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# South Coast Orchid Society

Newsletter

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January 2005

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Stories, articles and news items are welcome. The deadline is the 5th of the month.

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**Monday, January 24, 2005**  
**Speaker: George Hatfield-Hatfield Orchids**  
**Topic: Pendulous Cymbidiums**

For those of you in the know, this will be a first class presentation and plant table. George is one of the best in his field, and volunteered to provide a free talk and plant table for our club. Hats off to George! He is a premier orchid grower of pendulous and Japanese cymbidiums. George Hatfield has published articles in the American Orchid Society Awards Quarterly and the Cymbidium Society of America CSA Journal. George is an orchid judge for both the CSA and AOS, and is currently the Chairman of the Santa Barbara judging region for the CSA.

You can visit his website at [www.hatfieldorchids.com](http://www.hatfieldorchids.com) to learn more and view pictures of his beautiful cymbidiums for sale.

## It's Membership Renewal Time!!!

Once again, it's time for everyone to renew their membership with the SCOS. Membership in the SCOS is open to anyone. Membership dues are \$20.00 per year per household, payable in January of each year. New members may join at any of the monthly SCOS meetings. Please send your dues with any updated information (address, phone, and email) to our membership coordinator:

SCOS/Helen Powell  
 4209 Blackthorne Ave.  
 Long Beach, CA. 90808  
 Thank you for your support.

## Refreshments

Last names M to P please bring refreshments.  
 There is a special drawing for those who bring food!

## President's Message

I am honored to be the elected president of the South Coast Orchid Society in its 55th year. As I look at the slate of elected officers for the SCOS, I am looking forward to the year ahead of us and the possibilities that are yet to be. It is only natural for me to be involved with orchids as they have been with me for most of my life. As a young boy I was fascinated by plants, and I was introduced to orchids as a birthday gift from my mother--a *paphiopedilum* that I admired--and as one thing led to another I'll admit, I became orchid obsessed! I began to attend the monthly meetings and eventually became a member of the Sacramento Orchid Guild at the age 12. I aspired to become an orchid botanist in my early years and took jobs in orchid nurseries and greenhouses to learn more about orchids. I found that orchids are among the most adapted, evolved and complex family of blooming plants on the planet. No matter how much or little you may know about these fascinating plants there is always more. Although botany did not become my life's work, I continue to be involved with orchids as my primary hobby and naturally with the people that grow them.

I imagine that most orchid people would admit to having been bitten by the "orchid bug" and each has a story to tell about their experience. It is my hope that you too will learn more and more about orchids through the talks, growers tips, culture sessions and networking opportunities at our meetings and events to enrich your orchid experience. Our SCOS meetings are "your" forum and is the place where you can come to be with those that share your orchid interests, both beginners and advanced growers alike.

With 2004 behind us--I would like to take the opportunity to thank all those that helped to make the society meetings and events a success under the direction of John Reyes. Good job John! I think everyone attending the December Holiday Pot Luck Celebration meeting would agree that the special entertainment by the Choral Bells was the topping on the cake. A special thanks to Jane and Paul Brecht for their generosity in providing for the cost of the entertainment and for making it such a memorable evening!

Throughout the year our people, both up front and behind the scenes (Ahem...Dr. Jim Miller), make our society functions possible and I encourage you to participate in lending your help in any way that you can. This is our orchid family and you can make it better by being a part of it.

The beginning of 2005 finds us in the midst of a rainy and cold spell which means that January can be slow a season for blooms and orchid growth. But with spring around the corner--the promise of a new season of growth is coming for our plants and our club membership. There is a lot of preparation and grooming of plants that will be displayed this spring and our SCOS will need to prepare for the SCOS plant sales tables and membership drives at upcoming events. If you can help out the club at the South Coast event please feel free to call me at home to let me know that you can help. My home phone is (562) 421-9203

Over and above the listing of events found in this newsletter, SCOS members with internet access can find additional information such as meeting locations and times, announcements, and links to orchid web pages on our website at [www.southcoastorchidsociety.com](http://www.southcoastorchidsociety.com). Thanks to Jim Miller who has been our webmaster these past few years.

If you have ideas for articles that you'd like to see in an upcoming newsletter please contact our newsletter editor.

