

The BackBulb

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July 2015



August Speaker: Ron Parsons

Orchids in Sichuan China

Ron Parsons is considered by many to be one of the finest flower photographers in the United States. His photography and encyclopedic knowledge of orchids is known both nationally and internationally. He has been photographing orchids, wildflowers, and almost every other kind of plant for over 25 years, and has a slide collection that numbers well over 80,000 slides! A late adopter of digital imaging, he has already taken thousands of digital photos of orchids, wildflowers and other rare plants. Ron's photos have

been featured in journal articles, book covers, and in several books. Ron co-authored the two volumes of: *A Compendium of Miniature Orchid Species* with Mary Gerritson (who spoke to us in January '14).



Left, Leslie with something nice.

Right, John mounted some Laelia divisions on bamboo mounts.



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Upcoming Events

August

8/3 Monday COS August Meeting, Ron Parsons will be speaking.

September

There will be no regular COS meeting in September

9/5 Saturday COS BBQ, more details next month.



President's Corner

As I write this, the hot, lazy days of summer are in full bloom. Assuming Monterey Peninsula Summer 2015 does not deviate from the norm, fog will drift in soon. For those of us who grow orchids outside, in or out of a greenhouse, these temperature swings necessarily play a part in which orchids grow well for us. Those plants that have an abundance of tolerance for temperature variation in the cool to intermediate range work best for us. It is always a great pleasure to find a plant that is appealing and fits that bill. Lucky me, I found one at Orchids in the Park.

Twenty-one of us were able to go on the Society's bus trip to Orchids in the Park Saturday, July 25th. I think we all had a good time. If the number of plants purchased is any indication, we all had a GREAT time. The bus had 47 seats - on the way home every seat was filled with a person or plants.

"Orchids in the Park" is a small show. It is easy to get around to every vendor several times, which makes it possible to be very selective. And, several of the vendors are people we know as speakers at our meetings or vendors at our own show. In other words, it is like a cozy family event.

We missed all of you who were not able to attend and hope you will make our bus trip next year - put July 2016 "outing" on your calendar now.

Please take a look at upcoming events and plan accordingly. The BBQ

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on Saturday, September 5th will be at Imogene's in Carmel unless something untoward happens, in which case it will be at my house. We may have to make the switch at the last minute, so pay close attention as the time of the BBQ rolls around. There will be lots more information available when we get closer to the event. For now, just keep the date in mind, plan to attend, and mull over what to bring to

share in the way of a side dish, salad, appetizer or dessert. The Society will provide a main course dish. The BBQ is one of the few meetings when we can really socialize, kick up our heels and have a little fun. Hope to see you then and at the August meeting as well.

Kathie

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COS Board of Directors Meeting

July 13, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:15 at Carol's house.

Members Present: Kathie Ritter, Janette Ford, Frances Richardson, Lesley Olsen, Daniel Bellem, Carol Easton, Susan Holm, Lory Schluenz and Jeanette Brown.

Previous Minutes: Carol moved, Lesley seconded to accept minutes from June meeting as presented. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Balance at the beginning of June was \$10,137.88, at the end of the June it was \$9,248.59. Expenses included regular monthly expenses; rent, speaker, raffle table, plus deposit on bus for July trip and some expenses from Carmel Valley Garden Show.

V.P. Report: John was unable to be at the meeting, but Kathie reported that she has contacted Imogene Speiser and we are welcome to have the September BBQ at her home on Saturday, September 5 at the noon hour. Ron Parsons is to be with us for the August meeting. Dr. Holger Penner, who has a nursery in China, will be visiting several orchid groups in the Bay Area and is scheduled to be at our meeting in October. Our bus is reserved for July 25 to go to Orchids in the Park. So far our group has 16 or 17 planning to go. We

plan to charge \$40.00 per person for the trip.

Old Business:

We discussed participation in the Fall Home Show at the Fairgrounds Oct. 17-18. Janette F. moved, Jeanette B. seconded that we sell plants at the show. Approved.

Fall Show: Carol and Kathie met with Carol's neighbor, Terri, who will help with the silent auction. She suggested we might have a boutique with items for sale. It was the consensus of the board that some items may be priced to sell, but we would still like to auction or raffle other items. Susan suggested we plan to meet ahead of the show and assemble items to sell/auction.

Next meeting is scheduled for August 24th at Jeanette Brown's house at 7:00.

Respectfully submitted, Janette Ford

