

The Sheath

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No regular meeting in September. The Peninsula Orchid Society Auction is September 19, 2015 at the Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA 94543.

Auction Action

Coming Up!! Our annual auction will take place this month, **September, on Saturday the 19th**. This is a chance for you to get divisions from our society members, maybe orchids that haven't bloomed for them but might do much better in your conditions (one year I sold all of my Masdevallias, all specimen size healthy plants, because they just wouldn't bloom for me in Fremont), seedlings grown by our members from flasks or compots, and plants from our professional members. There is something for everyone, whether you are looking for easy-to-grow, classics, or rare orchids, we have it all.

The day begins at 11:15 AM at the San Mateo Garden Center with auction plant entry. POS members may bring in up to ten plants to sell for themselves. The society keeps 25% of the auction sales price and takes care of paying the sales tax. Members and non-members may also donate plants for the auction and the society receives 100% of the sale price. This is one of our main sources for operating funds for the year. Your donation is tax deductible since POS is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

At noon Carol Basey will be ready to register bidders. (If you don't know Carol, she is sitting next to Rene by the windows and they have the computers.) Come on in, pick out your paddle with your lucky number on it, and give Carol your name. Pretty simple! Everyone, members, your neighbors, your friends, your co-workers or people just passing by are welcome to participate in bidding. It would be great if you would tell people about our auction and invite them to attend.

Next start perusing the plant tables to decide which ones you would like to bid on. Each plant will have a code number with two letters and two numbers, which the auctioneers will be using to ID the plant. I like to make a list with the plant ID and the upper limit I would be willing to pay for it. I have been known to go over that limit for something I want badly. And of course I buy things that weren't on my list. I have gotten some great plants this way.

Plant entry ends at 1:00 PM and the auction will begin at 1:30 PM with the incredibly entertaining group of Tom Mudge, Mike Drilling and Dennis Olivas giving you some quick information as they hold up each plant for bidding.

The auction moves at a fast pace. The auctioneers will ask you to hold up your paddle, with the number facing them of course, on any plant you are interested in. They will call out increasing

amounts and you pull your paddle down when you wish to leave the bidding. If yours is the last paddle up, please leave it up until your number has been written on the white board next to the plant ID code. A runner will bring you the plant right away.

You may come in at any time during the auction and register to bid and you may leave whenever you are ready. Just go back to see Carol and ask for your bill (if you have won the bidding on any plants), check to make sure that all of your plants are on the list and none that were won by someone else, then take your bill to the cashier. We will be accepting cash, checks and credit cards. You will want to bring a box(s) for your plants.

At the end of the day we all go home happy. We have new orchids to enjoy, we have found new homes for some of our plants, and we have had a heck of a lot of fun. The Society will provide refreshments at the back of the room as usual. Please feel free to bring anything you would like to share.

See you there!! Chaunie

PS Remember there will NOT be a meeting on September 25th. In October Gary Meyers will be talking to us about Draculas!

Instructions for those of you entering plants for sale at the auction:

1. You must be a current member of Peninsula Orchid Society. You may join the day of the auction.
2. Plant registration begins at 11:15 at the tables in the courtyard.
3. You are entitled to enter up to 10 orchids for your own account. Donations are unlimited. (Donors do not need to be POS members.)
4. Orchids must be pest free and appear to be in good health to be accepted for the auction.
5. Please fill out tags and a list (forms in the Sheath) and attach tag to each entry.
 1. You will chose a two letter two number code for each plant. (e.g. CL01, CL02, CL03..) If you think others may be using your initials, please chose other letters.
 2. You need to supply a list of your entries to Judy at check-in. Rene will use this list to enter your plants into our action data base.
 3. Both on your list and on your plant tag you need to note your minimum bid. It may be none, or it may be any dollar amount you like. High minimums may keep people from getting started bidding. If you are entering something special that you would rather keep than have sell for too cheap a price, then you may want to chose a high minimum bid. Commonly minimums are around \$5 to \$10 or None.
 4. You should also have a copy of your list for yourself. This will allow you to keep track of the amount your entries sell for. We strive to enter everything correctly in the database, but mistakes can happen!
 5. You will receive a check for your plant sales, less 25% which goes to POS, within a month of the auction.

