



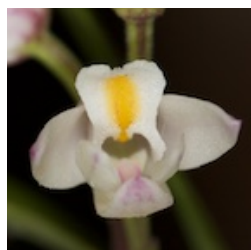
POS News

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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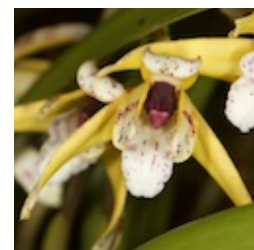
George Hatfield's talk on pendulous cymbidiums was very well received and again members shared their flowering plants.

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Archived and Upcoming AOS Webinars

The AOS organizes several webinars every month for members. Check out the current list for details.

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Annual Orchid Sale & Auction, May 6, 2017 • 9:30 am

2017 Orchid Sale & Auction

Our POS Annual Orchid Sale and Auction is on Saturday, May 6, at the Lake San Marcos Pavilion.

We will have beautiful blooming orchids and Mother's Day arrangements for sale during the preview only. Preview starts at 9:30 am and lasts until 11 am when the auction begins. The auction should end by 3 pm. Several local and Hawaiian vendors have donated plants again this year, including Kalapana Tropicals (Hawaii), Andy's Orchids, Cal Orchid, Casa de las Orchideas, Rex Foster Orchids, Sunset Valley Orchids, as well as other local growers. During the auction, there also will be a small plant raffle at no cost to the auction participants.

Members are asked to bring a snack or dessert to share with attendees, some empty boxes for the plant hotel, as well as your cash, checkbook, and/or credit card for plant purchases. Should you have any extra divisions or plants you would

like to donate, please bring them in on Friday during the setup (3-7 pm) or before 9 am on Saturday. Volunteers are asked to arrive by 9 am on Saturday to deal with any last minute set up matters. Please 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.

This is our only fundraising activity during the year and auction proceeds will fund our educational speaker program and other society activities so, please make the effort to come by and help out either on Friday (set up 3-7 pm) or on Saturday by 9 am. Should you have any questions about the auction or matters to discuss, please contact Alex at 760-529-5814, or Bill at 760-931-0502 or email us



THE PALOMAR ORCHID SOCIETY
PRESENTS



2017 Orchid Sale & Auction

Saturday,
May 6, 2017

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

Sale of blooming orchids & arrangements for Mother's Day
Over 300 plants to be auctioned
Plant raffle for auction participants
We accept all major credit cards, checks, and cash

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

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

at anadzan@mac.com and billtcwong@att.net.

This is a great opportunity to add some new orchids to your collection at very reasonable prices. We look forward to another fun and successful auction!

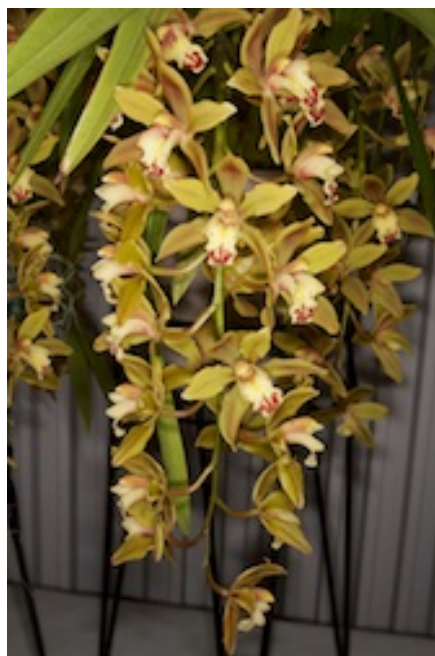
PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

The months of April and May are very busy times for orchid enthusiasts as many of our plants are at the early stages of active root growth and putting out fresh blooms. This also is the best time to repot and divide overgrown plants. When you are repotting, please consider making some divisions of your favorite plants to share or exchange with friends or donate to our upcoming Annual Sale & Auction on Saturday, May 6. We are still in need of some extra volunteers to share job responsibilities and allow our volunteers to participate in the auction so please refer to the accompanying article on the auction for more details.

