



Sonoma County Orchid Society Newsletter

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Special points of interest

- Skill Session at 7pm– Earl Rathbun on Orchid Accessories with Wire at the next meeting.
- Open Greenhouse at Richard Lindberg's and Napa Valley Orchids on June 18 from 10:00am to 2:00pm.
- This Month's Board meeting is on June 25th 3:00 pm at Susan Anderson's home. The new Board and the old Board with spouses are invited to a BBQ dinner.
- SCOS Potting Party is June 4th at the Smiths.
- BBQ/Auction is scheduled for September 10th with Allan Koch as our auctioneer at the Jackson's. There will be no meeting in September.

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June, 2011

Meeting Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at 7:30 PM.

Veteran's Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA

June Speaker

Our speaker this month is Alan Koch of Gold Country Orchids. Alan will be speaking on **Miniature Cattleyas for the Home Grower**. His program will feature many types of showy miniature Cattleyas that will thrive and flower well on a windowsill, under lights or in a greenhouse. He will tell us the best way to grow these petite gems. Alan is well known for growing and hybridizing compact Cattleyas. He has been interested in these special orchids since the mid 1970s. Gold Country Orchids is located in Lincoln, CA, which is northeast of Sacramento in the Sierra Foothills. Please visit Gold Country's website at www.goldcountryorchids.com.



Alan Koch serves the American Orchid Society as a Trustee and is a member of the Special Funding Committee. He is also an accredited judge for AOS. Because of his expertise, he travels worldwide to lecture at various conferences and orchid events.

Alan is an enthusiastic, energetic and entertaining speaker, who offers growing and potting tips for successful miniature cattleya growing. Please join us for an enjoyable evening. Also, please think about coming to the pre-dinner meeting with Alan. Info on the dinner is as follows:

The speaker dinner before the meeting will be at 5:15pm at Trattoria Cattaneo, 2700 Yulupa Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA. If you plan to come to dinner, please contact Kathie Hile at 707-585-1912 or email her at Vice-President@sonomaorchids.com no later than Monday, June 13th, so we can make reservations. Click here for [directions](#). The plant table will be provided by Gold Country Orchids.

"GET READY, START GROOMING YOUR PLANTS FOR SALE OR DISPLAY:

JULY 10, Petaluma Art and Garden Festival. Our Society has been selected to participate in this huge one day event. Bring your orchids and orchid "companion" plants to sell or just to display. We can make money for the Society and bring in new members. PLEASE PARTICIPATE. Details will follow."

President's Corner

It's been a fantastic year for Sonoma County Orchid Society! We have had a lot of fun! We are in solid financial shape thanks to careful spending and some great money making events such as our Spring Show and our Annual Fall Auction. We will continue to be cautious on spending with the rates higher at the Veteran's Hall starting in July. I want everyone to know that due to popular demand, we are staying at the Veteran's Hall.

Since this is my last "President's Corner" I want to thank the entire membership for your support over the last year. I especially want to let the Board know how much I appreciate your efforts!! Kudos to Kathie, Becky, Ann, Smitty, Jim, Charles Gerry and Kris. It's a lot of work but we sure have fun doing it, don't we? You are a terrific bunch of people!! The Committee Chairs really stepped up to the plate, too! Lynne M, Patty C, Judy C, Bob B, Ann C, Charlene S, Marilyn B, Mariann H, Gerry S, and Richard L. We had great Events this year: the Spring Show, the Fall Auction, the Holiday Party, the Bus Trip, and the Potting Party. Everyone pitched in and helped where they could. Thank you to everyone who helped at meetings and at our events!

Congratulations to the new SCOS Board of Directors! I know that SCOS will continue to thrive!

Come to the Potting Party on June 4th at the Smiths! See your newsletter for details and directions. Bring something to nibble on for potluck. It's from 11am to 4pm.

We have a terrific speaker scheduled for our June 14th meeting. The unforgettable Alan Koch of Gold Country Orchids will be here to give us a fantastic talk. He is an amazing orchid grower and this is a NOT TO BE MISSED evening. Plus, you never know what he is going to have up his sleeve!

See you at our next meeting June 14th!

Susan

Thank You

Thank you to Patty Connick and Judy Carney for the fun filled Bus Trip. They did a fantastic job setting up the various bus stops! They made it a very interesting day. And they kept us to a well-timed and coordinated schedule. No one got lost and no one was left behind! Hats off to you two also for coordinating it so smoothly especially with three societies to deal with!! Great Job!! THANK YOU!! Thank you to Richard Lindberg for doing a Skill Session on Mounting Orchids! Thank you to Cris Hamilton of Hamilton Orchids and Sergio Garcia of Olompali Orchids for hosting an Open Greenhouse in May.

