



Sonoma County Orchid Society Newsletter

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Special points of interest

- Sept 10—SCOS BBQ and Auction
- Sept 13-15—Heirloom Festival, 11am– 9pm.
- Sept 20—Board meeting at Larry Mead's, 6:30pm .
- Sept 24—CA Orchids Fall Sale 9am-4pm; also Peninsula Orchid Society auction 1:30pm.
- Oct 11—SCOS Meeting with Jason Fischer at 6:30pm.
- Oct 22—Open Greenhouse, Lynne Murrell's, 11am-4pm

September, 2011

NO MEETING THIS MONTH

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

Annual BBQ & Auction



Sonoma County Orchid Society

**Please come to the BBQ and Auction on Saturday,
September 10, 2011**

A fun-filled day of Orchids, Friends & Food

1451 Keiser Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA

Silent Auction, Tri-tip or Chicken BBQ, followed by Live Auction

Silent Auction Begins at 11:00; Lunch at 12:30; Live Auction at 2:00; Ends at 5:00

ALAN KOCH OF GOLD COUNTRY ORCHIDS,

Auctioneer Extraordinaire

Something for everyone

Silent auction plants must arrive by 10:30 a.m.

\$6.00 per person, bring a potluck side dish to share

Friends and Family welcome

Donations Appreciated

Parking is available at 1411 Keiser Avenue

RSVP by email to secretary@sonomaorchids.com and

designate for each person

choice of beef or chicken

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President's Corner

It's almost September, with winter just a few months away. It seems I just finished moving my orchids and tropicals out of the greenhouse for the summer and in another month or two I'll be moving everything back in again. That is if I can find the room, since I've added a lot of new plants to my collection this summer. I hope you have all enjoyed the summer growing season and your orchids have flourished. The upcoming cooler months provide the perfect conditions for good flower production, as this is the time for spike development. We look forward to lots of blooming plants for our Spring Show.

It's also the time for our BBQ and Auction. For me, this is the one of the most fun events of the year. The silent auction is a real hoot, as we try to outbid each other for sought-after items. Alan Koch, auctioneer extraordinaire, will entertain us at the live auction of fabulous orchids, wine, wine tours, private tastings and who knows what else. We welcome all donations, even non-orchid related donations and all donations are tax deductible. So come, have fun, bring friends, share food and bid on orchids. See the flyer in this newsletter for all the details.

Please make sure you renew your membership if you haven't done so already. We'll be happy to take your check or cash at the BBQ or, you can mail your membership dues to Larry Mead, 254 Maria Lane, Santa Rosa, CA 95409. Don't miss out on the upcoming events and please get involved – it's fun.

And just to mention one of the upcoming events, Jason Fischer of Orchids Limited will be our October speaker. The topic of his presentation is "Native Orchids of Japan", which will include *Neofinetia*, *Cymb. goeringii*, *Den. moniliforme*, *Calanthe*, *Sedirea japonica*, etc. He will be accepting pre-orders, which must be placed by Oct. 7th. You must pre-pay in order to receive a 10% discount. When ordering online, <http://www.orchidweb.com/> please specify "**Sonoma County Orchid Society Pre-Order, 10% discount**" in the special instructions field and Orchids Limited will make the adjustment before processing your credit card. Jason will deliver pre-ordered plants, provide the opportunity table and will bring plants for sale. He will also be speaking to four other societies in the Bay Area. In the October newsletter, I will publish his schedule.

Finally, the Heirloom Festival is September 13 – 15 from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. We're looking for volunteers to handle short shifts at the Society's informational booth. In another part of this newsletter, Ann Possinger lists the shifts for which we still need coverage. Ann also provides information about the Festival and provides links, which you should find interesting.

I look forward to seeing you at the BBQ and Auction.

Kathie

Board Highlights

August 16, 2011

- Jason Fischer will speak in the Bay Area in October and we are fortunate enough to have him come here for our regular meeting on Oct. 11th. Don't miss it!
- Open Greenhouse schedule: Lynne Murrell in October, Earl Rathbun in November.
- Treasurer, Ann Possinger reports \$17,477 in the bank with a net income last year of \$3947. The budget for 2011-12 was passed. Anyone wanting to see a copy can ask Ann.
- The Heirloom Festival at the SR Fairgrounds is being planned. Set up on Sept 12 from 10 am-10 pm. Contact Kathie if you'd like to participate in any capacity on Sept. 12, or 13-15th. We need lots of volunteers, and it should be FUN. We need some blooming plants for display. We won't put them on display until the actual show on 9/15. The building will be locked at night. Please contact Kathy Hile, 585-1912, if you are willing to share a blooming plant or two for the display. We'll even pick them up!
- There are 64 paid members to date, and 55 non-paid. Please pay your dues to Larry Mead, Membership Chair if you haven't yet.
- The Newsletter will offer advertising to the public for \$10 for a business-card sized ad, minimum of 3 months. Please get the word out. Contact Debbie Chapman, editor, to submit something.
- Spring Show 2012 is being organized by Lynne Murrell. If she hasn't called you to help yet, please call her!
- Holiday Party will again be at Legends restaurant. Details and sign-ups coming at the October general meeting.
- Next Board meeting is Sept. 20 at Larry Mead's home. Anyone is invited to come and be heard.

