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Dr Bob Streeter

South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.

“Orchids for Amateurs”

Founded July, 1957

The

INFLORESCENCE

June 2009

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Our June Guest Speaker is

Saul Miller

“Singapore National Orchid Garden”

6:30 pm at El Torito

Our speaker this month is Saul Miller. He has been growing orchids for four years. Saul has a modest sized mixed genera orchid collection that grows outside of his house and in his kitchen, as he does not have a greenhouse.

Saul is the Secretary at our society, and also a member of the Malibu Orchid Society where he is the Newsletter Editor.

Saul Miller will present a short slide presentation of the AOS Headquarters and the Singapore National Orchid Garden. The AOS

Headquarters has two greenhouses, an outdoor pavilion for events, and landscaped gardens where orchids grow in their natural habitat.

The Singapore National Orchid Garden is about the same size as the AOS Headquarters but is very different in appearance. It also has one greenhouse dedicated to orchids that grow in cloud forests. It has many fountains and scores of large scale orchid displays in a garden environment.

Saul's presentation should be informative.

Susan Amíní

No orchid care session or raffles during our Installation Dinner

This month's meeting will be held at the El Torito Mexican Grill in Torrance, social hour starting at 6:30 pm. While we enjoy the good food and great company, our new officers for 2009-2010 will be officially appointed to their positions, followed by Saul's interesting presentation about Singapore National Orchid Garden. Make sure to make your dinner reservations with Peggie. See her article on page 3.

President's Message

Last year under my belt and looking forward to another year, it is time our society's members to entertain each other. It is time for our board and committee to take some time off and get to know our members better. Too often we are running around during our meetings and answering questions, which prevents us from coming together with many of our quiet members.

You seldom hear or read about all the details that each of our board and committee member silently complete. Emergencies continue to come during every meeting, each month, that require immediate solutions. This keeps all of us on our toes. Our society's team members accept their responsibilities and are a joy to work with while designing and solving unforeseen dilemmas.

This year we are saying good-bye to Peggie Wormington, our 2nd VP, who desires more private time. Thanks Peggie, you have been a stellar member of our board. We appreciate your volunteering to be a backup for our new 2nd V.P. Kayo Libiano.

Our newsletter editor Sabrina Roque's departure has created a void that has been filled by Eeva Renger for the last several months. Eeva has agreed to act as a temporary editor until we find a replacement for her.

Membership desk lost a support member, Edith Robinson, and gained a new one, Kumi Salisbury.

On behalf of all our board members, THANK YOU all departing members for volunteering to help YOUR society, and a warm welcome to our new members.

During our 2008-2009 year, we welcomed new board members

Arthur Hazboun
Christine Hough
Saul Miller
Eeva Renger

What first looked as severe personnel challenges turned out to be opportunities for others.

If next year is as good as this past year, you will see a very happy past president for the third time, come June 2010.

To insure that we are a friendly society to new and old alike, the following members have volunteered to be greeters during 2009-2010 year:

July	Don Goss
August	Saul Miller
September	Marla Corey
October	Peggie Wormington
November	Kayo Libiano
January	Arthur Hazboun
February	Susan Amini
March	Christine Hough
April	Nick Braemer
May	Tom Renger

Again, let us recognize that we are important to each other for the welfare of our society. My 2008-2009 Personalities of the Month, ending this June, served my purpose of identifying society members who have gone out of their way to enhance our society benefits.

Tom Renger

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Installation Dinner Reminder



The annual South Bay Orchid Society Installation Dinner will be held on June 19 at 6:30 pm at El Torito Restaurant. El Torito is located at 23225 Hawthorne Blvd, near the intersection of Lomita and Hawthorne. Following dinner and installation of officers, Saul Miller will give a presentation. Dinner, including tax and tip, is \$27.00. To make a reservation for dinner call me, Peggie, at 310-548-4344 or email peggie@wormington.com

Looking forward to seeing you there!

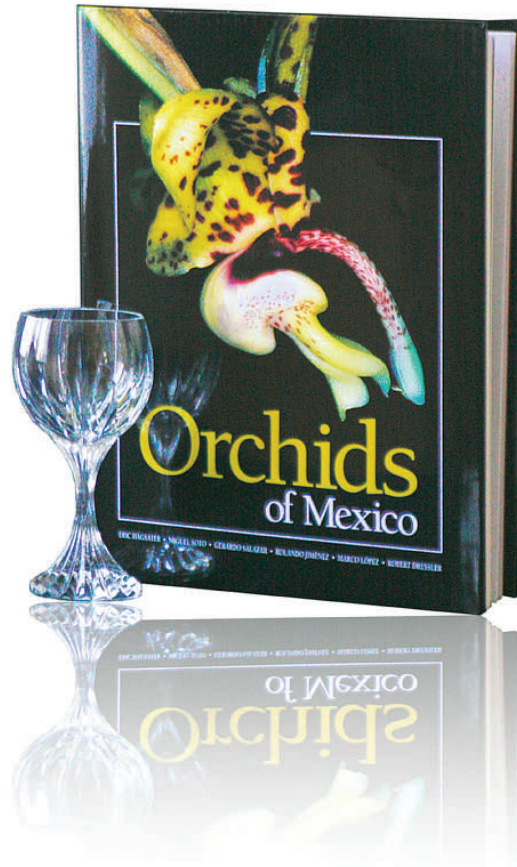
Peggie Wormington



You are encouraged to bring your blooming plants to decorate our tables during our officers' installation banquet.

