



SCOS

April 3rd Meeting

This month's speaker is Amy Jacobsen. Amy's talk will be on backyard growing of Laelias and Cattleyas, what you can grow and how to bloom them. Culture and tips on growing with and without a heated greenhouse.

Dinner with the Speaker:

Dinner will be at Chinese Village, Capitola Rd, Capitola. Please call or text Vicky Smith by Thursday, April 2nd if you plan to attend at 831-336-2688.

The **Opportunity table** will be provided by Amy Jacobson.

Refreshments for this month to be provided by: Patrick Jagger, Bruce Hill, Marnie Goodfriend, Danielle Muir. Thank you!

2015 Elections

The membership unanimously voted in Bruce Hill as Director. Welcome aboard Bruce! The Board would like to thank Craig Tarr for serving as President this past 2 years. Due to familial obligations he had to withdraw from the nomination this year. The Board will act by committee until another Presidential nominee becomes available.

May Meeting

Spring has arrived and it's time to be thinking about repotting those precious orchids. Have you been wondering about what type of mix to use with what type of orchid or what size or type of pot to use? Would mounting an orchid be fun or appropriate for my orchid? How about dealing with those roots that are everywhere but in the pot? To help answer these questions, instead of a featured speaker for the May meeting, Society experts will hold a repotting clinic to help get you started on this important activity. The Society will supply free mix or moss for up to 3 small plants with a materials fee of \$2-\$4 each thereafter depending on pot size. No cymbidiums please. Please bring clean pots (the Society may provide some) and pruning shears if possible.

Meeting Information

WHEN: First Friday of the month

TIME: 7:30 pm

PLACE: Live Oak Grange Hall
1900 17th Ave
Santa Cruz, CA

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Speaker Bio

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.

After her greenhouse was full, Amy slowly (but surely) encroached on Ken's cymbidium growing space ... a little at a time ... first the backyard, now benches in Half Moon Bay. In addition to Laelias and Cattleyas, Amy is also growing Lycastes and Anguloas, Masdevallias, Pleurothallids, Austie Dendrobiums and a wide mix of other genera. She has moved from having just a few plants to having 2-3 thousand today.

Ken and Amy's orchid collection now numbers about 5,500. Other than their numerous AOS and CSA awards, Ken and Amy also won the "Best Orchid in Show" and "Best Cattleya Alliance" awards at the 2008 Santa Barbara International Show. They are also the winner of the AOS Berliner Award for the Best Award Lycaste for 2009. Both Ken and Amy are accredited American Orchid Society judges.

March Meeting Highlights

Vicky Smith precedes Mary Gerritsen's introduction by showing off the 2 volume book Mary Gerritsen and Ron Parsons recently published entitled "A Compendium of Miniature Orchid Species". The Society has purchased this book and is available to be signed out of our library.



Mary Gerritsen answers questions from members



Show and Tell



Phalaenopsis
Mike and Babette Scott

Vanda
Bridget Binko



Paph.
Vicky Smith



Cymb. species
Brandon Dichocea



Miltonia ??



Paph lowii 'Fancy Petals'
Maria Legallet



Dendrobium speciosum
Frank Drake



Cymb. species



Pleurothallis grandiflora



Dracula severa



Masdevallia



Upcoming Events

April 18-19, 2015: Sacramento Orchid Society Show and Sale "Orchid Mystique", Scottish Rite Center, Sacramento, CA.

April 18, 2015: Annual Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Show and Sale! Saturday Public Show & Sale 10 am - 4pm. Redwood City Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA. FREE Parking, \$3 Admission. The MOST Beautiful Cymbidiums & Extensive Orchid Displays that can be seen in Northern California in April! Fantastic Buys on Orchids! Super Raffles! Learn how to repot your overgrown cymbidium orchid! http://www.goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers.com/orchid_show_sale

May 2 - 3 2015: D&D Flowers Spring Open House. 9 am to 3 pm. 169 1st Avenue, Daly City, CA 94014. See attached flyer.

AOS Webinars:

April 14, 2015 Cattleya lueddemanniana Greg Allikas 8:30pm PDT/5:30 PDT

Join Greg Allikas as he discusses one of the most beautiful Cattleya species on the planet. This is one of the most beautiful species used in breeding hybrids. It brings so much to the table. Greg Allikas is known the world over for his brilliant photographs of orchids. He has been a commercial photographer and orchid grower since 1970 and is an AOS awards photographer. He has written numerous articles for both ORCHIDS magazine and Orchid Digest.

April 21, 2015 AOS Greenhouse Chat Ron McHatton 8:30pm EDT/5:30 PDT

American Orchid Society: Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton, Please join Ron McHatton, American Orchid Society Director of Education, for a discussion on potting: media, pots, when to re-pot, and creative techniques. Everyone is invited. If you have a question, please submit your questions by April 19th to stillisch@cox.net.

May 2nd & 3rd , 2015

9:00 am to 3 pm

D & D Flowers Spring Open-house

At the new location on

169 1st Avenue

Daly City, CA 94014

(D&D Flowers is not open to the public except during the spring and fall scheduled open houses)

Directions 280 South from San Francisco: Take the Eastmoore exit and veer to the right onto Sullivan Avenue. At the stop light, make a right onto Washington Street (service station on the right and Krispy Kream Donut at opposite corner). Go over the freeway, through Junipero Serra Blvd to San Pedro (Catholic Church at intersection). Make a left onto San Pedro and continue through Mission Street between Bank of America and Wendy's. At the stop sign, make a left onto 1st Avenue. Greenhouse is on the right hand side of the 3rd house with the red garage and a sign reading Demattei Nursery. Enter the gate of the chain link fence with red lattice on the left hand side of the red garage.

Directions 280 north of Hicky Blvd.: Take the Pacifica/Eastmoore Avenue exit and veer to the right to the Eastmoore Avenue exit. At the stop light, you would like to be on the 2nd lane to the left. Turn left onto Junipero Serra Blvd and at the stop light; make a right turn onto San Pedro Road. Then continue through Mission Street between Bank of America and Wendy's. At the stop sign, make a left onto 1st Avenue. Greenhouse is on the right hand side of the 3rd house with the red garage and a sign reading Demattei Nursery. Enter the gate of the chain link fence with red lattice on the left hand side of the red garage.

Please drive safely. Limited street parking so please car pool. Do not park within the chain link fence.

Mahalo for your cooperation!!!!!!