Next Board Meeting

The September 20th Board Meeting will be at the home of Larry Mead. All members are welcome. Please RSVP to Larry.

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.

In Memory of...

James Frank Fordyce, passed away on August 17, 2011, after a brief illness, at the age of 87. Frank was one of the orchid world's most revered and iconic figures. He is survived by his wife of sixty-six years, Virginia "Madge", his daughter, Lila Susan "Sue", and his son James Stephen "Steve". Frank and Madge were childhood sweethearts, having known each other for eighty years. During his military service in WWII, Frank was captured by the enemy and was a POW from 1943-1945. In 1946, he began his career in orchids that spanned the remainder of his life when he was hired by Mr. Fred Stewart of Stewart Orchids. Frank worked at Stewart's from 1946 until 1960, when he opened his own orchid business in Oceanside, California. In 1970, he closed his business and began a ten year career with the Rod McLellan Company. In 1980, Frank and his able partner, Madge maintained their "Orchid Ranch" business in Livermore, California, until it was closed in 2006. Frank Fordyce was one of the most gifted hybridizers of cattleyas and his legacy continues to glean countless awards to the present day. A private interment will be held in Livermore. However, a "Celebration of the Life of Frank Fordyce and his Passion for Orchids," will be held on Saturday, September 17, 2001, at the Trinity Baptist Church, 557 Olivevina Avenue, Livermore, California, at 1:00PM, with a reception and buffet dinner following. All are invited to attend this public tribute to the life of a legend in the world of orchids.

Open Greenhouse

This month's open green house will be hosted by Lynne Murrell, 130 Laurel Grove, Kentfield , October 22, from 10am to 2pm.

Thank You

Thank you to Mary Ann Aleandri for her September open greenhouse. I hope you all got to visit. Mary Ann has some spectacular plants and a great way to use space.

ORCHID SALE

CALIFORNIA ORCHIDS
BI-ANNUAL SALE
SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 24TH,
9AM - 4PM
515 Aspen Rd,
Bollinas, CA
www.californiaorchids.com

AOS Awards for June

Awards can be seen at:

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

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

- Cattleya praestans 'Jocelyn', HCC 78 species, exhibited by James G. Morris - of course that was once Laelia praestans.
- Dendrobium cuthbertsonii 'Mandarin', AM 80 species, exhibited by Golden Gate Orchids
- Dendrobium laevifolium 'Sam's Choice', both a CCE 93 *and* an FCC 90 species, exhibited by Golden Gate Orchids - this is an upgrade of a previous award: Previous award AM 81
- Phalaenopsis bellina 'Joy', AM 87 species, exhibited by Ramon de los Santos

Membership Corner

Dear Membership,

Thank you to everyone who paid their membership dues this year, and if for some reason you have not done so, take a minute to complete the membership application and send it to me or you can bring it to the BBQ September, 10 at Becky's house.

Also I would like to welcome new members Charlie Smith and partner Ninie.

Welcome.

Thank you.

Larry, Membership Chair

2011/2012 Board of Directors and Committee Chairs

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August 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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7	8	9 <i>SCOS Mtg</i>	10 BBQ	11	12	13
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28	29	30	31			

September 2011

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Upcoming Events

- September 10th, SCOS BBQ and Auction.
- September 13th, NO MEETING
- September 13-15, Heirloom Festival, Santa Rosa Fairgrounds, SCOS information table.
- September 24, Peninsula Orchid Society's 2011 Auction,
- October 11th, SCOS Meeting at the Vets Building.
- October 22, Open Greenhouse: Lynne Murrell's
- November 8th, SCOS Meeting at the Vets Building.
- November 13, Earl and Kathy Rathbun, 11am—4pm
- December 13th, SCOS Holiday Party.

