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"Orchids for Amateurs"
South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.
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Please join us Saturday June 16, for the Installation Picnic

Where: Koi Pond at the South Coast Botanic Garden

Time: 10:30 AM – 1:30PM

Cost: \$15.00 (Cash or Checks made payable to SBOS.)

If you wish to join us please e-mail Christine Hough at: [chough dot sbos at gmail dot com](mailto:choughdotsbos@gmail.com) or leave a message on her phone at 310.316.4817.

A few reminders:

1. Admission to the garden is free with your SBOS member's badge. Don't forget to wear it!
2. For those who missed it last year or you are interested in it again, there will be another Tram ride that starts at 1PM for \$4.00 per person, CASH ONLY, which must be paid at the door prior to entering the garden premises.
3. If you decide to bring a friend who is *not* a member of SBOS, they must pay (cash only) the entry fee of:

Adults: \$8.00

Seniors (62+): \$6.00

Students (w/ID): \$6.00

Children (5-12): \$3.00

Children (<4): FREE

4. We will be serving Mediterranean fare from *Mashawi Grill* this year so come hungry! Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided but you are more than welcome to BYOB!

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

JUNE 2012



This will be my final message as president. These past two years have been educational, rewarding, challenging, and most of all fun. The experience of running a "garden club" had its moments but the results in the end outweigh the glitches that seemed overwhelming at the time. I have learned quite a lot about our wonderful hobby and met an outstanding group of orchid enthusiasts, growers, experts, and hobbyists alike. I believe our speakers inspire us to add to and enhance our collections.

Regrettably, we lost some very good friends along the way: May Dobratz, Jack Manchester, Sharon Gage, and Loren Batchman. Their vast knowledge of orchid culture was phenomenal and we do miss their presence.

It would take a few pages to thank everyone at the South Bay Orchid Society who have devoted literally years of their time to teach all of us about making our orchids survive, thrive, replicate, divide and bloom. After all, we aren't living in the rain forest, Australian outback, or neither central/south America, nor any geographical or tropical area specifically suited for these orchids. This is the South Bay in Southern California; we do the best we can with what's available whether it's our backyard, patio, windowsill, porch, shade area, or for the lucky ones in a green house. Yes, we can grow Orchids and we will continue this great tradition which started in July 1957. Orchids For Amateurs.

There is time left to sign up for the installation luncheon scheduled for Saturday June 16, with excellent food and camaraderie in a relaxing shady sit down informal picnic. No tuxedos or exorbitant expenses. Just wear your SBOS badge and come hungry. The tram tour will be running at 1 PM only. Contact Christine via email or give her a call.

We will announce the winners of the yearly plant judging from the meetings and the shows. The winners will receive a complimentary one year subscription (or renewal if you are a subscriber) to the Orchid Digest® magazine.

I wish to thank Charlotte Morrison for filling in during my absence at last month's meeting. She did an outstanding job and has volunteered to be President for the July meeting as well. The board of directors will rotate the Presidency among the board members during the next year on a monthly basis.

In closing, a special thank you to each member, volunteer, past and future. Please don't forget to renew your membership, our yearly dues are from July 1 - June 30 and are still a reasonable \$17.00 per year for two persons in the same household. You can find the renewal form on our website by clicking this link: [SBOS Renewal Form](#)

Hope to see all of you at our installation lunch.

Enjoy your summer.

Arthur Hazboun

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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 Marcy@310.326.5405.

Congratulations
Kayo & Mark Libiano
 on the birth of
Rylen Andrew Libiano
 BORN: May 28, 2012
 WEIGHT: 6lbs 3 ozs
 LENGTH: 17 inches



Tenth Orchid Digest Speaker's Day
"Orchid Salad Days"

Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens,
San Marino, California

Saturday, July 7, 2012

12:30 – 8PM in Friends Hall

Lectures:

- Marc Hachadourian - "Extreme Orchids"
Jason Fischer - "Neofinetia, The Living Antique"
George Vasquez - "Phalaenopsis: Past, Present, and Future"
James Rose - "The Laelias of Mexico"

Dinner Speaker ---David Banks

"Bulbo Phyllum Species"

Vendors:

Cal Orchid – Orchids Ltd. – Sunset Valley Orchids – Zuma Canyon Orchids – Andy's Orchids

Tickets \$60 (\$75 at door)

Contact : Orchidsimone@aol.com

or phone (562)431-1247

NEW MEMBERS

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.

How to Make Your Own Swamp Cooler

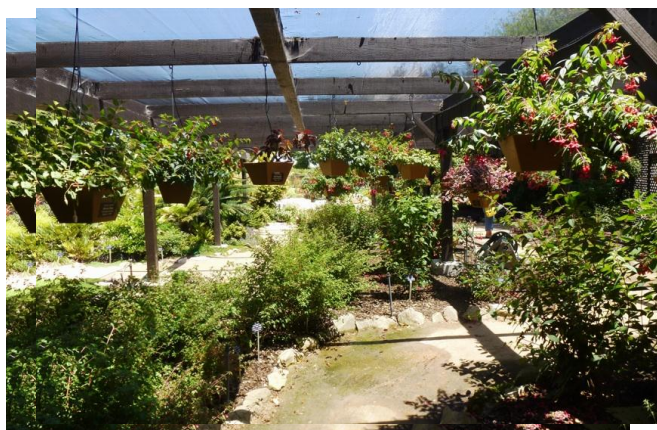
Used swamp coolers are not expensive, especially in January in depressed hot areas where at that time of the year the credit cards are full from X-mas, it's not hot, and the swampers are not needed. I bought two from there for \$100 apiece, one a couple of years old. They work great but take a lot of space and make plenty of noise, not suitable for a small backyard green house. I'm going to build another couple of units for extra protection and also just for fun. These will be cheap, silent and definitely suitable for anyone's greenhouse.

