



*Sonoma County
Orchid Society*

SCOS ORCHID NEWS

October 2000

OCTOBER EVENTS

Meeting: **October 10, 2000 Tuesday 7:00 p.m.**
Veterans Memorial Building
1351 Maple Avenue, Santa Rosa
Dining Room-East side of building

Speaker: **Marvin Ragan**
Orchids of Brazil

Opportunity Table: **Exotic Orchids of Maui**

Plant Sales Volunteers: **Marjorie Shears Henry Davis Susan Anderson**
(plan to be there at 6:30)

Refreshments: **Kathy Dickerson Lucille Battison Christian Tonsberg**
Bud Lockwood Chas Koehler Lisa Bathke

Barbeque & Auction: **October 15 Sunday 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**
Kris and Jim Foster
827 Cleveland Ave. Petaluma

Meet Your Fellow Members



Kris and Jim Foster, our hosts for the October Open Greenhouse, moved to Petaluma in 1983 after living in Novato for a number of years. They started growing orchids in the house after receiving a Dendrobium as a gift. They now have 2 greenhouses. The first one is 16' x 25' and their new-almost finished-greenhouse is 20' x 20'. Jim likes Paphs and Phrags best and Kris likes Dendrobiums, Pleurothalids, and Bulbophyllums. They do, however, have many other types of orchids in their greenhouses.


Jim grew up in Carlsbad, New Mexico and then went to Colorado State University. Kris grew up in the Rockies (her Dad was in the Forest Service) and went to Colorado State University where they met. They both did graduate work at San Francisco State. They both work for the FDA. Kris is a Supervisor in the Microbiology Department and Jim is a Supervisor in Investigation. They commute together to Alameda. Married for 29 years, they have 2 sons. They both love fishing, camping and gardening.

Kris has begun flasking orchids, using her background in tissue culture, and hopes to develop this as a business when she retires in a few years.

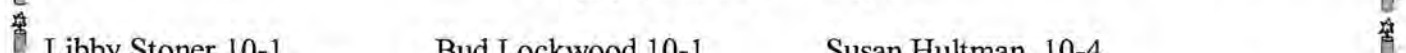


Lillian Smith was recently appointed to fill the position of Membership Secretary. Lillian said her first orchid was a blooming Cymbidium that she received as a gift. It sat for several years without blooming until someone suggested to her that she feed it! It bloomed again inspiring her to come to the SCOS Spring Show. She and Delman, her husband, bought several orchids at that show and joined the Society. They are now in the process of building a 14' by 30' greenhouse to house their rapidly growing collection. Lillian says her favorite orchids are Cattleyas, the larger the better.

Lillian grew up in Buffalo, New York. She met Delman through her brother, an orthodontist. They married and moved to California settling in Sonoma. Lillian was the office manager for her husband's dental practice until his recent retirement. They also raise and show Morgan horses. Quite a bit different from showing orchids! They have many other animals as well. You might have noticed the three dogs they frequently have in their van when they come to a meeting. They leave the cat and the cockatoo at home.



Happy October Birthdays



Libby Stoner 10-1

Bud Lockwood 10-1

Susan Hultman 10-4

Marjorie Hooper 10-16

Patty Oku 10-19

Kate Burroughs 10-31

Please notify us if your birthday is not on the list. Some members missed this line on the renewal form.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MEMORY WALK

October 7 Saturday 8:30 a.m. Spring Lake

The Alzheimer's Association, North Bay Chapter, has scheduled a Memory Walk at Spring Lake to raise money needed to provide services for Alzheimer's patients and families. Rick Gooding (584-1252) would be happy to give you information about walking in this fund raiser or would be happy to accept your donation to this worthy cause. Rick is a member of the Steering Committee for this event.

OPEN GREENHOUSE

Sunday October 15 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Kris and Jim Foster will host an Open Greenhouse on Sunday, October 15 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. They have two greenhouses (16 x 25 and 20 x 20), one of which has a stained glass window in it! Directions : from Hwy 101 take the Washington Street exit. Go west through town (at the Shell station/Seven Eleven Washington becomes Bodega Avenue). Continue West on Bodega Avenue past the Bodega Avenue Market (on the left hand side) to Cleveland Lane. Turn left on Cleveland Lane and proceed approximately a quarter mile to Cleveland Avenue which is a one lane road on your right. They are the second to last house on the left at the end of Cleveland Avenue which is approximately .5 miles from Cleveland Lane. The house is grey with blue and white trim. If you miss the Cleveland Avenue turn off you will hit Western Avenue-turn around and come back.

ANNUAL PLANT AUCTION

Peninsula Orchid Society invites you to attend their annual Plant Auction on October 27, at the San Mateo Garden Center. Registration begins at 5:00 with bidding starting at 7:00. Call Elizabeth Lasensky 650-324-8138 or Rene Biggs 650-593-4793 or check their website: www.geocities.com/~orchidsoc/

SEMINAR WITH FRANK FORDYCE

Saturday November 11 8:00 to ??

Frank Fordyce will lecture on cattleya culture and hybridizing as well as take us on a walking tour of his greenhouses demonstrating desirable culture and hybridizing results. Cost is \$15.00. Currently the seminar is full, however, we are starting a wait list in case there are cancellations. Contact Earl Rathbun at 528-1671 or e-mail rathbun@sonic.net. **Deadline is October 6, 2000.**

Help Wanted!!!!!!

Rick Gooding needs a co-chair to help with refreshments. Please call him at 584-1252. As many of you have told us, Rick has done a wonderful job at our meetings but he really could use some helpers.

