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# Riverside-San Bernardino Counties Inland Orchid News

# Inside this edition: **Guest Speaker** ٠ Society Officers **Culture Notes Roster Changes** FYI ٠ **Coming Events Refreshment Sign-up Other News Regular meetings are** held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. **Regular meetings** include: Plant Judging 7:15pm Meeting 7:30pm Speaker 7:45pm **Refreshments &** Judging Results 8:45pm Raffle 9:00pm

Meetings are held at the San Bernardino County Museum Second Thursday of each month Show-N-Tell @ 7:15 pm Meeting @ 7:30 pm.

We will be having a presentation of Catasetinae from disk. This unusual group of orchids offers fascinating, waxy flowers that often have the peculiar habit of discharging their pollen masses (pollinia) onto pollinators. Almost always deciduous, the pseudobulbous plants have strict growing and resting periods. Most flower before entering a dormant period when they drop their leaves.

Light should be strong, especially near the end of the growth period. Early in the annual growth cycle, plants will tolerate less light, from 1,500 to 3,000 foot-candles. Plants grow best with light levels of 3,000 to 6,000 foot-candles, or one-half to three-fourths full sun. As pseudobulbs mature, harden them by giving slightly more light. (Courtesy of AOS).

Want to know more about this wonderful orchid? Come to the January meeting and hear our speaker give the info and pictures.

Ron Lang, our narrator for the night, was born in Kimball, Nebraska and raised on a farm near Carpenter Wyoming. The family had large vegetable gardens and numerous flower beds. We also had a lot of house plants such as Amaryllis, geranium, and by high school African violets. We always were interested in orchids but did not pursue that avenue because of cost and the difficulty of growing the plants. When we moved to Bozeman later in life we visited an Orchid vendor to encourage them to bring orchids to the County Fair to encourage people to raise orchids. The vendor refused because it would be too dry and too cool and too hot and orchids were very tender and picky. So when we came to CA we heard of the Orchid Society and found out we could raise some orchids and we have been having fun ever since thanks to the great members of our Society.

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## Did you know?

Did you know that our society has an extensive book and video library? We have books for beginners as well as books for the serious orchidist. Please contact our librarians, Micaela Solis.



Have you

Picked up

Your new

ROSTER?

See Linda Lang

# December Show-N-Tell Winners

Cult-

 $2^{nd}$ -

 $3^{rd}$ -

Standard Catts Cult- $1^{st}$ - $2^{nd}$ - $3^{rd}$ -

**Miniature Catts** 

Cult- $1^{st} - 2^{nd} - 3^{rd} - 3^{rd$ 

### Cymbidiums

Cult-.  $1^{st} - 2^{nd} - 3^{rd} - 3^{$ 

**Mini Cymbidiums** 

Cult - $1^{st}$  - $2^{nd}$  - $3^{rd}$  -

### Dendrobiums

Cult - 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>

### **Species** Cult –Dann Dunst 1<sup>st</sup> –Dann Dunst 2<sup>nd</sup> –Dann Dunst

3<sup>rd</sup> –Dann Dunst

Paphs

1<sup>st</sup> –Larry Johnson

**Odonts/Onc**.

Cult-1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup>-Dann Dunst 3<sup>rd</sup> –

Vanda

Cult- $1^{st} - 2^{nd} - 3^{rd} - 3^{rd$ 

**Phalanaepsi**s

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Cult} - \\ 1^{\text{st}} - \text{Glenn Stall} \\ 2^{\text{nd}} - \\ 3^{\text{rd}} - \end{array}$ 

Other Cult – Dann Dunst  $1^{st} - 2^{nd} - 3^{rd} - 3$ 

# Enjoy having some refreshments?

Bring a treat and receive a free raffle ticket for the general raffle. Both snacks and beverages are most welcome.



## **Upcoming Shows & Events For 2014**

Orange County Orchid Society ANNUAL ORCHID AUCTION **EVERYONE WELCOME!** WednesdayJanuary 15, 2014 6:30 P.M.Preview 7:00 P.M.Auction Begins CYMBIDIUMS – CATTLEYAS PHALAENOPSIS PAPHIOPEDILUMS DENDROBIUMS – **ONCIDIUMS SPECIES AND MANY OTHER GENERAORCHID SUPPLIES GOOD** VALUES AND LOTS OF FUN REFRESHMENTS Yorba Linda Public Library **Community Room, lower level 18181 Imperial Highway** Yorba Linda, CA 92886 Information: Anne-Line Anderson - 714.446.9283 anneline45@gmail.com Rosa Laursen – 714.528.7003

February 7-9, 2014: Newport Harbor Orchid Expo. Friday 10 am til 9 pm, Saturday 10 am – 7 pm, and Sunday from 11 am til 6 pm. Westminster Mall. Info: www.nhosinfo.org.

February 12, 2014. Orange County Branch CSA Annual Auction. 6:30 pm preview and auction starts promptly @ 7 pm. Garden Grove Masonic Hall located at 11270 Acacia Pkwy, Garden Grove. Info: www. Ocbsca.com.

February 15-16, 2014. South Bay Orchid Society Show and Sale. Saturday and Sunday Sale 10-5, Show Saturday 12-5 and Sunday 10-5 at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center, 3330 Civic Center Dr., Torrance; Adult Admission \$7.

