



# Golden Gate Cymbidium Society

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## SPEAKER FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2008 CAROL SIEGEL, from Las Vegas Nevada ‘THE SEX LIFE OF ORCHIDS’

Her talk is an amusing, informative introduction to the incredible world of orchid sex. It is a 50 minute slide presentation on orchid pollination and orchid pollinators. She will explain how orchids stop at nothing to get pollinated.....they lie, cheat and will promise and not deliver! If they do deliver, they give as little as possible. She will show how orchids use color, pattern, movement, fragrance, traps, sexual mimicry and outright lies to lure pollinators.

Carol was a high school English teacher and lecturer, retiring 12 years ago. Traveling the world she discovered the fabulous world of native orchids. She has written articles for Orchid Digest and has published articles in the Native Orchid Conference Journal. She has been president of the Greater Las Vegas Orchid Society since 2002 and is their newsletter editor.

Come and have a good time!

Dinner with the speaker is at 5 p.m. at the Grand Oakes Restaurant, 5401 Grand Avenue, Oakland. Call Nancy Starr for a reservation beforehand....510-261-7530.

### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL!!!!

WE NOW HAVE OUR VERY OWN WEB SITE.....THIS IS DUE TO THE EXPERTISE OF A FRIEND OF JEWEL PIERCE. HE HAS DESIGNED MANY WEB SITES. PLEASE CHECK IT OUT AT [www.ggcymbidiums.com](http://www.ggcymbidiums.com) . LOOK OVER EACH PAGE AND NOTE ANY ITEMS OR CHANGES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE. THIS IS THE FIRST DRAFT. THE DESIGNER AND WEB MASTER WILL BE YONNIE REYES (Who also has a ‘few’ orchids). ANY CHANGES OR IDEAS CONTACT THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

## REMINDER

DUES RENEWAL  
TIME-USE FORM IN  
NEWSLETTER FOR  
CONVENIENCE...  
\$15.00 per household  
or \$100.00 life mem-  
bership

## POTS! POTS! AND MORE POTS!

The club now has a supply of 1 gallon pots for sale at the nominal price of .65 cents each. This is a real bargain the club wishes to pass on to our members. To order and pick up call Rita 510-276-2851  
We will also have a few boxes of razor blades for sale at the meeting. They are \$4.00 a box.

## HOLIDAY POT LUCK AND ANNUAL AUCTION DECEMBER 17, 2008

This is our annual auction and fundraiser. As you divide your plants, try to set aside a few special ones for auction. You can provide a list and submit to the newsletter by Dec 1st (firm!)! This is a time to share something nice from your collection and also benefit the club.

**FOR POTLUCK BRING: A PLACE SETTING (if you wish), WINE OR SOFT DRINKS; coffee, tea, hot chocolate provided**

**A – G BRING SIDE DISH H – Mc A SALAD M- Y DESSERT**

## Show & Tell Winners

### September:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Cymb. lancifolium (species)...owner Rita Pascoe
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Lc Clan Hancock 'Snow Fume'...owner Fred Shull
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Pot. Little Toshie 'Gold Country'...owner Fred Shull

### October:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Cymb. dayanum (species).....owner Neal Tadlock
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Paph. Revival x (Spotter x Match 1)...owner Ceajay Palanca
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Cymb. Little Black Sambo 'Black Magic'...owner Mimi Rose

## FUTURE EVENTS

NOVEMBER 22-23, 2008, "GALAXIES OF ORCHIDS" Santa Barbara Orchid Society Show; at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. Sat 8 am – 5 pm, Sun 9 am – 4 pm. For Info call 805-642-4357 or orchidsb.net

DECEMBER 6-7, 2008, CASA DE LAS ORQUIDEAS OPEN HOUSE, 1670 S. Nardo Avenue, Solana Beach, CA Hours 9 am – 4 pm. Included Rowland collection, Andy's Orchids and Islander Delights. [www.orquideas.com](http://www.orquideas.com) or 858-755-7572

JANUARY 10-11, 2009, "ORCHIDS UNDER THE OAKS" Alden Lane Nursery 981 Alden Lane, Livermore, CA Hours 10 am – 4 pm. Includes demonstrations and speakers.

MARCH 5-8, 2009, 57<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PACIFIC ORCHID EXPO, "GREEN...WITH ENVY" Fort Mason Center, Preview Thurs. 5<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. – 10 pm; Show hours Fri. 10 am – 6 pm Sat. 9 am – 6 pm Sun. 10 am – 5 pm

MARCH 14 -15, 2009 GOLDEN GATE'S ROARING 20<sup>TH</sup> SHOW & SALE.

MARCH 20 – 22, 2009, SANTA BARBARA INTERNATIONAL ORCHID SHOW. Earl Warren Showground, Santa Barbara.

*NEXT BOARD MEETING IS November 12, 2008 at the Fruitvale Library,  
FRUITVALE AVENUE, OAKLAND. (TWO BLOCKS EAST OF 580)*

*Next General Meeting is November 19, 2008....7:30 p.m.*

*Plant Sales and Show & Tell*

*is at 6:30 p.m. Plant judging is at 6:30 p.m.*

*SPEAKER WILL BE Carol Seigel!!!*

*January Speaker: "PELORICS" by Audrey Young-Tarter*

IDEA FOR OUR 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION\_\_\_\_\_

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WE WOULD LIKE YOUR INPUT ABOUT HOW TO CELEBRATE THIS OCCASION NEXT YEAR.

**(Test kits are temporarily out...they are on order)**

*TEST YOUR PLANTS FOR VIRUS:*

Call for an appointment so Joe Giangrosso 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: [2752delaware@sbcglobal.net](mailto:2752delaware@sbcglobal.net)

*FIRST BLOOM SEEDLING CONTEST: THE JIM CROSSLEY YEARLY AWARD,*

Plant MUST be a first-bloom for a NEW CROSS only !!! Forms available from Secretary.

Call Paula Shiu 510-237-0471 so she can make arrangements. A perpetual plaque is awarded at our July Pot Luck each year. The New Year will start August '08 through June '09

NOTE: **SEEDLING MUST BE A NEW CROSS!!! NOT AN OLD VARIETY.**

*CSA MEMBERSHIPS (CYMBIDIUM SOCIETY OF AMERICA)* THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR CLUB IS JOINING NOW!!! 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](http://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 MEETINGS:* BRING ENOUGH FOR 10 PEOPLE. DON'T FORGET SOMETHING FOR THE ONES WHO CAN'T HAVE SWEETS.

**REQUEST FROM OUR LIBRARIAN**

Joe Giangrosso 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.

CULTURE CLASS by Paul Chim for up to four people. Call for an appointment, 510-635-3260 462 BROADMORE AVE. SAN LEANDRO

CLUB OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

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			Ceajay Palanca	510-372-5782 (after 5 p.m.)

COMMITTEES:

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CSA CLERKS	John Chu and Ben Low		
CSA Judges	Steve Thai, Paul Chim, Trudy Hadler, Ken Jacobsen, Paula Shiu		
	Jeff Trimble (Associate Judge)		
CSA Club Rep.	Rita Pascoe		

RENEWAL TIME!!

RENEW\_\_\_\_NEW\_\_\_\_

NAME\_\_\_\_\_

ADRESS\_\_\_\_\_

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

510-538-8632 OR PAY AT MEETING