

# The BackBulb

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

November 2015



## November Program: Show Preparations

The Fall Orchid Festival is upon us ...time to pull together for the final preparations. That is what we will be doing at the regular meeting November 2nd. In addition to the usual "show and tell" and "opportunity table" portions of the meeting, we will go over:

- Assignments for the 12th, 13th and 14th (set up on Thursday the 12th, show on Friday and Saturday 9:00 to 4:00)
- Preparing plants for display
- Preparing plants for sale
- Distributing postcards, posters and spreading the word
- Procuring or making a great Silent Auction item

And, we will vote on the slate for your 2016 Board of Directors. If you have any interest at all in being on the Board, nominate yourself or have a friend nominate you at the meeting. The slate is as follows:

**President:** Carol Easton

**Vice President:** Jerry Loomis

**Treasurer:** Daniel Bellem

**Secretary:** Janette Ford

**At Large:** Jeanette Brown, Susan Holm, Lesley Olson, Frances Richardson, Kathie Ritter, Carolyn Salmon, Lory Schluez,

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With the hope that this year's show tops previous years and that all of us have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

**Kathie**



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## **Sell Your Orchids at the Fall Show**

If your orchid garden or greenhouse is overflowing, dividing and/or selling some of your plants at the fall show is a good way to make room for more orchids! Or if others have envied some of your plants at "show and tell" maybe you could make a little money by dividing that specimen. Members (only members please) of COS are encouraged to bring plants from their collections to sell. Here are a few guidelines for sales:

1. Plants should be disease and pest free.
2. Fill out sales tags as completely as possible (they are included with this newsletter). Plants that have a picture attached and have as much information about the plant as possible sell better. Attach the tag to your plant securely with masking tape or on a stick. If you have several plants, it is always a good idea for you to keep a list of the names and prices of the plants you bring.
3. COS will keep 25% of each sale as a part of our fundraiser. Price your plants accordingly, but remember that affordable plants sell first. Volunteers who will be at the sales table will not change prices on your plants, so if your plant is not selling, you may want to stop by the table during the show to change the price.
4. Plants can be brought to the church (show location) on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 12th. If you cannot bring them until Friday, we will set them out for sale in the order as they are received. You will need to pick up any unsold plants at 4PM on Saturday.

I look forward to finding some real gems to purchase among the member's orchids!

**Janette Ford, Member's sales chair**

## Upcoming Events

### November

#### 11/2 Monday COS November Meeting

11/6-8 Cal-Orchids Fall Open House Fri - Sun 9 AM - 4 PM. 1251 Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara, CA.

#### 11/13-14 COS Fall Orchid Festival

### December

#### 12/7 Monday COS Holiday Party

## 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

### 2015 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

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

If you were referred by a current member, please provide

his/her name \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal ☐ New Member ☐

Member of the American Orchid Society ☐

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"/>

## Show Off Your Orchids!

One of the major attractions of an Orchid Show is the members display. As usual this year we will have a special display of many varieties of blooming orchids at the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula where we have our meetings. In order to create the splendor of orchids for which the Carmel Orchid Society is famous, we need your contributions!

The display will be assembled on Thursday afternoon in the Hall where we have our meetings. Plants should be brought to the Hall after noon on Thursday November 12th. The show opens at 9am on Friday morning, and the display must be in place.

Members are requested to bring their plants in an attractive container or basket. The plants must have the leaves cleaned and free of pests as the volunteers will not be able to do this. The Society volunteers

will place a sign on the plant stating its name, lineage, etc. If you cannot bring the plants in yourself, please contact Carol Easton at 595-5254 and we will try to arrange a pickup. Last minute additions may be accepted before 9am on Friday if space is available.

At the conclusion of the show the

display will be disassembled and the plants will be available from where the Display Area tables were located during the show. No plants are available until 4:15 pm on Saturday, November 14 .

The Guidelines that have been adopted for the Carmel Orchid Society Fall Orchid Festival include:

1. All plants are pest and disease free.
2. The leaves are clean and attractive.
3. Plant is blooming to display its special attributes.
4. Pot is provided with an outer container.
5. Plants must be staked and secured appropriately.



