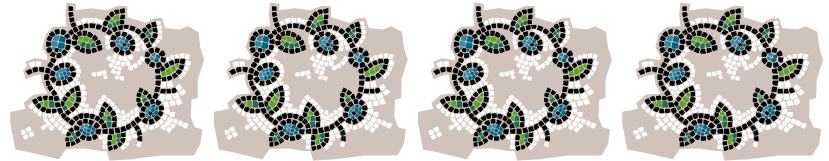


South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.
 "Orchids for Amateurs"
 Founded July, 1957
The
INFLORESCENCE

December, 2006
 Web site: www.southbayorchidsociety.com

Holiday Party
Friday, December 15, 2006
8:00 PM

South Coast Botanic Garden
 26300 Crenshaw Blvd.
 Palos Verdes Peninsula



COME ONE COME ALL

SBOS ANNUAL HOLIDAY

POTLUCK PARTY

See the invitation from Ron Henry on Page 3
 of the newsletter this month

We will have food, entertainment, and a
 chance for all to socialize and talk about what
 we always talk about—Orchids

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President's Message

Our Holiday Party is December 15, and for those of you that have not signed up to bring something, please sign up and bring something good to eat. This is one of our best events, so don't miss it. We hope to have the PV High choir to serenade us right before we eat. See the announcement on the next page for more details, or contact Ron Henry.

We have a whole host of activities planned for the first half of next year. First, we are putting in a display at the Fascination of Orchids show at the Fairgrounds in Costa Mesa. See Joan Bailey and/or Nick Braemer if you have plants in bloom. We also have a bus trip to Santa Barbara planned for March 17. Ron Henry has arranged for the bus, and will be taking sign-ups either starting at the Holiday Party on December 15, or starting with the January meeting at the Botanic Gardens. This trip is always a lot of fun for those that go, and the Santa Barbara show is about the largest in California, so all of the vendors will be there along with lots of plants at the show. Don't miss it.

Our Spring Show is the first weekend in March this year—March 3 and 4—at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center. Look to Marla's announcement below for more details. We will need lots of volunteers to help out this year, so don't be shy. And, for those of you that are new to our group, the Spring Show is a great time to get to know all of the folks that are very active in our Society, and to socialize with people who really know how to grow and bloom orchids.

See you at the Holiday Party on the 15th, Ned

SPRING SHOW AND SALE. Start now getting your plants ready for blooming. Its only three months until show time. If you do the clean up a little at a time its not going to be such a big job prior to the show. All you cymbidium growers-start getting things ready now, by staking. Come to the meetings and find out what you need to do for each type of plant. We need every member all to put on a good show.



**Paph. Lynleigh Koopowitz
Delenati x Malipoense**

Owned and Photo by Ron Henry

Lc Betty Ford 'York'
Owned by Susann Patton
Photo by: Don Goss



**The South Bay Orchid Society
Invites you to**



Our Annual Holiday Dinner

**Friday, December 15, 2006
7:00 P.M.
South Coast Botanic Garden**

Program

- 7:00-7:30 p.m. Socializing and appetizers**
- 7:30-8:00 p.m. Entertainment**
- 8:00-9:30 p.m. Potluck Dinner, socializing**
- 9:30-10:00p.m. Gift presentation, clean and clear auditorium**

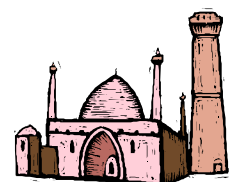
Entertainment by the PV High School Choir

**Sign up to bring a dish to feed 12 people in one of the following
Categories:**

Appetizer, salad, vegetable, casserole/stuffing, desert.

R.S.V.P.

