FEBRUARY BEGINNER'S MEETING

February 4th, 2002 - 6:30 PM - Casa Del Prado - Room 104

By Ivan Harrison, 2nd VP

Wow! What a great mini show we had this weekend! [Report to follow.] Only two members had the courage to bring in plants for the Novice Table. Where were you guys? We have had such a good showing at the monthly meetings, our expectations were high for a large number of novice entries! The volume may have disappointed us, but certainly not the quality. The Blue Ribbon winner was Chet Rappaport with a plant he almost didn't bring. Unsure of the name of his Paphiopedilum, Chet just brought it along with his other plants. Some of our more knowledgeable members identified Chet's orchid as Paphiopedilum insigne, a very nice species. We will undoubtedly be seeing this multi-growth Paphiopedilum again in years to come. Here is Chet discussing his winning orchid with Ivan.

The February Novice Class will be another chapter in the search for "Finding a Happy Medium". As we experiment with assorted media with varying degrees of success in the different genera, we want to pass on this information. It may save you time and heartache, and will certainly give you some ideas to try in your particular environment.

FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING

February 4th, 2002 - 7:30 PM - Casa Del Prado - Room 101

By Ben Machado, 1st VP

If you made last month's meeting then you had the pleasure of just about the finest Guest Speaker presentation our society has had in a long time. Marilyn Levy provided a presentation titled “Orchid Trends and Pursuing the Pure White Paphiopedilum”. She took us on a hybridizing trip that focused on the characteristics of species Paphiopedilum, then went on to show us what can happen when one species of Paphiopedilum is crossed with another; plus what can happen with complex hybrid breeding. All the while she continued to focus on the development of white Paphiopedilums, some of which seemed very questionable, should you want to call the result a true white. Best of all, throughout her presentation Marilyn projected that rare ability to mix light hearted humor with practical bits of information. Complimenting Marilyn's presentation we had the luxury of a great Plant Opportunity Table provided by Charles Weckerle. He loaded us down with a table of very fine hybrids, mostly Paphs.

This month is not going to be a surprise; our Guest Speaker is Meir Moses. He is from the Dallas area and is known for his long time relationship with the Phalaenopsis. Meir has a presentation titled “Yellow, Red, and Harlequin Phalaenopsis”. Ok, Ok; you guys that have been nagging for a Phal presentation had better know what a Harlequin Phalaenopsis is all about. He came highly regarded by those intimate with the Phal world.

Meir must be a little bit inhibited; therefore this rather abbreviated biography about himself:

“Born and raised on a Kibbutz in Israel, so I have a lot of horticulture and agricultural background. Moved to America in 1981 and was first introduced to orchids in 1990. Three years later made a switch to Phalaenopsis and developed special interest in reds and yellows and later in harlequins. At the same time I formed my company The Orchid Konnection. I have a large collection of awarded Phals. and received numerous awards from the AOS (86). This large collection is the base of my breeding efforts.

A Probationary Judge at the Dallas center. Married with 3 (15, 14, 12).”

In addition, Meir will also provide the plants for our Plant Opportunity Table. Yes, he will provide a table of Phals, primarily from his hybridized stock.
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If you have monthly meetings, classifieds, submissions of interest, or announcements related to orchids, **to be considered for publication in the upcoming March issue, please contact the editors by February 14th.**

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**OUR PURPOSE:** To promote interest in orchids and their cultivation, to educate by exchanging information and experiences related to successful orchid culture, and to support the conservation of orchids in the wild.

SDCOS meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at Casa Del Prado in Balboa Park. We invite you to join the society to receive the monthly newsletter and many other benefits.

