



MALIBU ORCHID SOCIETY

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President's Message:

IMPORTANT NOTICE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY 12TH OCTOBER not our usual 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Greenhouse tour

On September 25, we had an excellent tour of the greenhouses at the Purcell's, Art Mendoza's and Ned Daniger's. Thanks to all three, and thanks to Birute for organizing the tour.

The Southland Orchid Show

The Southland Orchid Show at the Huntington will open to the public on Friday, October 15. Our meeting will be on October 12, the Tuesday before. That is the second week of the month, not the third. Please see the separate article regarding the show.

Officers and Directors

The list of officers and directors proposed for next year is contained in a separate article in this newsletter. The group will be presented to the membership at the meeting on October 12. Additional nominations can be made from the floor.

Holiday brunch

There will be no holiday brunch this year. There simply was not enough interest.

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October MOS Meeting

Tuesday, October 12, 2010 7:00 pm

Pacific Palisades Woman's Club
901 Haverford Avenue
Pacific Palisades, CA 90272-3505

Cindy Coty

Will speak on

"What Judges Look For When Judging Orchids"

Have you ever been bewildered when you have had to select an orchid from a vendor with a table full of choices? When confronted with so many orchids which one will you choose and purchase to bring into your collection? What distinguishes an orchid with an AM/AOS award?

Cindy Coty's presentation will arm you will some important pointers that will help you decide which orchid to bring home. Cindy will first provide an overview on what the Orchid Judging Table is all about. There are many criteria such as flower shape, color, size and cultural excellence that judges consider when they analyze orchids that are brought in for judging. She will then get down to the specifics and describe what judges look for.

Cindy will use some display table plants that members bring in for our own MOS Judging Table to illustrate her discussion and to demonstrate a hands on judging of orchids. In

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In addition, she will also offer a number of visual examples in a stimulating PowerPoint presentation. Cindy's presentation should provide a helpful guide to all orchid enthusiasts as they select orchids for their own collections.

Cindy Coty has been growing orchids since 1972, starting in St Louis, Mo. Her favorites are Paphs and Species but since she also loves a good fragrant Cattleya, she considers herself more of a generalist! Cindy is currently an Assistant Editor for the Orchid Digest and she is on the Education Committee for the AOS. Cindy has been attending judging's since 1972 and became a fully accredited judge in 1991. She served for 5 years as the Chair of Pacific South Judging region.

Her background is in science and what attracted her to orchids is their incredible diversity. Professionally she conducted research in immunology and moved into the fields of molecular biology and clinical diagnostics. Cindy currently lives in Alhambra and shares a consulting practice with her husband, who is in the same field.

Birute Anne Vileisis

President's message continue: Q and A

If you have a question about the culture of your plants, but are hesitant to approach other members who might be able to help you, please see me at a meeting, and I will find someone who can help you. Our good growers are always happy to help. All you have to do is ask. I know that new growers are hesitant to approach more experienced members, but do see me, and I will take care of it. Also, if you have a problem plant, bring it to the meeting, and we can give you a diagnosis...maybe several opinions!

Grafton Tanquary

Officers and Directors

The Nominating Committee has proposed the following members for the positions of officers and directors of the Society for the year 2011.

President: Open

First Vice-President: Birute Anne Vileisis

Second Vice-President: Alice Hall and John Delfino will share the responsibilities for the auction

Treasurer: Rabinder Sekhon

Recording Secretary: Alice Hall

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Sylvia Morton

Past President: Grafton Tanquary

AOS Representative: George Stelzner

Orchid Digest Representative: Falguni Trieu

Webmaster(Acting): Rabinder Sekhon

These men and women will be introduced to the membership at the next meeting, which will be held on October 12, the second Tuesday of the month, at the Palisades Woman's Club. Nominations may be made from the floor, and the slate will be voted on at the November meeting. If you have any questions or suggestions regarding additional candidates, please contact Sylvia Morton.



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A Pre-Meeting Dinner will be held at Atrio Cucina, 1032 Swarthmore, Pacific Palisades on October 12th, 2010 at 5:30 pm. There is no need to call to reserve a seat at the MOS table. Plan to come and meet your MOS friends for a dinner before the meeting.

Refreshments:

Members whose last names fall within **Hall - Morton** are on the Refreshment Committee this month. Please bring a plate of snacks / cookies / fruit that can be eaten as finger food. If you are on the list this month, please remember that you are responsible for making coffee, serving, cleanup, etc.



Southland Orchid Show

For those of you who plan to enter plants for display at the Huntington Show starting October 15, please remember to:

Before Saturday, October 9, inform Alice Hall of the proper name of each plant, so that she can make the identification tags. Contact her at alice@ashphoto.com or 310.452.4645.

Each plant must be clean,

Trimmed,

Moist,

Properly tagged, with

A sticker on the reverse side of the pot with

Your name

Telephone number, and

The proper name of the plant in case the tag is lost.

You may bring your plants to our meeting on Tuesday, October 12, the second Tuesday. Sylvia Morton will collect the plants and bring them to the show. If you plan to bring your plants to the Huntington yourself, please bring them Wednesday morning, the 13th, between 10 and 11 am.

You may pick up your plants on Sunday the 17th, after 5 pm. If you prefer not to collect your plants yourself, then make arrangements for someone else to pick them up for you.

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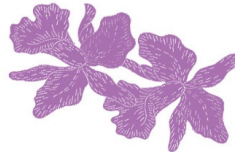


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I am sad to report that I just heard Loren is not well. He was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and is given 6 months to live

Loren was one of our speakers from Solana Beach a couple of years ago. He is famous for hybridizing his spotted cymbidiums and he always has a very nice display of his cymbidiums across from our display at the Sta. Barbara Show. He has cymbidiums called Lots of Dots, if I remember correctly, that is particularly lovely. A very dear man who is very very dedicated to hybridizing.

He is the owner of Casa de las Orchideas: <http://www.orquideas.com/aboutus.html>

Ruth Kennedy, a former member of the Malibu Orchid Society and an important grower, passed away on September 26.

A memorial service will be held at All Saints Episcopal Church in Beverly Hills, 504 North Camden Drive on October 8, at 1:45 pm.

