

The BackBulb

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

December 2013



COS Holiday Pot-Luck

Every year we get together to celebrate the holidays, this year we are again having a pot-luck with a big plant table. The idea is simple, **bring a dish and any preferred beverage**, the society will provide a ham. After we eat and socialize we will raffle off the plants and everyone will go home stuffed and with an extra orchid or two for their collection. Janette and Kathie and promise to pick out a **special plant table** (from Baybreeze Orchids) with a variety of blooming plants, including Cymbidiums.

This months meeting is on **Monday December 2nd, 7PM** at the Community Church of Monterey Peninsula. 4590 Carmel Valley Rd.



John's Laelia gouldiana

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Upcoming Events

December

12/2 Monday COS Holiday Party

January

1/6 Monday 7PM COS January Meeting

1/17 Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Annual Collectors Auction.

1/25-26 Peninsula Orchid Society Annual Show and Sale. Redwood City.

February

2/20-23 Pacific Orchid Exposition, Orchids And All That Jazz, Fort Mason Center, San Francisco



Cymbidium Alcor 'Embers', John does buy hybrids! (From Dennis Olivias at our show in Nov.)

Thanks to all who participated in the Fall Orchid Festival.

Incredible to say, almost every if not every member of COS contributed their time, energy and wisdom to make the Fall Orchid Festival a success!!! The level of participation and the contribution of time, energy and wisdom to making the show come together surely exemplifies the memberships' dedication not only to the preservation of the society but to the goal of generating a greater and wider appreciation of orchids. Special thanks go to Carol Easton and Daniel Bellam who put the show together. They did a fantastic job! Many thanks to our vendors who took a risk in coming to our first at a new venue. Special thanks to the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula for allowing us to use their facilities. And a huge pat on the back to all of us for a job well done. Next year can only get better

COS Board of Directors Meeting Nov. 18, 2013

Members Present: John O'Connell, Kathie Ritter, Janette Ford, Daniel Bellem, Carol Easton, Lory Schluenz, and Jeannette Brown. Meeting called to order at 7:13 p.m. at Carol's house.

Previous Minutes: Carol moved to approve minutes from the October meeting; approved by acclamation.

Treasurer's Report: Balance at the beginning of October was \$8262.11; at the end of the month balance was \$7659.52. Daniel had an outline of expenses and revenue from the show on Nov. 9. With most expense and revenue items reported, COS made almost \$1200.00 at the show.

VP Report: For December meeting/Christmas party, Lory will prepare a ham provided by COS, members will be asked to bring a potluck dish to share and something to drink. Orchids for the raffle will be purchased from Baybreeze. Members who pay their dues for 2014 at the December meeting will receive a raffle ticket for that meeting.

Fall Show: Review and suggestions for next year:

- There was a surprisingly good turnout for the show. COS did not pay for any print advertising in local newspapers and we were not able to get notices published in community activities in local newspapers. There was an article about the show in "Off 68". All advertising was done on several venues on the internet, including outreach to other orchid

societies; with postcard handouts by members; street side banners; and word of mouth.

- Vendors liked the location and the date, and were in favor of a two day show.
- Have some orchid plants on the raffle table.
- Expand outside if the weather is good.
- Expand the education for orchid growing, perhaps an orchid "doctor".
- Any new banners should have less words about activities and larger words about time and place.

Meeting in January will be on Monday, January 13 at 6:00 p.m. at Kathie's house.

Respectfully submitted, Janette Ford



Another of John's Mexican Laelias, *Laelia albida*

Membership Time!

It's that time again, time for your otherwise nice, friendly society board members to nag you about paying your membership dues. As much as we would like to have your money to pay for our fabulous monthly speakers, what we really want is for you to come hear the speakers, buy the raffle tickets and take home all the interesting plants on our monthly raffle tables. None of that will happen if you are not interested enough to pay the pittance we ask for or yearly dues. Most orchids that we will kill in less than a year cost more than a years membership! So all we ask is that you pay your dues, come to the meetings and have a wonderful time!

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

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City _____ State _____ zip _____

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If you were referred by a current member, please provide

his/her name _____

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Membership Type	Receive Newsletter	
	Via E-Mail	Via US Mail
Single	\$20 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$25 <input type="checkbox"/>
Couple	\$30 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$35 <input type="checkbox"/>
Vendor	\$30 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$35 <input type="checkbox"/>



Paul Gripp make a point at the October meeting.

Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers

Cymbidium Orchid Auction



Friday, January 17, 2014

Auction 7:00 PM

Registration & Preview 6:30 - 7:00 PM

**Beautiful Cymbidiums and their
Companions, Including In Spike,
Rarely Available, and Show & Award
Winners!**

- 200 Plant Entries
- No Buyers Premium
- Absentee Bids Accepted

**San Mateo Garden Center
605 Parkside Way
San Mateo, CA 94403**



Cym. Pepper's Fire 'Carnival'
Photo by Darrel Wong

Catalog & Photos will be Available after January 6, 2014 at:

www.GoldCoastCymbidiumGrowers.com

Email Questions or Inquiries to bacyms@yahoo.com or call (510) 582-5896



Cymbidium Erythrostylis by Sally Robertson

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