



# San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

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**June Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 21, 2012**  
**7:15 pm How-To-Session**  
**7:30 pm Plant Judging**  
**8:00 pm General Meeting**

Our regular meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at  
Los Angeles County Arboretum & Botanic Garden,  
Lecture Hall, 301 North Baldwin Avenue, Arcadia

### **General Meeting: Arnold Gum** **"Paphiopedilums"**

Arnold is a patent attorney by day; however, he's been growing orchids for over 40 years. As a child, he spent many fascinating afternoons chatting about orchids with some of the pioneer orchid growers in Hawaii such as the Kodamas, the Moirs the Aokis and the Ais. Arnold started growing orchids by attempting to plant one of his dad's dendrobium pods and ended up flasking the seed in flasks kindly provided by the Stanely Taba orchid nursery. That blossomed into thousands of orchids in the back yard and has turned into a hobby that has survived college, multiple jobs, 6 orchid societies, 4 cities and 3 states. Arnold currently grows mostly species of various sorts and is a judge for the American Orchid Society.

### **Plant Opportunity Table**

The plant table for April will be provided by "Kodama Orchid Nursery" of Hawaii. So don't forget to buy your raffle tickets!

### **How-To Session**

Jerry Simpson owner of Easy Green will have Q & A on Greenhouses. Bring all you questions regarding greenhouses.

### **Huntington & Orchid Conservatory Tour**

The San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists visits The Huntington and the Thornton Conservatory last Saturday. We saw the S. Robert Weltz collection at The Huntington. We then visited off the Huntington grounds to the remarkable, hand-built Thornton Conservatory complex. This conservatory was commissioned and built on the Charles and Geneva Thornton estate for the purpose of housing The Huntington's very best orchids. Everyone really enjoyed the tour. Special thanks to Brandon Tam for this special tour.

## SGVOH Annual Orchid Auction

Our Annual Fundraiser was very organized this year. Much preplanning by our board members and many society volunteers produced a successful undertaking which enriched our treasury. We were quite pleased with such a variety of beautiful hybrids and species donated by vendors and club members. Many plants were in full bloom. A total of forty-seven paddles were issued.

Vendors donate, not usually out of the goodness of their hearts, but because they see it as an investment in us. They expect that they will get a **'return on investment'** by having us make purchases from them. **When we make a purchase from a donor vendor, it is essential that we identify ourselves as members of SGVOH and thank them for their donations to the society.** Thank you letters were given to vendors that donated and acknowledgement shall be posted on our SGVOH website and listed on the insert in the Bulletin.

Remember that a successful auction depends upon an excellent array of plants, strong auctioneers, and man hours of donated time, and interested bidders. We all owe our greatest thanks to our excellent auctioneer, member **Peter Lin**, his assistant **Dann Dunst**, and **Greg Orozco**. They did an excellent job of insuring that the flow went smoothly and fairly.

Prior to the auction itself, we were fortunate to have **Lucy Arlotti, Jim Gomes, Michael Gregory, Greg Orozco, Kay Hudspeth, Anna Plewinski, and Joe Vargas** collect donations from vendors. We would also like to thank member donors for the excellent plants they donated: **Domingo & Sherry Cabrera, Paul Chow, Ken Fujimoto, Jim Gomes, Michael Gregory, Charles Hardman, Kay Hudspeth, Dick Lundine, Toby Luong, Greg Orozco, Gordon Quan, Joe Vargas, and Una Yeh.** Also non-member **Ann Rogers**.

Of course at the auction itself, we had a myriad of member-workers doing just about anything and everything possible, from receiving plant donations, registering bidders, logging sales, carting plants everywhere, and the list goes on and on. Thanks to all of you who helped in so many ways. It is hoped that the non-participating society members appreciate these actions and recognize that we always need volunteers in order to keep our society healthy and functioning in a manner that benefits all club members.

**Thanks to all of you for making our 2012 Auction a SUCCESS.**

### ADVERTISING IN THE BULLETIN

Anyone interested in advertising in the SGVOH Bulletin should contact **Greg Orozco** at [g.orozco3400@att.net](mailto:g.orozco3400@att.net) for prices and information.

## Roster 2012

Please let me know if you have changed your email address or phone number since the printing of the last Roster in 2010. As discussed in our meeting we are dropping addresses from our 2012 Roster.

Also, we are dropping the Library from the 2012 Roster. The library will be listed on the website and listed on the inside door of the library.

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No new members joined this month.

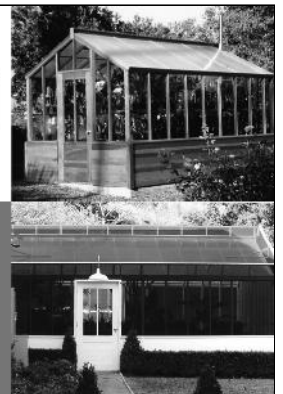
  
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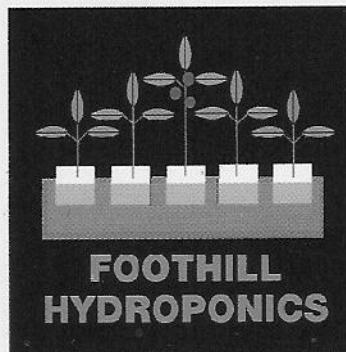
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### **The Orchid Society of Southern California**

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221 South 6th Street  
Burbank, CA  
Doors Open 1:00PM  
Auction 2:00PM  
[www.orchidssc.org](http://www.orchidssc.org)

**July 13 - 15**

### **The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Santa Barbara Orchid Estates**

#### **“International Orchid Fair”**

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**July 7**

### **Tenth Orchid Digest Speaker Day “Orchid Salad Days”**

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The next **Board Meeting** will be held at 7 PM on **Thursday, June 28**, at the LA County Arboretum. Board members unable to attend should notify **Jim Gomes** ((626) 577-7220 or [jim.gomes@att.net](mailto:jim.gomes@att.net)).



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