

NEWSLETTER

SACRAMENTO VALLEY CYMBIDIUM SOCIETY
a proud branch of the Cymbidium Society of America

This Months Meeting Will Be Held On.
Wednesday 27 April 2016
Shepard Garden and Art Center, 3330 M^CKinley Park Blvd. Sacramento CA.
Doors open at 6:30 Meeting starts at 7:00



Cymbidium Cali Night takes Best of Class in 2016 SOS Show.

In the News

2016 S OS Show Cymbidium Winners

Congratulations go to—

Maria Barajas Best of Class and First for Calinight; First for Dr. Len Pepperpuse; Second for Stockstill New Horizon; Second for Daddy's Girl.

Bob Conty First for Amelia Earhart 'Scott Valine'; First for Black Silk 'Cherry Chip'; First for Bellissimo; First for Arkaba 'Iceberg'; Second for Tango 'Geyserland'; Third for Devonianum.

Jim Potter First for Barbara Uno 'Passopm" x Barbara Uno 'Wild Eyes'.

Congratulations...



Maria Barajas Best of Class and First for Calinight

This Months Meeting

This month our guest speaker will be Jonathan Robbins.

Jonathan has been growing orchids since about 1994. He grew up in a woodsy part of New York, an hour and a bit from NYC, and spent his childhood out in the woods where he developed a deep appreciation and fascination with nature. His mother had a small greenhouse off of the kitchen and had a few orchids, so he had seen a few Cattleya and such bloom, but they weren't really on his radar yet. His family moved to Sarasota, Florida while he was in high school and Jonathan ended up volunteering at the Marie Selby Botanical Gardens one summer. He mulched, weeded out in the garden and fell in love with tropical plants, especially tropical fruits. Jonathan went on to college in Northern Florida, not yet recognizing that he should be studying plants, and ended up back in Sarasota with a Humanities degree and not much direction. He decided to apply for a horticultural internship at The Marie Selby Botanical Gardens and was accepted. Jonathan spent several months with his fellow interns, from various places around the world, doing every job around the gardens that no one else wanted to do. Weeding cactus, some scary vines that burned holes in your skin if the sap got on you, cleaning green slime off of evaporative cooling walls, learning about all sorts of tropical plants and orchids from several very knowledgeable people. He worked in the greenhouses, herbarium, kid's science trips from local schools, you name it. Selby Gardens has one of the largest orchid collections in the world and starting out around such diversity and rare specimens had him instantly hooked. Jonathan was offered a full time position managing the Plant and Gift Shop at the gardens. For the next four years he worked there, learning all the time and traveling all over Florida to buy plants for our three times a year giant plant sales. He got to meet all sorts of characters in orchid world and quickly built up a large collection of many hundreds of plants. He then started an orchid flasking lab at his house and started flasking seed for the gardens as well as to sell. That was his first orchid business venture. He never made any money but it was really interesting. Jonathan got sick of Florida and moved his collection up to a large commercial greenhouse near the Canadian border in the Pacific Northwest where he learned about cooler growing plants. After several years of slowly losing plants, and his mind, to the endless dark, cool, and wet weather, Jonathan moved to Sacramento and ended up buying Calwest Tropical Supply. So all together he has been growing orchids for over 20 years between Florida, NW Washington, here in the Sacramento Valley. He now spends his time in his Fair Oaks business selling Orchid and Tropical plants supplies all over the US. Jonathan is great speaker and has presented talks at the Sacramento Orchid Society where he is on the Board of Directors. Calwest has also been a huge hit at the Orchid shows such as Pacific Orchid Expo, Sacramento Orchid Show, and the Santa Barbara Orchid Show with their huge selection of potting media, design features fertilizers and pest control products.

We are very lucky to have such a great resource right in our backyard.

Bio by Mylane Hastings



Cymbidium, Valentines Love.



Our Education booth at the Shepherd Garden and Arts Center Spring Sale.

Presidents Message

Another show season is now behind us. While the last few weeks have been vary busy with the SVCS Show and Sale, the SGAC Sale, and the SOS Show and Sale, we can now look back to say it was a successful season.

It was the contribution of many individuals who helped make this year's show season a success. Thank you to everyone who gave of their time Your contribution is much appreciated.



"A little to the right, no no, a little to the left perfect..."



Our Education booth at the SOS show.

March Meeting Recap

The March meeting was fun and educational, as Schelly Numrych identified some of the ways to keep our enthusiasm and interest in our Cymbidium.hobby. She shared with us a power point with some of her personal observations of the reasons why enthusiasm can be lost and the ways to recover it. The evening was fun and insightful as Schelly inspired us and lifted our horizons for our collecting prowess. For those who were not able to attend, we missed you, and hope you will be able to join us at our next meeting, or some time soon.

SVCS on Facebook



We have a fabulous Facebook page thanks to Mikee Bussard.
Like it, then share it with friends

<https://www.facebook.com/sacramentocymbidiums>

2016 Officers

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SVCS Dues are
\$10.00 a year per Family
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If you have any questions, speak with
Mylane at the next meeting,
or e-mail your question to

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Cymbidium, Claude Pepper

Welcome Our Newest Members

Gregory Cox

David Russell

Vivian Crocker

Joel Mortimore

Next Month

The May 25th meeting will be our Annual Potluck and Auction. We have a choice of bringing a main dish, side dish, or dessert. Our society will provide the chicken. Sign up at the April meeting or email Maria Barajas to let her know what, in what category you are bringing. The May newsletter will contain forms and instructions for the auction.

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D & D Flowers Spring Open-house**May 21st & 22nd , 2016****9:00 am to 3 pm****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!!!!!!