Thank you for participating in the auction!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS! We salute you, whether you celebrate or not! Ann Aine, Sandra Charles, Phyllis Chim, Amy Chung, Doug Cuning, Mary Gerritsen, Mary Jensen, Sharon Langon, Dennis Olivas, Betty Peschke, Ann Stuart, and Al Testa

THANKS TO THESE FOLKS FOR BRINGING REFRESHMENTS IN AUGUST! It was a real feast

Jiann Toyosaki, Susan Chin, Pauline Wong, Chih & Kimmy Wong, Janusz Warszawski, Trudy Hadler, Hai-Ben Marfalen, Christine Kradjian, Patrick & Susan, Paul & Phyllis Chim, Susan Ai, Rex Castell, Judy & Clint Evans, Annie Green, Diane Reeve, Chaunie Langland.

SPECIAL THANKS TO SHARON LANGAN FOR THE FINE PHOTOS THIS MONTH!
(maybe our new "Official" photographer??)

POS - COMING ATTRACTIONS - Save these Dates

September 19th (Saturday) - POS annual Auction (did you see the article?)

October 23rd - Gary Meyer - Draculas! Bwaha-ha-ha!

November 27th - Annual business meeting - Pierre Pujol - Be sure to come or you may be President!

December 18th - Potluck & Orchid Bingo

UPCOMING SHOWS, SALES AND EVENTS - see flyers at the end of this document.

From the Editors - please help us by taking pictures at the auction. We will not be able to attend but we would love to publish action photos in the next edition. Send pictures to dcharlotter@yahoo.com. THANKS!

The 2015 Membership Roster will be sent as an separate document so please look for it in your e-mail.



Paph. Pinocchio from Susan Tong?



flowers and well-grown plants on this page.

I wish I could attribute ownership and identification to the other fine



Cattleya velutina from Amy and Ken Jacobsen



Psychopsis Kalihi



Cattleya guttata (leopoldii) var. alba
from Amy and Ken Jacobse



Brassavola nodosa from Eric Levenson



Stanhopea tigrina* var. *nigroviolacea
from Eric Levinson



B/c Hawaiian Style 'Carmela'
from Bill Weaver



B/c Norman's Bay 'Low' FCC
From Ken and Amy



Mascl. Red Wing from Linda Tripp



Masdevallia constricta from Mary Gerritsen





Cuitlauzina pulchella from Eric Levenson



Holcoglossum anesianum from Jasen Liu



Scl. Barefoot Mailman 'Waldor' from Jeff Trimble



Oda. Petit Port x *Oda.* Jubilee Volunteer
Also from Jeff Trimble. A 1st bloom.



Paph. barbigerum from Jeff Trimble



Cattleya maxima Mrs. Mendel from Chaunie Langland



Epidendrum Pacific Sunset
Both Brought by Chaunie Langland



Rhynchovola Jimminy Cricket 'Dragon Verde' HCC/AOS



Aeranges luteoalba var. *Rhodosticta*
From Chaunie Langland (just purchased at Speakers Day in Sacramento)



Cattleya Goldenzelle 'Passion' from Chaunie Langland



B/c. Hawaiian Leopard 'Mei Ling' AM/AOS from Janusz



Zygopetalum Advance Australia 'HOF'
AM/AOS brought by Trudy

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California Orchids Fall Open House and Sale!

Saturday, October 3



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PRESS RELEASE for the CARMEL ORCHID SOCIETY Fall Orchid Festival



November 13, 14, 2015, 9 AM - 4 PM
Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula
4590 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel, CA 93923

The Carmel Orchid Society is having their 3rd Annual Fall Orchid Festival on November 13, 14 at the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula, 4590 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel, CA 93923.

Our Festival will have a beautiful display of members orchids, members sales, nationally known orchid vendors, a garden centric Silent Auction, orchid culture and potting demonstrations.

Admission and parking are free. Please join us for a wonderful day. See our website at www.carmelorchidsociety.org or call 831 625-1565.