



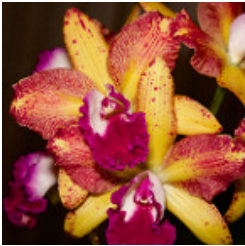
POS News

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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Calendar of Events

Some last show and sale events and open houses are followed by the annual holiday dinners of our local societies.

Mark your calendars!

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November Meeting • Wednesday, November 4, 2015 • 6:30 pm



Phyllis Prestia

The World Orchid Conference: Johannesburg, South Africa

This month, our guest speaker is POS member Phyllis Prestia. She will discuss her trip to the World Orchid Conference, held last year in Johannesburg, South Africa.

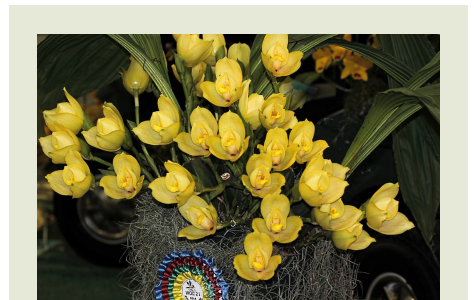
Phyllis will take us on a tour of the displays and orchids at the WOC, including those that received the highest awards at the conference. She will also discuss some of the orchids of the South African and Madagascar regions, which she saw and photographed. Since Phyllis herself grows many of those species, her presentation will include details and tips on the culture of rainforest and savannah terrestrials.

Phyllis is a retired educator and middle school principal. She received a Doctorate of Education at Rutgers University, where she also served as instructor in the graduate education program.

Originally from New Jersey, she moved to California with her husband to retire in the sunny San Diego area and grow orchids. Her collection includes a variety of species and hybrids across several genera grown both in a small greenhouse as well as three outdoor growing areas under shade cloth.

In her orchid life Phyllis has been the president of the San Diego County Cymbidium Society and she currently serves as the vice-president of the

Cymbidium Society of America. She served as second vice-president for POS, as well as chairman of the annual auction committee for several years. She is active in several other Southern California orchid societies and is currently participating in the orchid judge training programs of both the American Orchid Society and Cymbidium Society of America.



WOC 2014 Best Orchid on Show, Best Hybrid on Show, Best Specimen on Show:

Anguloacaste Olympus "Honey" Francois Vorster of the Wolkberg Orchid Society.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we enter the fall season and are anticipating a possible record El Nino with much needed rains, it will be important to prepare your orchids for whatever Mother Nature brings us. Accordingly, it will be useful for everyone to review the November and December "To Do Lists" located on our website. Unfortunately, over the last couple of years it has been difficult to know what to do with the unusual weather conditions Southern California has been experiencing, but review of the lists and careful monitoring of the weather channels and websites should assist members in planning for whatever is experienced this winter.

At the October meeting, we were able to fill some of the open board positions. In addition at a recent board meeting, two individuals stepped up to assist me in managing the open President and 1st VP positions. I sincerely appreciate the willingness of Bill Wong to act as co-President and Merle Robboy to function as co-1st VP to assist in identifying speakers for 2016. This will make my jobs much easier and allow more time for me to work on some of my own projects. We had five individuals express an interest in serving as 1st year Trustee so we will ask member to select three at our annual meeting on November 4th and to approve the slate of officers for next year. We also will vote on Member of the Year so we hope many members as possible can attend this meeting.

An added benefit to attending the November meeting will be to hear our own Phyllis Prestia speak on her trip to the World Orchid Conference in South Africa. Phyllis is an engaging speaker and a great photographer so I am sure her talk will be highly educational for our membership.

Finally, our annual Holiday Party will be held on December 2 at Chan's Chinese Restaurant, formerly Chin's Szechwan Restaurant, in San Marcos. Although the name has changed, the restaurant was under the new management when we experienced an excellent holiday dinner there last year. Sign up will be available at the November meeting and the cost of dinner will be the same as last year at \$26 per person. An orchid plant will be provided for all members in good standing. We always have a great meal and fun time at our Holiday Dinner so members should consider attending.

Hope to see you at the meeting.



Alex Nadzan
President, POS

POS Board Elections

November is our Annual Meeting and Elections of POS officers for 2016 as stipulated by the bylaws. All POS members are encouraged to attend and vote.

