

THE GREATER LAS VEGAS ORCHID SOCIETY

THE ORCHID COLUMN

CAROL SIEGEL, EDITOR



March 1, 2015
Sunday piano
1pm meeting 2pm

SPECIAL EVENTS 2015

March 1, 2015 Ron Kaufmann
“Orchids on the Rocks”
April 12, 2015 Art Chadwick
“First Ladies and Their Cattleyas”
May 3, 2015 Barbecue Shelly’s Steve
Marvel “DI/RO water”
June 7, 2015 Jason Fischer
“ Orchids of New Zealand”
July 12, 2015 Peter Lin “Cattleya
Species and How to Grow Them”
August 2, 2015 Mark Romansky
“Orchids in the Home”
Sept 13 , 2015 Alan Koch
October 4, 2015 Diana Smith “Pests”
November 1, 2015 Cathy Loftfield
“Orchids Around the World”
Dec 6, 2015 Holiday Party
January 10, 2016 Mary Gerritsen
“The Orchids of Borneo”
Feb 2, 2016 Fred Clarke “Catasetum”
March 6, 2016 Guillermo Salazar
“African Orchids”
April 3, 2016 Greenhouse Tour

DUES ARE DUE... DO IT! SEND IN YOURS..



2015 DUES WERE
DUE IN JANUARY. IF YOU HAVEN'T SEND YOURS IN
YET, PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WE RUN AN
EXTRAVAGANT, INFORMATIVE AND EXPENSIVE
SPEAKER PROGRAM WITH ONLY THE BEST AND THAT
TAKES \$\$\$ (WHAT DOESN'T?) WE HAVE NOT RAISED
OUR DUES IN YEARS SINCE SOME OF US HAVE HAD
TOUGH TIMES. DUES REMAIN \$30 FOR SINGE, \$40 FOR
A COUPLE- TWO PEOPLE RESIDING AT THE SAME
ADDRESS. IF YOU CAN SEND AN EXTRA \$5 OR \$10, IT
MAKES SUCH A DIFFERENCE SEND A CHECK MADE OUT
TO: GLVOS C/O CAROL SIEGEL
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RON KAUFMANN SHOW "ORCHIDS ON THE ROCKS" in March CLUB WILL SELL CATTLEYAS IN BLOOM

THE BOARD WILL SPONSOR A CHINESE FEAST!

The speaker in March will be Ron Kaufmann, Chair of the San Diego County Orchid Society Conservation Committee and a Founding Director of the Orchid Conservation Alliance. Ron has traveled extensively to view orchids in the wild in South America. His talk titled "Life on the Rocks: the World of Rupicolous Orchids" will explore the habits and habitats of orchids that grow on rocks. Ron is a Marine Biologist by training, and his scientific work includes studies of Antarctic and deep-sea ecosystems as well as marine communities in coastal Southern California. He has been growing orchids for nearly 20 years, starting with a reedstem Epidendrum and progressing to a diverse collection that contains mostly species orchids. Ron has a long-standing interest in conservation and has been a member of the SDCOS Conservation Committee for almost 15 years and chair since 2004. Since 1991, the Conservation Committee has awarded over \$165,000 to support projects in 21 different countries. Ron also helped to found the Orchid Conservation Alliance and serves on the boards of the OCA, EcoMinga Foundation (a conservation foundation based in Ecuador) and Orchid Digest. We loved his talk last year on "Orchids on the Beach." Thanks to Terry Wilsey for travel arrangement and Steve Hochman for transporting the speaker.