Because January can be a slow month for blooms, please remember to bring your blooming plants for the display and judging table so that we'll have some color to cheer up the room with. Thanks Espie for once again taking charge of the plant judging for our meetings. If you are interested in assisting Espie you may talk to her at any of the upcoming meetings. We'll see you at the January meeting---Joan has George Hatfield (who is a great speaker) and plant table lined up for meeting. Until then take care and if you can--bring a fellow orchid friend along.

Join us as we share in our love of orchids,

**Ruben Colmenares**  
**President**

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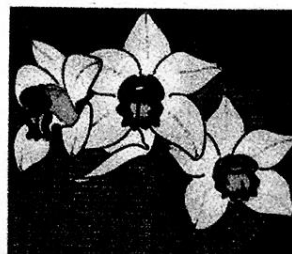
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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City of Industry, CA

International Orchid Show  
Fascination of Orchids  
"Celebrating 25 Years of Orchids"

South Coast Plaza  
Costa Mesa, CA  
February 10, 11, 12, 13, 2005

## NEWLETTER EDITOR WANTED:

At present our SCOS needs a person to take over the duties of newsletter editor. John Reyes is presently acting newsletter editor but would like to take a well deserved break. The responsibilities of the editor take about 6 hours a month, and include typing, copying and mailing the newsletter. Access to a computer can help make keeping in touch with all the people who provide articles and information every month a breeze. If you are interested in getting involved a little more in our SCOS that has given you a bit of knowledge and fun please contact me ASAP so that we can act upon your nomination.

## Fascination of Orchids Display

We will be putting in a display at the Fascination of Orchids Show. The theme this year is "Celebrating 25 Years of Orchids". We are in need of blooming plants to be included in this display. Please contact one of the board members at the next meeting or by phone if you are able to provide plants, ideas or your time in setting up the display on February 9th at South Coast Plaza.

## NOVEMBER AUCTION

We were able to raise approximately \$1,350 this year. Thanks to the following members for contributing to our auction:

Jim Miller  
Helen Powell  
Ruben Colmenares  
John Reyes  
Dr. Phil Plocher  
Joe and Ursula Pontius  
Janell Shuck  
Bill Heckerroth  
Paul and Jane Brecht  
Espie Quinn

The vendors who contributed to our auction are listed on the back of our newsletter.

*Please support them.*

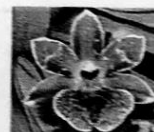
## 2005 Board Members

For those not in attendance at the December meeting, the following SCOS members have been elected to the 2005 SCOS Board:

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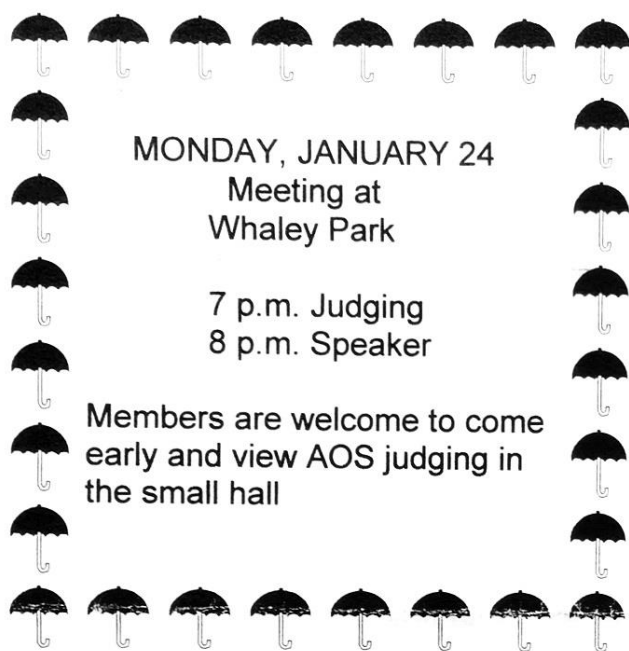


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**MONDAY, JANUARY 24**

**Meeting at  
Whaley Park**

**7 p.m. Judging  
8 p.m. Speaker**

**Members are welcome to come  
early and view AOS judging in  
the small hall**

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