



San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

Bulletin

December Meeting
Thursday, December 15, 2015
7:00 PM – Ribbon Judging
7:30 PM – General Meeting

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

Orchid Virus Testing

This will be a powerpoint presentation by Jim Gomes and David Campen. David will also demo how to use these test strips from Adgia. We will be purchasing 25 test strips. Members are welcome to purchase them.

The most common viruses in cymbidiums and other outdoor orchids are CymMV or cymbidium mosaic virus and ORSV or odontoglossum ringspot virus (also referred to as TMV-O or tobacco mosaic virus — orchid strain). Several other types of viruses, such as the orchid fleck virus, cucumber mosaic virus, bean yellow mosaic virus, various Potyvirus strains, and others can also infect orchids, but are much less common in collections and nurseries today than CymMV and ORSV, and seldom represent a problem for most growers.

Several methods of testing for the presence of the more common viruses have been available to the amateur orchid grower for a number of years: the Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA) test that is performed by several laboratories across the country, the Double Radial Diffusion test, and, of course, the indicator plant that shows the presence of virus by the development of necrotic lesions when inoculated by a virus. Of these, the ELISA test has been the most popular and is widely used by commercial laboratories. The time required to take a sample, send it to the lab and get results back is not practical for doing a spot test on a suspect plant in the nursery, as is waiting on the results from an indicator plant or the Double Radial Diffusion test.

2017 Membership

Renew your membership now and receive your new 2017 Membership card. This card can be used at Yamada's for 10% off on any orchid related items.

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2016 AWARD WINNERS

Species	Members Name
	1 st Dann Dunst
	2 nd Jim Gomes
	3 rd Lynn Mcllwain
Cattleyas	
	1 st Jim Gomes
	2 nd Greg Orozco
	3 rd Una Yeh
Mini-Cattleyas	
	1 st Jim Gomes
	2 nd Greg Orozco
	3 rd Y.S. Farn
Cymbidiums	
	1 st Y.S. Farn
	2 nd Lynn Mcllwain
	3 rd Jim Gomes Kay Hudspeth
Novelty Cyms	
	1 ^s Jim Gomes
	2 nd Una Yeh
	3 rd Alyce Griffith
Dendrobiums	
	1 st Jim Gomes
	2 nd Una Yeh
	3 rd Toy Luong
Oncidiums	
	1 st Dann Dunst
	2 nd Jim Gomes
	3 rd Una Yeh
Paph & Phrags	
	1 st Una Yeh
	2 nd Dann Dunst
	3 rd Alyce Griffith
Phalaenopsis	
	1 st Alyce Griffith
	2 nd Lynn Mcllwain
	3 rd Aaron Estrada
Phal. Mini	
	1 st Aaron Estrada
	2 nd Jim Gomes
	3 rd Alyce Griffith
Vandaceous	
	1 st Dann Dunst
	2 nd Jim Gomes
	3 rd Una Yeh
Other Genera	
	1 st Jim Gomes
	2 nd Dann Dunst
	3 rd Una Yeh

All Around Winners	
1 st	Jim Gomes
2 nd	Dann Dunst
3 rd	Una Yeh

Awards Dinner

This year the board decided to have our Annual Awards Banquet catered. They decided on Italian food and drinks. A few members also brought other dishes in to share. I think everyone enjoyed the food and drinks.

The society purchased plants from Carmela's Orchids in Hawaii for each member that attended. The 1st place for overall total points accumulated all year for all genera was Jim Gomes. Points are awarded for the winning plants at our monthly judging. See the winners to the left and above for overall. Jim Gomes was the recipient for the 2nd year to receive the Shirley & Dick Lundine Memorial Award. This award is given to the member with most Culture Awards for the year.

President Lana Tripathi presented bud vases to the following Alyce Griffith, Aaron Estrada, Una Yeh, Dann Dunst, Toby Luong, Linda Peterson, Tuan Ngo, Gordon Quan and Greg Orozco for their assistance during the year. Lana Also presented Jim with a very nice basket from Teavana. Jim Presented Lana with a beautiful cattleya from Normans Orchids.