**By December 13th, to Ron Henry at (310) 374-9699 -or-
email: orkidguy@earthlink.net**



Hints for the Beginner

Susann Patton

⌘ You will need to provide the correct growing conditions before building up your collection. I have found it much easier to start with plants that are compatible with my situation than the reverse. In other words, since I have bright sunny locations for growing, I don't buy plants that require very low light. If they need to be grown warm, then a bright window in my home, and if it is a cool grower then a bright spot on the patio. Be sure to learn about amount of light and temperature needed for each orchid you get. How do you get the right type of plant? Ask-ask-ask. Your fellow SBOS members can help give you a guideline. Let the vendors know what environment you have, they can be helpful as well, although some more than others.

⌘ While you may want to collect them all, try to learn the care basics of just one or just a few types of orchids that you can provide the right conditions for easily. I started with Cymbidiums and then more recently have gotten Cattleyas. I found that this gave me more success so that I didn't get discouraged in the beginning. I grow cymbidium companion plants now with good luck. Companion plants are plants that are grown with the same conditions. Some of these are some Oncidiums, Odontoglossums and even some Cattleyas. These grow outside year round in southern California with my cymbidiums.

⌘ Learn about pests and proper and safe pest control. Just when I was seeing some success with blooms, these guys show up. First snails and slugs, then bacteria and fungus.

⌘ Don't repot unless your orchid has outgrown its container or the mix has broken down. A plant that is grown well will flower best if left undisturbed. And this gives you time to get to know each other first.

⌘ Always maintain sanitary growing conditions and keep your tools sterile. This will help keep your plants virus free. Viruses have shown up in my plants and sometimes you can't help it. But I have been able to keep it at a minimum and I have grown plants to larger sizes, which means more blooms for me or for showing.

⌘ Take the advice of experienced growers in your growing area. Take into account variable climate and growing conditions instead of accepting every piece of advice you come across. Come to our meetings and discuss, talk and discuss your orchid experience. That is why we are a society.




⌘ Finally, but not the least - Go to your society's meetings and other events. There is a wealth of information to be had while building up friendships with people who have the same 'disease' as you.

Bring in your plants for judging at the monthly meetings. It's a great way to learn how orchids are judged and to improve your growing skills.



Sanbar Anne
Owner Ann McNeeley
Photo Don Goss

November Ribbon Judging Results

Amateur		Exhibitor	Judge
Cattleya			
1st	Orglades FullHouse x horace "Maxima"	Larry Bergen	Susann Patton
2nd	Lc Sagarik Wax	Larry Bergen	
Others			
1st	Mtssa Pelican Lake Everglades	C. Scott	 
2nd	Zygo mackey "Lee"	Silva Eastwood	
Paphiopedilum			
1st	Hamana Rey #1 Jolly Roger "aloft"	Sue Estes	
Phalanopsis			
1st	Taisuco Glory x Taisuco Glory	Sue Estes	
2nd	unknown	Larry Bergen	
Species	Macodes petiola	Ann Rogers	
Vanda	No Name	C. Crenshaw	
Adv Amateur			Ron Henry
Cattleya	BLC San Yang Ruby"Grand Dragon"	Bernadette Nazareno	
	Blc. Pink Diamond	Marla Corey	
	Blc. Waikiki Gold x Yellow Imp	Jim Rowley	
Paphiopedilum			
1st	Bright Starlight	Jasmine Bashi	
2nd	Red Start "Exbary"	Susann Patton	
3rd	Spicerianum	Jim Rowley	
Odont			
1st	Marfinch Select	Don Goss	
2nd	Mtssa Olmer "Kannd"	Bobby Ignacio	
3rd	Brassia (unknown)	Don Goss	
Others			
1st	Cym dayanum	Jim Rowley	
2nd	Cyc. Wine Delight	Bernadette Nazareno	

Note: Orchid names and pictures can be checked on <http://www.orchidspecies.com>. Can you name this orchid on the right?
 (Hint-look back at old newsletters).



Please take a moment to notice that we have new members bringing in what they are growing.

Spectacular!!!



People, Places and Things

South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.

