



# South Coast ORCHID Society, Inc.

LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

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PROGRAM - MAY 23, 1960 - 8:00 P.M.

## PHALEANOPSIS

Hugo Freed

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The speaker for the May meeting is one of the outstanding orchid growers in this area, Mr. Hugo Freed. It is difficult to add anything more to the information most of us have on this eminent gentleman, sort of like carrying coals to Newcastle, as Mr. Freed's name has been synonymous with orchids, especially with Phaleanopsis, for as long as we can remember. We can only say, Welcome to South Coast, Mr. Freed.

Last month Mr. Paul Brecht gave a most informative talk on orchids in general, especially their history. Orchids comprise the largest family of flowering plants in the world - one out of seven plants grown on earth today are orchids, there being over 20,000 species. They were first introduced into England in 1731, but early attempts to grow them were disappointing. Today, 60% of all orchids cultivated are Cattleyas. Mr. Brecht's advice to all growers, especially to beginners, is to study the habitat of the natural plant and, as far as possible, duplicate that condition. He then showed some beautiful slides of prize plants.

## PLANT FORUM

Mr. Harry Rapella, the genial Chairman of the Plant Forum, asked Mrs. Crothers and "Doc" Charles to make the commentary on the botanicals. There were many lovely ones on the tables brought by the Crothers, Mr. Bailey, "Doc" Charles and others. Mr. Phillip Ilsley discussed the cymbidiums and needed a fork-lift to raise some of the huge pots. Mr. Paul Brecht commented on the Cattleyas. This time of year there were more botanicals and cymbidiums than Cattleyas, however.

## PLANT DRAWING

The plants for the drawing this month came from Ilsley's Orchids and were largely choice seedlings. Our thanks again to the Old Faithfuls, who donate every month, Harry Rapella, Southern California Greenhouse Co. and Rheinfrank & Hudson. Next month the plants will come from Arthur Freed Orchids, Inc.

## AWARDS

There were four plants offered for judging, according to Judging Chairman, Arthur Falk, one of which, *Oncidium Macranthum*, received a Certificate of Botanical Merit. Another interesting plant was *Cyrtopodium Punctatum*. Mr. Falk wishes everyone would better support the judging, and bring in their plants. While the standards are very high, one does not have to be a millionaire to have a

## AWARDS - Continued

Please bring in a plant you think has merit, and even if it does not receive an actual award, the owner will profit by being able to discuss its points or lack of them with the Judges in the Judging Room during intermission. During Mr. Falk's absence in Europe, Mr. Paul Brecht will take over as Judging Chairman.

### **SOUTH COAST AND ORCHID DIGEST REGIONAL JUDGING APRIL 25, 1960**

Judging Chairman: Arthur Falk  
Judges Present: Howard Anderson, Paul Brecht, Howard Carrington, Nell Howard,  
Rolan Howard, Glenn Hamilton  
Clerks Present: Jane Brecht, Ed Bauman, Francis Eaton, John Vidulich,  
Dr. J. L. Wallar

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### **NOVICE CLASS**

The May meeting of the Novice Class was held at F. A. Stewart, Inc., in San Gabriel--the speaker being Mr. Ernest Hetherington, General Manager. He gave a masterly discussion of orchid species, families, etc. and made it very clear to the beginners just why he cannot look for a dark flower in the Spring because those blossoming naturally at that season are bred from species which are pale lavender. The semi-annual distribution of bonus certificates was made at this time.

The June meeting, the first Sunday in the month -- June 5th -- is to be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Abendroth, 508 N. Sloan Avenue, Compton at 10:00 a.m. This is located two blocks West of Long Beach Boulevard and South of Rosecrans Boulevard. It is North of Compton Boulevard.

### **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

Plant cuttings from named plants donated by Mr. Arthur Falk were distributed to the new members secured during the membership drive and to their sponsors. Again, our very deep appreciation to Mr. Falk for his generosity.

### **MEMBERSHIP NOTICE**

The Roster of members is ready for printing. A double check of those who have paid their 1960 dues has been made, and those who have not made their remittance will find a membership envelope enclosed. We ask that you please re-check your records and if you find that the Society Records are correct, please forward the envelope with your remittance to our Membership Secretary. We do not wish to lose your membership and know you do not want to lose out on the Bulletin.

Membership dues for the Society are \$4.00 and for the Orchid Digest \$5.00-- a total of \$9.00. Also, each person who is a new subscriber to the Orchid Digest will receive a plant valued at \$5.00 from our genial member, Mr. Harry Rapella.



The following people joined South Coast Orchid Society at the April meeting:

Mr. and Mrs. P. Barnett

518 Fullerton

Newport Beach, Calif.

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