



The Backbulb

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The Carmel Orchid
Society

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No May Meeting BIRTHDAY PARTY POTLUCK Mark your calendars now for Monday, June 4, 2007!

Same location as the regular monthly meetings. Note change in time and format of our evening below:

-Each member attending provides an appetizer, salad, side dish, or main course that will feed eight (8) people

-The Society will provide dessert and beverages

-Appetizers will start at 6:00PM. Seating and potluck meal beginning at 6:30AM.

-The beautiful and blooming orchid opportunity table will start as we finish up the main meal.

Each current COS member is welcome to bring a guest to the potluck. Reserve a place for yourself and your guest now by contacting Lori Siegmund, Birthday Party Coordinator by phone or email, using the form on page 2 as a guide. You may also complete the form and fax or send via US Mail to me.

Lori Siegmund

From Our President

This is our last BackBulb before the big event, our annual MayFaire, which is our only fundraiser for the year and as such subsidizes all of our other events. I have a few reminders for everyone and also wanted to tell you that we need the help of all our members to make this a success.

James Nybakken who is in charge of the Society Plant Sales Table this year needs the plants that you wish to sell.

The first requirement for selling plants is that you must be a MayFaire Volunteer. The plants should be in good condition, think "Would I buy this?". Plants should have sales tags filled out as completely as possible with appropriate name, reference, price, and the tag should be attached with masking tape or string.

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Orchid Growing Tips

In these short weeks before our MayFaire, I find myself sorting and cleaning up orchids for our society plant table. I like to clean the leaves in the same way I do for the Orchid Display. If you don't have any leaf shine, milk is a good substitute. Just apply like leaf shine using a cottonball. Avoid commercial products that contain oils. This inhibits the natural transpiration of the leaves. There is an excellent time release fertilizer called Nutri-cote. When you purchase nursery plants, you may have noticed those small blue beads in the potting soil. It turns out that this fertilizer is also sold under the name Dynamite, sold at Home Depot and similar stores at reasonable prices.

Most of us know that orchids can get plant

viruses with the exception of bulbophyllums. They can be difficult to keep out of your collection. Bugs, frogs and water splash can all transmit virus along with unsanitized clippers. Now you can perform your own virus testing with results in fifteen minutes. Previously, you may have sent plant samples off to a lab and waited 2 weeks for results. Following here is the info to purchase your own test kits. You can take these along to test an expensive plant BEFORE you purchase it. For cymbidiums, use the TMV ImmunoStrip test kit. It comes in packages of 25-250 kits. The price is comparable to testing through labs like Critter Creek. The website is agdia.com.

Hope I will see you all at the MayFaire.

Carolyn Salmon, cargie@yahoo.com

To: Lori Siegmund, Birthday Party Coordinator

Phone: 662-8151

Email: lori.siegmund@sbcglobal.net

(please include the information in this form in your message)

Fax: 662-8151 (same phone line will detect a fax and handle it)

US Mail: 180 Alta Mira Court, Aptos, CA 95003

Yes, I will be attending the Carmel Orchid Society

June 4, 2007 Birthday Party and Potluck

Member Name(s): _____

Guest Name: _____

I/we will plan on bringing:

☐ Appetizer ☐ Salad ☐ Vegetable Side Dish ☐ Main Course/Entrée
(Arrive at 6PM)

Indicate how you would like Lori to confirm your reservation back to you:

☐ Phone _____ ☐ Fax _____
☐ Email _____
☐ US Mail _____



MayFaire Sale Plants

The first requirement for selling plants is that you must be a MayFaire Volunteer.

Plants for sale must be clean and free of pests and disease (the COS reserves the right to reject sale plants it deems to not meet these requirements).

Each plant must have attached to it a COS tag which give the pertinent information about the plant and the price. These tags will be available again at the ATC between noon and 5pm on Friday, May 4th, when all plants must be delivered.

Jim Nybakken

Treasurer's Report March, 2007



Checkbook Balance on March. 1	\$ 7,042.25
March Income	2,934.00
March Expenses	<835.97>
Checkbook Balance on March 31	\$ 9,140.28
Money Market Balance on March 31	\$ 10,025.14

A Reminder ... If you are enrolling as a new member, or are simply renewing your membership, please make sure that we have your **current** address and telephone number (and **Email**, if you have one). We want to make sure you get your *Backbulb* regularly! Use the form below to make any changes, please.