Mark your calendar for this event: The Santa Barbara International Orchid Show being held March 14-16, 2014 from 9 am til 5 pm. Earl Warren Showgrounds in lovely Santa Barbara. Further information @ www.sborchidshow.com

# Roster Changes and Additions

# Please add to your roster new members

Mary Banks 704 Napa Ave. Redlands, CA 92374 909-771-8401 Marissa\_0753@hot mail.com

Max Fisher 4800 Mill Creek Rd. Mentone, CA 92359 909-794-8929 doflyfisher@hot mail.com

Jim Spence 5325 Brighton Dr. Riverside, CA 92504 951-788-9843 ecnepsmij@yahoo. Com

> New E-Mail Micaela Solis Orchids365@ Icloud.com

Welcome new members! We hope that you will find the society to be a fun and educational way to learn more about growing orchids.



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Advertising Rates:

Half page Approx. 4.5" x 5.5" \$7.50 per issue

**Business card** Approx. 2" x 3.5" \$5.00 per issue

All ads MUST be camera ready or a graphics fee will be charged.

In our efforts to conserve our funds for the society, anyone wishing to receive the newsletter by email (Microsoft Word format or PDF) please contact Sandy Collins (909) 794-7426. This not only saves the society postage, it also saves time on printing, folding & mailing our newsletters.



Jim, Denise and Joe



Don, Larry, Jan



Jan & Dwayne Mickelson



Sandy, Micaela & Mary



Linda Lang



Linda, Karl, Michael and Glenn



Dann Dunst



Peter Lin and mom



Bob Laughlin

Lots of good food and memories

**Newsletter Editor** 

## Officers 2012-2013

President: Don Phillips 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Ron Lang 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Nessa Rosenbaum Board Secretary: Laura Gerdwagon and Jim Neuhalfen

Membership Secretary: Linda Lang – 951-663-5237 Treasurer – Sandy Collins (909) 794-7426

#### Appointments

#### Auction: OPEN Greeter: OPEN

Hospitality/Kitchen: Various Groups Librarians: Micaela Solis Newsletter: Sandy Collins Plant Sales: Jamie Stewart Raffle Tickets: Laura Gerdwagon Speakers: Ron Lang Sunshine: Jim Neuhalfen Parliamentarian: Micaela Solis AOS/Orchid Digest: Sandy Collins Southland Rep: Micaela Solis Equipment: Nessa Rosenbaum Historian: OPEN Spring Show: Nessa Rosenbaum

#### **Board Members**

2011-2013 Pat Engel, Linda Lang

2013-2014 Laura Gerdwagon, Jim Neuhalfen

2012-2015 Nessa Rosenbaum, Denise Kles and Joe Kles

Want to get **FREE** raffle tickets?

Bring in 10 Show-N-Tell sticks for recycling and receive your free raffle ticket!!

A good deal, try it!!

January 1, 2014 and another year has rolled by, it's time to pay your dues to remain a member in good standing. The dues are only \$25.00 per year which entitles you to all the great meetings we have, wonderful and knowledgeable speakers and the fun and friendship of other orchid enthusiasts. Please remit your check to the PO box 10423, San Bernardino 92423 or see Linda Lang, our membership chair, at the next meeting to get you signed up for another great year!

#### **Remember:**

Support your local orchid growers and tell them you are a member of the **R**iverside-**S**an **B**ernardino Counties **O**rchid **S**ociety. Who knows...you may receive a discount!

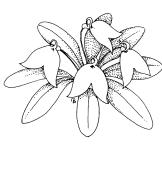
Deadline for newsletter submissions is the 3rd Sunday of the month. Contact: Sandy Collins **Board Meeting** The next board meeting will be held on Sunday, January 12 at 3:30 pm at the SB County Museum. The board meetings are held on the 4th Sunday of the month and the general society membership is always welcome. If you are a board member and you are not able to attend please notify Don Phillips



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Meetings are held at San Bernardino County Museum 2024 Orange Tree Ln. Redlands, CA 92374



## Keeping Track with an Orchid

**Journal** Guest Author - Susan Taylor

If you are like most orchid enthusiasts, one orchid is not enough. And as you succumb to the orchid bug, you will find that you have enough plants to need some kind of system to keep track of them. One option to consider is a paper Orchid Journal. There are several available, but the one I have used and recommend is Denise Voyik's The Orchid Journal. I use this personally and recommend it. Not only is it useful, but it comes in an orchid purple three-ring binder with lavender pages—just the thing for orchid enthusiasts!! Since orchids grow slowly and the normal grower (at least the ones I know) spends so much time checking plants for some sign of progress, it's sometimes really hard to stay enthusiastic about the plants when it seems they are not doing anything. An orchid journal and a monthly check of your plants will help keep your interest as well as provide you a regular checkup of your plants. I check each plant for number of pseudobulbs, new growths, sheaths or spikes, and measure new growth. It's amazing how much an orchid can grow in a month! Some of my Dendrobiums will grow four inches in a month. The pages give you a place to put a picture of the plant—either one you take yourself or from the catalog you ordered from, or from a picture found on the web. There is a spot for bloom information, who you purchased it from and space to make notes. I note repotting, staking, problems, bugs, etc. here so I can follow up. This instills some discipline in checking up on problems that is critical to keep problems from recurring and/or passing problems on to others. Another reason to keep track of your orchids is that with a number of plants, it's hard to remember when the plant flowered, whether it's supposed to flower more than once a year, and exactly what it looked like. The journal takes care of all these details for you and allows you to enjoy your collection more. Looking back at the notes can be very satisfying when you realize that last year at the same time the plant had only 2 blooms and this year with all your good care it's putting out two spikes with 4 blooms each.

### About Our Society...

The Riverside-San Bernardino Counties Orchid Society (RSBCOS) was founded to further the understanding and appreciation of orchids by its members locally and to aid in a worldwide effort to improve man's knowledge of them.