



Vuylstekeara Carnivale 'Rio'
Grower: Nick Braemer

The INFLORESCENCE

"Orchids for Amateurs"

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June 2011

**Our June 18, 2011 (Saturday)
Meeting is
Picnic Lunch**

Installation Lunch

- ◆ **Where:** South Coast Botanic Garden, convening at the Koi Pond.
- ◆ **When:** Starts at 10:30am. This will give everyone time to wander around and possibly hop on the garden's one-hour tram tour that starts at 11am. Please note that the tram tour cost \$4 per person and the tickets have to be purchased in cash at the admission window prior to entering the garden.
- ◆ **Food:** Lunch is served at 12:30pm back at the Koi Pond.
- ◆ **Cost:** \$10.00 per person; our Society will pay for the balance. Admission to the Garden is FREE with your SBOS member badge, so don't forget to wear it proudly!
- ◆ We will be having a made-to-order taco bar so come hungry! Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided but you are more than welcome to BYOB!



This society outing will be a super relaxed fun and a great opportunity to socialize with old friends and maybe make some new ones. We have this gem of a venue right in our backyard, so let's make the best of it and gather for a day of exploration, socialization and good food. **Sign up with me—call 310.897.8085** or email *kayo at Libianoco dot com*.

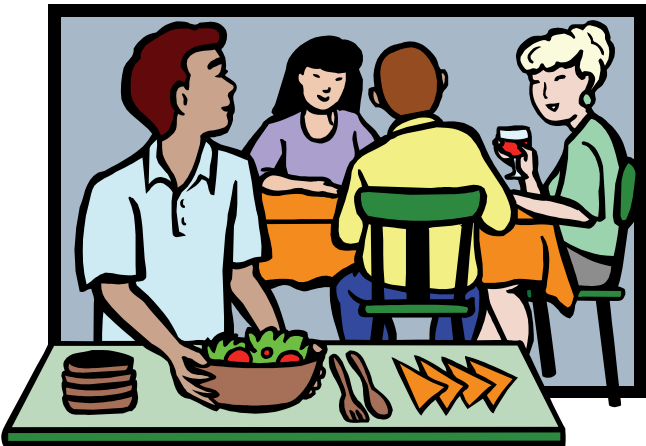
If you decide to bring a friend who is not a member of SBOS,
he/she has to pay SCBG entry fee at the gate (cash only).
Hope to see everyone there!

Kayo

From the President's Desk

The elections are over and we welcome two new faces to our board. Joe Woods as treasurer and Larry Bergen as secretary. Christine Hough will take over as one of our three directors. The board is also pleased to welcome Polly Kinsinger back as our monthly ribbon judging chair.

In lieu of this month's regular meeting, we will have our annual installation meeting. However, this year it will be a luncheon/picnic. This will be on Saturday June 18 at the garden. If you have not signed up yet, please do so by contacting Kayo at your earliest convenience. Full details are in this month's and last month's newsletter. The cost for the lunch is a very reasonable \$10.00 per person. This is the only time during the summer when we get together leisurely, share a friendly conversation and discuss our wonderful obsession with orchids.



Consider hopping on the tram for a 45 minute tour starting at 11am (\$4.00 per person payable at the main garden admission window) of the splendid 87 acre garden which is now transitioning from the spring blooms into early summer. For a preview of what's in bloom click the following link:

<http://www.southcoastbotanicgarden.org/bloom>



Our society depends on your continued membership to support our monthly meetings, speakers and annual shows. Membership renewal date is July 1 and you can [download our renewal form here](#) and send it in with your payment to Charlotte, or bring your renewal and payment to our next meeting. Please see Charlotte's article in this newsletter.

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the culture session along with the presentation of our last speaker George Hatfield and the wonderful cymbidium plants he provided. The board will continue to bring you a varied assortment of speakers specializing in different orchid genera during our monthly meetings. If you have a specific speaker you would like to see, please contact Nick Braemer and he will try and arrange for that person to be our guest at a future meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you at the installation luncheon/picnic on June 18.

Arthur Hazboun - President and Webmaster, SBOS, Inc.

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Newsletter submissions cut-off date is the 1st of each month for articles and photos to be included in that month's issue. Items presented after the 1st may be included in the following month's edition. We welcome all orchid related news and photographs submitted by email. No special formatting or editing is needed. Any questions, please call Eeva @310.316.0707.

2011-2012 Membership

It is membership renewal time! July 1 to June 30 is the Society's membership year, so please use this link to [download our renewal form here](#) and renew your membership soon. You may send the form and your \$17 renewal fee (per household) to the address listed on the form or you can bring it to the next regular meeting. Remember the great benefits you get from being a member:

- ◆ Learn about collecting, growing, and repotting from our monthly meetings' cultural sessions
- ◆ Listen and ask questions of local, national and internationally recognized orchid experts and their fabulous photographs, techniques, and presentations
- ◆ Rub elbows with your fellow orchid enthusiast members, ask questions, exchange ideas and learn from each other
- ◆ Win ribbon awards for bringing your own orchids to the meetings; year-end winners receive a subscription to Orchid Digest.
- ◆ Borrow reference books from the SBOS Library
- ◆ Take home fabulous orchids at unbelievable prices through our monthly silent auctions
- ◆ Win orchid plants by participating in our monthly orchid raffle
- ◆ Receive a free Orchid, courtesy of the Board, at the Christmas Potluck Dinner
- ◆ Attend the Santa Barbara International Orchid show and visit Orchid growers with other members at a reasonable cost
- ◆ Attend our Orchid Shows without paying if you help out at the show

Charlotte

We are Obsessed Collectors by Nick Braemer

Recently, a large private grower announced he wants to reduce his collection in a major way and placed about 300 plants with Hanging Gardens to be sold at ridiculously low prices, starting at \$3.00, \$5.00 etc. I could not resist that and drove up, it's on my way to see my sons in Redding.