- **Beginner’s Class:** 6:30 pm, Room 104
- **General Meeting:** 7:30 pm, Room 101

If you would like to join the society, please send your check for $10* for individual, $12.50 for Dual membership, payable to SDCOS, to: **Vivian Folmer**, SDCOS Membership, 13127 Roundup, SanDiego, CA 92129. Telephone: 858.538.6187, email: vivianfollmer@hotmail.com

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**UPCOMING CALIFORNIA EVENTS**

**February 6-9**
Fascination of Orchids Show, South Coast Plaza, Crate & Barrel Wing, 3333 Bear St., Costa Mesa, CA. Contact: Roberta Fox, 2153 San Michel Dr, E #C, Costa Mesa, CA 92627; 714.964.3265; robertha@fascinationoforchids.com

**February 8-9**
Santa Cruz Orchid Society Show, Soquel High School, 401 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA. Contact: Victoria M. Smith, 339 Melin Ave., Ben Lomond, CA 95005; 831.336.2688

**February 20-23**
San Francisco Orchid Society Pacific Orchid Exposition, Festival Pavilion, Fort Mason Center, San Francisco, CA. Contact: Dennis Westler, 1680 Gouldin Rd., Oakland, CA 94611; 510.339.8626

**March 8-9**
Central Coast 8th Annual Orchid Show and Sale, South County Regional Center, 800 W. Branch St., Arroyo Grande, CA. Contact: Rosemary Bradshaw, 1656 La Mirada Dr., Nipomo, CA 93444; 805.929.1791; orchidlady@earthlink.net

**March 14-16**
San Joaquin Orchid Society Show, Sherwood Mall, 5308 Pacific Ave., Stockton, CA. Contact: Judy Jackson, 18961 Gawne Rd., Stockton, CA 95215; 209.463.9702

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Malihini Orchid Society Show, Vallco Fashion Park, 10123 N. Wolfe Rd., Cupertino, CA. Contact: Bob Stillman, 387 Fremont Ave., Los Altos, CA 94024; 650.941.1352

**March 21-23**
San Diego County Orchid Society Show, Scottish Rite Center, San Diego, CA. Contact: Ben Machado, 4044 Calavo Dr., La Mesa, CA 91941

**March 28-30**
Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, Earl Warren Showgrounds, Exhibit Building, Santa Barbara, CA. Contact: Frank Cobb, 1096 N. Patterson Ave., Santa Barbara, CA 93111

**April 12-13**
Tropical Plant Society of Modesto Show, Stanislaus Union School, 1931 Kiernan Ave., Modesto, CA. Contact: Susan Wedegaertner, 1348 Kiernan Ave., Modesto, CA 95356; 209.545.4732.
The following is a list of books which we, the SDCOS, have been asked to donate for the new judging center in Quail Botanical Gardens.

**PACIFIC REGION PRIMARY BOOK LIST**

**BOOKS IMPERATIVE TO ESTABLISH THE CENTER**

**Text Books**
- Encyclopedia of Cultivated Orchids
- The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Orchids
- The Manual of Cultivated Orchid Species

**Orchids by Genus**
- An Annotated Checklist of the Genus Anguloa
- Bulbophyllums and their Allies
- The World of Catasetums
- Cattleya Part I
- Cattleya Part II
- The Cattleyas and their Relatives I
- The Cattleyas and their Relatives II
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- The Cattleyas and their Relatives IV
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- Orquideas Genus Cyrtopodium
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- The Antelope and Latouria Dendrobiums
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- An Annotated Checklist of the Genus Dracula
- Monograph of the Genus Gongora
- Laelia Purpurata
- Laeliopsis of Mexico
- Intriguing Masdevallias
- Odontoglossum: A Monograph and Iconograph
- The Genus Paphiopedilum
- The Genus Paphiopedilum I
- The Genus Paphiopedilum II
- Slipper Orchids of Borneo
- An Annotated Checklist of the Genus Phragmipedium
- The Genus Pleione
- Sarcochilus Orchids of Australia
- The Astonishing Stanhopeas
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**Orchids by Region**
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- Native Orchids of Belize
- Orchids of Borneo
- Orchids from the Brazilian Amazon
- Orchids of the High Mountain Atlantic Rain Forest
- Orchideaeaca Antillanae
- Field Guide to the Orchids of Costa Rica and Panama
- Flora Costaricensis vol. 1
- Guatemala and its Orchids
- Orchids of Jamaica
- Orchids of Java
- Orchids of Kenya
- Orchids of Madagascar
- Orchids of New Caledonia
- Orchids of Panama
- Lowland Orchids of Papua New Guinea
- The Orchids of the Philippines
- An Orchid Flora of Puerto Rico
- The Orchids of the Peninsular Malaysia
- Orchids of the Solomon Islands
- Venezuelan Orchids