*We are looking forward to our next meeting on June 7th as we are fortunate to have Tim Culbertson join us. Tim is an excellent, enthusiastic speaker who will talk on *Laelia purpurata*, the National Flower of Brazil. This is a timely topic since this wonderful species blooms during the month of June. Tim will supply the plant table and he has promised lots for great flowers for the table.*

Two other important activities coming up in the month of June are the San Diego County Fair where POS will join our sister societies on June 7 for a special orchid day at the fair. In addition, members can enter their blooming orchids in competition during the month of June so please see the accompanying article for more details.

Finally, we are conducting our first caravan of the year to Anita and Jerry Spencer's home on June 10 to view their lovely collection of orchids, conduct a repotting party and purchase a few plants.



Sign up and details of the event are provided below.

As always, Bill and Alex are available to listen to your suggestions, questions and concerns. Please call Bill at 760-931-0502 or Alex at 760-529-5814. Bill's email is billtcwong@att.net. Alex's email is anadzan@mac.com.

Look forward to seeing you at the auction on May 6.

*Alex Nadzan and Bill Wong
Co-Presidents, POS*

San Diego County Fair Update with Volunteers Needed for the June 7 Orchid Repotting Demo

For those of you who are interested in entering your orchids in the 2017 San Diego County Fair orchid competition, the county fair website is still open for online registration for individuals who wish to participate. You have until May 12 to complete your registration to compete for ribbons and cash awards associated with the ribbons. Go to SDFAIR.com and select "participate" then select "competitive exhibits" then scroll down until you see the flowers box and select "flower show." When you select flower show "enter now", you will be taken to a screen that starts

your registration process. Hit the "register button." You will need to use a credit card to pay the registration fee. Follow the prompts to get to the screen where you select whether you want to register for one show, or all 5 shows. There is one show per week during the duration of the fair (entries due the mornings of June 1, 6, 13, 19, and 26 from 6:30 am -10:30 am). It is a good idea to print out and read the rules before registering. Orchids are [the last two Divisions, 5100 and 5101](#).

Alex Nadzan is coordinating the judging of the orchids, so should you be interested in judging for one or several of the sessions, please contact Alex at 760-529-5814 or anadzan@mac.com (see above dates for judging starting at 10:30 am).

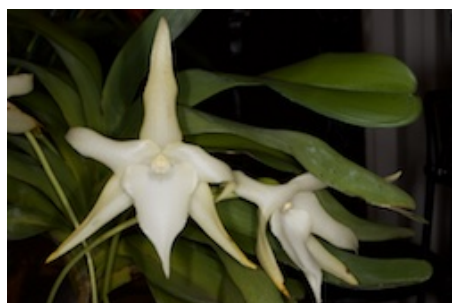
The three SD county orchid societies have been given the opportunity to use the stage on June 7th to put on demonstrations of repotting and talks about orchid culture (11 am-3 pm). We also can set up tables where we can do more hands on repotting and interacting with the public on that date. If we have some plants or planting materials for sale, we can sell them there. If you are interested, please contact Ivan Allen (760-533-4975 or aaallen@cox.net) or Alex Nadzan (contact info above). Hope to see you at the fair!

Caravan to the Spencer's

The Palomar Orchid Society Caravan and SD County Cymbidium Society are planning a Caravan to see the Orchid Collection of Jerry and Anita Spencer.

The first Caravan of 2017 is open to Members of both societies. It is planned for June 10 at the home of the Spencer's in Fallbrook (Rainbow Canyon). Jerry and Anita have graciously offered to host the event.

