

Remember

This is the final meeting of the current GCCG season.
You will receive your next newsletter in September, announcing the first program of the new season.

Enjoy the Summer Break!

May 2016 Is Party Time!

Date: May 20th, 2016

Time: 5:30 PM for room set up. Party starts at 6:00 PM.

Place: The San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo

Take the Alameda de las Pulgas exit off Highway 92. Turn south. The Garden Center is located between

26th and 28th Avenues.

Program: Our last meeting of our blooming season will be our annual party, again celebrating a very successful year! Not only will we have a great choice of culinary dishes from our members for an awesome potluck dinner, but we will also have an opportunity to chat with members we may not know. As if that were not enough to fill an evening, we will be privileged to have a special speaker after dinner.

Speakers: Our after dinner speaker will be Dennis Olivas, always an entertaining speaker, of D & D Orchids, speaking on "Cymbidiums: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow". Dennis was born on the island of Kauai, Hawaii. As a young boy, he helped his mom grow her orchids and was soon hooked. In 1980 he moved to the mainland and was introduced to the Rod McLellan's 'Acres of Orchids'. From there his whole life became one downward spiral. First he filled his home with upwards of 6,000 plants. Later he leased a greenhouse space for his ever-burgeoning orchid collection. Glutton for punishment, his collection soon overflowed the 3,000 sq. ft. greenhouse in Half Moon Bay and in November of 2013 he moved his obsession to a greenhouse in Daly City. Dennis has been President for the Peninsula Orchid Society, San Francisco Orchid Society, Diablo View Orchid Society, and the Santa Cruz Orchid Society. He is an accredited American Orchid Society judge and belongs to over 14 orchid Societies, whom he tries to help out whenever possible.

Plant Table: D & D Orchids will supply The Opportunity Table. Do not miss this chance to add some new Cymbidiums as well as some other cool growing companion plants to your collection.

GCCG POTLUCK DINNER

GCCG will provide turkey, honey-baked ham, coffee and soft drinks. Members should plan to provide their own plates, utensils, napkins and beverages of choice. BRING A FRIEND!

 Set up:
 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM

 Cocktails:
 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM

 Dinner:
 6:30 PM - 7:15 PM

Meeting: 7:30 PM

PLEASE BRING ONLY YOUR DESIGNATED DISH!

Please bring enough for 6-8 people

If your last name begins with:

Bring:

A-G Dessert

H-Q Salad or Appetizer/Hors d'oeuvres

R-Z Side Dish or Hot Casserole

Show and Tell table: Plants will not be described but members are welcome to bring them in for show.

Member Plant sales only during Cocktail time. - 6:00 PM to 6:30 PM.

Club Supplies for sale by pre-order only at the May meeting: Call Sylvia Darr, 650-450-1384 or email her at syldarr@gmail.com to order by Thursday, May 19. Unprinted labels, single-edged razor blades, pens, Twist Ties, pots of assorted sizes, 3' and 4' bamboo stakes, MSU 1# and 2# Romeo blend fertilizer and dual virus testing kits are for sale at cost plus tax as usual. Supply pick-up sales will close at 6:30 PM!

Officers for 2016-2017: The nominating committee, chaired by Kevin Hill, has presented to the Board and Membership the following slate of officers for the coming season. We will be voting at the May meeting.

President - Marron Honigman

Vice President - Sylvia Darr

Secretary - Jennifer Daine

Treasurer - Stanley Fuelscher

Membership Chair - Richard Mangan

Ways and Means Chair - Trudy Hadler

Past President - Weegie Caughlan

Director at Large - Carol Armendariz

Director at Large - Kevin Hill

Director at Large - Ken Jacobsen

Message from the President: It is hard to believe that May is upon us and that our last meeting of the season is approaching. It has been a terrific year for GCCG. Interesting speakers, an auction that has served as a model for others to follow, the GCCG Show and Sale which brought in a myriad of community people as well as dedicated hobbyists and the upcoming Potluck Dinner are all benchmarks for our successful club. Be sure you come to this May event to celebrate our successes and meet and greet all those in our orchid world. I am so proud of our club and hope that you are setting aside the date and planning your dinner contribution. It promises to be informative as well as a fun evening and will give us something to ponder over the summer months. It takes all of our members, singly and collectively, to make our club GREAT so your presence is always immeasurably important. I am expecting to see everyone on May 20!

Plant Judging: The CSA judges Cymbidiums, Paphiopedilums, and Phragmipediums at our regular monthly meeting on the third Friday of each month September through May, or at the Lakeside Garden Center in Oakland on the fourth Wednesday of each month except November and December, when it is on the third Wednesday. To have a plant judged at either location, contact Jeff Trimble at trimble@netzero.net at least one day in advance, to ensure that the CSA judges know that plants will be submitted for judging. Plant entry is between 7:00 PM and 7:15 PM at the GCCG meeting and between 6:30 PM and 7:00 PM in Oakland. Clerks can advise you in filling out the plant entry form on your arrival.