**Orchids by Region**
- From the AOS Bookshop
- From Amazon
- From McQuerry Orchid Books

For further information, please call either Gary Pierwola 619.426.9108 or Ben Machado 619.660.9810
(mini) Show Report
By Rosemary Harrison
Photos by Ivan Harrison

Three times a year – January, July and October - our Society puts on a free orchid show for the general public. Our first of 2003 took place January 18th and 19th in Room 101, Casa Del Prado in Balboa Park. It’s a funny time of year for orchids, but we had a spectacular display of cymbidiums, cattleyas and paphiopedilums, and the competition was very strong in those sections. I was very thankful that I didn’t have the task of judging either the cymbidium section or the standard cattleyas – they all looked worthy of ribbons to me!

After the judges had completed their duties on Saturday morning, the ten “Best of Section” plants were placed on the top table and the task of choosing “Best of Show” began. Sometimes it takes several votes to arrive at a winner – this time one round was enough. The Section 2 winner, Cymbidium Mini Sarah ‘Pearl Falls’ grown by Lynn Dirige of Imperial Beach won the purple rosette. Lynn is seen above with her winning orchid and the Thelma Grimes Trophy, which will bear her name in perpetuity.

The other Best of Section orchids are:

Section 1: Standard Cymbidium Baltic Meadow x Frigo Royale ‘C.S.’ grown by Joe and Rose Alesi (above)

Section 3: Standard Cattleya – Lc. Mini Purple x Blc. Ronald Hausermann ‘Carmela’ grown by Felisa Acantilado (right)

Section 4: Miniature Cattleya – Bc. Maikai ‘Lea’, grown by Edith and Leno Galvin (left)

Section 5: Paphiopedilum Polar Bay, grown by Forrest Robinson (right)

Section 6: Phalaenopsis Unknown, grown by Joe and Rose Alesi (not pictured)

Section 7: Oncidium Twinkle also grown by our big winner, Lynn Dirige (not pictured)

Section 8: All other hybrids: Ascocenda Princess Mikasa, grown by Lee Landes (left)

Section 9: Species: Angraecum superbum, grown by Ivan and Ro Harrison (below)

Section 10: Phragmipedium Jason Fischer, also grown by Ivan and Ro Harrison (top of page 5)

Stalwart Jim Reid made corsages non-stop from opening to closing on both days, and made a lot of visitors to the show
sartorially much more elegant. Ivan caught us on camera as I came up to thank Jim for my extraordinarily beautiful corsage. Genie Hammond joined Jim at the corsage table on Saturday and Irma Adams on Sunday.

Plant sales were brisk on both days of the show, thanks to donations by generous members and sales by indefatigable volunteers (see photos of smiling faces here, there and everywhere!). Bob Hodges and Joe Alesi donated huge flowering cymbidiums for a raffle, and SDCOS members won both plants.

Thanks to all members who participated by bringing plants for judging, for volunteering or for buying plants. Orchid bucks will be distributed to volunteers at the February meeting. But special thanks are owed to Gary and Judy, caught here taking a quick break. Not only did they arrange everything that happened from the coffee and donuts to the organizing of the judging ribbons, but they were also in attendance every minute - Friday evening, and all day Saturday and Sunday. The show would not have gone on without them and their tireless efforts. Thanks Prez and First Lady!

