

# The BackBulb

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

August 2012



old speaker gone  
found someone else  
big mystery who

Sorry for being so cryptic, but the speaker that Kathie found after our original speaker canceled insisted on the pseudonym "Super Orchid Grower" and I was sworn to secrecy to protect their secret identity. It was all just too weird with the cape, super powers, secret identity, and such, that and I just couldn't bring myself to print the official publicity piece, especially with the name being under dispute. Anyway, you will just have to come to find out what all the fuss is about.

The next meeting is on **Monday August 6th, 7PM** at the Community Church of Monterey Peninsula. 4590 Carmel Valley Rd.

In order to provide a better selection of treats at our meetings, the board is asking members with last names that start with the letter **G thru L** to **bring refreshments** to our August meeting. There is a raffle ticket in it for you, buy the way.



Myoxanthus serripetalus

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## Upcoming Events

### August

8/4 Ca Sierra Nevada judging center Speakers Day. Sacramento

**8/6 Monday COS meeting, Mystery speaker**

### September

No regular meeting in September.

**9/8 COS Fall BBQ.**

## Purging

We all are attached too our stuff, especially our orchids. We paid for them, gave them a home, watched them grow. It's hard to let go, but eventually the weight of all those struggling plants becomes to much. I keep hoping that they will recover and grow again, but it would probably take a miracle. So for the good of my mental health I will have to put some of them down. It is time to admit failure and move on. On the bright side, after the purge I will have a healthier collection that I will feel better about, and their will be room for more acquisitions, just in time for our annual greenhouse tour! Of course it is easier to decide to purge than to actually throw a plant out, especially one with a little green left on it. Well, maybe I will keep one or two of the hopeless cases, they may come back yet.

**John**



Stenoglottis woodii

## Annual Fall BBQ

It is time to put the annual BBQ on your calendar.

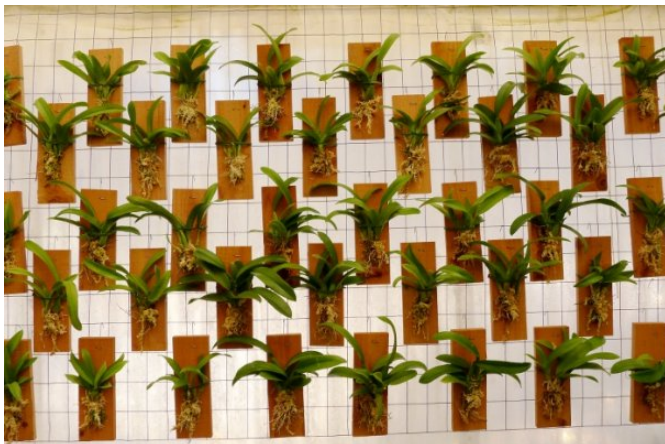
**Date:** Saturday, September 8th

**Place:** 25489 Flanders Drive, Carmel (right behind the Carmel High School on the East side of Highway 1, Imogene Speiser's Home)

**Time:** Noon

Get ready for an old fashioned Traveling Texas Style Beef Brisket BBQ prepared by the club's throw down master. Your mission is to **bring your own drink and a dish to share** of baked beans, or mac and cheese, or cole slaw, or potatoe salad or a yummy dessert, or your favorite BBQ fixin, and be prepared to have fun.

**RSVP before Labor Day**



Scenes from a well ordered greenhouse. Everyone had a great time on our Brookside, D&D Orchids bus trip.

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Membership Type	Receive Newsletter	
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