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“Orchids for Amateurs”

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**Our January 19, 2018
Guest Speaker will be
Gary Putnam
“Insect Control”**

Gary Putnam started growing Orchids when he was a teenager, but became a serious grower over twenty years ago. He has a degree in Botany from UC Santa Barbara and also took courses in horticulture at Cal Poly Pomona. Upon retiring he works two days a week at Brita's Garden in Seal Beach, where he helps people with his knowledge of growing plants, and it gets him out of the house as well. Gary served twelve years as President of Long Beach Amateur Orchid Society.

His talk is about using safer methods for common orchid pest control. The plant raffle table for this meeting will be made up of the insecticides he will be demonstrating as well as thirteen cattleyas.

Orchid Ailments -- The AOS's Pests and Disease Series

Orchids magazine's popular Orchid Ailments series provides readers with information and images to help them identify orchid ailments and grow healthier plants. From Aphids to Virus, the series explores the finer points of insect pests, rots, disease and cultural challenges, to name a few, and offers advice on prevention and treatment for the problems. Articles include the following topics: Aphids, Black Rot, Bud Blast, Caterpillars, Cold Damage, Coming in from the Cold, Fertilizer Burn, Fungus Gnats, Growing Under Lights, Handling Damage, Heat Stress, Home Remedies, Grasshoppers, Mealybugs, Mites, Neem Oil, Orchid Blossom Midges, Phyllosticta Leaf Spot, Roaches, Rugose Spining Whitefly, Scale, Snails & Slugs, Sow Bugs & Pill Bugs, Thrips, Virus, Ringspots, Whiteflies and more. Be sure to check out the information they offer.

Happy New Year !!

We hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas holiday and please have a happy and safe New Year holiday.

Thank you to everyone who attended the December Potluck and brought the delicious food. A special nod of thanks to June and Joann for staffing the kitchen and placing the food on the tables. I also want to acknowledge all those who helped with the set-up and/or tear-down, Arthur Hazboun, Karen Low, Charlotte Morrison, and Larry and Marcy Bergen. Their hard work is much appreciated. Thank you George Vasquez for providing the beautiful plants. Events such as this are only possible due to the dedication and hard work of our generous volunteers. "Thank you" to everyone for a most enjoyable evening.

Congratulations to Larry and Marcy Bergen, the recipients of this year's Diamond Award.

At this month's Board meeting we are going to form a Nominating Committee to identify candidates for next year's Board Officers. If you have any suggestions for candidates, or if you would like to be considered for a particular Office, please call or send an e-mail to any current Board Member. We are looking for people who are interested in making our orchid society the best that it can be. New faces and ideas make for innovation and growth, which is essential for the good health of societies such as ours.

Our Second Annual Orchid Auction is fast approaching (April). If you will be donating any plants to the auction, please make sure that they are disease and bug free. If the plant is not in bloom a picture of the flower or a detailed description along with the name is beneficial.

On a personal note, since I will be serving as acting president at the January meeting I'm looking for someone to perform the Ribbon Judging duties. If you are interested in conducting January's Ribbon Judging, please contact me at 310 377-7083.

Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Charles Brown



Newport Harbor Orchid Expo and Sale - February 9-11, 2018

Our society was invited to participate in the Newport Harbor Orchid Society Orchid Expo at Westminster Mall. We will place a table top display exhibit dealing with the theme of the show: "Romancing the Orchid". We need volunteers who would like to loan us healthy, quality, and blooming plants for the display. Label the pots with your name and phone number. Helpers will be needed in transporting, setting up and taking down the display. If you're interested in assisting please contact:

Arthur Hazboun at (310) 995-1592 or email him at specialorchids@southbayorchidsociety.com. The show flier below has more information on the show. Thank you.



Newport Harbor Orchid Society
Orchid Expo & Sale 2018

*Romancing
The
Orchid*

Newport Harbor Orchid Society
EXPO 2018

*Orchid Displays
Vendor Sales
Re-potting Classes
Botanic Art & Bonsai Exhibit*

February 9, 10 & 11
Westminster Mall
Orange County, CA

Friday: 10am-9pm
Saturday: 10am-7pm
Sunday: 11am-6pm

 *Now located
on 2nd Floor
(near Penney's wing)*

www.nhosinfo.org/orchidshow



AOS Monthly Checklist for January and February

UPCOMING WEBINARS

Greenhouse Chat January 2018

Wednesday, January 10, 2018 @ 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM *Everyone invited*

Join Ron McHatton for a Q&A session on orchid culture. Everyone is invited. If you have a question, please submit your questions by January 6th to stillisch@cox.net.