PS. Thanks to Ivan for all the great photos! And for all the potting demonstrations on Sunday. He talked so much he was hoarse by four o’clock! (bottom)
For Sale, Show Tickets
Submitted by Barbie & Dave Mays

We'd like your help with the pre-show tickets...

Dear Fellow Society Members,
To make our Big Show this March 2003 a great success, we can use the help of all of our members in selling pre-show tickets. We will soon be mailing you a packet of 6 numbered tickets, costing $20.00. When you sell 5 of these tickets, at $4.00 each the 6th ticket is yours to keep... free. Regular admission at the door will be $5.00.

By selling pre-show tickets, you can...
- save your friends and orchid buddies $1.00 each
- keep a free ticket for yourself, or give it as a gift
- spread the word about our exciting Show and Sale
- support our society in its biggest fund raiser of the year

Just send your check for the tickets sold (payable to SDCOS) in the self addressed return envelope. If you have unsold tickets, please return your tickets to us before show time so we can keep track of them by number.

PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THE TICKET STUBS!

If you do not wish to participate by selling pre-show tickets, please contact us at 619.593.7498, and we will not send you a ticket packet. You may also request additional tickets to sell. In past years there has been a nice prize to whom sells the most! Thanks for your help.

Cindy Hill Takes Leave of Absence from Conservation Committee
Submitted by Peter Tobias

The Conservation Committee voted its heartfelt thanks to Cindy Hill for her continuous hard work on the committee over the six years. Cindy has done many things for the committee, from soliciting donations, gathering, reporting, providing hospital care to plants, and to reading and evaluating the applications for grants. Notably, one of our long term grantees, Lou Yost, was recruited and championed by Cindy. All members of the committee hope her absence will only be short term.

Siv Garrod Resigns from the Conservation Committee
Submitted by Peter Tobias

Siv Garrod has decided to resign from the Conservation Committee to pursue other interests. Siv has been a member of the committee pretty much since its inception. She has been a notable caretaker of plants, especially the popular Reedstem Epidendrums, and coordinator of the sales booth at both the SDCOS show and the Quail Orchid Fair. Since it is the sales booth that makes the money which comprises the committee’s budget, her work was most important and her absence will be felt. The committee hopes she enjoys her new ventures.

Letter to the Editor
Hello:
I am a new member of the SDCOS (only since October) and I thought the Christmas Party was super. I enjoyed the friendly people at my table. My orchid from the exchange is fabulous and I was lucky enough to get one of the orchids from the give-away. The food was great and I even liked the entertainment just because I think they tried hard. You can’t fault anyone for that. Thank you for a memorable evening.
-Claire Schneider

Claire, may I say to you that we were delighted to have you at our party, and we hope you will stick around for more! While I am speaking for the SDCOS, we are pleased to hear you had a great time! —Michael Orser

The Conservation Committee also thanks...
Submitted by Peter Tobias

Janet Wanerka for her help with the Conservation Booth at the fall orchid show. Janet is there so much we just took her for granted and forgot to thank her. Hopefully, Santa was extra good to her.
2003 SPRING SHOW REPORT

By Ben Machado, Show Director

First of all our show this year will be held March 21 – 23, 2003, the 20th is to be our set up day. And we will be holding our show again at the Scottish Rite Center.

Some items are getting an early start such as the printed material. At last month’s meeting, Barbie and Dave Mays started passing out pre-show tickets and posters. This will continue during next month’s meeting, helping to reduce the mail-out volume. The mail-out will go to all the remaining members who have not told Barbie and Dave to remove them from the mail out list. If you do not wish to participate in the pre-show ticket sales please let them know!

Here’s how the pre-show ticket sales works; for every willing member six tickets will be provided. The ticket face value is $5 but members are to sell the tickets at a $1 discount for $4. Sell five of the tickets and keep one for yourself as a free bonus. And to the member who sells the most tickets there is a $75 gift certificate as an award. The gift certificate will be good at any of the orchid vendors who advertise in our newsletter.