Another Reminder ... If your Email address changes please notify the Backbulb Editor at carmelorchidsociety@msn.com.

Carmel Orchid Society, Inc.

Membership Application

Please make checks payable to the Carmel Orchid Society and mail to:

Carmel Orchid Society—Membership
c/o Lori Siegmund
180 Alta Mira Court, Aptos, CA 95003-4903

Membership Type	Receive Newsletter via E-Mail	Receive Newsletter via US Mail
Single	\$20.00 ☐	\$25.00 ☐
Couple	\$30.00 ☐	\$35.00 ☐
Vendor	\$30.00 ☐	\$35.00 ☐

Application for Membership — Please print

Date _____

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

Member of the
American Orchid Society?

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Yes ☐ No ☐

Email address _____ New Member ☐ Renewal ☐



Upcoming Events

Check Our Website For More Events

Next Regular Carmel Orchid Society Monthly Meeting Is the Birthday Potluck

Monday, June 4, 2007 at 6:00pm (First Monday of Jan., Feb., Mar., Apr., Jun., Jul., Aug., Oct. & Nov.)

The First Presbyterian Church

501 El Dorado Street, Monterey, CA 93940

Carmel Orchid Society Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, **May 21**, 2007, at 7:00pm

The meeting will be held at the home of Carol & Bill Easton

Monterey Bay Orchid Society Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, **May 8**, 2007 at 7:00pm (Second Tuesday of every month) At the Lincoln Ave Presbyterian Church, 536 Lincoln Ave, Salinas, CA. For more information, call (831) 663-3953.

The Carmel Orchid Society presents MAYFAIRE at the AMERICAN TIN CANNERY

Saturday, **May 5th** from 9:00 to 6:00 and Sunday, **May 6th** from 9:00 to 4:00 at the American Tin Cannery, 125 Ocean View Blvd., Pacific Grove, CA across from the Monterey Bay Aquarium. (see our flyer on page 5).

The Orchid Society of California presents MOTHER'S DAY ORCHID SALE & RAFFLE

Friday, **May 11th** from 2:00 to 7:00; Saturday, **May 12th** from 9:00 to 5:00 and Sunday, **May 13th** from 9:00 to 5:00 at the Lakeside Garden Center at Lake Merritt, 666 Bellevue in Oakland, CA. (see flyer on page 7).

OrchidMania "World's Largest Orchid Garage Sale!"

May 12-13, Fort Mason Center, San Francisco. Sat: 9 – 10 AM, Early Bird Invitation & Breakfast; Sale Sat. 10 AM – 5 PM, Sun. 10 AM- 4 PM. For information, visit <http://orchids.org/events/MaySale.html>.

D & D Flowers Fall Open House (D & D Flowers is only open to the public for their Spring & Fall open house events)

Saturday, **May 19th** and Sunday, **May 20th** with Food & Fun from 9:00 to 4:00 at the greenhouse off Hwy. 92, just east of Spanish Town 1/3 mile east of Main Street in Half Moon Bay, CA.

They will be selling divisions of species & hybrids from their personal collection of the Cattleya, Oncidium, Pleurothallid, Vanda and Cymbidium Alliances as well as many original hybrids.

You Ought to Be in Pictures!

Lori Siegmund, Membership Coordinator will have her digital camera at the MayFaire. If you are a new member in 2007, a renewing member for 2007 without a photo in the 2006-07 roster, or if you would like a different picture in the 2007-08 roster, please look for Lori at the Membership Table at MayFaire and request your picture be taken. Or come by the table and see Lori with a photo that you can give her to scan and include in the roster (it will be returned). You can also email a photo attachment to Lori. All photos must be received by

the end of MayFaire on Sunday, May 6 to be included in the 2007 roster with your name and contact information. Please note that there is no regular May meeting this year. The 2007-08 roster will need to be ready for printing and collating shortly after the MayFaire in order to be ready in time for distribution at the June 4 Birthday Party and Potluck. Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

Lori Siegmund

lori.siegmund@sbcglobal.net



Notes on Membership & Roster

Due to the amount of time and effort involved in producing the new 2007-08 membership roster, we ask for everyone's cooperation with the following:

1. Member dues for 2007 must be paid no later than Sunday, May 6 (last day of MayFaire) in order to be included in the roster that will be distributed at the June meeting.
2. Member photos must be taken by, or submitted to the Membership Coordinator (Lori) no later than Sunday, May 6 to be included in the roster.
3. Member rosters will be distributed at the Birthday Party **ONLY** to members whose 2007 dues have been received and recorded **on or**

before June 3, 2007.

