

Golden Gate Cymbidium Society

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MEETING AUGUST 26, 2009

A QUESTION AND ANSWER NIGHT HOSTED BY MUSIA STAGG.

Get your questions and mysterious happenings in your collection ready for answers.
This is a member participation night.

Show & tell & sales 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Dinner at Grand Oaks restaurant, 3701 Grand Ave. Oakland

Call Jim Donoso at 510-562-9006 for reservation

**WINNER OF JIM CROSSLEY FIRST BLOOM SEEDLING PLAQUE IS ED
DUMAGUIN, CONGRATULATIONS!**

Winner of the Leland Williams perpetual clock is Nancy Starr.

She was most deserving for her diligence to the club.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

First, I'd like to say thank you for your confidence in me by presenting me with the Leland Williams Award. I will do my best as your president. One thing that is very apparent to me is we need to enrich our treasury as much as possible. We have lost money on our show the last two years due to lower vendor participation and higher advertising costs. It is important that we come up with some creative ideas for raising money. Our July auction was a huge success thanks to all who donated plants and those who bid. A big thank you to Musia Stagg for stepping up as auctioneer at the last minute when Jeff Trimble could not make come. Members like her and you are many, are what makes this club what it is...a great group of people.

Our 20 year celebration dinner was wonderful and another thanks to everyone who worked to make it a success. You are too numerous to name individually. We need to encourage new members and keep our old members active and attending meetings. At the last Board meeting it was discussed about raising next year's dues. Costs are going up everywhere and our dues are the lowest of other clubs. I would like to find another way, but an increase is probably on the horizon for next year.

Speaking of next year, we need to have our show theme NOW! This is so we can plan for advertising, letters to vendors, etc. It is not too early. One incentive is the winning theme is worth a year's membership in the CSA (either a renewal or new) This is a \$35.00 value. Turn in at meeting or email to officers. Did you read Paul Shiu's wonderful article and pictures in the last issue of the Journal showcasing our last show?

Please take time to talk to me anytime and often. I really want our club to have another 20 years

of great growing plants and friendships.
 Nancy Starr, President GGCS
 510-261-7530 or starnl@comcast.net

SHOW & TELL

JUNE

- 1ST PLACE PAPH. JERRY SPENCE (PAPH. BERNICE X PAPH ROTHSCHILDIEUM)
 OWNER JERRY GLEASON
- 2ND PLACE CYMB. KURANDA 'ARTHUR DAWSON' (madidum x suave) OWNER
 CAROLE FINNEHAN
- 3RD PLACE GRAM CYM 'LOVELY MELODY SWEET' (GRAMMAPHYTON X
 CYMBIDIUM) OWNER CAROLE FINNEGAN

FUTURE SPEAKERS COMING UP:

SEPTEMBER.....STEVE THAI, CSA JUDGE "PLANT CULTURE"
 OCTOBER.....GEORGE HATFIELD, CSA & AOS JUDGE, GROWER
 NOVEMBER.....LOREN BATCHMAN, CSA JUDGE, GROWER
 EACH WILL BE BRINGING THEIR OWN OPPORTUNITY TABLE AND PLANTS FOR SALE.
 YOU CAN PRE-ORDER AND GEORGE AND LOREN WILL DELIVER TO MEETING.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

SEPTEMBER 12-13, 2009, ORCHIDS IN THE PARK, 10 AM – 5 PM San Francisco
 County Fair Building (Hall of Flowers) 9th Ave & Lincoln, San Francisco 415-665-6079
orchidsanfrancisco.org

SEPTEMBER 19-20, 2009: D & D FLOWERS, Open House 9 am – 4 pm, Half Moon Bay
 1/3 mile east of Main Street off Highway 92. Just east of Spanish town on Hwy 92. Turn on street
 between the house and firewood business. Go over the bridge . D & D first greenhouse on right.
 Next Open House in May 2010

OCTOBER 17-18,2009: DIABLO VALLEY ORCHID SOCIETY: Show & Sale, Pleasant
 Hill Community Center, 320 Civic Drive, Pleasant Hill Time?

