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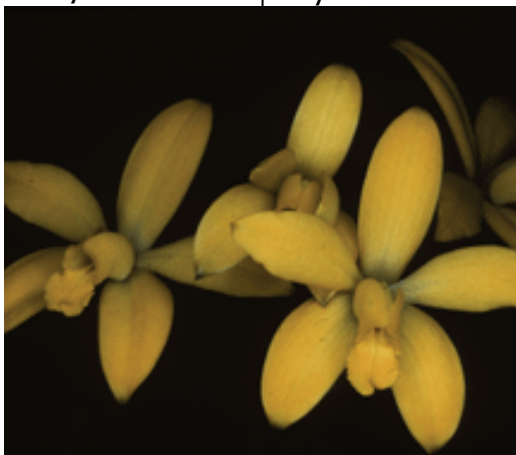
August Speaker Amy Chung-Jacobsen

We are pleased to announce that our August speaker will be Amy Chung-Jacobsen.

Although she had always grown a few orchids, when Amy got married to Ken Jacobsen she was faced with a quandary. She basically had a choice between getting more involved with orchids, or becoming an orchid widow. Since there was a mostly empty greenhouse available, Amy decided to start growing *Cattleyas* and *Laelias*.

Now, eight years later, that greenhouse is full as are two others. In addition to *Laelias* and *Cattleyas*, Amy is also growing *Lycastes* and

Anguloas, *Masdevallias*, *Pleurothallis*, *Disas*, and a wide mix of other genera. She has moved from having just a few plants eight years ago, to having a couple thousand today. She is also raising *Laelia* and *Cattleya* species and hybrids from seed - she even does her own lab work.



Amy's talk will be on rupicolous *Laelias*. In September of last year, Amy, Ken and Fred Shull were able to go and see rupicolous in the wild in the Minas Gerais province of Brazil. The slides for the talk are mostly from this trip, and should help members understand how to grow these diminutive but beautiful *Laelias* more successfully.

COS Loses Another Member

COS member, Dr. Temple Elliott, passed away on July 15th at his home in Pebble Beach. Temple was an unsung hero whose accomplishments in his professional life as well as his volunteer work throughout the USA and the world have

brought him numerous recognitions. Among these are The Salvation Army's "Others" award for exceptional service to humankind and being named Advisory Board Member of the Year for Disaster Services.

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Greenhouse Tour, BBQ & Silent Auction

This year's September event will be a tour of Jim Nybakken's 5 greenhouses with a BBQ to follow and then a silent auction. Our auction was so successful and so much fun we decided to do it again this year.

The greenhouse Tour starts at 2PM, the BBQ will start at 3PM and the Silent Auction will be going on the entire time. Following the BBQ we will have a door prize, and orchid plant for each attendee.

The menu this year will be grilled tri tip and BBQ

chicken, by Master Griller Ken, Chef Bill's grilled veggies and chili beans, Dessert and beverages.

The registration form for this fun event is below. Once you send in your money, you will receive a confirmation with directions to the Nybakken home and parking information.

Carol Easton

Greenhouse Tour, Bar-B-Q and Orchid Auction Reservation Form

Yes! I will be attending the Carmel Orchid Society Bar-B-Q and Orchid Auction at Betty & Jim Nybakken's home on September 9, 2007 at 2 PM.

Please reserve the following for me:

_____ Members at @ 10.00 each, including 1 raffle plant \$ _____

_____ Guests at @ 15.00 each, including 1 raffle plant \$ _____

Member Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Name of Guest(s): _____

If possible, please bring a patio chair and/or a TV table for yourself and your guest.

I can bring : _____ Patio Chair _____ TV Table

If you can help with either set up or breakdown, please indicate below. Your help will be much appreciated.

_____ Setup at 11:30 AM _____ Breakdown at 5:30 PM

**Please make checks payable to the Carmel Orchid Society and mail them to:
Carol Easton, P.O. Box A, Carmel, CA 93921 no later than September 1, 2007.**



2006 BBQ



Treasurer's Report June, 2007



Checkbook Balance on June. 1	\$ 6,313.07
June Income	644.00
June Expenses	<1,163.56>
Checkbook Balance on June 30	\$ 5,793.51
Money Market Balance on June 30	\$ 10,153.48

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

Monday, August 6, 2007 at 7:00pm (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, August 20, 2007, at 7:00pm

The meeting will be held at the home of Susan Segal & Julian Bills, 1425 Deer Flat Rd., Monterey, CA 93940

Monterey Bay Orchid Society Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, August 14, 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.

