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Our November 18, 2016 Guest Speaker will be Ron Kaufmann " 101 Ways to Kill Orchids"

Our speaker in November will be Ron Kaufmann. Ron has been growing (and killing) orchids for two decades. His presentation "101 ways to Kill an Orchid" will cover some of the ways orchids can be brought to an untimely end, along with suggestions for correcting some common horticultural errors. He has travelled extensively to view orchids in the wild in Asia and South America, particularly Brazil, Ecuador, and Colombia. Ron is a marine biologist by training, and his scientific work includes studies of Antarctic and deep-sea ecosystems as well as marine communities in near shore habitats around San Diego. His orchid collection began with a Reedstem Epidendrum and progressed to a diverse assemblage that contains mostly species orchids. He has a long-standing interest in conservation and has been a member of the SDCOS Conservation Committee for more than 15 years and chair since 2004. Since 1991, the Conservation Committee has awarded more than \$185,000 to support projects in 21 different countries. Ron also helped to found the Orchid Conservation Alliance and serves on the boards of the OCA, EcoMinga Foundation (a conservation foundation based in Ecuador) and Orchid Digest.

Ron grows most of his orchids in a 36 x 24 foot greenhouse and several outdoor shade covered areas around his house in San Diego. Friends have suggested that he build a second, much larger greenhouse to accommodate the many plants that often make walking through his greenhouse an exercise requiring extensive training in gymnastics and yoga to avoid serious injury. Thus far, this recommendation hasn't been followed, although the temptation is always there. This promises to be a very interesting and useful presentation. You should learn some new ways to avoid killing the orchids you are trying so hard to grow

President's Message November 2016

Hello dear friends and members of SBOS:

I was asked earlier this year during a board meeting if I'd act as president for a month or two during the year. I thought, why not?? I can use the money....and maybe I can even get a plaque commemorating the event or at least someone to take me out to dinner. Well, here it is, November and all I got was a phone call about writing this letter.

It is sort of like the t-shirt that says.....Grandma and Grandpa went to Hawaii and all I got was this lousy t-shirt. But, I bet they saw lots of beautiful orchids when they went there. I know I do at every meeting, event and show. Truthfully, I would be president every month if it meant helping out this wonderful club of which we are all members. I really enjoy all the aspects of the SBOS – especially the members. It never ceases to amaze me how a club for "amateurs" can be filled with so much knowledge and expertise.

Speaking of beautiful orchids, last month's meeting had many gorgeous plants on display and another HUGE shout out to our dear friend and member, Bob Fisher for conducting the session on the propagation and care for Cymbidiums. I know I learned a lot, as usual. And I hope you did too. Bob had a lot of information in a last minute scheduling of his expertise, which provided us lots of great ideas. As usual, it was a great evening with a really nice and knowledgeable member.

As to being president for November, it remains a wonderful honor. I get to write a message to you all. In writing this, may I remind you to bring a friend to the meeting. Bringing friends is a much needed way to help grow our club. Perhaps you have alternative methods to growing this club?? Please share your ideas.

Oh, also, a reminder to sign up for the Christmas potluck to be held in.....you guessed it, December !!!

I was requested to ask everyone to consider bringing plants to the meetings if you'd like to sell them at our silent auction, as it helps the society financially (we share in the sale proceeds). The seller is requested to donate 20% of the total sale to the society. And, if you are dividing your plants - please keep in mind our Spring Plant Auction ... to be held on April 21, 2017 -- It too will help the society with the finances.

The last announcement from your is to be sure and attend the November meeting to meet and hear orchid expert Ron Kaufmann. He will be discussing his research for his book "101 Ways to Kill Orchids". LOL -- I could help him with THAT researchI know at least 50 ways myself!

Finally, thanks to all who do actively participate and contribute - their time, their ideas, being part of the board at our monthly meetings in Torrance (Torrance Airport - 7:00 PM – the Tuesday following our regular meeting), setting up before the meetings, cleaning up and putting away afterwards, and the drinks and refreshments in the kitchen. You KNOW who you are and I bow down in great thanks !!

This society of ours has been around for almost 60 years - and with all our efforts it can be around for 60 more. If you do not know me, please introduce yourself at the next meeting. I'll buy you coffee from the kitchen - I'll have a little extra money after this month's extra income!!!! Oh, no wait....I'm not getting paid!!!!