NOTES OF INTEREST

- Passanisi Nursery at 8270 Petaluma Hill Road, Penngrove is selling their inventory of orchids at clearance pricing. They are closing the nursery the first week of September. Call Joe at 415/640-1746 to make an appointment. Cymbidiums, 1 gal \$4.00, 2 gal \$7.00; 4" Phalaenopsis for \$2.50, 6" Miltonia for \$5.00; 6" Oncidium for \$5.00; 1 gal Wilsonii olive plants. for \$1 each.
- Peninsula Orchid Society's 2011 Auction to be held September 24, beginning at 1:30pm at the San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo. Venue opens for previewing at 12:00pm. Beginning September 10, a pre-registered plant listing may be viewed at <http://auction.penorchids.org/auction>

Valuable Cymbidium & Laelia Plants Stolen

Sometime over the Aug 13-15 weekend, approximately 30, very large and very valuable, mostly feathered/flared or splashed Cymbidium Orchids and several Laelias, with a combined value in excess of \$30,000, were stolen from a private collection in a greenhouse in Half Moon Bay, California. I am sending this notice out in hopes that it will reach enough orchid people in enough areas to help find the person(s) responsible for this grand theft from a hobbyist grower and to hopefully recover some of these plants.

There is a substantial reward being offered to anyone with information leading to the person(s) who stole these plants. If you see or hear of any of these unique plants being offered for sale or hear of anyone purchasing one, please contact the goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com

The list may not be complete at this time and more plants may be added, but the one feature that distinguishes the majority of these plants is the fact that they are feathered/flared or splashed. Most were very healthy in crowded 2 gallon pots, ready to be divided.

Stolen Plants

Applebee 'Royal Surprise' 2 gal very large	Nipomo Sunset 'Fiesta Flare' 2 gal very large
Beverly Cobb 'Evelyn Paley' 2 gal very large very, very large 3 gal	(Physical attraction X Camouflage Candy)
Beverly Cobb 'Evelyn Paley' 1 gal	Pia Borg 'Flash' 2 gal very large
Blazing Rose 2gal very large	Pinata 'Black Hole' 1 gal large
George Formby 2 gal	Prince Charles 'Carnival' 2 gal large
Happy Alex 'Splash' 2gal large	Rincon Fairy 2 gal very, very large
Hallelujah 'Bold Vision' 2 gal very large	Rocky Creek 'Gotcha' MP
Hallelujah 'Mount Vision' 2 gal very large	Suavely 'Wild Joker'
Howard Cobb 'Feathered Zita' 2 gal very large	Wild Woman 'Feathered'
Ivy Fung 'Harlequin'	Winter Fire 'Frosty Tips' Very large 1gal
Kakadu Sunset 'Fireglow 4' 1gal	Winter Fire 'Splash' Very large 1 gal
Kakadu Sunset 'Fireglow 4' 2gal	4 Laelia Anceps from SBOE
Mainstem 'Hip Hop'	Lc W... Splash petal from SBOE display
Memoria Gracie Allen 2 gal	

It is truly sad when a hobbyist has to go the extremes of removing names and substituting numbers on their plants, or install motion sensor cameras and electric fencing and connections to a police department to protect their valuable collections from greedy thieves like the ones who decimated the Half Moon Bay collection. The worst part is these thieves were knowledgeable about their orchids and the names. None of the plants were in bloom, and with only a few exceptions, only the unusual feathered/flared/splashed ones were taken. Although devastated by the loss, the owner will attempt to restore the collection, but it will not happen overnight. Any help will be appreciated and kept confidential.

Weegie Caughlan

President and Newsletter Editor, Gold Coast Growers

The National Heirloom Exposition on September 13-15th at the Santa Rosa Fairgrounds

The SCOS will have a booth with a display of orchids and information. We are doing this to spread the word about the Society and hopefully get new members. We need some volunteers to sit at the booth and share your love of orchids with people who come by. By volunteering you get in for free and can see the rest of the Expo. It really sounds interesting. Check out this video: <http://www.youtube.com/user/growingyourgreens#p/u/13/ZiXFao2IP5U>. This link gives the schedule of events and speakers: <http://theheirloomexpo.com/events/schedule/>.

We need: 1 person on 9/13 from 10:45 – 2 pm.

1 person on 9/13 from 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm.

2 people on 9/14 from 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm

2 people on 9/15 from 10:45 am – 2:00 pm

2 people on 9/15 from 2:00 – 5:30 pm

Please contact Ann Possinger at 538-4101 about volunteering. It's an easy job, you'll get to see the Expo for free, and you'll be helping your Society.