Carmel Orchid Society Annual Greenhouse Tour, BBQ and Silent Auction

Sunday, September 9, 2007 at 2:00pm at the home of Betty & Jim Nybakken, 151 Country Club Drive, Carmel Valley, CA 93924 (see page 2 for details).

Growing Orchids In Sacramento, Sacramento Orchid Forum Annual Show and Sale

September 15 & 16, 2007 Hours: Sat. 11am-5:30pm & Sun. 10am-4pm, Garden and Art Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento, CA (located in the McKinley park in Sacramento taking the H Street exit).

Costal Valley Orchid Society Second Annual Orchid Expo and Sale

September 22, 2007, More information coming soon.

Diablo View Orchid Society Annual Show and Sale

October 13 & 14, 2007 (times to be announced), Pleasant Hill Community Center, 320 Civic Drive, Pleasant Hill, CA, 94523

2006 BBQ





Pick Up Your Copy of The 2007-08 Membership Roster/Booklet!

If you missed the Birthday Party/Potluck on 6/4/07, please plan on attending the next regular Carmel Orchid Society meeting on Monday, August 6th to pick up your copy of the new member roster/booklet.

All members (both single and couples) current with their 2007 dues payment will receive one complimentary booklet. Please note that additional or replacement booklets will cost \$10 each. We will be asking you to sign/initial that you have received your complimentary booklet.

Please note that due to the cost of materials and the amount of time it takes to update and print a new color booklet with member photos, it is

likely we will print a new booklet every other year. A new page (or two) insert with an updated list of current members, phone numbers and email addresses will be provided during the alternate year. So be sure to hang on to your 2007-08 booklet until a new one replaces it.

Special thanks goes out to Ken Ashton who updated, printed and collated the new booklet within a very tight window of time (only two weeks!) and made sure it was ready for distribution at the Birthday Party/Potluck.

Lori Siegmund

Membership Coordinator

Corrections to the Membership Roster/Booklet

Please be sure to let me know about any errors or omissions printed in the 2007-08 member roster/booklet. We will be happy to make the corrections/additions to the master file so that any subsequent printings will contain the corrected or missing information. We will also publish a correction in the BackBulb so that members can update their copy of the booklet if desired.

Lori Siegmund

Membership Coordinator

CORRECTION TO THE PHONE LIST COVER

Best of Show, MayFaire 2007

*Brassolaeliocattleya Zul
Cattleya skinneri x Blc. Orange Nugget*

Clean Up

Clean up after meetings is time consuming due to the refreshments and plant table. This makes it very important that all those who attend and enjoy our meetings lend a helping hand.

August Goodies

Goodies for the August meeting will be provided by:

- Lindsey Brandon
- Emelita Harvey
- Ellie Mamon
- Lupe Rubio
- Diane Segelbacher





Growing Tips

What a glorious summer so far. Truly orchid weather in my part of the peninsula. I went recently to aphalinopsis culture talk in Salinas for the Monterey Bay Orchid Society. I surprised myself when I found that I needed to take some notes. Juan Gonzales has a formal education in Agriculture and takes a very scientific approach to growing phals for Rocket Farms. He performs on site test trials to grow the best phals possible. A majority of their phals are grown in sphagnum moss which they water approx every three weeks, but the plant doesn't completely dry out. Their special plants are grown in a mix of 68% fine bark, 27% grade 2 perlite, and 5% peat moss. They foliar feed the leaves with a fine sprayed fertilizer twice a week and foliar feed with Epsom salts once every three weeks. He said these plants have evolved to take up nutrients through their leaves as they are epiphytic and hang in trees in their natural habitat in the Philippines. They like slightly acid water of 6.0-5.8 and an electrical conductivity of .04 which is a measure of the dissolved mineral salts in the water. Juan explained that phals like calcium and magnesium as well as potash

etc. Their plants are in those clear, frosty pots because their roots can perform photosynthesis as well as their leaves.

For the first time I have found some black aphids on buds and new growth in my greenhouse. Usually you will spot ants first who make honey that attracts the aphids. I have been using pure rubbing alcohol sprayed directly on the buds. It kills them instantly. I wipe them off and rinse the plant with water. No damage to the flowers so far.

Joanie Linares recently visited some orchid growers in Florida. One tip she is passing on to use made a lot of sense. Physan 20 that kills fungus, algae and other bacteria is rather expensive so she was told they purchase a general algacide used in swimming pools.

Works for me!

Carolyn Salmon

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