After a 7 hour drive I felt like a kid at Toys-R-Us; I was the second person there. The early bird may get the worm but the second mouse gets the cheese. I was the second mouse and loaded up with Masdies, Pleuros, Draculas. All cold growers.

The real prize was a rare and unusual *Pleurothallis cocornaensis* and *Dracula velutina* var *xanthia*. The Pleuro is just a rare, very beautiful plant that definitely is worth more, no problem there. The other one exposes the madness within us.



Pleurothallis cocornaensis

Photo by Eric Hunt <http://www.orchidphotos.org/>
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<http://www.orchidspecies.com/pleurcocoraensis.htm>



Dracula velutina

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Dracula velutina is a small-flowered brown/red, rather routine looking *Dracula* which is readily available, I've seen it before. *Drac velutina* var *xanthia* is a yellow variety of the same plant which is rarely seen and not generally available. Oooohhhh!!!!!!!!!!!!!! No problem paying extra for that one. It's still a rather routine small flowered *Dracula* but it's RARE! Does it really deserve a higher price? It is no more attractive, both look good once a large number of flowers are produced. I had no hesitation to pay extra for this one because of it's rarity.

We are (at least I am) suckers for the unusual. I have paid extra and gone to unusual lengths to obtain a plant which is different from the routine because it has a little red spot somewhere while the regular does not. I know someone who collects stamps, same thing, he'll pay big bucks for a stamp which is a little different from the regular one. Ahnuld also collects, some items rather ugly, but beauty is in the eyes of the beholder.

Happy collecting,

Nick

Ribbon Judging Results May 27, 2011 Judged by Polly Kinsinger

Amateur

Other	1	Oncidium Unknown	Danee Petrich
Other	2	Miltonia Unknown	Kathy West
Other	3	Phalaenopsis Unknown	Hans Grellmann

Advanced Amateur

Catt.	1	Blc. Pamela Finney 'Victory'	Don Goss
Catt.	2	Lc. Trick or Treat x Fire Dance	Don Goss
Catt.	3	Bc. Lilliputian Princess	Jasmine Bashi
Paph./Phrag.	1	Phrag. Don Wimber '2A'	Don Goss
Paph./Phrag.	2	Phrag. Andean Fire '101'	Don Goss
Paph./Phrag.	3	Paph. Hsinying Raisin x Paph. acmodontum	Don Goss
Phal.	1	Phal. New Gold	Ted and Jackie Johnson
Phal.	2	Dtps. Yu Pin Natsume	Jasmine Bashi
Phal.	3	Phal. Sogo Lion 'Amber'	Ted and Jackie Johnson
Other	1	Dendrobium Aggregatum	Polly Kinsinger
Other	2	Ansellia africana	Bobby Ignacio
Other	3	Epidendrum parkinsonianum	Don Goss



Oncidium
Danee Petrich



Miltonia
Kathy West



Orchid Calendar 2011

Our future membership meetings are

- ◆ **June 18 (3rd *Saturday*) Picnic Luncheon and Installation of Officers**
- ◆ **July 22 (4th *Friday*)**
- ◆ **August 19 (3rd *Friday*)**

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

Next board meeting will be

- ◆ **June 21**
Call 310-995-1592 for more info

South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation Upcoming Events 2011

- ◆ Tram tours; most Saturdays at 11am & 1pm
- ◆ 6/11 Fuchsia Show and Sale; 10am-4pm
- ◆ 6/19 Windy Ridge Blue Grass Band; 5pm-7pm
- ◆ 6/24 Children's Concert; 5:30pm-7:30pm
- ◆ 6/25 Sustainable Landscaping; 9:30am-1pm

Please support our host, the South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation for any of these educational and fun filled events. For more information and verification of hours and events, visit their website SCBG or call 310-544-1948.

Welcome New Members

Who is Who?

Catalina Go Chua



Susan & Hector Delgado



Monica Murphy

New members: When you come to the next meeting, stop by the membership desk to pick up your name badge and a new member package. We will include ten free plant table raffle tickets as our "thank you" for joining SBOS.

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OUR PICNIC DATE IS June 18, 3rd Saturday

Upcoming Events

Ninth Orchid Digest Speaker’s Day

June 18, 2011

Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens

More info: [Orchid Digest Speaker Day](#) or
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Santa Barbara International Orchid Fair

July 8 - 11, 2011

Earl Warren Fairgrounds

Santa Barbara, CA

Santa Ana, CA 92704

More Info: [Santa Barbara International Orchid Fair](#)

South Bay Orchid Society Fall Show and Sale

September 17-18, 2011

South Coast Botanic Garden

26300 Crenshaw Blvd

Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274

More info coming soon

Fascination of Orchids Show and Sale

September 24 - 25, 2011

South Coast Plaza Village

1631 W Sunflower (Sunflower & Bear)

Santa Ana, CA 92704

More Info: [Fascination Of Orchids Show](#)