This year we engaged the services of a public relations company named Media Mix. They took care of all the graphics material and printing of the posters and tickets. They are the people who took Ivan Harrison’s Cattleya bicolor photo and Leno Galvan’s theme “Jewels of the Jungle” and made them into the beautiful posters and tickets for our show.

During the next meeting every member will receive two of the event posters. Keep a poster for yourself as a memento and pass the other one on to someone who will use it for advertising. See if your local grocer, beautician, florist, auto repair shop or whichever, will put up the poster in their place of business. Posters are not limited to two per person, if you have more than one business willing to show off this beautiful poster you can have more.

Sign up for volunteers will start at the February 4th General Meeting. During the January meeting while Barbie and Dave Mays were trying to pass out pre-show tickets and posters they were swarmed by members looking for the volunteer sign up sheets. What a terrific problem our Society has with all these dynamic members waiting to help! Sign up sheets for each of the committees, with the names of the committee chairman will be available. Give it some thought about which job you would like to join. And for every member who puts in at least four hours of volunteer duty, they will receive a beautiful tee shirt with this year’s graphics. So during the sign up, if you expect to put in at least 4 hours of volunteer duty, please include your shirt size. As a friendly reminder, the free tee shirt is passed out one to a volunteer. If you work over the 4 hour minimum you can collect Orchid Bucks but you are entitled to only one tee shirt.

Below is the list of the various committees; give some thought where you will fit in the best.

Conservation Sales Booth  Construction  Staging, Exhibit Room
Corsage Booth  Plant Hotel
Plant Registration  Ribbon & Trophy Judging
Ribbon & Trophy Judging Clerk
SDCOS Sales Booth (Tees etc.)
Security  Staging, Sales Rooms  Show Ticket Sales
Videos & Lectures

Our Conservation Committee, headed by Peter Tobias and Ron Kaufman, has a very ambitious fund raising goal for world wide orchid conservation causes. The committee has a plant sales booth for their fund raising effort and they can always use help. Yes, helping out with the Conservation Committee counts as volunteer time toward the free tee shirt.

The real reason for this extra plug for the Conservation Committee Sales Booth is to solicit our membership for orchid plant contributions. Do your part for orchid conservation by contributing some of those excess orchids you have crowding your greenhouse benches. Everyone has some divisions that can be passed on to another happy home. All the proceeds gained from the sale go directly to world wide orchid conservation efforts. Thanks to a group of very determined and generous volunteers, not a cent is withheld for administrative or operating costs, all proceeds go to
conservation. In addition, for your plant donation, you will receive a tax deductible receipt. Contact Peter or Ron for this more than worthy cause.

Sam DeMaria always does a terrific job making the catering arrangements. He has set up an R&R room for SDCOS volunteers on Saturday and Sunday. You can work for a while then take a break in the R&R room where cold cuts, fruits, deserts, and soft drinks are available. This is also the opportunity to meet with some of the other volunteers and have a nice visit. On Friday, at about 1 PM, after the AOS judges have been served lunch, the buffet line will be open to all the membership volunteers on duty at the time. Later on in the afternoon, a very nice snack table will be set up for all the volunteers, particularly those participating in Ribbon Judging.

Sam is also taking care of the banquet for Saturday night of the show. There is a limit of 125 seats for the dinner and the price will again be $14 per person. Not a very high price for this high quality buffet dinner, complete with roast beef, an outstanding desert selection, and a pretty good selection of wines, including some home made award winners. Tickets will be available for sale at our next two General Meetings. Get your ticket early, this event always sells out.

This is going to be a more lavish show than ever, since every square foot of the show room has been taken up by displays. Several members have come forward to take the remaining display areas. All that remains is to have orchids loading down the tables. Now is not too early to start grooming your beauties for the March 21 – 23 San Diego County Orchid Society Show and Plant Sale, Jewels of the Jungle.