The board has identified a great slate of officers for 2016 as shown below:

Candidates Slate of Officers:

- President (Co-Pres):**
Alex Nadzan and Bill Wong
- 1st VP/Programs (Co-VPs):**
Alex Nadzan and Merle Robboy
- 2nd VP/Raffle (Co-VPs):**
Marita Hoit and Jerry Spahn
- 3rd VP/Membership:**
Sandi Sandquist

Publicity:
Ivan Allen

Newsletter:
Helge Weissig (Ivan Allen, apprentice)

Secretary:
Frank Vogel

Treasurer:
Vidya Sirsi

1st Year Trustees (3 Positions):
Lisa Humphries, Maryanne Kind, Charlie Padelford, Suzi Sandore, and Cher Whelan (confidential ballot run off at meeting)

2nd Year Trustees (3 Positions):
Lena Shiroma, Tom Wisniewski, Carl Wood (all continuing from 2015)

POS Holiday Dinner

The Palomar Orchid Society will be holding their annual Holiday Dinner and Officers installation on Wednesday, December 2 at Chan's Chinese Restaurant located at [1650 Descanso Avenue, San Marcos](#), just off Highway 78 at the Rancho Santa Fe exit (Ph. 760-471-6088). This is the same location as last year, just a different name.

We will be taking reservations and payment for the Holiday Dinner at the November meeting for those who want to do so. Ivan Allen has agreed to receive forms and payments at the meeting.

The cost is \$26 per person and includes a multi-course dinner and an orchid plant for members in good standing. Members may bring a guest if they choose to pay for them. The dinner menu is in the process of being finalized and will be similar to last year's with appetizers, multiple main courses, tea and a fortune cookie. A cash bar will be available for those wanting beer, wine or mixed drinks.



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Gems From The Last Meeting



Satomi Kasahara



Pot. Little Fortune 'Fiery'
Suzi Sanbore



Phrag. Memoriam Ann Stuckey
(Phrag. pearcei x Phrag. Silver Eagle) – Nico Goosens



Coelogyne usitana
Lisa Humphreys



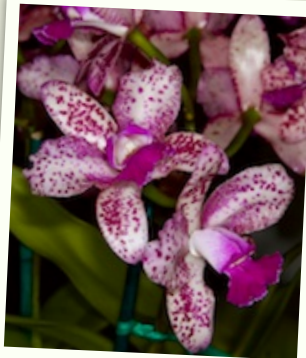
Blc. Newberry Holiday Joy (Blc. Oconee x C. percivaliana) – Alex Nadzan



Blc. Hawaiian Stars 'Paradise'
Merle Robboy



Unnamed hybrid (Lc. Autumn Fest 'The Falcon' x Slc. Golden Wax) – Cecily Bird



C. Caudebec ' Marty's Orchids' – Anita Spencer



Blc. Night Moves 'Fantasy'
Alex Nadzan

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

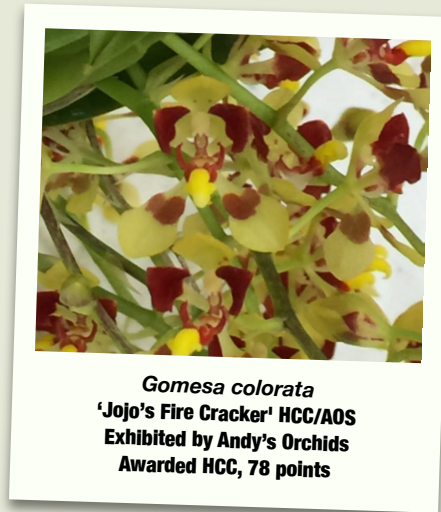
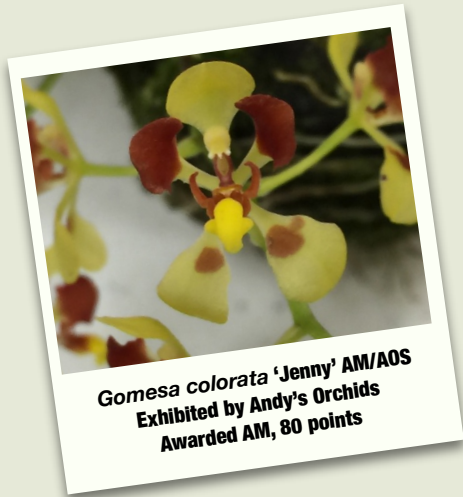
the Lake San Marcos Resort is on your left about a 1/4 mile South of the San Marcos Blvd. intersection. Traveling on I5 South from Oceanside and North Carlsbad, take the Palomar Airport exit and turn right onto Rancho Santa Fe after about 7 miles. Traveling North on I5 from South Carlsbad and Encinitas,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

October Judging Reports

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



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 Prestia

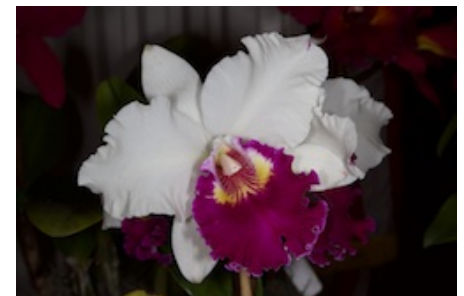
POS Holiday Dinner continued

We hope you will join us for fun, food, good conversation and mutual enjoyment of orchids. Please plan to arrive at 6 pm with dinner to be served at 6:30 pm.