Open Greenhouse

This month we are having 2 Open Greenhouses, hosted by Richard Lindberg and Napa Valley Orchids, both in Napa, CA. from 10:00am to 2:00pm on June 18th. For directions to Richard's click [here](#) and for Napa Valley Orchids click [here](#).



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Win an Orchid

How can I win an orchid? Let me count the ways!

1. Bring a plant for Show and Tell and your name will be entered into a drawing held quarterly. This person gets 1st pick from the raffle table.
2. Bring a refreshment, or help with set up or take down and receive a raffle ticket for the first drawing of the Opportunity Table.
3. Wear your name tag and be entered into a drawing to win three raffle tickets.
4. Do a skill session and win \$5.00 worth of raffle tickets.

Show and Tell



Every time you bring a plant to Show and Tell, you will receive a chance to win the "Three Month Plant". When you bring in your plant (or plants) to share, fill out the card with your name and drop it in the box. A drawing will be held every three months.

Board Highlights

May 17, 2011

- SCOS will participate at the Heirloom Festival at Santa Rosa Fairgrounds on September 13-15. We will have an info table there. Kathie Hile is planning the details and could use volunteers.
- June speaker is Alan Koch, July is annual bingo and ice cream party. August speaker will be Debra Atwood. No regular meeting in September, but come to the BBQ/Auction at Becky Jackson's on Sept. 10th.
- There are 2 vacancies on the board which need filling: Vice President and Meetings Director. In absence of a VP, Susan Anderson will MC the Show & Tell each meeting.
- Ann Possinger reports \$19,696.53 balance to date, with an income of \$6876.14 this fiscal year. Property insurance goes up July 1st, and the board directed Ann to minimize coverage on the Show storage unit, but retain the current level on the vet's building storage cabinets.
- Future meetings will continue to be at the SR Vet's building. Meeting hours will be shortened by a half hour to save money. Meetings will start earlier, at 7:00 pm, with Skill sessions starting at 6:45 pm.
- Charles Peters is planning details on the Petaluma Art & Garden Festival on July 10th. Our booth will have plants to sell as well as give out information.
- Debbie Chapman will take over as Newsletter editor. The board approved up to \$200 to be spent on software to enable her to produce it.

Refreshments for May

Sa-Am

Since we do not have a Refreshment Chair to coordinate refreshments, the Society is asking that the members with their last name beginning with **Sa-Am** bring refreshments to the meeting.

Snacks such as fresh fruit, crackers & cheese, cookies, cakes or any other snack is welcome.

Anyone can bring refreshments.

Don't forget to get your raffle ticket for bringing something to share.



AOS Awards for May

Lycaste Chita Sunset 'Red Glory', AM 80 (Lyc. Shoalhaven x Lyc. Wyld Sunset), Exhibited by Ken and Amy Jacobsen

Sarcochilus Judith 'Golfball', HCC 78 (Sarco. Fitzhart x Sarco. Melba), Exhibited by James Morris

Sarcochilus unnamed hybrid 'Julie Ann', HCC 78 (prov) (Sarco. Melba x Sarco. Sharon), Exhibited by James Morris

Awards can be seen at:

Pacific Central Judging Center:
<http://www.aospacificcentral.org>

California Sierra Nevada Judging Center:
<http://www.csnjc.org>

Please note that the Annual Speaker's Day will be Saturday August 6th at the Oddfellow's Building. Speakers will be Marc Hatchadorian, Tom Parker, and Erich Michel. Topics still need to be announced but will include some orchid biology and angraecums. Pricing is \$10 in advance for our sponsoring societies and AOS members, \$15 at the door for our sponsoring societies and AOS members, and \$25 for non-AOS or non-sponsoring society. As always there's a gift if you join the AOS at the meeting.

Membership Corner

"Early Bird Notice" June is the time for renewing your membership . Thank you all for your continued support. Membership Gift Certificates are also available for neighbors and friends
 Membership Chair Jerry Smith

Note from White Oak Orchids

Scott and Gwen emailed thanking the society for coming and extending an invitation to all to visit by appointment.
sales@whiteoakorchids.com or www.whiteoakorchids.com.