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2003 SPRING SHOW ADVERTISING

As we did last year we will again put together another beautiful program for our show. This is an open invitation to anyone who would like to reach the orchid community to place an ad in our program.

Ad costs are purposely held at reasonable rates ranging from $300 for full page color to $100 for ¼ page black and white.

The program is going to be very similar to the last year’s except that more articles written by local members will be included. Most of the articles are focused on care and culture right here in the San Diego area, not Florida or the East Coast. This is specifically targeting the Southern California visitors to our show who are looking for orchids, orchid related products gardening products, and general merchandise. Remember, the ad doesn’t have to be orchid specific.

Our program is going to be so beautiful and full of relative orchid information that visitors will take and keep the program for future reference. And your ad will be part of that future reference! Last year our attendance was 6,740. We are expecting at least that many for this year. So you get significantly high distribution for a small investment.

The cut off date for ad submissions is February 10.
For more detailed information contact your Show Director by any means listed below.

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Can you classify these orchids?
Photos by Michael Orser

Orchid Tip
from orchidweb.org

Tired of trying to get the moss to stay on the front of the plant when you are putting it on a slab? Cut a piece of plastic gutter guard and place it over the moss, fold it around the back of the slab and using small wire, just wire it in place. Plenty of air and the moss doesn’t wash out. Plastic gutter guard comes on rolls from the hardware stores. When you have to remove it from the plant to redo the plastic can be put in the dish washer and used over again.

More Orchid Info and Tips
From orchidgreenhouse.com

Why won’t my orchid plant bloom?
Usually this is due to a lack of adequate light and/or the lack of a temperature fluctuation between day and night. Generally speaking, plants need to be close to a window, no more than 3’ away at most. Plants see light from above, not sideways, and if you grow your plants too far from a window you will notice new growths becoming smaller and the leaves much narrower. They will not be able to store the energy they need to bloom.

Temperatures should fluctuate to below 65º Fahrenheit at night (preferable 60º) to above 65-75º during the day. Generally a 7-10º fluctuation is need to initiate flowering.

How often do Orchids Bloom?
It depends on the plant. Some bloom once a year, others bloom several times a year and some even bloom continuously.

How long do Orchid Blooms last?
It depends on the type as well as on cultural treatment. Blooms of hybrids of the genus Cattleya may last from one to four weeks on the plant. Those of the genus Phalaenopsis commonly last from one to four months.

Are all Orchids the same?
Quite the contrary. No plant family is more diverse. After all, the orchid family is the largest plant family, occupying almost all possible environments. From the thimble-sized Mystacidium caffrum to the 20-foot-tall Renanthera storei, orchids exhibit amazingly different shapes, forms and growth habits. Some orchids produce blossoms no larger than a mosquito; other orchid flowers are as large as a dinner plate. Your familiar corsage is just one of the thousands of attractive types that can be grown with ease, given the proper culture. And with today’s propagation methods and current hybridizing trends, there are more choices to choose from than ever before.

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**SDCOS Board of Directors Meeting**

by Romy Reyes  
December 10, 2002  
Meeting called to order at 7:01PM

**Present**: Gary Pierwola, Ivan Harrison, Charlie Fouquette, Sam DeMaria, Ben Machado, David Graham, Dave Mays, Barbie Mays, Bob Clark, and Romy Reyes

**Other Members Present**: Judy Pierwola, Rosemary Harrison, Candy Kalman, Phil Green, and Bob Hodges

**Reports**
1. Minutes of the November meeting were read and approved by motion.
2. Treasurer Barbie Mays - Report for the month of November was read and approved by motion.
3. First Vice-President Ben Machado - Ms. Marilyn Levy will be the speaker at the January 2003 meeting. The topic of her presentation: Pursuing The Pure White Paphiopediliums
4. Second Vice-President Ivan Harrison - There will be a slide presentation which will start at 6:00pm. Topic: The Truth About Orchids in Florida

**Old Business**
1. Funding for books of AOS Judging Center library at Quail Gardens was voted down by the board.
2. Ms. Karen Muir will give a short talk at the January meeting about the new AOS Judging Center.

