

The BackBulb

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

November 2014



President's Corner

End of Year! Lots to do! Checking the list! Calendar Alert - Carmel Orchid Society meets, usual time and place - Monday, November 3rd, 7:00 p.m. at

the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula. This is a regular meeting **FEATURING A GREAT PLANT TABLE**. Inducement, yes! Please come.

This month's meeting is on **Monday November 3rd, 7PM** at the Community Church of Monterey Peninsula, 4590 Carmel Valley Rd.

To Do List for the Monday, November Meeting:

1. Bring your silent auction items for the Fall Orchid Festival
2. Be prepared to fill out Silent Auction Item Bid Sheet information: value of item and minimum bid
3. Pull out any orchids you would like to sell at the Member Plant Table at the Fall Orchid Festival - be prepared to learn how to spruce up those plants and tag them for sale at the Monday meeting. Be sure you know the name of or something about the plant. If not in bloom, a picture of it in bloom helps to sell.
4. Pull out blooming plants you are willing to show off in the Orchid Display at the Fall Orchid Festival. Learning at the meeting about how to enhance their beauty.
5. Sign up to help at the Fall Orchid Festival, November 7th and 8th (9:00 - 4:00) with set up on the 6th in the afternoon.

1 Fall Orchid Show

Back to the Community Church on November 6th, 7th and 8th. Yes, the week of the 3rd of November is all about being a

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Fall Orchid Festival

Carmel Orchid Society

Friday - Saturday Nov. 7th & 8th
9AM - 4PM

Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula
4590 Carmel Valley Rd. Carmel CA



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member of the Carmel Orchid Society. To ensure continued Opportunity Plant Tables and Speakers, we need to make the Fall Orchid Festival a success. Last year, our first year at the Community Church, exceed all expectations. With all of your help, I am sure this year will surpass last year's success. If everyone can pitch in a couple of hours or so, bring their show plants and sale plants and an auction item or so, we will have set the table for a great orchid festival.

Don't forget to remind your friends as well as yourself that we will have several great vendors with some spectacular orchids for sale. It is a great opportunity to shop for holiday gifts and decorative plants as well as add a select plant or two to your collection. Plus, there will be good bark and fertilizer, etc. on sale.

I'm looking forward to all of us working together next week. Then, after a short respite, may we all have a wonderful Thanksgiving and get into the Holiday spirit at our December Holiday Potluck on December 1st.

Kathie



Upcoming Events

November

11/1-2 Santa Cruz Orchid Show Sat. 9-5. Sun. 10-4 Soquel High School, 401 Old San Jose Rd. Soquel.

11/1-2 Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Fall open house

11/3 Monday COS Meeting. Final Preparations for the show.

11/7-8 Friday-Saturday Fall Orchid Festival

11/15 Saturday A return to OZ

December

12/1 Monday COS Holiday Party

A Return to OZ...

After last July's greenhouse visit to Orchid Zone (OZ) many of us came away hungry for more. OZ's slippers are stunning, and probably worth more time by themselves, but it was the back greenhouse with its collection of Catt's, Cymbidiums, Masdevalia's and others that intrigued us. Many of the plants had only numbers on the tags, a leftover of Terry's early years, that left us wondering about the identities of these specimen sized individuals. Well it is fall now and many of those plants may be in bloom, so it is time to Return to OZ! (the sequel). We will meet in the outer reaches of the Marina Best Buy parking lot at 11:30 Saturday Nov. 15th. Come ready for an expedition into the unknown reaches of OZ! For more information email or call John: john@carmelorchidsociety.org or call 770-617-1058.

Show Off Your Orchids!

One of the major attractions of an Orchid Show is the members display. As usual this year we will have a display of blooming orchids at the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula. We need your contributions!

The display will be assembled on Thursday afternoon. Plants should be brought to the Church after noon on November 6th . The show opens at 9am on Friday morning, and the display must be in place.