Start out by making a rectangular box out of 2" x 2"s of the following dimension: 18" x 18" x 5'. Cover the four long sides with plywood or redwood planks, leaving the two ends open. Fit one of the ends with the smallest 'attic fan' Home Depot has (\$82). One foot away from the fan perforate with a 1/2" PVC pipe, immediately make a 90-degree turn and run another 6" parallel to the roof. There place three misters, the type they use in Palm Springs for hot days. The outside end of the pipe is attached to an electric shut off valve such as is used in any sprinkler system (HD, about \$15) and fed with city water. Since the valve is low voltage, a step down transformer is needed. Granger item #6WU91 \$18. Both the valve and the fan are then attached to an all weather 110Volt thermostat, which comes with the attic fan and can be placed on the wall of the greenhouse. Total cost is about \$115 plus the cost of the wood, should total out for under \$130.

This rectangular structure sits on a slant so one end rests on the floor of the GH under a bench, the other end with the fan is elevated a couple of feet off the ground and becomes part of the wall. The fan draws outside air. The discharged air should run parallel to the direction of the bench. The electric motor of the attic fan needs to be protected from moisture.

When the temp reaches the set point, the fan is activated and the valve is opened. Air rushes over the misting nozzles and discharges humid, cool air inside the GH. If there is unevaporated water, it will end up on the floor instead of on the leaves of the plants and adds to the humidity. If there is too much water, remove a mister, if more water is desired add more misting nozzles. The principle is the same as a swamp cooler; air rushes over water, evaporates it thus cooling it and adds humid, cool air to the GH. This system is smaller, quieter and probably cheaper than a quality swamp cooler. Placing misting nozzles on the roof of the GH and using them to cool eventually leaves a grey residue on the plants if city water is used, this system does not. Should be perfect for smaller greenhouses.

Rube Goldberg is alive and well.



Happy New Year! It is the beginning of the new SBOS year and time to renew your membership! Here is a link to the [SBOS Renewal Form](#) , which is the same as the form below. You may send the form and your \$17 renewal fee (per household) to Charlotte Morrison at the address listed on the form or better yet, bring the form to the next regular meeting on July 20. We would love to see you there. 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

Renew your membership soon so that your name will appear in the annual directory when it is published in the late fall.

	Date paid: _____
SBOS Membership Renewal	Amount: \$ _____ Ch# _____
Please update your personal information and include this form with the annual membership dues of \$17. Annual membership runs from July 1 to June 30.	
Paid members names will be published in our annual fall directory, therefore it is important we have your current contact information.	
Name(s) as you wish to appear in the Directory	
First	Last
Address	
Include in directory – if NO – for Board use only	
Home phone - _____	NO _____
Cell Phone - _____	NO _____
Email - _____	NO _____
Please bring your membership dues and this form to our next meeting or mail to:	
SBOS, c/o Charlotte Morrison, 414 S. Juanita Ave., Redondo Beach, CA 90277	

Orchid Calendar

Our future membership meetings are

- ❖ June 16 (3rd Saturday)
- ❖ July 20 (3rd Friday)
- ❖ August 10 (2nd Friday)

- ❖ Cultural sessions start 7pm
- ❖ General meetings start 8pm
at South Coast Botanic Garden

Next board meeting will be

July 24 (no meeting in June)
Call 310-995-1592 for more info

South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation Upcoming Events

- ❖ Tram tours most Saturdays at 11am & 1pm
- ❖ Free Admission to Garden every 3rd Tuesday
- ❖ Tuesdays- Ikebana Class 10am
- ❖ Wednesdays – Craft Workshop & Duplicate Bridge Class
- ❖ June 9 – 10 Fuchsia Society Show & Sale 10 am
32nd Annual Fuchsia Festival
- ❖ June 17 Family Picnic Day
Father's Day



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
<http://www.southcoastbotanicgarden.org>



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Santa Barbara Orchid Fair
July 13 – 15, 2012
9AM – 5PM Friday / Saturday
10AM – 4PM Sunday
Earl Warren Showground
Santa Barbara
Open house at Santa Barbara Orchid
Estate & Cal Orchid
Info: [Santa Barbara Int. Orchid Fair](#)

Palomar Orchid Society Orchid Fair
and Auction
August 18, 2012 – Preview 11AM,
Auction 12PM
The Pavilion at Lake San Marcos,
1105 La Bonita Dr. San Marcos
Info: www.palomarorchid.org

Fascination of Orchids Show and
Sale
September 29 – 30, 10AM – 5PM
South Coast Plaza Village
Info: <http://www.ocorchidshow.com>

South Bay Orchid Society
Fall Show & Sale
Sept. 22-23, 2012
South Coast Botanic Garden
26300 Crenshaw Blvd.
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Info: [SouthBayOrchidSociety](#)