Alison Bies needs a few more leaders to fill out the show committee. She needs an Operations Center Manager. This would involve setting up and manning the room we use for members check-in and hospitality. She needs a Raffle Chairperson. This involves soliciting items/gift certificates to be used in raffles on Preview Night and during the show and co-ordinating volunteers to sell tickets during the show. Call her at 795-9775 or e-mail her at bies@juno.com

2000 Barbeque and Auction



Jim Kennedy and Earl Rathbun
Helping with set up



Socializing before the barbeque.



Jim Hamilton and Mitch McAlpin
our auctioneers.



Lynne Paulus and Patty Connick
auction clerks.(Kathy Rathbun
not shown.)

Thank you to

Mitch and Gail McAlpin for
hosting our party.

Bob Breckwoltd, Sam
Spencer and Jim Kennedy
for directing the parking and
providing shuttle service to
offsite parking.

Bob Pike, Dale Martin, and
Mitch McAlpin for barbe-
quing the meat for our party.

Lynne Paulus, Patty Con-
nick, Earl Rathbun and
Kathy Rathbun for clerking/
assisting with the auction.

Jim Hamilton for purchasing
and describing the plants for
our auction.

Mitch McAlpin for being our
auctioneer.

Everyone who helped set up,
clean up, and brought deli-
cious food to share.



Gail McAlpin, John and Christie
Dermengian at the Silent Auction.



Mitch McAlpin and Bob Pike at
the grill cooking our lunch. (Dale
Martin not shown)



Enjoying the wonderful potluck
and barbeque.



Gail McAlpin trying to get the
Auctioneers attention!

SONOMA COUNTY ORCHID SOCIETY

The Sonoma County Orchid Society meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month. **Plant sales begin at 6:45 p.m. and ends when the speaker begins his/her presentation.** The Society provides an opportunity for any member to sell plants or material (with a 20% commission to the Society). A reminder to all members that any plant material offered for sale at the Society meeting, must be run through the Society. Pre-arranged pick-up of plants or materials is OK and does not have to go through the Society. Plant owners assume all risk and responsibility for their property. Your members binder has additional information.

The Skill Session, when scheduled is held at 7:10 in the front of the room. Announcements followed by Show and Tell begin at 7:30 p.m. The speaker will begin after Show and Tell (approximately 8:00 p.m.). Refreshments and opportunity plant drawings occur after the speaker's lecture.

Library Books Overdue

Please remember to have someone else return your books if you are unable to turn them in yourself. Books are checked out for one month only.

Kristin Tanner	Lycaste Orchids: Cultivation and Hybridization A Cultural Manual for Angraecoid Growers
Sarah Jackson	Anyone Can Grow Orchids (video) Cymbidiums Dendrobiums An Intro to the Species in Cultivation
Frank Thomas	Orchid Species Culture: Dendrobiums
Mitch McAlpin	The Antelope and "La Tourea" Dendrobiums A Revision of Dendrobium Sec. Oxyglossum
Bob Pike	The Genus Paphiopedilum

BOOKS DONATED TO THE LIBRARY

Jim Hamilton and Ron Ehlers donated the following books:

Handbook of Orchid Photography	AOS
Handbook of Orchid Culture	AOS
Expanding your Orchid Collection	Rentoul
Orchids	Taylor
Culture of Phalaenopsis Orchid	Gordon
Genus Phalaenopsis	Sweet
Orchids for Everyone	Williams
Orchid Growing Illustrated	Rittershausen
Quality Cattleyas in Colour	Hsu
Minature Cattleyas	
New Orchids	
Cattleyas Superior Parentages	

Richard Grundy donated:

Sanders Orchid Hybrids Vol 1 & II Jan'46 to Dec.60'

SALE

SCOS APRONS
\$12.00

PERLITE
\$5.00

If you are interested in purchasing a green apron with the SCOS logo on it they will be available at the next meeting at the plants sales area.

Horticultural size (small) Perlite in large bags is available. Contact Allison Bies at 795-9775 or bies@juno.com.

Income and Expense Report 8-17-00 to 9-21-00

	Income	Expense
Bark	39.00	
Membership	195.00	
Opportunity table	317.00	350.00
Plants Sales	833.00	708.80
Speaker-dinners		38.77
travel		116.60
honorarium		100.00
Total	1384.00	1314.17
Total Cash and bank accounts as of 9-21-00		\$20900.91

Board of Directors

President	Jim Kennedy	823-1582
Vice President		
Secretary	Becky Jackson	584-1386
Treasurer	Jim Hamilton	876-3496
Membership Secretary	Lillian Smith	938-8368
Newsletter Editors	Kathy & Earl Rathbun	528-1671
Past President	Mitch Mc Alpin	431-0940
Director Ways & Means	John Dermengian	568-6002
Director Meetings	Rick Gooding	584-1252

Committee Chairpersons

Greeter	Jim Butts	763-1606
Librarian	Josie Lee	526-5239
	Penny Martin	823-0420
Opportunity Table	Lucille/Ken Battison	762-4002
Plant Sales	Mariann Hopkins	829-1043
	Marilyn Barquero	763-8820
Refreshments	Rick Gooding	854-1252
Set Up	Jim Butts	763-1606
Spring Show	Alison Bies	795-9775
Holiday Party	Patty Connick	538-4245
Bus Trip	Barbara/John Hopper	833-2078

Newsletter Articles

If you have an announcement, thank you, an article you would like in the newsletter you can contact us by phone at 528-1671 (home) or 523-2530 (work) by mail at 1920 Grace Drive, Santa Rosa CA 95404, by fax 528-4065 or e-mail at rathbun@sonic.net. **Deadline for submission of items for the next Orchid News is the 20th of the month.**

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