The AOS judges all genera of orchids in San Francisco at the SF County Fair Building (Hall of Flowers) in Golden Gate Park on the first Tuesday, and in Oakland at the Lakeside Garden Center on the third Monday, of each month. For either judging, plants need to be submitted between 6:15 PM and 7:00 PM. For further information, call Sylvia Darr 650-450-1384.

Refreshment Thank you from Tony and Doug. We appreciate the great continuing support from our membership! Thanks to everyone who provided refreshments for April. There will be no opportunity tickets given out for this meeting.

Carol Armendariz Weegie Caughlan Rich Copeland Sylvia Darr Cora Gadduang Mike/Annie Green Trudy Hadler Carl Jukkola

Audrey Young-Tarter Kalan Toy Janusz Warszawski

Recent AOS and CSA Judging Results: Northern California Cym. and Paph. Alliance awards given to GCCG members since the April GCCG newsletter was published.

April 15, 2016 Gold Coast Meeting

Cym. faberi 'Green Jade' species was awarded a S/CSA of 79.63 points exhibited by Ken Jacobsen.

Cym. Chichester Tower 'Cinnabar' (Chichester Joy x Icho Tower) was awarded a B/CSA of 78.05 points exhibited by Weegie Caughlan.

Cym. Eastern Zenith Misty Green' (*goeringii* x Valley Zenith) was awarded a B/CSA of 78.3 points exhibited by Ken Jacobsen.

Cym. Eastern Melody '772' (goeringii x lowianum) was awarded a B/CSA of 78.2 points exhibited by Ken Jacobsen.

Cym. unreg. (South Street x Pepperpuss) 'Cats' was awarded a B/CSA of 77.43 points exhibited by Carol Armendariz. (*Her first CSA award!*)

May 3, 2016 Pacific Central Judging. San Francisco OS.

Cym. Sweet Devon 'Sweet' AM/AOS (suave x devonianum) was awarded a CBR/AOS of 87 points exhibited by Carol Armendariz. (Her first AOS award!)

Upcoming Events: Mark your personal calendars. Events are listed this month and into July due to the fact there are no summer GCCG Newsletters published to keep you up to date. Of most importance for those who make the annual summer trek to Santa Barbara, the Fair will be at Santa Barbara Orchid Estate, as was the case last year, and not at the Fairgrounds. Check local orchid nurseries in Santa Barbara for open houses in July.

May 13 and 14. Services for Tony Velardi. The rosary will take place Friday, May 13th at 7:00 PM at St. Bernard's in Bellflower and the funeral Mass will be held Saturday, May 14th at 2:00 PM also at St. Bernard's.

May 13, 2016 Napa Valley Orchid Society Annual Auction 7 PM Napa Senior Center 1500 Jefferson Street, Napa, CA. Free and Open to the Public. http://www.nv-os.org/

May 20, 2016: Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Pot Luck Dinner Meeting - Last Meeting for the Season! Friday, 6:00 PM. San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA. Guest Speaker: Dennis Olivas of D&D Flowers speaking on "Cymbidiums – Past, Present and Future".

May 21 & 22, 2016 D&D Flowers Spring Open House 9:00 AM to 3 PM. 169 1st Avenue Daly City, CA 94014

July 8-10, 2016, 36th Annual Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Summer Open House. Friday & Saturday 8 AM to 5 PM. Sunday 9 AM to 4 PM Santa Barbara Orchid Estate, 1250 Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara, CA 93111 Celebrating the Exotic and Fragrant Beauties of Summer: The large flowered Cattleyas (Laelias) of Brazil, the Stanhopeas and Encyclias of Central and South America, and many other genera. Frequent potting and mounting demonstrations. And of course, we will have the \$7.50 specials of seedlings, bare-roots, and Wayne's special annual pick of sprouted Cymbidium back bulbs: select and awarded, species and hybrids, standard and miniatures. Questions? Call us at (800) 553-3387, e-mail us at sboe@sborchid.com or visit http://www.sborchid.com/ Please note: in 2016 there will again be no Santa Barbara Orchid Fair at Earl Warren Show Grounds.

July 23 and 24, 2016 Orchids in the Park Show and Sale 10 AM – 5 PM at the Hall of Flowers, County Fair Building (9th Ave. & Lincoln Way) in Golden Gate Park Local & International Vendors, Demos, Raffle. Admission: \$5, Seniors \$4, under 16 free. http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/orchid-events/orchids-in-the-park/

July 30, 2016 California Sierra Nevada Speaker's Day Saturday 9 AM – 5 PM Odd Fellows Hall 1831 Howe Ave (at Alta Arden) Sacramento, CA 95825 Tickets in advance are available from Susan Wedegaertner sgwede@gmail.com) for \$10 for affiliated societies or AOS members, at the door it's \$30.

GCCG Website: Check out the GCCG website at http://www.goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers.com for information on upcoming shows, photos of previous shows, meeting information, and copies of back newsletters. If you have any news we can put on the site, please email the GCCG Webmaster, Audrey Young-Tarter: goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers@yahoo.com

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Newsletter Deadline: The deadline for submission of information for the Newsletter is the fourth Friday of the month. The Newsletter will publish announcements of upcoming events for other orchid societies as space permits. Please send all Newsletter related items to goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com