2010/2011 Board of Directors and Committee Chairs

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June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 <i>Potting Party at the Smiths.</i>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 <i>SCOS Meeting</i>	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 <i>Board Meeting</i>
26	27	28 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	29	30		

July 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 <i>SCOS Meeting</i>	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 <i>Board Meeting</i>	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	27	28	29	30
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Upcoming Events

- June 3-5, San Jose Orchid Exposition, www.realorchidgrowers.com
- June 4th, SCOS Potting party, ([See page 10](#)).
- June 4th, Botanico Open House. ([See page 9](#)).
- June 14th, SCOS Meeting at the Vets Building.
- July 1st—3rd, Raymond Burr Orchid Liquidation Sale. ([See page 8](#)).
- July 10th, Petaluma Art and Garden Festival, SCOS sale booth.
- July 12th, SCOS Bingo and Ice Cream social, at the Vets Building.
- August 9th, SCOS Meeting at the Vets Building.
- September 10th, SCOS BBQ and Auction.
- September 13th, NO MEETING
- September 13-15, Heirloom Festival, Santa Rosa Fairgrounds, SCOS information table.
- October 11th, SCOS Meeting at the Vets Building.
- November 8th, SCOS Meeting at the Vets Building.
- December 13th, SCOS Holiday Party.

The Potting party will be on June 4th. If you want to pick up your bark at the party you should sign-up at the meeting or call Jim and Kris Foster @707-762-7124 to reserve it and have it delivered to the party.



Annual Potting Party

When: Saturday, June 4th

Time: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Where: Smith's house, 4711 Pepperwood Dr, Penngrove

What to bring: Please bring a finger food to share. Water and soft drinks will be provided by the society.

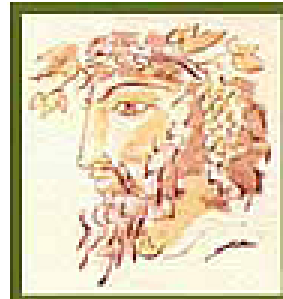
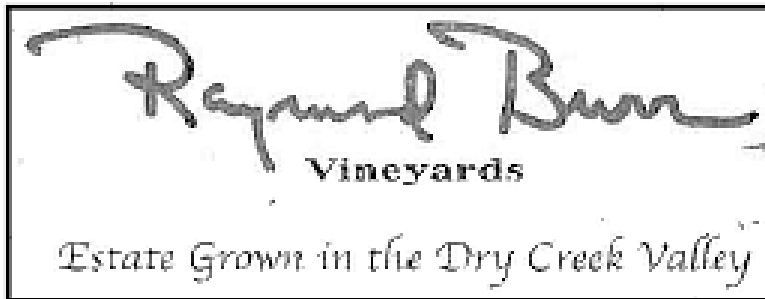
Bring any plants you want help in repotting, overgrown monstrosities you want to share pieces of, or even plants you want to find a new home for. Come early for the best selection of plants!

Also bring supplies such as pots, cork slabs and moss, wood slat baskets, stakes, plant ties, plant labels, cutting shears, etc. In other words, bring whatever you'll need (except bark) to pot up your treasures. The Society will supply medium and fine bark.



Just click [Here](#) for directions from your location.

The society has a supply of bark (fine and medium size) and we will have sign-up sheets available at the next few meetings. It can be delivered to the potting party.



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Botanico Open house

Dean Haas, owner of Botanico, will be holding an open greenhouse in Half Moon Bay on

**Saturday, June 4th
from 11AM to 4PM**

and again on

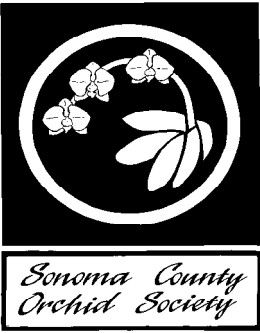
**Saturday, July 16th
from 11AM to 4PM.**

The greenhouse is located off of Hwy 92. Take the service road adjacent to the parking of the Spanish Town Mini Mall marked by large metal animal sculptures clearly visible from the hwy.

The greenhouse can be seen on the right where the service road ends. Many choice plants for sale including awardable but affordable paphs, masdevallias, cym., fragrant vandas, lycastes, divisions of Laelia anceps, large specimen laelia anceps to name just a few as well as groups of boxed orchids priced to sell!

For further information, please contact

Dean Haas at 510-368-8062.



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Address Correction Requested

We're on the Web!

<http://www.sonomaorchids.com>

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 25% 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 **7:00** at the front of the meeting room. The subject will be announced in the newsletter and a sign will be posted at the meeting. 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.