Greetings Orchid Friends,

October 6, 2020

Another month and another cancellation of our live meeting. I hope this newsletter finds you all well and happy.

My orchids continue to respond to the changes of season. I have three fall blooming Cymbidiums in full bloom. The Cattleyas continue to put on a beautiful autumn show. If your plants are also responding to seasonal change, sit back and look at how you might fill in holes in your collection for either a massive single season bloom or balanced blooms throughout the year (or both!!). I am finding that the orchids are providing a calm connection to the seasons.

I look forward to hearing (and seeing) what you all have blooming this month.

Now for a few reminders and updates:

**Speakers Corner**

- Peter has arranged another exciting ZOOM based speaker for us. We go from the orchids in Brazil last month to China this month.
- **Steve Hampson**'s will be speaking on "Orchids of Southern China"
- **Date:** Thursday October 8 at 7:00 PM
- **You MUST RSVP to get access to this meeting.**
- **RSVP to** padsos@attglobal.net **not later than October 7.**
- **Raffle this month:** Everyone who attends the October 8 meeting will be entered in the drawing when they enter the meeting. At the end of the meeting, Peter will announce 5 winners. This month’s prizes will be $50 gift certificates from D&D Orchids. This way we can accomplish two goals: Support our local growers Dennis Olivas and David Dunn and scratch that “I want to win an orchid” itch.

**September 2020 Auction**

The virtual auction was a great success. Our committee members are Diane Bond, Liz Charlton, Brittany Miller and Greg Scown. We all need to thank the auction committee for all of their hard work.

We had:

- 80 donated items
- 322 total bids
- 28 individual bidders
- 10 individual donors
- Liz is still working on the numbers so we will report our profit next month

There were some beautiful plants that I am sure are going to good homes. I hope you all had as much fun as we did.

Were there some hiccups? Sure. We learned a lot about how to run a virtual auction and believe that we will be better prepared next time. So… if we hiccupped on you, we are very sorry. If you are dissatisfied with the outcome, please contact one of the committee members. We will make things right.
Again, Thanks goes out to the committee, donors and everyone who participated. We had fun, orchids changed hands and we made some money for DVOS.

**DVOS Board of Directors**

It is that time of year again. Time to elect our Board of Directors. ANYONE interested in becoming more active in the society- consider running for a seat on the Board. Contact any of the officers and we will get you on the list. You will be contributing to all of the activities for the society and we actually have a good time. Come on and get involved. We will be voting on the 2021 Board of Directors in November.

**Virtual Show and tell**

It is a new month. We need to see what you have blooming in October. Take a picture of your blooms and send it in. All of those Cattleyas should be waking up. Let’s see if we can get more entries than September!

VOTE for your favorites from the beautiful entries for September.

Voting for September and entry for October close October 31. If you have any questions, problems with the links, concerns etc. with virtual show and tell, direct them to me at bonddiane9@gmail.com.

**August Winners**

See the photos of the winners we chose below and on the website. We have good participation in the voting last month. Keep up the good work for September.

**September Show and Tell Voting**

VOTING IS IMPORTANT. Make sure your voice is heard. While you’re at it, please view and vote for the entries in the September show and tell. We have some beautiful images.

The changing seasons are bringing on some beautiful orchids!

Vote on September Show and Tell

Lancer Smith

https://forms.gle/ohXypombwcGaRdTTEA

Novice

https://forms.gle/ePnZC3b9r4kd4uKH6

Intermediate

https://forms.gle/AWJFPXgasJfHx6o58

Advanced

https://forms.gle/9D5oaegUNbMuefEx9

**October Show and Tell Submission**

October entries are currently being accepted. Let’s get a large group of photos! Let’s work on Novice and Intermediate entries. C’mon- everybody can take a quick pic to share with all of us.

- Enter photos of your October blooms
- All images should be labeled with the name of the plant and the name of the grower. This ID can be in the name of the file or you can actually label the photo itself.
If your plant is eligible for the Lancer Smith award (entire plant is 6 inches or less) please indicate that in the name of the file or on the photo itself.

Drop your entry into this folder:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1u7HKwuXNI72Fk_eSLvJHUyfh6F5i8vx4?usp=sharing

If you have any problem with this, you can always mail it to me at bonddiane9@gmail.com

Entries will close September 30.

October Plant Sales

- San Francisco Orchid Society Member Sale-
  https://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/store/c2/SHOP_OCTOBER_SALE_ITEMS%3A.html

Go to this site for deals on plants grown by members of the San Francisco Orchid Society. Pick-up of plants will be Sunday October 18 at Shelldance Orchids in Pacifica.

- Yunor Peralta Plant sale- SAVE THIS DATE! Yunor will have a plant sale form DVOS members at his home in Castro Valley on Saturday October 24. Details and plant list will be sent out soon. Make sure to mark your calendar. We have all seen Yunor’s beautiful plants. You don’t want to miss out on getting divisions.

That’s all the news I have for now. Be on the lookout for more Speakers Corner and Auction news.

Oh! I have another photo from my garden. Remember- the buck stops here.

Diane

August Show and Tell Winners

Phalaenopsis Jiaho Blueberry

Grown by Kaitlyn Strom

Novice: 1st Place
Dendrobium Ise ‘Pearl’
Grown by Kaitlyn Strom
Novice: 2\textsuperscript{nd} Place

Phal seedling #5 Yahon Sebsational #3 x Dragon Tree Eagle DT #1 AM/AOS
Grown by Peter Ansdell
Novice: 3\textsuperscript{rd} Place
Cattleya Hawaiian Wedding Song ‘Virgin’ HCC/AOS
Grown by Renate Johnson
Intermediate: 1st Place

Aliceara Hilo Ablaze ‘Hilo Gold’ HCC?AOS
Grown by Henry Shaw
Intermediate: 2nd Place
Phalaenopsis belina var. coerulea x sib
Grown by Henry Shaw
Intermediate: 3rd Place

Habenaria medusae
Grown by Diane Bond
Advanced: 1st Place
Miltonia Honolulu ‘Warne’s Best’ HCC/AOS
Grown by Eileen Jackson
Advanced: 2\textsuperscript{nd} Place

Neofinetia falcata ‘Shunkyuden’
Grown by Miki Ichiyanagi
Advanced: Tied for 3\textsuperscript{rd} Place
Sophorocattleya Crystelle
Grown by Eileen Jackson
Advanced: Tied for 3rd Place

Cattleya Marjorie Hauserman ‘York’ HCC/AOS
Grown by Diane Bond
Advanced: Tied for Honorable Mention 1st Place
Neofinetia falcata
Grown by Marcia Hart
Advanced: Tied for Honorable Mention 1st Place

Cattlianthe ‘Hazel Boyd’
Grown by Diane Bond
Advanced: Tied for Honorable Mention 2nd Place
Neofinetia falcata ‘Manjushage’
Grown by Miki Ichiyanagi
Advanced: Tied for Honorable Mention 2\textsuperscript{nd} Place

Dendrochilum latifolium
Grown by Eileen Jackson
Advanced: Honorable Mention 3\textsuperscript{rd} Place