Register now using this link:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1556190869931035139>

Note: After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Thank You

Larry and I would like to say a huge Thank You to SBOS for choosing us to be recipients of the Diamond Award. It was quite a surprise. We have enjoyed working with the different members of the society, getting to know them, and learning more about our orchid hobby. Thanks to everyone. Happy New Year.



Cattleya - Watering and fertilizing will be at a minimum, as will potting. Careful removal of the dying sheaths will still allow buds to develop without the danger of condensation-induced rot. Low light will lead to weak spikes, staking is critical.

Cymbidium - We are well into the flowering season now. Be diligent about tying the inflorescences for best arrangement of the flowers. Also watch closely for slugs and snails. If weather is quite wet, protect the plants from the rain and this will help to reduce the risk of botrytis spotting.

Lycaste- Lycaste, will be moving toward their flowering season. Make sure the palm-like leaves do not interfere with the emerging inflorescences. Tying them loosely together often is helpful. Resist picking up the plant to inspect those beautiful buds and then setting it down in all different directions as the flower buds will be forced to re-orient themselves to the light source each time and will not open as nicely as they should. Keep plants a little drier during the shorter days.

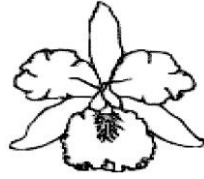
Paphiopedilum-The standard Paphiopedilum insigne-derived hybrids, which are called "bull dogs" and "toads," are at their peak. Unlike most other orchids, they can even be potted while in bud. There really is no wrong time to pot a paphiopedilum, and no other orchid responds so favorably to fresh mix and a cleanup. Keep an eye on watering until roots begin to grow.

Phalaenopsis - Now is the peak of spike development, with the first plants in full flower. Staking and plant preparation is a must for those all-important spring shows. Correct staking now will give a better display and also make it much easier to transport to your society meetings and shows. Care with watering is vital to avoid mechanical damage to the flowers, as well as rot-related problems. Do not repot this month.



SOUTH BAY ORCHID SOCIETY

SECOND ANNUAL ORCHID AUCTION



Friday, April 20, 2018

Preview 6:30PM

Auction starts at 7:00PM

South Coast Botanic Garden

- **26300 Crenshaw Blvd**
- **Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274**

Quality plants from orchid nurseries, commercial growers, hobbyists, vendors & society members

- **EVERYONE WELCOME - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Free Entrance Free Parking Refreshments

Cash, Checks, Credit Cards

www.southbayorchidsociety.com



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

- January 19 (3rd Friday)
- February 16 (3rd Friday)
- March 16 (3rd Friday)
- ❖ Cultural sessions start 7PM
- ❖ General meetings start 8PM at South Coast Botanic Garden

The next board meeting will be January 23

Call 310-377-7083 for more information

South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation

- January 5,6,7 Sidewalk Sale at the Gift Shop 10 AM – 5 PM
- January 7 Rose Pruning Demonstration 1 PM – 4 PM
- January 21 Fuchsia Pruning and Propagation 2 PM – 4 PM
- January 28 Fruit Tree Pruning Demonstration 1 PM – 3:30 PM

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.southcoasbotanicgarden.org>



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January 27 – 28, 2018 San Diego County Orchid Society
Orchids in the Park
Balboa Park's Casa del Prado, room 101
San Diego

February 9 – 11, 2018 Newport Harbor Show & Sale
Romancing the Orchid
1025 Westminster Mall, Westminster

January 17, 2018 Orange County Orchid Society Annual Auction
Yorba Linda Public Library Community Room
18181 Imperial Hwy., Yorba Linda
6:30 preview, 7:00pm auction
info: www.ocos.net

February 23 – 25, 2018 66th Pacific Orchid Exposition "Orchids & Wonderland" Show & Sale
Hall of Flowers, Golden Gate Park
San Francisco

March 9 – 11, 2018 73rd Santa Barbara International Orchid Show 'The World's Greatest Show Orchids'
Earl Warren Show Grounds
Santa Barbara

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