Unfortunately this *Cattleya perrinii* 'Big Buggah' will not be blooming for the show.

Members must pick up their plants promptly at 4:15pm on Saturday, November 14. We must be out of the Hall early Saturday evening. Nothing can be left at the Church. We urge you to come a little early to help us by assisting with clean up. . Many hands make light work for all! See you there!



## COS Board of Directors Meeting

October 19, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:05 at Carol's house.

**Members Present:** Kathie Ritter, Janette Ford, Daniel Bellem, Carol Easton, Jeannette Brown and John O'Connell.

**Previous Minutes:** Minutes from the September 25 were presented. Daniel moved, Carol seconded to accept them. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Balance at the beginning of September was \$8869.91; at the end of the month it was \$8921.96. Expenses were for the BBQ raffle and website fees. Income was from the raffle/auction of plants at the BBQ. Treasurer's report accepted. Daniel reported that he has taken out a seller's permit for the November show. He also asked about renewing the COS subscription to the Orchid Digest. The board recommended that since that subscription is not required for AOS affiliation, we should leave it up to individual members to subscribe.

**V.P. Report:** There is no speaker for the November meeting since we will be reviewing preparations for our fall show. We will also have



Vanilla planifolia in John's greenhouse. Almost up to the roof.

elections for the COS board for 2016. The slate includes Carol Easton as president, Jerry Loomis as vice president, Daniel Bellem as treasurer, Janette Ford as secretary, and Jeannette Brown, Susan Holm, Lesley Olson, Frances Richardson, Kathie Ritter, Carolyn Salmon and Lory Schluez as directors. Plants that were left over from the Home Show (Oct. 17 and 18) will be available for the raffle. The December meeting will be our holiday potluck.

### Old Business:

**Inspired Home Show** (10/17 and 18): Kathie reported that we spent a total of \$218.00 for plants; \$66.00 on plants that were sold (with a profit of \$81.00), and we have \$152.00 worth of plants remaining for the November raffle.

**Fall Show:** Carol went over the Project Plan for the show in November. Items that were updated include:

Daniel will purchase bottled water for workers and vendors. Daniel reviewed the places he plans to hang advertising banners.

Carolyn Salmon has the ribbons for judging at the show.

Carol and Kathie have contacted most all of the suggested advertising venues.

Carol received notice from Eileen Bezouska will not be able to sell scarves at the show

because of illness and death in her family. Kathie will contact Dan Newman to make sure he is still planning to come, and Carol will check with Marcel – Sonora Winward to make sure she is still planning to come.

At the November meeting each chair for the fall show will give a brief talk on what they need, or how to prepare items for the show.

## **New Business:**

We will review plans for the December 7 holiday pot luck at the November board meeting.

The next board meeting will be at Carol's house on November 16.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10.

**Respectfully submitted, Janette Ford**



What else besides orchids do you grow? This Lithops recently bloomed in John's greenhouse.



This Epiphyllum oxypetalum also has place in John's greenhouse.



# Fall Orchid Festival

presented by the  
Carmel Orchid Society

Friday,  
Saturday  
November  
13 & 14  
9am - 4pm

**Orchid Sales**  
**Orchid Display**  
**Silent Auction**  
**Orchid Care Classes**  
**Potting Demonstrations**

**Community**  
**Church of the**  
**Monterey**  
**Peninsula**

**4590 Carmel Valley Rd.**  
**Carmel CA**

[CarmelOrchidSociety.org](http://CarmelOrchidSociety.org)

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Print this page for your CVGS member plant sales tags. Fill out 1 tag per plant and attach to the plant. Use the "plant id" field to give each plant a unique code, so you know what you sold.



## *Gold Country Orchids* TRICK OR TREAT OPEN HOUSE

Featured Class:	October 30	9am - 5pm
Managing Your Monster	October 31	9am - 5pm
Orchid Collection	November 1	10am - 4pm

Friday and Saturday @ 11:30am

Hauntingly good prices of 10%-80% off

Free treat for anyone with this flyer with  
any purchase of over \$15; or 30% off of  
any purchase over \$100

Special treats for all on Halloween

On Sunday, come in and ask your  
questions or bring your ghouls in a bag



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