Overall it was a very delightful evening and everyone enjoyed receiving their orchid plant. Those who didn't were given the opportunity to trade with other members, which several did.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS (CONT.)

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O.D. Reps
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Jim Gomes
Una Yeh
Plant Forum
Greg Orozco
Publicity
Lana Tripathi
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Gordon Quan
Ribbon Judging
Linda Peterson
Roster
Jim Gomes
Silent Auction
Toby Luong
Displays
Open

2017 Membership Dues

Pay your dues for
2017 now while you
think of it.

**Dues are \$20.00 for
electronic copy or
\$30.00 for mailed
Bulletin.**

Dues are for calendar
year 2017 January –
December). You can
mail your check to
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the next meeting.

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Bulletin Deadline: Those wishing to place announcements in the bulletin should get the information to the editor, **Jim Gomes** (626)577-7220 or jim.gomes@att.net, by the Friday following the fourth Thursday of the month.

Proposed Officers and Directors for 2017

Here is the proposed slate of officers and directors for next year. Nominations will be accepted from the floor. If any positions are contested, we will vote in December before the installation. If there are no contested positions, these will be elected by acclamation at the December meeting

President	Greg Orozco
Vice Pres.	Jim Gomes
Secretary	David Campen
Treasurer	Lucy Arlotti

Directors:

Dann Dunst
Aaron Estrada
Linda Peterson
Gordon Quan

2017 Membership Update

Effective with year 2017 San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists will be charging an additional \$10.00 fee for members who wish to continue to have the bulletin mailed to their home. To avoid this fee you may switch to electronic copy and receive our monthly emails and updates. To switch; please provide Dann Dunst (membership chair) your email address when paying your 2017 membership dues.

This fee will cover the cost of postage, paper, and printing.

A Few Good Directors

The Board of Directors would like to thank all of our members for their continued support. 2016 is a new year and we

need a full slate of officers. All positions need to be filled to run the society in an organized manner. Next year we would like to plan activities & tours but without great leadership and pre-planning these chores fall short. Please help our Society by Volunteering!!

How do I feed my orchid?



Experienced orchid growers fertilize their orchids weakly, weekly.

Orchids need to be fed regularly. Growers suggest using a "balanced" fertilizer such as 20-20-20 that includes all "necessary trace elements." Regardless of the fertilizer formulation you choose to use, it should contain little or no urea. If you are unsure of what fertilizer to use, you can generally use any fertilizer you would for your other container plants. Orchids will do far better with too little fertilizer than with too much. Many growers recommend the

"weakly, weekly" approach, applying a dilute (1/4 strength) fertilizer each time they water, rather than applying a full dose once a month. Also, it is best not to fertilize a completely dry plant as the fertilizer can burn the dry roots. Water first then follow with fertilizer solution.

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A Note From Lana

Our annual Awards Banquet was lots of fun. All year, members trudged in their orchids to the monthly judging. Finally, the Awards honored them for all their diligence and skill. Congrats. to all ! Now we look forward to 2017, with purpose and creativity, to make SGVOH a growing commitment to our orchids. Our society is fortunate to have great members! Happy Holidays!

Lana Tripathi
President



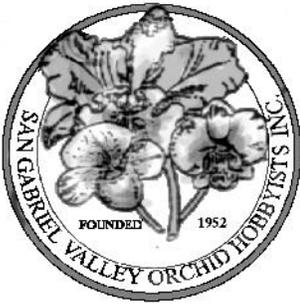
UPCOMING EVENTS

January 18, 2017
Orange County Orchid Society
Annual Orchid Auction
 Yorba Linda Public Library
 18181 Imperial Highway
 Yorba Linda, CA 92886

February 10 - 12
Newport Harbor Orchid Society
Annual Orchid Expo & Sale
“Ride the Orchid Wave”
 Westminster Mall
 Westminster, CA



The next **Board Meeting** will be announced at a later date. Board members unable to attend should notify **Jim Gomes** ((626) 577-7220 or jim.gomes@att.net).



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