

The BackBulb

C A R M E L O R C H I D S O C I E T Y

May 2009 ■



May Meeting: Repotting, Mounting, Grooming and Readying for MayFaire!

Spring has long past sprung, and if you have been putting off repotting... Well, the May meeting should motivate you, we are having repotting and mounting demonstrations. Then to get everyone ready for MayFaire, we will demonstrate some plant grooming techniques. Everyone wants their special plant to stand out in the judges eyes and we will show you how. There will also be time to have your MayFaire questions answered and a special raffle table.

The May meeting is on **Monday May 4th**. At the First Presbyterian Church of Monterey, 501 El Dorado St. Monterey, CA.

This month we are trying something brand new. The GOOD News: Everyone who participates goes home with a new orchid or orchid accessory! Here's how it works. Bring a nice, clean orchid plant or orchid accessory such as a nice pot , to our meeting. Place them on the plant opportunity table. Pick up the usual two part ticket. One part still goes in the basket. We will draw all the tickets from the basket and everyone walks away with a new plant or item donated by one of your fellow members. It is a great way to get something unique and different.

- ◆ **We need you:** Volunteers, please sign in at the membership table on Sunday. More on page 5
- ◆ **We need plants:** Bring Your flowering groomed plants on Friday. See page 4 & 5
- ◆ **We need donations:** Merchandise or services for the Raffle, see page 4. Or a bottle of nice wine for the Saturday gala, bring the wine to the May meeting.
- ◆ **We need your approval:** A major part of our fundraising efforts will be in the wholesale purchase of orchids for resale. Our budget for this purchase is \$2,000.00. A purchase of this size must be approved by the general membership. We will ask for your vote at the May meeting.

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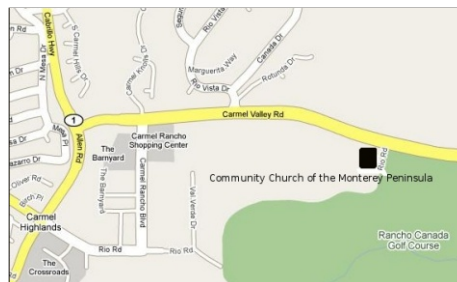
Goodies For the May Meeting

Joanie Linares, Carolyn Salmon, Norma Walch, Rose Cunningham, and Rose Mary Ullmann will provide the goodies for your culinary pleasure.

New Location For the June Meeting!

We will meet at the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula, which is 1 mile East of Highway One at 4590 Carmel Valley Road.

If you are coming from Hwy. 1 turn right at the Rancho Canada turnoff and turn right at the end of the drive.



Carol's Commentary

Our Annual MayFaire is almost here and it promises to be exceptional. We are participating in the Field of Flowers. Several of our Society Members who are artists are designing orchids for the display. These One-Of-A Kind pieces of art will be auctioned off during the event for the benefit of COS.

All COS members are invited to enter flowers, in addition to orchids, in the flower display. I will have copies of the rules and types of entries at the May meeting. A short list of the types of entries is – cut rose arrangements, cut roses, container plants, flowering shrubs, perennials, annuals and bulb/bulb like plants (iris). A person may have 10 entries free of charge, after that there is a charge of \$1.00.

Our COS Raffle is very important to our fund raising efforts for the Society. We have had some generous donations made both by individuals and businesses, however, we would be happy to welcome additional ones. Donations do not have to be orchid related – a nice bottle of wine, a gift certificate, etc.

Please come to our May meeting – it promises to be a fun one and do pick up some copies of our postcard advertising the MayFaire so that you can distribute them.

Future dates to jot down: August 29 – the Summer Orchid Fest & BBQ, December 13 – our Annual Christmas Party. There will be more information on these events later.

Carol

Upcoming Events

May

5/2,3 9AM-4PM D&D Flowers Fall Open House and Sale in Half Moon Bay. The greenhouse is not open to the public except for the spring and fall open house events. Great prices on original divisions of Cattleyas, Oncidiums, Cymbidiums, Paphiopedilums, Phragmipediums and many more genera. Lots of seedlings priced to sell. Cash or checks, no credit cards. For every \$25 you spend, we enter your society of choice for a raffle plant table.

5/4 Monday 7PM COS May Meeting. Potting, mounting and grooming Demo's.

5/8,9 Orchid Society of California Mothers Day Weekend Orchid Sale & Show. Lakeside Garden Center 666 Bellevue, Oakland CA

5/17 Sunday, May Faire!

5/30,31 9AM to 5PM Express Orchid Exhibition at the Holiday Inn Express Hotel and Suites 1350 N. Fourth Street San Jose.

June

6/1 Monday 7PM **COS June Meeting, NEW Location!**

6/13 Orchid Digest Speakers Day. "A Celebration of the Diversity of Slipper Orchids" Huntington Library & Botanical Garden, San Marino CA.

August

8/8 California, Sierra Nevada Judging Center Speakers Day. Sacramento CA. Roy Tokunaga, H & R Nurseries, Understanding Dendrobiums, their variety & culture; Ron McHatton, Director of Education for the AOS, Simplified Orchid Genetics for the General Grower; Carlos Fighetti, President of the AOS, Taiwan, Fantastic Modern Phalaenopsis.