The Caravan Committee is planning the details of the event and will send additional information regarding sign ups, schedule of events, lunch arrangements



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Gems From The April Meeting



George Hatfield



Lc. Love Knot "Lea" – Cecily Bird



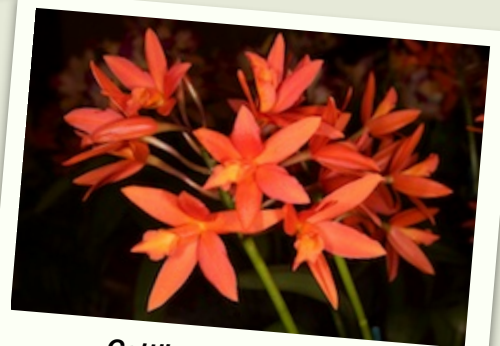
Cattleya intermedia "Crownfox Fuchsia" – Alex Nadzan



**Miltoniopsis Komoda Marvel
Wendy Daneau**



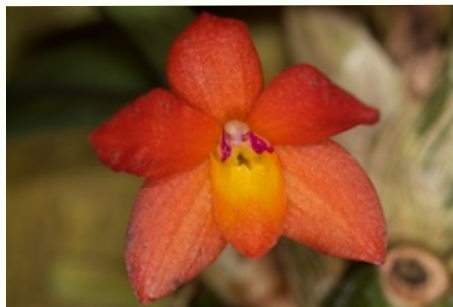
**Dendrobium Hiroshi Tokunaga
Merle Robboy**



**Cattlianthe Blazing Treat
Anita & Jerry Spencer**



Rlc. Love Love – Stewart Walton



Sophronitis cernua – Lisa Humphreys



**Cym. Dr. Len "Geyserland"
Jerry & Anita Spencer**

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.

April Judging Report

Six orchids (out of too many to count) were awarded at the March Show in the Park. In addition, there were 6 orchids presented for judging at the regular April Judging event, but none were awarded.



L. jongheana 'Paradox'
Exhibited by Paul Tuskes
Awarded FCC/AOS 91 points



Cym. Ha Bui 'His Majesty'
Exhibited by Ha Bui
Awarded AM/AOS 84 points



Onc. Issaku Nagata 'R. L. Hammer'
Exhibited by Debbie Halliday
Awarded AM/AOS 83 points



Rhyncholaelia glauca 'Eddie'
Exhibited by John Alexander
Awarded HCC/AOS 79 points



Den. faciferum 'Santa Fe Sunrise'
Exhibited by Debbie Halliday
Awarded CCM/AOS 88 points

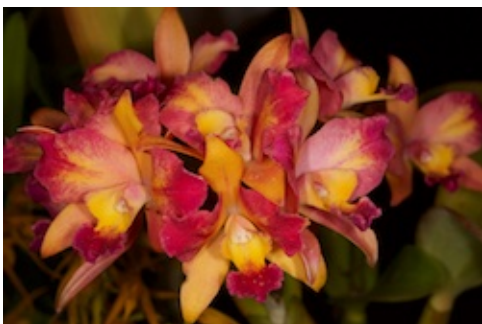


Max. lawrenceana 'Eddie'
Exhibited by John Alexander
Awarded CCM/AOS 85 points

Photos and report by Phyllis S. Prestia Ed.D.

Spencer's Caravan cont.

and repotting clinic as well as detailed instructions on how to get there. They will also coordinate car pooling and staffing the event.



Save the date! We will begin at approximately 10:30 a.m. and conclude before 3 pm. This should be a wonderful opportunity for members to see an outstanding orchid collection. There will also be a repotting clinic to help newer members learn how to repot various types of orchids and to serve as a refresher for experienced members.

Directions:

- Exit 51 on I-15 (Mission Rd., Fallbrook)
- Turn East and go to the end (75 Yards)
- Turn left onto Old Hwy. 395 and continue going North to Fifth St.
- Turn right, go past the school to the only stop sign
- Turn left onto Rainbow Valley Blvd.

- At Causey Way, turn right onto dirt road (cactus farm on the right)
- Follow Causey Way to the Spencer's house on the right

Alternatively, [here are the Google Map directions](#) from the freeway to the unmapped Causey Way intersection. Use "2579 Rainbow Valley Blvd., Fallbrook" on your own GPS/mapping app to get you there, turn right onto Causey Way and follow that dirt road to the Spencer's house on the right.

