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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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Additional Volunteers Needed for the April 30th Auction and Sale

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Annual Auction • Saturday, April 30, 2016 • 9:30 am

2016 Orchid Sale & Auction

The annual POS Orchid Sale and Auction is this Saturday, April 30, at the Lake San Marcos Pavilion.

There will be beautiful blooming orchids and Mother's Day arrangements for sale during the preview only, which begins at 9:30 am. The auction will be held between 11:00 am and 3 pm. Several vendors have provided plants including Kalapana Tropicals (Hawaii), Cal Orchid, Rex Foster Orchids, Sunset Valley Orchids, as well as others. As every year, there will be snacks and a small plant raffle at no cost for auction participants.

If you have any extra divisions or plants you would like to donate, please bring them in on Friday during the set up (after 3 pm) or before 9 am on Saturday. Please also bring a snack or dessert to share, your checkbook and/or credit card, and some empty boxes.

Spread the word, invite a neighbor or friend and if you are on FaceBook, visit the Palomar Orchid page and share our auction announcement with your FaceBook friends. If your friends also share with their friends, the auction info will be widely distributed.

As you may be aware, this is our only fundraising activity during the year. Auction proceeds fund our educational speaker program and other society activities. If you can, come by and help out either on Friday (3 - 5 pm) or on Saturday!



THE PALOMAR ORCHID SOCIETY PRESENTS

2016 Orchid Sale & Auction

Saturday, April 30, 2016

Sale & Preview 9:30 am - 11:00 am Auction 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

The Pavilion at Lake San Marcos 1105 La Bonita Drive San Marcos, CA 92078

> FREE ADMISSION AND PARKING More info at www.palomarorchid.org

PALOMAR ORCHID SOCIETY

Presidents' Message

April has been a busy month preparing for our annual auction on April 30. Although several volunteers have signed up for the event, we can use more help to give our workers a break and allow them to bid on some new additions to their orchid collections. There will be some unique blooming orchids from Kalapana Tropicals, Hawaii, and many plants from Cal Orchid, Sunset Valley Orchids, and Rex Foster *Orchids as well as several others from some* of our other local vendors. Don't forget to bring in some of your extra orchid divisions or plants to be auctioned off as well as some goodies to share with auction attendees. Please contact Alex should you desire to help but did not sign up previously.

Due to the close proximity of our auction to the first Wednesday of May, there will be no meeting on May 4. This should give our volunteers time to recoup

and focus on maintaining and repotting their orchids as many have started to produce new roots, which is the ideal time to repot and divide them, if desired. Please refer to the May 'To Do' list on our website for tips on activities and things to watch out for in May.

As we look forward to the month of June, our next speaker will be Karen Muir who will talk on Maxillarias, a topic we have not had in a long time. As some of you may know the most well-known and desirable member of the species is Maxillaria tenufolia, otherwise known as the coconut orchid, due to its strong fragrance reminiscent of coconuts. It is very easy to grow and does well under shade cloth in coastal San Diego.

As always, members are encouraged to provide input at any time via email, phone or in person (<u>anadzan@mac.com</u>, (760) 529-5814 or <u>billtcwong@att.net</u>, (760) 931-0502). Feel free to contact either of us, as we are here to serve you.

Happy Growing!

Alex Nadzan and Bill Wong Co-Presidents, POS







Open House

Fantastic discounts on all stock!

Authentic handmade 'street tacos' from 11AM till 2PM, Don't miss this day of plant raffles, fun and food

Saturday, June 18th from 9:00 to 4:00 1255 Navel Place, Vista CA 92083 (760) 310-0778 www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com

April Judging Reports

There were 16 orchids presented for judging. Six were awarded



Renanthera imschootiana 'Feurbach' **Exhibited by Renate Schmidt** Awarded AM/AOS 82 points

Phal. Sogo Rose 'Arnie Berry'

Exhibited by Arnold Gum

Awarded AM of 80 points



Brassavola nodosa 'Big Deal' Exhibited by Deborah Halliday Awarded AM/AOS 81 points

Paph. wenshanense 'Arnie'

Exhibited by Arnold Gum

Awarded HCC/AOS 77 points



Comparettia x maloi 'Windflower' **Exhibited by Betty Kelepecz** Awarded AM of 80 points



Tolumnia velutina 'Isabella' Exhibited by Kay Klausing Awarded CCM of 85 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

Text and photos by Phyllis Prestia



San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists Los Angeles County Arboretum & Botanic Garden 301 North Baldwin Avenue Arcadia, CA 91066





Gems From The Last Meeting



Paul Tuskes



Linda Cornell with a C. mossiae she won in the raffle



Beallara Eurostar – Suzi Sandore



B/c. Moy Lim Gum – Suzi Sandore



Cym. Bootlegger's Babe **Jerry Spencer**

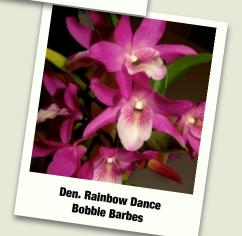




Pbt. Kiwi Gold x Pbt. Copper Queen **Alex Nadzan**



SIc. India Rose 'Sherwood' x B. Little Stars – Alex Nadzan



Photos by Debra Funakoshi - full album at 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.

The Editor's Corner



It is Auction time! Our annual auction and sale is one of my favorite orchid-related events of the year. Just like the proverbial kid in the candy store, I am always amazed at the multitude of plants that somehow appear on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. Many thanks in advance for all the donations from our membership and the generous vendors.

The auction is a great opportunity to add plants to your collection at a very affordable price, typically. On the flip

side, it takes some organizing and many volunteers to pull off, so please consider helping out (see above for details).

Last not least, and just in case you didn't get the follow-up email, there are no plans nor will there likely ever be any plans to combine all three San Diego area orchid societies. Such harebrained ideas only sprout in certain newsletter editor's minds on April Fools days.

Your comments and suggestions are very much appreciated! And, as always, your contributions to the newsletter or website are very welcome as well. Please email them to <u>newsletter@palomarorchid.org</u>.

Happy Growing!

Upcoming Events

April 30, 2016 POS Annual Auction and Orchid Sale Pavilion at Lake San Marcos palomarorchid.org

May 3, 2016 Orchid Judging Center Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting sdorchids.com

May 4, 2016 NO POS MEETING!

May 14, 2016 Annual Seedlings Sale Casa de las Orquideas orquideas.com

May 18, 2016 SDCCS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

May 19, 2016 Orchid Auction San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists sgvoh.org **May 20, 2016** Orchid Odyssey San Diego Zoo <u>sandiegozoo.org</u>

June 1, 2016 POS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos palomarorchid.org

June 4, 2016 Orchid Digest Speaker Day Huntington Botanical Garden orchiddigest.com

June 7, 2016 Orchid Judging Center Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting sdorchids.com

June 15, 2016 SDCCS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

June 17, 2016 Orchid Odyssey San Diego Zoo <u>sandiegozoo.org</u> POS Officers

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Orchid Odyssey

San Diego Zoo

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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

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 <u>billtcwong@att.net</u>