Robert (Bob) Bond - November President



South Bay Orchid Society - First Annual Auction

The society's main source of sustainable income has always been the "Spring Show and Sale". For various scheduling reasons, our Spring Show was not held for the last two years, thus creating a shortfall in the society's finances. The recent Fall Show members' booth helped alleviate some of the shortfall but it is not enough to keep the society functioning at a comfortable level and we are not gaining and retaining as many members as we would like. Orchids are now readily available everywhere from your local grocery to the big home improvement giants. The incentive to join/rejoin an orchid society is not a necessity any longer unless you are looking for unusual or rare species or hybrids.

The board of directors has decided to try our hand at an "Orchid Auction". Most local orchid societies have yearly auctions and it's their main source of fund raising year after year. Our planning has commenced by starting an auction committee to co-ordinate the event. We will purchase plants with the hope that various nurseries, commercial growers, vendors, and wholesalers will donate additional plants to the auction. We also will need current and former members to start thinking about any plants they wish to part with and donate to the auction. Volunteers will be needed before, during, and after the event to help with setting up, labeling the plants with lot numbers, spotters, runners, etc... If you would like to help please contact Arthur Hazboun and let him know what role you would like to have. The board can only do so much, and if you care enough about your orchids and being able to continue and collect new orchids through the society and ultimately keep the society alive I'm sure you will help. We need everyone's help to pull this off. Flyers will be made available in the future to advertise and get the word out.

The auction is scheduled to be held on Friday April 21, 2017 (3rd Friday of the month) in lieu of our monthly meeting at the South Coast Botanic Garden. Further details will be published in future newsletters and announced at our monthly meetings.

The proceeds from the auction will be used to continue bringing you excellent monthly speakers, quality plant opportunity tables, the yearly bus trip to the Santa Barbara International Show and orchid nurseries, and the holiday potluck. It will also help pay for our fall orchid show expenses, and the rental fees at the South Coast Botanic Garden and other orchid society expenses.

Thank you for your continued support, membership, and help.



Ribbon Judging Results for October 21, 2016

Advanced Amateur

Phalaenopsis:

1st Phal. unknown

<u>Cattleya:</u>

1st Blc. Brunswick Gem 'Coral' 2nd B. Little Stars

Dendrobium:

1st Den. antennatum 2nd Den. no name 3rd Den. tannii

Cymbidium: 1st Donovan 'Salinas' x Don Wimber 'Ever Sunday' Fe Woods

Oncidium:

1st Onc. Unknown

Other Genera:

1st Lycaste no name 2nd Aerangis Mire 3rd Dyakia Hendersoniana

Amateur

Dendrobium: 1st Den. Salaya Candy

<u>Cattleya:</u> 1st Mrs. Hurbert Greaves

Other Genera:

1st Phrag. Jason Fisher 2nd Masd. Pixie Treasure 'Antique Gold' Fe Woods

Fe Woods Hans Grellmann

Cathy Martinez Braulio Mena Cathy Martinez

Fe Woods

Bob Fisher Hans Grellmann Earl Felt

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C. Brunswick Gem ' Coral'



Dyakia Hendersoniana



Den. Salaya Candy



B. Little Stars



Den. Tannii



Cym. Donovan 'Salinas' x Don Wimber 'Ever Sunday'



Masd. Pixie Treasure 'Antique Gold'







Open House Fantastic discounts on all stock!

Authentic handmade 'street tacos' from 10AM till 2PM Don't miss this day of plant raffles, fun and food

Saturday, December 3rd from 9AM till 4PM **1255 Navel Place, Vista CA 92083 (760) 310-0778** www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com

Bring this invite for a raffle



Thanks go to Bob Fisher for stepping up to be our October speaker and sharing all his growing tips!



Save the date! December 16 will be our Holiday Potluck. The signup sheet will be at the next meeting! We hope to see everyone there.



Our future membership meetings are held at the South Coast Botanic Garden

- November 18 (3rd Friday)
- December 16 Holiday Potluck
- January 20 (3rd Friday)
- Cultural sessions start 7PM
- General meetings start 8PM at South Coast Botanic Garden

The next board meeting will be November 22 Call 310-328-1102 for more information

South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation

 November 20 South Coast African Violet Society Lecture 1:30 p – 4 p

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



Phrag. Jason Fisher Grown by Polly Lee

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Our Next Meeting is November 18, 2016

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