4. We will be unable to accept dues payment at the June 4, 2007 Birthday Party Potluck. Please plan on mailing delinquent dues to the Membership Coordinator after this day, or pay at the next regular meeting, July 2, 2007. You will then obtain your membership roster.

5. Per the Bylaws, COS Membership is automatically terminated if 2007 dues are not paid on or before August 6, 2007.

Thank you, your Membership Coordinator and Birthday Party Chairperson

Lori Siegmund

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New Location

Carmel Orchid Society Presents

MayFaire

Orchid Show & Sale

Saturday May 5th 9am - 6 pm
Sunday May 6th 9 am - 4 pm

AMERICAN TIN CANNERY
125 Ocean View Blvd., Pacific Grove
across from the Monterey Bay Aquarium

*Free Admission . Validated Parking**
22 Vendors . Potting Demonstrations
Orchid Display . Orchid Supplies

For More Information Contact Ida Hale 831-646-8724
www.carmelorchidsociety.org

**2 Hour Validated Parking in the*
American Tin Cannery Parking Lot
with Plant Purchase

April Clean Up

Clean up for the April meeting was provided by:

- Sandra Carrillo
- Ted Rapalus
- Shelia Morgan-Thigpen
- Jason Wright

A sincere "Thank you" from your Board!

July Goodies

Goodies for the July meeting will be provided by:

- Elizabeth Coelho
- Joanie Linares
- Marilyn Uribe





From Our President *(Continued)*

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Please bring the plants to the American Tin Cannery on Friday afternoon, May 4th between 12 noon and 5pm. Plants that don't sell need to be picked up at 4:30 pm on Sunday, May 6th. Plants that have flowers or a picture to show what the flower looks like sell first! The price that you assign to your plant includes 7.25% sales tax, after the tax has been deducted 10% of the balance is given to COS and a check for the remainder will be sent to you by the 19th of May. To be allowed to sell plants from the COS booth your current dues must be paid. Please remember that this is our only fund-raising event of the year.

We **do not need your donations of food** this year for the Hospitality Room as we will not be serving the vendors or members lunch. Only breakfast will be served to the vendors by Elizabeth Coelho and her capable crew.

We also need your blooming plants for the Big Display that our Orchid Show has become known for. Please bring your plants, free of

pests, clean and properly staked to the area near the escalator at the American Tin Cannery on Friday May 4th between 12-4 PM. Joyce Elisha and Ida Hale will be setting up the display. It is preferred that you provide an outer container to display the plant in. The Society will cover the base of the plant with moss. The plants must be picked up by Sunday, May 6th at 4:30 PM.

As always we do need lots of volunteers. If you haven't been able to sign up, that is OK, please come to help anyway. See Joanie Linares at the Society table to sign in. Because this is a new venue, we need more people. It might be that you have signed up for a particular job but you may be asked to work in a different area and so we ask that you be flexible. Remember – our volunteers make this event a success – please join us so that we will have another successful MayFaire and a lot of fun.

Carol Easton, eastonce@aol.com

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The ORCHID SOCIETY of CALIFORNIA Presents:

MOTHER'S DAY ORCHID SALE & RAFFLE

Thousands of Affordable Orchids in Bloom



Artist: Mame Tsushima

FREE ADMISSION

Plant Doctor ♦ Demonstrations
Q & A ♦ Raffle ♦ Educational Displays

For more information go to:
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Lakeside Garden Center @ Lake Merritt
666 Bellevue in Oakland, CA
(Across from Children's Fairyland)

Bring this flyer to receive one free raffle ticket

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