



Orange County Orchid Society, Inc.

President's Message

October 2007

Trick or Treat,

October is another busy month for orchid enthusiasts like us. There will be two orchid shows and sales. One is the San Diego International Orchid Fair at Quail Botanical Gardens on October 5th through the 7th. The other is the Southland Orchid Show at the Huntington on October 19th through the 21st. There will be plenty of orchids to see and buy.

We will be participating as a society to the Southland Show. The theme is 'Orchidelic'. Nohline has a great idea for our display area. Please call her and bring your orchids that are in bloom to help us with the decoration. It will be fun to see what the displays will be this year. I bet they will bring back memories. If you wish to dress in costume, go for it!

The Southland Show also needs our help in hosting the plant hotel and the hospitality tables. You are going to the show anyway, why not sit and relax for two hours and work as a volunteer. In return, you get a show pin and a free admission to the show.

Tom Biggart gave a very down to earth talk about Australian Dendrobiums last month. It is nice to know that even expert growers make mistakes. It was also very endearing the way he loves his plants, even the ones he calls 'homely'.

This month's speaker is Fred Clarke who will talk to us about *Cattleya mossiae*, the queen of the Venezuelan Cattleyas.

See you at the meeting. Happy Halloween.

Brenda Ward
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