WE ARE EXCITED TO PRESENT 20 BLOOMING ORCHIDS IN BUD FROM AKATSURA ORCHIDS FOR SALE FOR \$35 EACH, SOME WITH MULTIPLE SPIKES. THEY WERE SUCH A HIT LAST MONTH THAT SOME MEMBERS WHO WANTED THEM COULD NOT GET ANY OF THE SOLD OUT CATTLEYAS SO WE ARE DOING IT ONCE AGAIN. DIANA SMITH, CAROL SIEGEL, EILEEN MCKYTON, AND CATHY LOFTFIELD WILL SPONSOR A CHINESE FEAST



ORCHID SHOW AT THE WEST CHARLESTON LIBRARY ON SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH 10AM-4PM “A Passion for Orchids”

We are having our orchid show on Saturday, March 28th at the W Charleston Library. We hope Tony and Ole will do continuous potting demonstrations and give away the plants to visitors. We will have our orchid banner so visitors can take pictures of themselves in an orchid. **We will be setting up our display at 10am on Fridy, March 27th at the library.** We will have a display on different kinds of orchids, native Nevada orchids, orchid photography, orchid potting mixes, and orchid library books. I will donate a basket of blooming orchids to give away in a free raffle open to everyone. It helps us get the names of people who visit our show who might be interested in joining. **We need your orchids!!** Please... We will get volunteers to man our show at the next meeting. It should be fun, and it is only one day. Please step up... There is a big auditorium and Cathy, Diana, Mark Romansky and I will be giving talks. Make sure you show up and enjoy this fun event. ATTACHED TO THE NEWSLETTER EMAIL IS A COPY OF THE FILE ADVERTISING OUR SHOW. Print up a few and give it to some friends who might enjoy the event- and us.

Schedule:

11 a.m. Orchids of Guatemala with Cathy Loftfield This PowerPoint presentation will discuss orchids from the different regions of Guatemala.

1 p.m. Freaks and Stinkers with Carol Siegel Explore the freak show side of orchids including the weird and wacky species.

2 p.m. Orchids 101 with Diana Smith Learn how to keep the most popular orchids healthy and blooming on your windowsill.

3 p.m. Orchids in the Home with Mark Romansky Learn where orchids come from, how to acquire them, what varieties are available and what to do with them once you have them.

Saturday, March 28 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

West Charleston Library Art Gallery and Lecture Hall

6301 W. Charleston Blvd.

Free and open to the public.

COURTESY OF CATHY LOFTFIELD...



**A PASSION FOR
ORCHIDS 2014
WEST CHARLESTON
LIBRARY**





Congratulations to Mark Romansky for Best Orchid Blue Ribbon for his lovely *BLC Fitz Nickolaus* 'Spring Dance'

Congratulations to Cherie Lin for Best Newbie Award for her gorgeous *Neostylis Lou Sneary* 'Bluebird'

Congratulations to Dallis Church for Most Interesting Story for his very interesting Bonsai Apricot Tree.

Bring in your Show and Tell Beauties and win a blue ribbon. All Blue Ribbon winners will entered into a raffle in October for a basket of orchids I will donate.

Thanks to Cathy Loftfield for the pictures of the award winners.

AWARD WINNING PHOTOS ARE BELOW



Blue Ribbon Cherie Lin
Neostylis Lou Sneary 'bluebird'



Blue Ribbon Dallis Church
Bonsai Tree



Mark Romansky
BLC fitz nickolaus 'Spring
Dance'

FEBRUARY MEETING GREAT FUN

We had a great time at our February meeting. Ron Parsons did a wonderful talk on the Orchids of Ecuador, and great food was provided by Liz Waters, Carol Siegel, Claudia Drake, Marian Honeycutt and Jeri Lee. The blooming cattleyas from Akatsuka Orchids were a big success (We will have more this month...), and Tony, Ole and Joel sold beautiful hotel plants. We welcomed guests Robin Coleman, Shannon Baucom, Max Rosequist, Romy Umholtz and Joan Kaplan. We hope you liked us and will return. We liked you! We welcomed new members Fred Keefer and DQ Jackson.

CLUB DOINGS...

Our sincerest condolences to Mike Lawless on the loss of his beloved sister Kim. Our hearts go out to you.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery from your surgery to Bruce LaFollette...

Congratulations on moving back into your all-fixed-up house to June Cravenn. You were very brave. I am sure they will miss you at the Marriott...

Many thanks to Joel Davidson and Cherie Lin who generously paid our Insurance for this quarter. We so appreciate it.

Hope Terry Wilsey had fun on his cruise.

I have attached to the newsletter email my article on The Secret Life of Roots which was just published in Orchid Digest.

See you soon.

Love Carol

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