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South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.

“Orchids for Amateurs”

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May, 2005

Web site: www.southbayorchidsociety.com

May Meeting

Thursday, May 19, 2005

8:00 PM

South Coast Botanic Garden

26300 Crenshaw Blvd.

Palos Verdes Peninsula

May Speaker

George Hatfield, Hatfield Orchids

Our speaker this month is George Hatfield, of Hatfield Orchids in Ventura, specializing in the world’s finest cymbidiums. George is a CSA and AOS Judge. He was invited to judge at the famous Dome Orchid Show in Tokyo. This is a show like no other. It is attended by over 600,000 people over nine days; usually over 60,000 a day, with admission of \$20.00 advance purchase and \$30.00 at the gate. His program will be comprised of pictures and commentary of this show. He will provide the plant table. He has the reputation of providing the best table of all speakers! If you miss this one you will be sorry!

See you there, Nick Braemer

Culture Session—7:00 PM

The culture session will be given by Thamina Haque, a probationary AOS judge. She will be speaking on *L. anceps* and their hybrids. This is a good opportunity to learn about an orchid that is temperature tolerant and will grow well out of doors. Don’t miss it.

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President's Message

What a great Spring Show we had! The success is due to the hard work of everyone involved. The committee chairs did a wonderful job of organizing their areas of responsibility, and everyone who came to work did a great job. The people who attended the show went away with a positive impression of our society and lots of beautiful plants purchased from the vendors. I want to thank everyone who brought in plants for judging and everyone who contributed time and hard to work to the show. I also want to congratulate Billy and Norma Bates for winning our society's perpetual trophy this year.

After a weekend of hard work at our show it was fun to relax and enjoy the picnic at Zuma Canyon Orchids. The weather was perfect, the orchids were beautiful, and the food was delicious. We have to thank our multitalented editor, Ned Patton, for the delicious fajitas. May Dobratz did a great job of organizing the picnic. It was a fun event and everyone went home with a mature, blooming plant. I hope more of you are able to attend the picnic next year. This is an event not to be missed!

It is always sad when outstanding members who made great contributions to our society pass away. It is with fond memories that we are donating \$200 to the American Orchid Society in the names of Lois Smith and Jack Shroeder. They are both well remembered by our long time members.

We are nearing the end of our year. This means it is time to elect a new slate of officers for the coming year. It is important that you attend this month's meeting so you can cast your vote. The nominees' names are listed for you in this newsletter. The election also means it is time for our installation banquet. May is planning another wonderful event for us. The Emerald Room at Alpine Village is a lovely place to have a banquet, and the food is delicious. If you are unable to attend this month's meeting to sign up for the banquet, be sure to give May a call.

Our usual Friday night meeting is again being moved out of its time slot to accommodate another show at the Garden. We will again be meeting on the third Thursday, so I'll see you at our meeting on **Thursday, May 19th**.

Marla Corey



SBOS Mascot

Photo Ron Henry

Owner—New Member Lei Ho

SBOS 2005 Spring Show Judging Results

BEST OF SHOW

Cym. KEALI REICHEL 'THE ENTERTAINER' (PANATALINGA x PHARLAP); Charles Ishitani

AOS CULTURE AWARD

Cym. DOROTHY STOCKSTILL 'ISAMU'; Jose Avila

BEST SOCIETY AWARD, BETTY SCHMOBRICH TROPHY

Phrag. wallesii 'C.H. Bates' AM/AOS, Billy S. Bates

BEST OF SECTION

Cattleya Alliance, Lc. Mildred Rives 'Orchidglade'; Higa

Standard Cymbidium, BEAU GUEST 'CARA'; Higa

Novelty & Miniature Cymbidiums, KEALII REICHEL 'THE ENTERTAINER' (PANATALINGA x PHARLAP); Charles Ishitani

Phalaenopsis & Doritis, Phal.. City Girl, S. Eastwood

Vanda & Allied Genera, Aerangis foustoso, Steve Moescher

Paphiopedilums & Allied Genera, Phrag. Wallesii 'C.H. Bates' AM/AOS, Billy S. Bates

Dendrobiums, Den. thyrsoflorum, Kathy Synsteliën

Oncidium & Allied Genera, Oda. Heatonensis 'Plush', Higa

Pleurothallis Genera, Bulboo Enchinelabum, Ted Johnson

Other Genera, Lyc. Koolena, Ed Voelker

For more complete results including the Ribbon Judging results See Lyn Jaacks

Installation Dinner

Our installation dinner will be held on Friday, June 17th (regular meeting date) at the Alpine Village Inn on Torrance Blvd near the Harbor Freeway. For map directions, the address is 833 West Torrance Blvd., 90502.

The cost per person will be \$23.00 and you will order that evening from the following:

1. Sauerbraten (pot roast with spaetzle and vegetables)
2. Wienerschnitzel (with bratkartoffeln - sautéed potato and vegetables)
3. Beef rouladen (with chef's potatoes and vegetables)
4. Tyrolian chicken (with rice and vegetables)

Join us for a fun filled evening with a special speaker from U.C. Irvine - Dr. Joseph Arditti who will give a humorous talk on how orchids have intruded into the world literature, been depicted in romantic situations, etc.