Archived and Upcoming AOS Webinars

American Orchid Society: Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton

Tuesday, April 18, 2017 @ 8:30 PM -
9:30 PM EDT Everyone invited

Please join Ron McHatton, American Orchid Society Director of Education and Science Officer, who will discuss a variety of topics on orchid culture based on question submitted by attendees. Please send your questions to stillilsch@cox.net by April 16th.

Register now using this link:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3650501029842583043>

Judging Webinar: Nomenclature

Thursday, April 20, 2017 @ 11:00 AM
EDT Members only

Join Jean Ikeson, Accredited AOS Judge, and review the resources that are important to the task of researching awards and information on orchids. She will cover the basics and some changes in nomenclature and taxonomy. We might not always be happy with the changes but we need to know what they are. Jean will help us learn!

Register now using this link:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2486195182313121027>

Judging Webinar: Research Sources for Orchid Judges with Jean Ikeson

Thursday, April 20, 2017 @ 1:00 PM
EDT Members only

Join Jean Ikeson, Accredited AOS Judge, for a review of the resources that are important to the task of researching awards and information on orchids.

Register now using this link:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6119566540671396098>

Orchids Under Glass with Daniel Geiger

Thursday, May 11, 2017 @ 3:30 PM EDT
Members only

Join Daniel Geiger, Ph.D., Curator of Malacology at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, California as he presents a fascinating talk on raising orchids in confined spaces, terrariums and aquariums.

Register now using this link:

<http://www.aos.org/all-about-orchids/webinars/member-only/orchid-aquarium-terrarium-culture.aspx>

Note: After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

WHAT ARE WEBINARS? Webinars are an Internet conference where you can hear the speaker and view his presentation, ask questions, and hear interactions from other members of the audience. You can join either on your computer or by phone. You can join from anywhere, via your Mac, PC or even your mobile device. Audio is included, so attendees can phone in or use VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol). You will need a microphone for your computer to use VoIP.



Orchid Auction

June 15, 2017

*Preview—6 PM
Auction Begins—7 PM
Free Admission
& Parking*

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

The Editor's Corner



With only a handful of plants left to repot (they are currently in bloom, so I want to wait a bit), I am feeling like I have finally caught up on the last two or three years of procrastination. While I am far from proud of the latter, I am quite happy with where things are now... if it wasn't for those pesky rodents I have in the yard. Not having paid close enough attention, several plants of mine had been radically grazed on and a few others had their roots nibbled on by those furry pests.

After trying poison bait stations for a few weeks, the results were rather mixed: the bait was eaten, but the rodents stayed alive (as evident from their droppings). According to Fred Clarke, whom I sought advice from, this is likely due to the "wimpy" concentration of poison in the consumer-level products available. So back to the old snap-traps it was, with Fred's trick of jamming a bit of tortilla under the trigger paddle. Lo and behold, as of a few days ago, there is now one fewer of these, what turned out to be roof rats, harassing my collection!

Do you have any orchid or rat-hunting related stories to share? Your comments, suggestions, and/or contributions to this newsletter are very much appreciated! Please email them to newsletter@palomarorchid.org.

Happy Growing!

2017 POS Officers

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Upcoming Events

May 6, 2017

Annual Orchid Auction
 Palomar Orchid Society
palomarorchid.org

May 17, 2017

SDCCS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

May 19, 2017

Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
sandiegozoo.org

June 6, 2017

Orchid Judging Center
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
sdorchids.com

June 7, 2017

POS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
palomarorchid.org

June 10, 2017

POS Caravan & Repotting Session
 Jerry & Anita Spencer's Home
palomarorchid.org

June 15, 2017

Annual Auction
 San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists
sgvoh.org

June 16, 2017

Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
sandiegozoo.org

June 21, 2017

SDCCS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

July 5, 2017

POS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
palomarorchid.org

July 12, 2017

Orchid Judging Center
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
sdorchids.com

July 14 - 16, 2017

Annual Summer Open House
 Santa Barbara Orchid Estate
sborchid.com

July 21, 2017

Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
sandiegozoo.org

August 1, 2017

Orchid Judging Center
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
sdorchids.com

August 2, 2017

POS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
palomarorchid.org

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