We need some blooming plants for the display. We won't put them in the display until the actual show on 9/13, and we'll take them home after the show closes on 9/15. The building will be locked at night.

More than 50 renowned speakers will be featured at the Heirloom Expo, including chef and author Alice Waters, physician and nutrition expert Dr. John A McDougall MD, cofounder of Seed Saver's Exchange Diane Ott Whealy, author Wendy Johnson, horticulturist Gwen Kilchherr, Pesticide Watch community organizer Dana Perls, and the editors of Organic Gardening, Sunset, Grit, and Herb Companion magazines. (Visit theheirloomexpo.com for the full lineup and speaker schedule.) There will also be live music, garden art, food demos, giant produce contests, poultry and livestock shows, a plethora of fantastic "foodie" movie screenings, seed, plant, and natural-food vendors, workshops, and various kinds of educational fun for kids.

What exactly is an heirloom? Heirloom plants, both ornamental and edible, are open-pollinated varieties that preserve the past, offer greater disease and insect resistance, come in a wide range of shapes, colors, and tastes, and have much, much hipper names than today's hybrids and disputed genetically modified seeds. Check out these heirloom tomato names: 'Chocolate Stripes,' 'Aunt Ruby's German Green,' 'Pearly Pink,' and 'Radiator Charlie's Mortgage Lifter'. "Heirlooms are a celebration of the diversity of life. Every single variety has a certain intrinsic purpose and value, grows in different conditions, has a specific flavor, and season--just like humans," says Helge Hellberg, creator and host of An Organic Conversation on Green 960 Radio. "The incredible vastness of heirloom varieties for me is a mirror of our society, where every expression and character is necessary and makes up the flavor, fabric, and beauty of life." Hellberg will be one of the panelists speaking on Tuesday, September 13th, at the expo.

This "World's Fair" of the heirloom industry is in part sponsored by Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds. The company opened its "Seed Bank" doors in 2008 in nearby Petaluma, California. Founder Jere Gettle, known to many as "the Indiana Jones of seeds," planted his first garden at age 3. Today, the company catalogue ships to 250,000 gardeners nationally, and offers the largest selection of heirloom varieties in the U.S.A. "This event has grown faster and larger than I ever imagined. It is exciting and encouraging to see so much interest in preserving our heritage breeds of animals, pure food sources, and traditional arts," says Gettle.

BUD SEAGRAVES ORCHID SALE

Saturday, August 20, 2011 9 AM - 4 PM

At his home: 115 Lu Ray Drive, Los Gatos, CA

Please do not contact the family. For All inquiries and questions:

Contact Tanya Lam, email: tanyah.lam@gmail.com or 408-826-1101

Bud Segraves is a long time member and past president of many orchid societies in Northern California. Bud has been ill for most of this year. His family has decided to sell all his orchid collection.

The sale is on Saturday August 20th, 9am-4pm at his house in Los Gatos. Bud grows a variety of genera both hybrids and species, including cattleya, laelia, vanda, cymbidium, phalaneopsis and some others. He has 2 intermediate greenhouses and a large collection of cymbidium and outdoor orchids.

Bring your own boxes. Cash and checks accepted. First come first serve, all sales are final. Please do not contact the family regarding this event. All inquiries and questions should be sent to Tanya Lam at tanyah.lam@gmail.com or contact Tanya at her cell phone 408-826-1101.

September Checklist

□ **Cattleya** Despite the shortening days and lowering angle of the sun in the Northern Hemisphere, this can still be one of the hottest months. Water and fertilizer need to be in balance with heat and light, as with most of the growing months. The alert grower will notice, however, that his plants are beginning — just beginning — to slow down a bit. Growths are maturing and the sheaths are giving the promise of the next six months' bloom. Check plants for potting needs for the last time. Any in dire need should be potted, even some that may be on the cusp, as there is just enough of the growing season remaining to allow the plants to establish before the days start to get really short and cold.

This is the month for purples derived from *Cattleya labiata* breeding. If you are short on flowers, look into this group. There is nothing that can quite match these perennial favorites for beauty and fragrance. They are easy to grow, too.

Plants summered out of doors will need to be prepared to be brought back into the winter growing area. Clean up the plants. Be on the lookout for any pests they may have picked up during their "vacation." Treat as necessary.

□ **Cymbidium** This is the beginning of the bloom season, beginning with *Cym. ensifolium* hybrids. The first of the winter-blooming standardized hybrids will soon follow. As with most orchids, it is good to continue feeding with a fertilizer higher in potassium and phosphorus. Because buds are beginning to show, watch for slugs and snails. It is not cold enough to make them run for cover, so be on the lookout and bait when needed, especially after it rains. Guide the new spikes with stakes for a nice presentation of flowers for display.