Sign up at the May meeting, call in your reservation to May Dobratz at (310)-375-2693, mail your reservation check to May Dobratz, 4413 West 234th Place, Torrance, CA. 90505-4507, or email May at bdobratz@ix.netcom.com. Please have your reservation in no later than June 10th.

As always, we're counting on our members to provide blooming orchids to decorate our table.

Looking forward to seeing you,

May Dobratz



**SBOS Display
at the
Newport Harbor
Orchid Show**

Congratulations to Dave DeYoung for winning Best Species at the Newport Harbor Orchid Show with *L. purpurata* 'Beta'.

SBOS Board Nominations for 2005-2006

According to the By-Laws there are 8 elected positions, 3 appointed positions, and the Past President who serves ex-officio. For the 8 elected positions, the following persons are nominated for the Board to serve from July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006:

President: Ned Patton
1st Vice President: Nick Braemer
2nd Vice President: Ron Henry
Treasurer: Jim Rowley
Secretary: Thamina Haque
Membership: Susann Patton
Director: Bob Streeter
Director: Ann McNeeley

Nominations from the floor will also be accepted during the election process.
Nominating Committee: Bob Streeter, Ron Henry, Ned Patton

Welcome New Members

Michael and Mabel Anderson, Shawn Bird, Lucia Brandt, Karen Cummings, Lei Ho, Chris Cassidy and Tom Newman, Francine and John Parson, Betty Wong, Daniel Lewis, Sean Met, Cecelia Post and Jeffrey Robin, Jeff Sisil, and Christine Uphoff



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At Our Spring
Show

Photo Ron Henry

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People, Places and Things

South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.

Meets on the third Friday of each month
Culture Session at 7:00 p.m.
General Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
South Coast Botanic Garden
26300 Crenshaw Blvd.

Next Board Meeting—May 25, 2005

The Board Meeting this month will be held at the Meeting Room at Whole Foods Market at Pacific Coast Highway and Crenshaw Blvd. The meeting will start at **7:30 PM**. The room is easily accessed by an elevator located past the café area at the front of the store.

In Memoriam

Jack Schroeder—I am very sorry to announce the death of Jack Schroeder. On April the 6th Jack passed away after a long illness. Jack and Judy joined the society in 84. Jack was the “fix-it” guy. When any thing needed to be built or fixed he did it. Many of his projects we are still using at each meeting and each show. He served on the board for about 15 years and was one of two ever given a lifetime honorary membership. For all his many services to the society, the Botanic Garden and even the Orchid Society in Hilo, the credit was always given to our society. He has been greatly missed during his illness. Our sincere sympathy goes out to Judy and the family.

Get Well

Jack Manchester—Dr. Potzalot is repairing from some leg surgery. Get well Jack. Hope to see you soon back at the meetings.

Jack West—All of our hopes and prayers go out to Jack and Kathy hoping that Jack gets well. Send them your best wishes.

Editor's Corner

Well, this may be one of the last editor's corners that I write. It appears that, if the Nominating Committee has its way, I will be writing the President's Message soon, as well as this newsletter. I would like to invite every member to please come to the May meeting and vote either for the slate of candidates that are noted in this newsletter or anyone that you think would do a better job. This Society belongs to all of us, and we all need to decide together who gets to lead.

Marla was very nice in her comments about the fajitas, and I appreciate that. I do have to say that everyone that went to the picnic had a wonderful time. Thanks go to May Dobratz—she helped me coordinate all the food—a real job. It was a gorgeous day, and Zuma Canyon is such a beautiful place to have a picnic. George Vasquez is such a gracious host, and we all loved his folks. Don't miss it next year.

And, finally, I want to add a special thanks to Carolyn Gould and Shirley Marble for the food at the show. You two did an outstanding job. We had comments from all the vendors that our show has the best food—thanks.

Your friendly editor, Ned

**The Refrigerator Door
Orchid Show Calendar
May-July, 2005**

SBOS Committee Chairs:

Librarian:
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**San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists
Annual Auction**

May 19, doors open at 6:30 pm Auction
starts at 7:00 pm
Auctioneers: Doug Conkin and Peter Lin
at the LA County Arboretum and Botanic
Garden
301 N. Baldwin Ave. Arcadia, CA
Come for good Plants, Prizes and Fun

9th Annual
REDLAND INTERNATIONAL
ORCHID FESTIVAL
May 13-15, 2005
9:00AM - 5:00PM
daily at the
Fruit & Spice Park
24801 SW 187th Avenue
Homestead, Florida

**Santa Barbara Orchid Estate
INTERNATIONAL
ORCHID FAIR
Grand Anniversary!
July 8-10, 2005
Earl Warren Showgrounds,
Santa Barbara, CA**

“The Inflorescence”

South Bay Orchid Society

c/o Ned Patton

21816 Barbara Street

Torrance, CA 90503

See you THURSDAY at the meeting.

Ned