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

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Monday, February 28, 2005

Speaker: Loren Batchman-Casa de las Orquideas

Topic: Hybridizing – Philosophy & How To Hybrid

Loren started growing orchids in 1967 with cymbidiums, and made his first hybrid in 1969. He and his wife, Nancy, started their nursery, Casa de las Orquideas, in 1976, and are now the leading cymbidium hybridizer in the US specializing in high color and unusual cymbidiums. Loren has exhibited the grand champion cymbidium at the Santa Barbara show three times in the last 5 years, and the best orchid in that show once as well. He has received more than 100 AOS and CSA awards for his cymbidium hybrids, and has also received the Hudlow Medal from the Cymbidium Society for his new lines of hybridizing spotted cymbidiums. Loren has been an AOS and CSA judge since 1983. All of their plants are grown outdoors under half an acre of shade cloth, and typically have about 60,000 plants at the nursery at any given time.

Loren will also be supplying the plant table with flowering plants so don't miss out

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

IN MEMORIAM

Long time SCOS member and friend, Sandy Sanberg passed away on the 21st of January. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife June and their family.



Ribbon Judging January 2005

CATTLEYA ALLIANCE

Cult: Lc. Kauai 'Starbright' - Espie Quinn
First: Lc. Kauai 'Starbright' - Espie Quinn
Second: Lc. Orange Embers - Ruben Colmenares
Third: Lc. Purple Cascade - Ruben Colmenares

CATTLEYA- MINI

First: Slc. Hazel Boyd - John Reyes

CYMBIDIUM - PENDULOUS

Cult: Cym. Mary Green 'Spring Wind' - Whitney France
First: Cym. Ruby Eyes 'Red Baron' - Ruben Colmenares
Second: Cym. Plush Canyon 'Strawberry Fields' -
Ruben Colmenares
Third: Cym. Sarah Jean 'Ice Cascade' - Joan Bailey

CYMBIDIUM - NOVELTY

Cult: Cym. Stars & Stripes - Joan Bailey
First: Cym. New Century 'Ice Dance' - John Reyes
Second: Cym. Pepper Fire - Joan Bailey
Third: Cym. Double Take 'Cotton Candy' - Joan Bailey

PAPHIOPEDILUM & PHRAGMEPIDIUM

Cult: Paph. Rosy Dawn - Chuck & Bonnie Navens
First: Paph. Golden City x Frosty Clover -
Chuck & Bonnie Navens
Second: Paph. Unnamed - Butch Arciaga
Third: Paph. Spotglen - Joan Bailey

SPECIES

Cult: Epi. scriptum - Joan Bailey
First: Epi. scriptum - Joan Bailey
Second: Max. picta - Espie Quinn
Third: Den. formosanum - John Reyes

A 'Big Thank You' to all the judges:
Luis Morente, Janell Schuck,
& Espie Quinn.

Note:

Members should have grown their plants
for minimum of six month to qualify for
ribbon judging!

A newly acquired plant can be displayed
for others to enjoy and marked for
'display only'.

Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

International Orchid Show
Fascination of Orchids
"Celebrating 25 Years of Orchids"
South Coast Plaza
Costa Mesa, CA
February 10, 11, 12, 13, 2005

San Francisco Orchid Show
February 17-20, 2005
Fort Mason, Festival Pavilion
www.orchidsanfrancisco.com

Mariposa Garden Spring Festival
Saturday, February 26, 2005
Saturday, April 2, 2005
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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President's Message

I am writing this column and it has finally stopped raining long enough to get out in the yard and do some work. The temperatures seem to be warming up and the flower buds are coming along for the South Coast Fascination Show. If you get this newsletter in time--there is still time to get involved with our largest show of the year. Please volunteer some time at the show. We'll have a SCOS plant sales table to man and a SCOS flowering display to set up and tear down. I also have a request from the show chair for help during the show. It is great way to get involved and have fun and show your support. For details, contact me--but the items most needed are healthy plants for the society sales table and flowering plants for the display. **John Reyes** will be handling the SCOS display and **Phil Plocher** will head up the plant sales for this event.

I am happy to announce that our last meeting was a great success and a good start to the year. Long time friend of the SCOS and prior presenter **George Hatfield**, provided a wonderful presentation and a plant table valued at about \$600.00--FREE of charge to the SCOS! Everyone in attendance learned a lot about pendulous cymbidiums and their hybrids. George did a great job in presenting and keeping it accessible and interesting. The beautiful slide show generated a lot of oohs and ahhs too! A huge thanks to George--what a great guy! Visit him at www.hatfieldorchids.com. Kudos to our 1st VP **Joan Bailey** for lining up our next speaker **Lauren Batchman** from Casa de las Orquideas in Solana Beach. Visit Nancy and Lauren at www.orquideas.com. They specialize in cymbidiums and zygopetalums with over 30,000 plants in stock. Look for more information about this month's speaker in the newsletter.

In my last message--I made a request to bring in your flowering plants and oh my, did you ever. The January plant table had some incredibly beautiful orchids for ribbon judging. January--what should have been a slow month for blooms was really more like the spring tables that I am used to seeing. Thanks to all who brought their plants in for us to enjoy. Congratulations to all the category winners, but I feel that everyone wins when they are able to enjoy and share in the beauty of orchids. Thanks to **Espie Quinn** and her team for a great job of awarding ribbons. If you'd like to get involved and learn more about what it takes to be a ribbon judge, please talk to Espie at our next meeting.

A special thanks to **Susan Ochsner** who generously donated at our last meeting. It is a wonderful gift and we all appreciate your financial support. May it be returned to you many times! It should also be known that many vendors at the Puente Hills Orchid Sale donated over four boxes of plants many of which can be seen on our auction and opportunity tables. I don't think it would be bragging to say that our SCOS manages to have quite a nice table of plants available to our members and guests. Many thanks to all those that donate on a regular basis and their ads may be seen throughout this newsletter.

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. 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.

Well that's it for this month. See you at the show and/or at our next meeting which ought to have an excellent plant table. Be sure to be there as we officially launch our membership drive contest--see the details in this newsletter. Until then take care and remember to bring a fellow orchid friend along.

Join us as we share in our love of orchids,

Ruben Colmenares
President

Refreshments

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

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

**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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