A New Book in Our SBOS Library "Orchids of Mexico"

This is a beautifully produced hardbound 10" x 13" cocktail-table (or is it coffee-table) book. I guess it depends upon what you're drinking . . . WHO TOOK MY COASTER?! Both the beginner and old-time grower may find this book interesting, for different reasons of course. This book is authored by six individuals with contributions from 64 photographers. There are 660 photographs spread across 272 pages of text providing lots of eye candy. Every photograph is identified or described. In addition to portraits of flowers, you'll find aerial pictures of their habitat and the plants growing in their native environment, most high in the trees. This book divides Mexico into eight types of environments/regions and takes you on a photographic tour. You'll even find a good story on the history of vanilla. Yes, vanilla comes from an orchid.



There is a companion CD with over 1200 photographs that are searchable "if" you know the name of the species you want to find. So, if you're like me, and don't know the names of things, you can open up the CD in Windows Explorer, choose thumbnail mode and cruise through all the pretty pictures while you sip your favorite libation.

This is the latest addition to our extensive library on orchids, which is comprised of 60 different titles by 40 different authors and housed at the Gardens. While you're at our meeting in July, search out Kayo Libiano, our librarian, as well as our new 2nd V.P. , and check-out the book or one of these CDs for the month. There's some GREAT stuff!

Ribbon Judging Results May Meeting

AMATEUR

Judged by Christine Hough

Dendrobium

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| 1. Den. Christyanum Dwarf | Ann Rogers |
| 2. Den. Unknown | Janine Slane |
| 3. Den. Aggregatum Jenkinsii | Sharon Gage |

Oncidium

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| 1. Onc. Unknown | Allen Ravine |
| 2. Onc. Maxillaria Tenuifolia | Lorena Cruz |
| 3. Colm. Wildcat 'Taida' | Arthur Hazboun |

Phragmipedium and Paphiopedilum

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| 1. Phrag. Les Diroules | Dave Streeter |
| 2. Paph. Lowii – Golden Gate HCC x Exotic
Dancer FCC | Janine Slane |
| 3. Paphiopedilum Sierra Lace | Janine Slane |

Phalaenopsis

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| 1. Phal. Unknown | Kathy West |
| 2. Phal. Morning Glory | Allen Ravine |

ADVANCED AMATEUR

Judged by Burton Dobratz

Renanthera Hybrid

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| 1. Renanthera | Ted Johnson |
| 2. Renanthropsis | Ted Johnson |

Paphiopedilum

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| 1. Paph Ho Chi Min | Chuck Spain |
| 2. Paph Magic Mood X Golden Tang | Marla Corey |

Miscellaneous Group

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| 1. Epi - Parkinsonianum | Don Goss |
| 2. Rlc White Wonderland X White Fairy | Bobby Ignacio |
| 3. Encyclia Cordigera Variety Roseum | Ted Johnson |

Cattleya

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| 1. June Wedding | Bobby Ignacio |
| 2. SLC Bright Circle Variety SLC Circle of
Light X SLC Bright Circle | Don Goss |
| 3. C. Mossige | Don Goss |

Phalaenopsis

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| 1. Leopard Prince cross Ho's French Fantasia
X Sun Prince | Don Goss |
| 2. Pride of Ben variety Ben Yu cross Valentine
X King Shiang's Beauty | Don Goss |
| 3. Sogo Lion Amber | Ted Johnson |

People, Places and Things

May Dobratz is on the mend.

She was hospitalized the first week of June and underwent surgery.

We send our best to her and her family.

Orchid Trader



Orchid Trader is always open.

Contact Nick Braemer or Tom Renger

President's Choice Personality of the Month

Christine Hough has proven her adaptability regarding being our new treasurer. She has quickly learned our new computer program which generates monthly balance sheets. Additionally, she is responsible for prompt recording of our income and payment of our bills.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Raymond Koke
Nang Myint

**The Refrigerator Door
Orchid Calendar
June 2009**

SBOS Committee Chairs:

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Our future meetings are

- ◆ Friday June 19 (*Banquet 6:30 pm*)
- ◆ Friday July 17
- ◆ Friday August 21

- ◆ Culture sessions start 7 PM
- ◆ General meetings start 8 PM
at South Coast Botanic Garden

Next board meeting will be

- ◆ June 23, 2009
Call 310-316-0707 for location

**South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation
Events in the Spring 2009**

- ◆ June 13-14, Fuchsia Show & Sale; 10am-4pm
- ◆ June 14, Ferrari Car Show; 9am-3pm
- ◆ July 5, Windy Ridge Bluegrass Band; 5pm-7pm
- ◆ July 9-11, Children's Discovery Garden; 10am-12pm

Please support our host, the South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation for any of these educational and fun filled events. For more information log-on to:
southcoastbotanicgarden.org/3montheventcalendar.html

Newsletter Editor Wanted

- ⇒ Do you enjoy computers?
- ⇒ Are you fluent with MSWord?
- ⇒ Are you creative?
- ⇒ Do you take pleasure in completing projects on time?

This is a stimulating opportunity to get involved with your society. Become our new Newsletter Editor!

Contact Eeva 310-316-0707 for details.



“The Inflorescence”

South Bay Orchid Society
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Installation Dinner

June 19th

**An exciting event where you can mingle with
members without time constraints!**

**Make your reservations
with Peggie
by calling 310-548-4344**