Meets on the third Friday of each month
Culture Session at 7:00 p.m.
General Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
South Coast Botanic Garden
26300 Crenshaw Blvd.
Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA

New Members

Please warmly welcome the following new members who joined us in November.

JoAnn Green, whom is a friend of June Brooks. June is a fairly new member and if you haven't met June yet-Look for those gorgeous piercing blue eyes. JoAnn grows outdoor orchids and is wanting to learn more.

Anh Le, was brought to us by Linh Nguyen. Linh has been a member since 2003 and it is good to see him coming to the meetings again. Anh grows his orchids outdoors as well.

Rublita Cariaso, while not a new member (she joined 2004) she is a member whom we haven't seen for a while. So seek her out at the next meeting and welcome her back. Her orchids are flourishing, but still encourage her.

CHECK IT OUT

Did you know that SBOS has a pretty good library of orchid books? We do, and the books range from beginning books for folks that are new to this hobby (like new members?) to more advanced books for those that caught this disease some time ago, and don't have any intention of shaking it.

Anyone interested in checking out an SBOS library book please contact Mary Glass at one of our regular meetings, since the library is at the Gardens

Next Board Meeting—Jan 24 , 2006

The Board Meeting in January will be held at the Levy Center, Torrance Adult School
The meeting will start at 7:00 PM.

Show Committee—An organizational meeting will be held at the Garden in January. Contact Marc or Marla if you're interested in helping out. Everybody is welcome. We need your ideas!

Sunshine-Kathy West

Ann McNeeley is recovering well from her operation. Her strength is slowly returning. Ann's spirits really soared as she read the accumulated cards, letters, e-mails, and phone call from many of you and sends heart felt thanks.

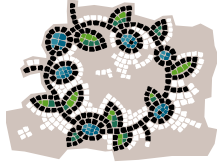
Sylvia Bosshard is recovering from foot surgery, and we may not see her for up to six months while she heals. Feel free to send her some cheer.

CALLING ALL PAINTERS, PHOTOGRAPHERS AND OTHER FINE ARTISTS-WE NEED YOUR HELP.

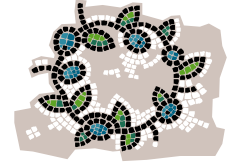


Our theme for this year's spring show is "The Art of Orchids." In keeping with that theme, we will have a non-judged orchid art show in combination with the orchid displays. The artwork will be displayed in the main hall with the orchid displays on either easels or hung on panels. The artwork will likely be placed between the displays around the perimeter of the hall. For your work to be considered, your art will need to be submitted to Bobbie Davidson.

If you have something that you would like to offer for display, please contact Bobbie at (310) 791-6307.



**The Refrigerator Door
Orchid Show Calendar**
December 2006—March, 2007



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Ted and Betty Cornell.....310-327-2826

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**The Orchid Society of Santa Barbara's
Annual Exhibition and Sale**

December 9 and 10
Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History
2559 Puesta del Sol Road
Santa Barbara, California 93105

“Meet the Breeders”

An orchid educational event and plant sale
Terry Root
Frank Smith
Fred Clarke
Loren Batchman
Saturday, December 30, 2006
The womans club

February 9, 10, and 11
26th Annual Fascination of Orchids
Orange County Fair & Exposition Center,
Costa Mesa
\$3 One Day Admission
\$5 Unlimited Weekend Pass
Call (949) 293-3095
www.ocorchidshow.com

March 3 and 4
South Bay Orchid Society
Spring Orchid Show and Sale

YES, THIS IS OUR SHOW FOLKS!!!

Torrance Cultural Arts Center
\$5 Admission
Call Marla Corey (310) 833-1918

March 16-18
61st Annual Santa Barbara International
Orchid Show

Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara
Call (805) 969-5746
or e-mail sborchid@west.net

“The Inflorescence”

South Bay Orchid Society
c/o Ned Patton
21816 Barbara Street
Torrance, CA 90503

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