Flowers from the Mid-America Orchid Conference, March 09

MayFaire, This Is It!

◆ **The Display:** We want to have a special display this year to show off our beautiful orchids to a whole new crowd and inspire us all. Drop off your plants at Hidden Valley Institute of Arts on Friday 12 to 4 on Friday or, If you just can't make a Friday delivery, call John OConnell at 394-8419 to arrange a Wednesday or Thursday drop off at his house in Seaside.

◆ **Your Other Plants:**

Remember you are all invited to enter other cut flower and garden plants for judging on Sat May 16th from 8:30 - 11:30am. There will be lots of beautiful roses in the cut flower judging.

◆ **The Party:** Sat Evening 6-8pm Tickets 20.00 advance, 25.00 at the door. You can reserve your place using a credit card at 831-659-3115 Peter Meckel. Preview the flower/orchid displays and see the results of that day's judging. Preview the silent auction and maybe raffle. Gourmet hors d'oeuvres, wine, and live music.

◆ **Plant Sales:** The society will be buying a bunch of blooming orchids to sell at the show. All will be in bloom, many are not commonly available at grocery stores. buy one for yourself or to give as a gift.

◆ **The Raffle:** The society will also be hosting a raffle. We need people to donate new items (can be orchid related or not) for this fundraiser. Tickets will be sold at the show and people will select the items their tickets will go to.

◆ **Vendors:** We have invited several orchid vendors to this show so if you need something more exotic than the society's sale plants, there should be a vendor to sell it to you. There will also be regular garden plants for sale at the show.

Sunday May 17th, 9am to 5pm

Carmel Valley Flower & Art Show



Carmel Orchid Society MayFaire

Carmel Valley Garden Association & Carmel Orchid Society present an extraordinary double event including:

Judged Flower Exhibits Art & Pottery Vendors Daniel Barduzzi's BBQ

Huge Plant & Orchid Sale Silent Auction & Raffle

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Artists' Field of Flowers Auction Children's Discovery Garden



Conveniently located at Hidden Valley Institute of the Arts
88 W. Carmel Valley Road at Ford Road in Carmel Valley

FREE ADMISSION

Designed by Julie Moore

MayFaire, The Big Display

- ✓ All plants are pest and disease free.
- ✓ Make your plants as attractive as possible:
 - ☞ Clean your leaves.
 - ☞ Stake any spikes that need it.
 - ☞ Cover pots with an attractive basket or decorative pot.
- ✓ Tag your plant. We need to know the Genus, species, Grex or lineage. The Volunteers will create a display tag from your tag, so your tag must be legible.
- ✓ Plants should be brought to the Hidden Valley Music Seminars at 88 w. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley Village at the corner of Ford Road between 12 – 4 on Friday, May 15.
- ✓ If you just can't make a Friday delivery, call John OConnell at 394-8419 to arrange a Wednesday or Thursday drop off at his house in Seaside.
- ✓ We must have all the plants in place before Saturday morning.
- ✓ At the conclusion of the show the display will be disassembled, moss removed and the plants will be available to be picked up after 5:00 PM on Sunday, May 17th



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MayFaire Volunteers



Thank You for everyone who volunteered for MayFaire! Without your help we could not put this show on.

Friday: People helping with setting up the display, You should be contacted by Marilyn or Elizabeth.

Saturday Afternoon setup. All work will be in the field setting up ez-ups and tables Starting at 2PM

Sunday, From 7AM to 6(or later)PM report to the membership table for your assignments. We will need a few people at 7 to complete setup and as many helping hands as possible for teardown starting at 5PM.

An Email from Paul & Mary Storm

Hi Joanie - this is very late but nevertheless most sincere. We so much enjoyed dinner with y'all and the very pleasant members of your society. it is a beautiful area and it was a wonderful evening.

Please give everyone our greetings and thanks.

We hope that our paths will cross again someday -

best - paul and mary at Meke Aloha

Treasurer's Report

March begining balance: \$2,553 Debits: \$1,323 Income: \$219

March ending balance: \$1,449

Vangard money market: \$10,733

2009 Membership, Last Chance!

We need your dues by **May 1** So you can enjoy all our **great** speakers, **fabulous** orchid opportunity tables, and this **elegant** newsletter!

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2009 Membership Application			
Please make checks payable to the Carmel Orchid Society and mail to: Carmel Orchid Society - Membership c/o Jaclyn Kinney 1381 Boles Ct. Seaside, CA 93955			
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If you have a business, or just want to advertise your yard sale, this may be the place. The COS is now accepting advertising in the BackBulb. Circulation is mainly to our members and visitors, around 100 copies per month. The rates are: \$5 quarter page, \$10 half page, and \$20 for a full page. If you are interested contact the BackBulb editor, John OConnell johnoconnell19@att.net.

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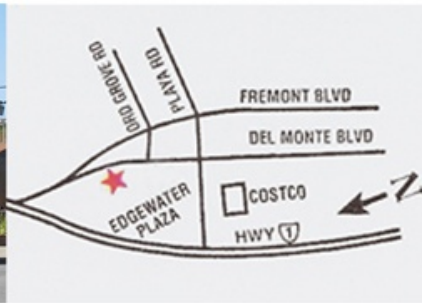
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