**New Business**
1. Motion was approved regarding the use of advertisers in the Society as the source of plants for the plant table in case the guest speaker is not able to provide the plants.
2. The Society has been invited to have an information table at the 18th Annual Spring Home/Garden Show on Feb. 28 thru Mar. 2, 2003.

**Miscellaneous**
1. Funding of the supplemental AOS Judging Center at Quail Gardens for the amount of $2318.00 was approved by motion by the members of the society on December 3, 2002.
2. The Garner Educational Fund Committee was formed and the following were appointed: Chair - Genie Hammond, Members - Charlie Fouquette, Barbie Mays, Dave Mays, and Romy Reyes

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm

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**SDCOS Board of Directors Meeting**

by Romy Reyes  
January 14, 2003  
Meeting called to order at 7:00PM

**Present**: Gary Pierwola, Ivan Harrison, Charlie Fouquette, Sam DeMaria, Genie Hammond, Dave Mays, Barbie Mays, Bob Clark, and Romy Reyes

**Other Members Present**: Judy Pierwola, Rosemary Harrison, Candy Kalman, Lynn Ford, and Peter Tobias

**Reports**
1. Minutes of the December meeting was read and approved by motion.
2. Treasurer Barbie Mays - Report for the month of December was read and approved by motion.
3. First Vice-President Ben Machado - Mr. Meir Moses from Dallas, Texas will be the guest speaker at the February general meeting. TOPIC: Red & Yellow Phalaenopsis
4. Second Vice-President Ivan Harrison - The topic “Creating A Happy Medium” will be presented by Ivan Harrison at the Beginners Class.

**Old Business**
1. Future funding for books for AOS Judging Center (Quail Gardens) have been tabled.
2. Plans are in the works to “streamline” both Awards banquet and Christmas party.

**New Business**
1. Members are requested to submit nominees for the Nominating Committee. Point of Contact: Gary Pierwola 619.426.9108
2. Purchase of additional horticultural awards ribbons was approved by motion.
3. Peter Tobias spoke about raising funds for the Conservation Committee. The board decided to have Mr. Tobias write-up a proposal and present it to the board at a later date.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17pm
HELP HOTLINE

The SDCOS offers this service to members who seek cultural information about their orchids. Here are some friendly hobbyists with a great deal of experience about certain types of orchids, and who have kindly volunteered to answer your questions.

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New Member & Novice Class Information
   Ivan and Rosemary Harrison 619.448.3312

DATES TO REMEMBER...

February 1st, 9:00 am
   SDCOS Species Group Meeting
   First Saturday each month
   Paul or Ann Tuskes 858.274.5829

February 4th, 6:30 pm
   Beginner’s Class
   First Tuesday each month
   Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park
   Gary Pierwola 619.426.9108

February 4th, 7:30 pm
   General Meeting
   First Tuesday each month
   Room 101, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park
   Gary Pierwola 619.426.9108

February 11th, 7:00 pm
   SDCOS Board Meeting
   Second Tuesday each month
   Balboa Park
   Romy Reyes 619.328.6578

February 14th, 7:30 pm
   Palomar Orchid Society Meeting
   Second Friday each month
   Vista Community Center
   Dave or Vera Stankey 959.498.7122

February 19th, 7:00 pm
   Cymbidium Society Meeting
   Third Wednesday each month
   Carlsbad Women’s Club
   Larry Phillips 619.746.5518

February 21st, 10 am - 2 pm
   San Diego Zoo
   Orchid Greenhouses Open House
   Third Friday each month
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