

NEWSLETTER

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

This Months Meeting Will Be Held On.

Wednesday 25 May 2016

Shepard Garden and Art Center, 3330 M^CKinley Park Blvd. Sacramento CA.

Doors open at 6:00 Dinner starts at 6:30

Auction will start right after the Potluck.



Cym. Comanche 'Goldle' X Cym. Karan 'Maiza'

Presidents Message

Ready for Great Food, Good Conversation and an Opportunity to bid on some fabulous orchids? Then it is time for 'The SVCS Annual Pot Luck and Auction'. This is when our members donate plants and orchid supplies to the auction. It is one of our major fundraisers and the funds raised are applied to our Speakers Program. This is one of my favorite meetings. It is when a lot of us look through our collections each year and pull out some of our newly divided favorites for the auction. Then I have room to purchase some exciting new cymbidiums that will give me something to look forward to this next spring.

Donate plants if you can, then Bid, Bid, Bid!

The public is welcome to join in on the fun and bid for auction plants at our event.

This months meeting will start early, doors open at 6:00PM so we can get set up for the Pot Luck. Our club will provide fried chicken and everyone brings a Pot Luck dish that we all can share and enjoy. We hope to begin eating by 6:30PM and will start the auction at about 7:00PM.

Potluck Dishes ...

If you where unable to sign up for a dish at the last meeting or forgot what to bring, for the Pot Luck, Call Maria.

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April Meeting Recap

The April meeting was a fun opportunity for our members to get a first hand look at some of the newest Technology for growing orchids. Jonathan Robbins covered a wide ranged of topics as he shared features of the new stuff along with the old principles of orchid culture. While demystifying some of the PH and water quality questions Jonathan gave some sound advice and practical tips for both new and experienced growers. We are fortunate to have such a great resource right in our own backyard.

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.

Membership Info

send your check
to: SVCS
% Mylane Hastings,
3937 Grey Livery Way. Antelope, CA.
95843
SVCS Dues are
\$10. 00 a year per Family
CSA Dues and Journal Subscription are
\$35.00 a year
If you have any questions, speak with
Mylane at the next meeting,
or e-mail your question to
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2016 Officers

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Next Month

Our guest speaker for the June will be Ken Jacobson. His Topic: Popular Cymbidium Breeders from 1990-2000: What have they done Recently? Ken is a judge in the AOS and the CSA judging program and has written many articles for the CSA Journal.



SVCS website

We have a fabulous updated website to share with our friends.

Remember I need your photos and input to make OUR site better...
sacramentocymbidiums.org

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>

HOW TO DONATE ITEMS FOR AUCTION:

You need not be a member of the Sacramento Valley Cymbidium Society to donate plants or supplies for the auction.

Anyone may join us for the potluck, to donate, bid on, or buy, so invite all your friends!

Plants must have a name and be free of pests or disease. All types of orchids may be donated, cyms, paphs, phrags, phals, etc, but they must have an identification tag.

Supplies may be anything but it would be nice if it related to the culture of orchids.

There are two forms you must fill in to donate:

- a. SVCS Plant / Item Auction Log Sheet
- b. Plant / Item Auction Tag (one per Plant / Item).

SVCS PLANT / ITEM AUCTION LOG SHEET

1. Print out the form. Fill in your name at the top of the sheet
2. Enter a number for each item you wish to donate.

The number will consist of a first and last initial and the sequential number of the item.

For example,

If my name is Pam Smith the six items I wish to donate will be numbered: PS1, PS2, etc.

3. Enter the plant or item name or description.
4. Enter the value of the item in the column.
5. Do not fill in the Sold Price column.

6. If you wish to receive a receipt for the plants or items, mark the column.

The charitable donation receipt will be for the amount the plants or items sold for.

PLANT / ITEM AUCTION TAG

1. Print out the form below and cut the sheet into tags.
2. Fill in Member Name, Plant/Item #, Value.
3. If you know the color of the blossom of the plant, enter it on the tag
4. Under comment you may add any information you would like.
Extra information may help to increase the value as we auction the item.
5. Tape the Auction tag to the item.



SVCS AUCTION TAGS

Plant/Item Number	
Plant / Item Name	
Bloom Color	
Value	
Comments	

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Type to enter textInterest Survey in Cymbidium 2016 Open Houses (Plus)
Here's a chance to learn, show off, and help each other out. Please complete this survey.

Are you interested in open houses, coaching, and providing a helping hand?

Be honest:

- Aren't we curious about each other's gardens?
- Want to get to know each other better and keep learning?
- Could you use some help repotting or moving orchids?

Name _____ Neighborhood or City _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Expertise level: (1 to 10 with 10 is expert) _____

1. Would you want to go to an open house? ___ Yes ___ No

2. Could you hold an open house (1 to 3 hours)? ___ Yes ___ No

- Number of members attending:

___ <5
___ 6 to 10
___ No limit

- When:

___ Before repotting (ASAP)
___ During repotting
___ After repotting
___ Later in summer

- Time:

___ Weekend
___ Weekday day
___ Weekday evening

3. Technical Areas: Can you coach (C), provide a helping hand (H), or do you need help (N)? (It's OK to provide more than one answer)

___ Repotting
___ Environment: Light, Fertilizing and Watering
___ Pests and letting go
___ Extreme weather
___ Greenhouse or structures
___ Other _____

Please complete this survey this week and either email or mail to Ann Carberry by May 15. If possible, cut and paste into email then answer or scan answers as pdf to annfromsf@gmail.com. Or mail to 1032 37th Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Or leave message or questions at 916-455-2051.

If there is enough interest, we'll try to organize this at the May potluck meeting. Thanks. Ann