

*Text and photos by Phyllis S. Prestia Ed.D.*

### *Ron Parsons continued*

that exceeds 100,000 images. He has published about 2500 photos, which have appeared in magazines, periodicals, journals, and books.

As an author, Ron has co-authored three books with Mary Gerritsen: *'Masdevallias, Gems of the Orchid World'*, *'Calochortus, Mariposa Lilies and their Relatives'*, and a two-volume set titled *'A Compendium of Miniature Orchid Species'*. The last book has nearly 1200 pages, 1800 photographs, and features more than 500 species.

## LBAOS Annual Orchid Auction Monday, March 9, 2015

6:00pm - Preview & Registration (Get your Paddles!)  
6:30pm - Auction Begins

Join us at our Annual Orchid Auction! Bid on quality indoor and outdoor growing orchids, plants and supplies from commercial growers and society members at auction prices. Start or expand your orchid selection. Obtain a gift for someone. Don't miss this opportunity!

**St. Gregory's Episcopal Church Hall**  
6201 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA

(Between Palo Verde Ave. and Woodruff Ave.)

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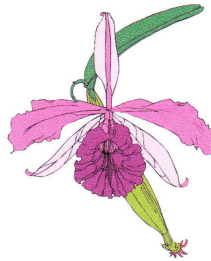


# Annual Orchid Auction

Saturday, February 7, 2015

**All Types of Orchids!**

Preview at 11 a.m. Auction at 12 noon



Lake San Marcos -Lake Pavilion  
1105 La Bonita Drive  
San Marcos, CA 92078

Admission is Free - Lots of Free Parking

**Directions:**

**Coming from the South:** Take I-5 North exit Leucadia Blvd. and turn right. Leucadia Blvd. becomes Olivenhain Rd. which then becomes S. Rancho Santa Fe Rd. Turn right onto Lake San Marcos Dr. Turn left onto San Marino Dr. Take the 1st right onto La Bonita Dr. The Lake Pavilion is on the left.

**Coming from the North:** Take I-5 South and exit CA-78 E. Take the Rancho Santa Fe Rd. exit and turn right onto S. Rancho Santa Fe Rd. Turn left onto Lake San Marcos Dr. Turn left onto San Marino Dr. Take the 1st right onto La Bonita Dr. The Lake Pavilion is on the left.

Auction Chairperson: orchldy1@mac.com or 760-732-0055

*Sponsored by the San Diego County Cymbidium Society*

Meetings monthly (except July and August) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

at the San Marcos Lake Pavilion

Culture class 6:30 p.m. - General meeting 7:00 p.m.

# SANTA BARBARA INTERNATIONAL ORCHID SHOW

# 70<sup>th</sup>

AOS Judging MARCH 12, 2015  
Cymbidium Congress  
MARCH 14, 2015

**CELEBRATE WITH ORCHIDS!**  
MARCH 13-15, 2015

[SBORCHIDSHOW.COM](http://SBORCHIDSHOW.COM)

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Earl Warren Showgrounds  
Santa Barbara  
California

3-Day Pass \$20

General Admission \$12

Seniors | Students \$10

Show AOS Judging Participants: Free

## SAN DIEGO COUNTY ORCHID SOCIETY AROUND THE WORLD WITH ORCHIDS 2015 Show and Sale



### MARCH 27-29, 2015

Friday 3pm-7pm Saturday 9am-6pm Sunday 10am-4pm

Scottish Rite Events Center  
1895 Camino Del Rio South  
San Diego, CA 92108

Admission: \$8  
Weekend Pass: \$10  
Children under 12: Free  
Free Parking

Information:  
[www.sdorchids.com](http://www.sdorchids.com)  
Contact:  
(760) 529-2947

## Newport Harbor Orchid Expo

### Orchids: Jewels of the Jungle

February 13, 14 & 15, 2015  
Westminster Mall  
Macy's Wing  
Orange County, CA

Fri: 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM  
Sat: 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM  
Sun: 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Orchid Displays  
Vendor Sales  
Repotting Classes (fee charged)  
Free Admission & Parking

[WWW.NHOSInfo.org/Shows/2015/Home.NTML](http://WWW.NHOSInfo.org/Shows/2015/Home.NTML)

## The Editor's Corner



A quick look at the many flyers above and the crowded calendar below will put a resounding "YES" as answer to the "Is it spring show season yet?" question. Attending these shows is always fun and educational, but did you know that you can actually help to put together our society's contribution to this year's Annual Show and Sale organized by the San Diego County Orchid Society? Not only will that add to the fun, you will also get into the show for free! Contact Ivan Allen if you are interested! In past years, we have won some recognition and our displays as well as quite a few of the individual orchids (all on loan from our members) have received ribbons and awards.