Plants should be in an attractive container or basket and have the leaves cleaned and free of pests. The Society volunteers will place a sign on the plant with its name. If you cannot bring the plants in yourself, please contact Carol Easton at 595-5254 and

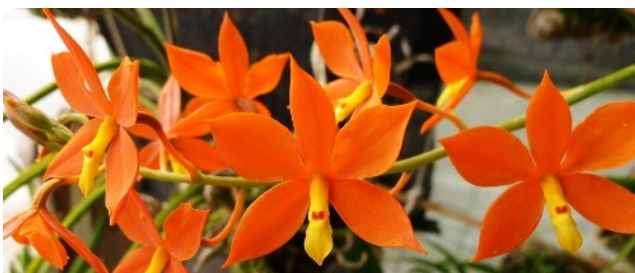
we will try to arrange a pickup. Last minute additions may be accepted before 9am on Friday if space is available.

At the conclusion of the show the display will be disassembled and the plants will be available after 4:15 pm on Saturday, November 8 .

Guidelines:

1. All plants are pest and disease free.
2. The leaves are clean and attractive.
3. Plant is blooming to display its special attributes.
4. Pot is provided with an outer container.
5. Plants must be staked and secured appropriately.

Members must pick up their plants promptly at 4:15pm on Saturday, November 8th. We must be out of the Hall early Saturday evening. Nothing can be left at the Church. We urge you to come a little early to help us by assisting with clean up. . Many hands make light work for all! See you there!



Sell Your Orchids at the Fall Show

If your orchid garden or greenhouse is overflowing, dividing and/or selling some of your plants at the fall show is a good way to make room for more orchids! Or if others have envied some of your plants at "show and tell" maybe you could make a little money by dividing that specimen. Members (only members please) of COS are encouraged to bring plants from their collections to sell. Here are a few guidelines for sales:

1. Plants should be disease and pest free.
2. Fill out sales tags as completely as possible (they are included with this newsletter). Plants that have a picture attached and have as much information about the plant as possible sell better. Attach the tag to your plant securely with masking tape or on a stick. If you have several plants, it is always a good idea for you to keep a list of the names and prices of the plants you bring.
3. COS will keep 25% of each sale as a part of our fundraiser. Price your plants accordingly, but remember that affordable plants sell first. Volunteers who will be at the sales table will not change prices on your plants, so if your plant is not selling, you may want to stop by the table during the show to change the price.
4. Plants can be brought to the church (show location) on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 6. If you cannot bring

them until Friday, we will set them out for sale in the order as they are received. You will need to pick up any unsold plants at 4:00 on Saturday.

I look forward to finding some real gems to purchase among the member's orchids!

Janette Ford, Member's sales chair



Inside the candy store, alias, John Leathers (Hawk Hill Orchids) greenhouse.

COS Board Meeting Oct. 20, 2014

October 20, 2014

Members Present: John O'Connell, Kathie Ritter, Janette Ford, Daniel Bellem, Carol Easton, Lesley Olsen, Jeannette Brown and Lory Schluenz. Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. at Kathie's house.

Previous Minutes: Daniel moved, Carol seconded to approve minutes of September meeting; approved.

Treasurer's Report: Balance at the beginning of September was \$9258.54; at the end of the month it was \$8949.64. Daniel corrected errors in monthly statements (not changes in spending) for July and August. Corrected balance at the beginning of July was \$9403.41 and at the end of the month was \$9557.47. At the end of August the balance was \$9258.54. Report accepted by acclamation.

VP Report: For November meeting we will prepare for the show, present the slate of officers for next year's board and we will have a raffle. The December meeting will be the potluck Christmas party with a raffle.

Other Business: COS had a booth at the Home Show at the Fairgrounds Oct. 18 and 19. We had a table of plants in bloom from members and a table of orchids for sale. We netted \$129.00 from the sale of orchids and gave out lots of ad cards about the November show.

Fall Show: Carol and Kathie met with Bob Walsh from "Off 68" and he is to write an article about the show. Other

PR is on schedule.

Carol has made up some new bid sheets that include a "buy it now" price. We decided to make that price about ten percent less than the stated value of the item.

