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Regular Meeting Schedule
 Doors open at 6:30 pm

Table/chair setup, plants in place
 Ribbon judging starts at 7:00 pm
 Culture session
 Speaker starts at 7:30 pm
 Opportunity drawing
 Table/chair teardown
 Doors close at 9:30 pm

South Coast Orchid Society

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Newsletter

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Orchid News November 2020

Some of our favorite vendors are surviving through online sales, and we hope they are doing well. Two in the North San Diego County area are gearing up for open houses with in-person attendees, and of course, all the right safety precautions. Check out our "Upcoming Events" near the end of this newsletter, and visit their websites (or ours) to find more details.

Orchids have slowed their pace of growth as the days become shorter. However, there are several interesting bloomers. *Cattleya labiata* is blooming; I love the dark red of the rubra color form.

Cattleya maxima are still blooming; it seems they are rather opportunistic, meaning that if they can put up another new growth and bloom before the days become too short, they will. And a smaller *Cattleya luteola* is blooming, its modest size yellow flowers with just a few veins of red in the throat add a cheerful touch to the greenhouse. One *Rhyncholaelia* (*Brassavola*) *digbyana* produced a single flower, its wildly fringed lip and cockeyed stance startling for this time of year.

President's Message

Happy Thanksgiving. Even with the slog through Covid fatigue I hope that everyone has a peaceful and small Thanksgiving gathering. Our celebration will be with one half of our kids and grandkids 8-10 maybe not the 25 we usually have. As you know from past newsletter the City of Long Beach has been adhering to covid protocol, so there will be no in person meetings in the foreseeable future. The San Gabriel Orchid Society has been holding zoom meetings for their members. I will be discussing the possibility of starting this zoom meeting process in 2021 with the SCOS Board members. In the meantime take care of yourselves, your family and your neighbors. Be safe with Masks and social distancing. Enjoy Thanksgiving .

John

Member's Orchids

We have more excellent photographs of great orchids submitted by our members. See below and be inspired! Members identified below with their photos.



Eulophia speciosa. Scott McGregor



Miltonia candida. Lynn Wiand

Paph haynaldianum



Paph haynaldianum. Lynn Wiand



Oerstedella schwienfurthianum. Scott McGregor



Cattleya Bactia 'Grape Wax'. Lynn Wiand



Sobralia (not) macra. Originally sold by Andy's Orchids as *S. macra* but now determined to be a new unidentified species. It has the unusual characteristic (for a *Sobralia*) of blooming both from the top of mature canes, but also from the bottom of the plant on short, leafless spurs. The flowers last only a single day, but the plant flush-blooms repeatedly. Scott McGregor



Gomesa (*Oncidium*) *coloratum*—an outdoor mini with long-lasting flowers. Scott McGregor



Sigmatostalix radicans (still has more buds to open)
Sigmatostalix radicans. Lynn Wiand



Cym. (Everglades 'Ivory Star' x Devon 'Odessey') and Laelia anceps roeblingiana 'La Jolla' x L. anceps 'Gigas'. John Reyes

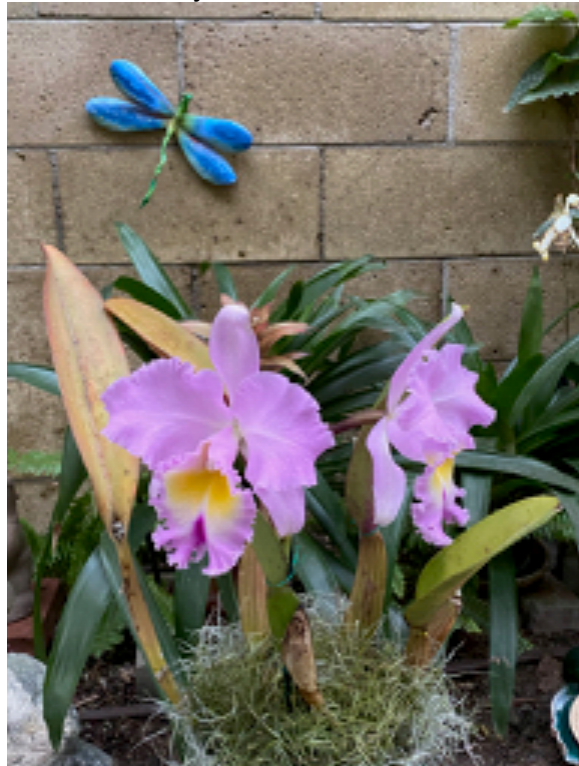


Spiranthes sinensis. The genus is named for the flowers that sequentially open in a spiral on the upright spikes. I find *S. sinensis* easier to grow than our native *S. odorata*, but both do reasonably well outside. Scott McGregor

Paph Julius



Paph. Julius. Lynn Wiand



Blc. Pamela Heatherington 'Coronation'. John Reyes

Upcoming Events. See our website for flyers: www.southcoastorchidsociety.com.

Sunset Valley Orchids Virtual Open House, Dec. 8 to Dec. 10, sunsetvalleyorchids.com
 Casa de las Orquideas Open House, Solana Beach, December 12 (Saturday), 9 AM to 4 PM
 Andy's Orchids Open House, Encinitas, December 11-13, 10 AM to 4 PM

Meeting Location

The South Coast Orchid Society holds monthly meetings, usually on the fourth Monday of the calendar month, at the Whaley Park Community Center in Long Beach, CA. Whaley Park is on Atherton, just off Bellflower Blvd. near the Long Beach State University campus.

Vendor Sponsors

The South Coast Orchid Society thanks these commercial vendors for their generosity and support of our 2019 Annual Auction and other events helping to carry us through a successful 2020. If you need supplies or want to shop for orchids, please consider these vendors first. They helped us, maybe we can help them, and get some great orchids too!

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