If you would like to attend, please fill out [the RSVP form](#) (see also the following page) and either bring it and your check to the November meeting or mail it in with a check payable to the Palomar Orchid Society to Ivan Allen, 1493 Monte Mar Road, Vista, CA 92084.

Deadline for receipt of your payment is November 25, 2015. No payments accepted at the door!

If you have any questions, please contact Ivan at (760) 533-4975 or by email at aaallen@cox.net.



Sunset Valley Orchids^{Inc.}

Open House

Once a year discounts on all our stock!

New Zealand 'Kiwi Orchid Bark'
 This is the best bark available in the USA! \$22 per bag

Saturday is 'Taco Day' from 11AM till 2PM, handmade tacos for everyone!

Saturday and Sunday, December 5th and 6th from 9:00 to 4:00
 1255 Navel Place, Vista CA 92083 (760) 310-0778
www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com



Palomar Orchid Society

Annual Holidays Dinner and Officers Installation
 Chan's Chinese Restaurant, San Marcos
 Wednesday, December 2, 2015 – 6 p.m.

Yes I/we would like to attend and I have enclosed my check for

- \$26 (one attendee)
- \$52 (two attendees)
- \$78 (three attendees)
- \$104 (four attendees)

PLEASE CHECK THE CORRECT DOLLAR AMOUNT AND NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN YOUR PARTY

Names of Attendees:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Please mail this completed form and your check made out to:

Ivan Allen
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If you have any questions, please call Ivan at (760) 533 4975 or via email at aaallen@cox.net.

The Editor's Corner



The World Series is on and it's 80°F outside. The boys of summer are about to take their break, yet this summer's heat lingers. If this is indeed to be the new normal, I may not have to invest in a greenhouse after all.

In all seriousness though, this summer has been challenging for all of us orchid growers. Then again, many of our plants seem to have enjoyed the heat and humidity. Unfortunately, my cool and shade loving Pleurothallids did not. They would love it more than anything, if the promise of El Niño comes true this winter, which, in turn, will bring another challenge, it would seem.

Such are the complaints of us outdoor growers, as spoiled as we are in our climate region. But in these challenges also lies the promise of great rewards when our plants grow especially vigorously or put out extra blooms. Share your experience at the meeting! We are looking forward to seeing you next week.

As always, your contributions to the newsletter or website are very welcome. Please email them to newsletter@palomarorchid.org.

Happy Growing!

POS Officers

Alex Nadzan — President
Debra Funakoshi — 1st Vice President/Programs
Marita Hoyt & Jerry Spahn — 2nd Vice President/Raffle
Sandi Sanquist — 3rd Vice President/Membership
Anne Gold — Secretary
Vidya Sirsi — Treasurer
Lisa Humphreys, Charles Padelford,
& Merle Robboy — 2nd Year Trustees
Lena Shiroma, Tom Wisniewski, & Carl Wood — 1st Year Trustees
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Upcoming Events

November 3, 2015

Orchid Judging Center
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
www.sdorchids.com

November 4, 2015

POS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
www.palomarorchid.org

November 6 - 8, 2015

Cal-Orchid Fall Open House
www.calorchid.com

Annual Fall Santa Barbara Orchid
 Estate Open House
www.sborchid.com

November 18, 2015

SDCCS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

November 20, 2015

Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
www.sandiegozoo.org

December 1, 2015

SDCOS Holiday Party
www.sdorchids.com

December 2, 2015

POS Holiday Party
 Chan's Chinese Restaurant
www.palomarorchid.org

December 5 & 6, 2015

Annual Open House
 Casa de las Orquideas
www.orquideas.com

Rudvalis Orchids Open House
www.rudvalisorchids.com

Sunset Valley Orchids
 Open House
www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com

December 16, 2015

SDCCS Holiday Party

December 18, 2015

Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
www.sandiegozoo.org

January 5, 2016

Orchid Judging Center
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
www.sdorchids.com

January 6, 2016

POS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
www.palomarorchid.org

January 15, 2016

Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
www.sandiegozoo.org

January 20, 2016

SDCCS General Meeting
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

January 23 & 24, 2016

SDCOS Winter Show and Sale
 Balboa Park
www.sdorchids.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

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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