- * Lesley is to call COS members about bringing food for the show (for vendors and workers).
- * Carol and Daniel will host a party after the set up on Thursday.
- * Don and Rubylynn have agreed to help at membership table.
- * Set up will begin Thursday at noon.
- * Francis has agreed to prepare potting demonstration area.
- * Susan Holmes has offered to have her name put on the election slate for next year's board. One other member has been asked but has not given a definitive answer as yet.

Next meeting will be Nov. 17 at Kathie's house.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37.

Respectfully submitted, Janette Ford

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Print this page for your CVGS member plant sales tags. Fill out 1 tag per plant and attach to the plant. Use the "plant id" field to give each plant a unique code, so you know what you sold.

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2014 Membership Application

Please make checks payable to the **Carmel Orchid Society** and mail to: Carmel Orchid Society - Membership c/o Carol Easton, P.O. Box 223462 Carmel CA 93922-3462

Please print

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ zip _____

Telephone _____

Email address _____

If you were referred by a current member, please provide

his/her name _____

Renewal New Member

Member of the American Orchid Society

Membership Type	Receive Newsletter	
	Via E-Mail	Via US Mail
Single	\$20 -	\$25 -
Couple	\$30 -	\$35 -
Vendor	\$30 -	\$35 -



Fall Orchid Festival
 presented by the Carmel Orchid Society
Friday Saturday
Nov 7-8
9AM - 4PM

Orchid Sales
Orchid Display
Silent Auction
Orchid Care Classes
Potting Demonstrations

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 4590 Carmel Valley Rd. Carmel CA
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Santa Cruz Orchid Show and Sale

Saturday, November 1, 9AM to 5PM

Sunday, November 2, 10AM to 4PM

At Soquel High School,
401 Old San Jose Road
Soquel

Free parking
Free Admission

Masdevallia
Bella Donna

Photo by
Frank Drake

Presented by the
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High School FFA/ROP

email: info@santacruzorchidsociety.org

56th Annual Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Fall Open House

Saturday November 1, 8 AM to 5 PM and Sunday November 2, 9 AM to 4 PM

Summary: Our Fall Open House celebrates Mexican *Laelia* species: diversely colored *anceps*, fragrant *autumnalis*, and vibrant *gouldiana*, and their hybrids. Plus *Cymbidium erythrostylum*, *tracyanum*, and their hybrids. *Stenoglottis* and *Oncidiums*. View plants offered on our 2014 Silent Auction. Search through the \$7.50 specials and the \$15 mid-season *cymbidiums*.

Laelia anceps Parade - The spikes have never been so tall so early so there should be lots of beautiful blooms this November. Enjoy the variations! Lavender, white, tinted, blue, striated, and pink-- spanning bloom times of October to March. Potted, mounted, or in wooden or plastic baskets. Also enjoy many *anceps* hybrids like the splash-petal LC Miss Wonderful, other Mexican *Laelias*, like fragrant *autumnalis*, vivid *gouldiana*, and their hybrids.

Cymbidium Season Kickoff - The year's best selection of *Cymbidiums* and most are showing spikes! Early blooming *Cymbidium* species like fragrant *tracyanum*, *erythrostylum*, *insigne* v *seidenfadenii*, and their hybrids. Some mid-season bloomers will be priced at \$15 for one spike, \$20 for two spikes, and \$25 for three spikes.

\$7.50 Specials - Flats, tables, ladders and buckets full of exciting seedlings, bare-root divisions, and sprouted back-bulbs of *Cymbidiums*, *Cattleya Alliance*, and botanicals.

Other great Fall Bloomers - Stately *Stenoglottis* and earthy *Oncidiums*

Annual Silent Auction - Your chance to bid on rarely offered orchid species and hybrids, first-time releases of recently awarded plants, select clones from our breeding program, and spectacular specimen plants. View the plants in person before and during the Open House. Many plants will also be pictured on our website along with instructions for bidding. The silent auction opens for bidding in mid-October and closes at 4 PM on Sunday, November 2, 2014.

Introduction to Vanilla - Check out Ken Cameron's book "Vanilla Orchids: Natural History and Cultivation" and other examples of his work in preparation for his scheduled visit during our 2015 Summer Open House

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