FIRST BLOOM SEEDLING AWARD: You still have time to enter this category. If you have
 a new-cross seedling blooming and wish to be eligible, call Paula Shiu 510-237-0471 ahead of
 the meeting. Secretary has the forms to fill out and Paula will take the pictures. The vote will take
 place at the July dinner. THE NEW CONTEST STARTS August 2009 This must be a
 new cross (not an old one)

OF SPECIAL INTEREST: If you would like to access the Royal Horticultural Society
 Registration, the web site is http://www.rhs.org.uk/plants/registration_orchids.asp
 Also, here is an address to the American Orchid Society's Newsletter for informative information.
http://aos.infomz.net/aos/archives/archive_298721.ht

TEST YOUR PLANTS FOR VIRUS:

Call for an appointment so Joe Giangrasso can bring the test kits to the meeting. TEST IS IN LARGE KITCHEN FROM 6:30 P.M. PLEASE be on time. Have a new leaf from the suspected plant sealed in a zip-lock baggie. The test only takes a minute and is for the TM-V only. His phone is 510-568-1962 Kits are \$4.25 each

CSA JUDGING: Groom & Clean your plant and submit to the Head Clerk by 7 p.m. in the large kitchen, NOTICE MUST BE GIVEN TO JEFF TRIMBLE AT LEAST ONE DAY AHEAD so he can assemble the Judges. Phone 650-368-8260 (or leave a message) email

CSA MEMBERSHIP: DO THIS FOR OUR CLUB. It is strongly recommended for all our members to join our MOTHER CLUB. It provides insurance for all our activities and meetings. You will receive a beautiful Journal every two months and could be eligible for certain CSA awards. Visit CSA website www.cymbidium.org or club representative, Rita Pascoe. Dues can be paid at the meeting or mailed to :

CSA MEMBERSHIP CHAIR, CLARA MOURA, 1742 GROVE WAY, CASTRO VALLEY, CA 94546 (She is usually at our meeting)

REFRESHMENTS FOR MEETING: BRING ENOUGH FOR 10 PEOPLE. Remember those who can't eat Sweets.

REQUEST FROM OUR LIBRARIAN: Joe Giangrasso has asked for donations to build our club library. If anyone has any interesting orchids books they would like to donate call him at 510-568-1962.

These will be books that can be borrowed by members to read and enjoy, and then returned to the library. Please, clean out your bookshelves

CLUB OFFICERS

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COMMITTEES:

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| LIBRARIAN | Joe Giangrasso | 510-568-1962 | email: jojofor@.net |
| PLANT SALES | Mel Jones | 510-531-6368; | Agnes Radell 925-829-0485 |
| RAFFLE | Jane Tsushima | 510-635-5129 | |
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| NEWS MAILING | Jewel Pierce | 510-278-1494 | |
| JUDGE COORDINATOR | Paul Chim | 510-635-3260 | |
| CSA MEMBERSHIPS | Clara Moura | 510-537-8923 | (Can pay at meetings!) Con't. |

CSA CLERKS

John Chu

CSA Judges

Steve Thai, Paul Chim, Trudy Hadler, Ken Jacobsen, Paula Shiu

Jeff Trimble (Associate Judge) Ben Low (Associate Judge)

CSA Club Rep.

Rita Pascoe

NEXT BOARD MEETING IS Sept 09, 2009 at the Fruitvale Library,

FRUITVALE AVENUE, OAKLAND. (TWO BLOCKS EAST OF 580)

Next General Meeting is Sept 23, 2009 Sales and Show & Tell

at 6:30 p.m. Plant judging is at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERSHIP

NEW _____ RENEWAL _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

PHONE () _____ EMAIL (FOR NEWS) _____

CHECKS PAYABLE TO GOLDEN GATE CYMBIDIUM SOCIETY (GGCS)

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ (\$15.00 per household) **CSA Member** _____

\$ _____ LIFE MEMBER \$100.00

YOU MAY RENEW CSA OR ENROLL AS NEW: MAKE SEPARATE CHECK TO CSA

SEND TO MEMBERSHIP CHAIR: LORETTA RODRIGUES, 3773 Somerset Ave.,
Castro Valley, CA 94546

OR PAY AT THE MEETING

GOLDEN GATE CYMBIDIUM SOCIETY
205 CHERRY WAY
HAYWARD, CA 94541

DATED MATERIAL