□ **Dendrobium phalaenopsis** This is a great time for this showy group of orchids. Having begun to flower a little earlier in the summer, these plants will be putting on a tremendous show now. The

warmer-growing plants will have many sprays of large, saucerlike flowers from pure white through to pink and deep purple. The Hawaiians should be congratulated for all their hard work in hybridizing this line.

□ **Miltonia** (Brazilian) These, the true miltonias, will begin their flowering season now. Bred primarily from *Miltonia spectabilis* and *Miltonia clowesii*, the flowers will have tremendous variety. The plants are robust and soon form enormous specimens. Odontonias and colmanaras bred from the Brazilian miltonias both base much of their popularity on their genes derived from these beauties.

□ **Paphiopedilum** Standard, green-leaved "toads" will begin to show their bloom sheaths this month. Late-season heat waves can cause these early sheaths to blast, so be observant about proper cooling and air circulation. As with the other plants that may have been summered out of doors, it is time to prepare for their move inside by cleaning and inspecting for insects.

□ **Phalaenopsis** The bulk of this season's growth is being ripened this month, with growers in cooler climates seeing the first emerging spikes. Some night heating may become necessary in the cooler areas, as well. Begin to watch watering more carefully, and reduce feeding proportionately with reduced watering needs. An extra dose of phosphorus and potassium is beneficial. Use a blossom-booster or high-acid-type fertilizer.

□ **Vanda** Now it is time to mark the end of the growing season. Watch for the sudden cold nights as vandas and their relatives are some of the warmest-growing orchids. Autumn is a good time for seeing the classic vanda hybrids bred from *Vanda (Euanthe) sanderiana*. Watch closely for flower spikes that are stuck in the leaf base and gently twist them free. Any last-minute potting is appropriate. — *Prepared by Ned Nash and James Rose*

CLASSIFIEDS

You may have noticed that we now have a "Classifieds" Column. Members may advertise orchid related items for sale. Send your ad to newsletter@sonomaorchids.com

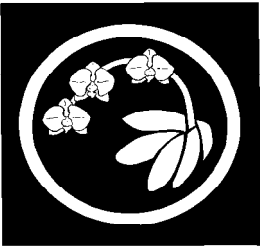
*****ORCHID SALE***September 26, 27, 30 and October 1 and 2. By appointment only 2-6pm. Established divisions, including pendant and high color cymbidiums and their companions, and intermediate growers— L. purpurata, brassavola, cattleya, brassia, etc. Most plants: \$10. Ten minutes south of the town of Sonoma. CYNTHIA BATTERSHALL. 707-938-2205. cbatt@yahoo.com .

ADVERTISING

We also plan to have an Advertising column and publish business cards. Here is where you can all help. Our newsletter will publish any business card in our monthly newsletter for \$10 per month, with a three-month minimum. Advertisers may send their business cards to newsletter@sonomaorchids.com. Checks may be given to any Board Member. Or mailed to Ann Possinger, SCOS, PO Box 11195, Santa Rosa, CA 95406

AUCTION ITEMS FOR SCOS AUCTION AND BBQ

1. Private tour and tasting for 8 at Dutcher Crossing winery in Dry Creek \$200.00.
2. Private tour and tasting for 4 at Nicholson Ranch Winery and a picture of the wine valued at \$105.00.
3. One case of Raymond Burr wine half Cabernet Sauvignon and half Chardonnay valued at \$378.00.
4. Sunce Winery, three bottles of Meritage 2007/08/09 wine with 2glasses valued at \$156.00.
5. Williamson Winery who donated a Legacy tasting for 4 valued at \$100.00.
6. Twelve Raymond Burr Sea God orchids from Robert Benevides plus one that might need to recover before we sell/auction it off. Kris will send a separate listing of the plant names when she gets it all together. One plant definitely needs to be potted/re-potted. Value:Priceless.
7. 2007 Everett Ridge Estate Reserve Zinfandel \$42
8. 2007 Everett Ridge Estate Petite Sirah \$32
9. 2009 Esterlina Cole Ranch Reserve Pinot Noir \$65
10. 2006 Esterlina Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon \$40
11. Tasting for 4 at Everett Ridge Winery \$60
12. Tour and Tasting at BR Cohn for 6—value \$90
13. Robert Rue Winery—1 bottle 2008 Zinfandel, signed, #32 plus tasting for 6
15. Private tasting for 4 at Ledson winery.



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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.