As Alex mentioned in his message, we are also looking for someone to spearhead the Annual Auction. The date is set for the first Saturday in May (5/2) and the position basically requires someone to organize the various volunteers, plant donations, set-up, and break-down. There will be lots of help from experienced auction volunteers and Maryanne Kind has done a tremendous job putting together a document describing all positions needed. Please speak with Alex if you are interested in organizing our biggest fundraising event of the year.

As always, your contributions to the newsletter or website are very welcome. Please email them to [newsletter@palomarorchid.org](mailto:newsletter@palomarorchid.org).

Happy Growing!

## POS Officers

**Alex Nadzan — President**  
**Debra Funakoshi — 1st Vice President/Programs**  
**Marita Hoit & Jerry Spahn — 2nd Vice President/Raffle**  
**Sandi Sanquist — 3rd Vice President/Membership**  
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**Vidya Sirsi — Treasurer**  
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**Lena Shiroma, Tom Wisniewski, & Carl Wood — 1st Year Trustees**  
**Maryanne Kind & Ivan Allen — Publicity**  
**Helge Weissig — Newsletter & Website Editor**

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[www.flickr.com/groups/palomarorchid/](https://www.flickr.com/groups/palomarorchid/)

## Upcoming Events

### February 3, 2015

Orchid Judging Center  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting  
[www.sdorchids.com](http://www.sdorchids.com)

### February 4, 2015

POS General Meeting  
 Ron Parsons  
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos  
[www.palomarorchid.org](http://www.palomarorchid.org)

### February 7, 2015

SDCOS Annual Auction  
[orchldy1@mac.com](mailto:orchldy1@mac.com)

### February 13 - 15, 2015

Newport Harbor Orchid Expo  
 "Orchids: Jewels of the Jungle"  
[www.nhosinfo.org](http://www.nhosinfo.org)

### February 18, 2015

SDCCS General Meeting  
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

### February 20, 2015

Orchid Odyssey  
 San Diego Zoo  
[www.sandiegozoo.org](http://www.sandiegozoo.org)

### March 3, 2015

Orchid Judging Center  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting  
[www.sdorchids.com](http://www.sdorchids.com)

### March 4, 2015

POS General Meeting  
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos  
[www.palomarorchid.org](http://www.palomarorchid.org)

### March 9, 2015

Long Beach Amateur Orchid Soc.  
 Annual Orchid Auction  
[www.lbaos.com](http://www.lbaos.com)

### March 13 - 15, 2015

70th Annual Santa Barbara International Orchid Show  
[www.sborchidshow.com](http://www.sborchidshow.com)

Cal-Orchid Open House  
[www.calorchid.com](http://www.calorchid.com)

Santa Barbara Orchid Estate  
 Open House  
[www.sborchid.com](http://www.sborchid.com)

### March 18, 2015

SDCCS General Meeting  
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

### March 27 - 29, 2015

SDCOS 2015 Show And Sale  
[www.sdorchids.com](http://www.sdorchids.com)

Andy's Orchids Annual Spring  
 Open House  
[www.andysorchids.com](http://www.andysorchids.com)

## Other Orchid Societies' Meetings

### San Diego County Orchid Society

Meets First Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm in Room 101 in the Casa del Prado of Balboa Park in San Diego  
 Bob Clark (858) 270-8352  
[membership@sdorchids.com](mailto:membership@sdorchids.com)

### San Diego Cymbidium Society

Regular meetings 3rd Wednesday of each month, September-June, 7pm, Pavilion at Lake San Marcos  
 1105 La Bonita Dr.  
 San Marcos, CA 92078  
 Bill Wong (760) 931-0502  
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