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**Regular Meeting Schedule**  
Doors open at 6:30 pm  
Table/chair setup, plants in place  
Ribbon judging starts at 7:00 pm  
Culture session  
Speaker starts at 7:30 pm  
Opportunity drawing  
Table/chair teardown  
Doors close at 9:30 pm

# South Coast Orchid Society

Newsletter

Founded in 1950

November 2017

## **Becoming an 80th Percentile Grower**

by

**Fred Clarke**

**Program Starts at 7:00 p.m.**

**Monday, November 27, 2017**

Fred Clarke has been growing orchids for since 1977 and has been hybridizing for 36 of those years. With over 34 years as a professional grower and manager in the horticultural industry, Fred applies these skills at his orchid nursery; Sunset Valley Orchids, located in San Diego, California.

He is a passionate orchid grower whose curiosity in orchids is broad and varied. Although developing *Cattleya* hybrids has been his sustaining interest, he is also actively creating new *Catasetinae*, *Paphiopedilum*, and Australian *Dendrobium* hybrids.

His pioneering work in *Catasetum* intergeneric breeding has led to the development of many notable hybrids, most recently the grex, *Fredclarkeara After Dark*, which produced "the **blackest** flower ever witnessed". The hybrid genus *Fredclarkeara* has received an amazing number of awards with a total of 17 FCC's and 42 AM's worldwide.

Fred is an internationally acclaimed speaker and travels extensively within USA, Canada, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand and South America. He is an accredited American Orchid Society Judge in the Pacific South region. His plants have received hundreds of quality awards from the American Orchid Society.

Fred will talk to us about meeting the challenges of growing orchids outdoors in Southern California, and how to do the best we can do.

### **Refreshments**

Last names starting with **R through Z** please bring refreshments.

## President's Message

Thanks to everyone who came and supported the Auction. We ran a little tight for time but had a successful auction because of your participation.

Thanksgiving Holiday is coming up before our November meeting.

I hope you all have a blessed and safe Thanksgiving with your family and friends..

John Reyes

## October Auction Photos



Orchids on display for bid decision



Winter bloomers, long lasting flowers



Showy Cattleya hybrids



Species in many genera



Great fragrance!



Corsage ready ...



Great old timers

Orchids from the auction, for which there was not enough time to bid, will be on the plant table this month. See you at the meeting!

### **Upcoming Events**

**See our website for flyers:** [www.southcoastorchidsociety.com](http://www.southcoastorchidsociety.com).

Casa de Las Orquideas Open House, 170 S. Nardo, Solana Beach, Dec. 2 9 am - 4 pm  
Andy's Orchids Winter Open House, 734 Oceanview, Encinitas, Dec. 1-3, 10 am - 5 pm  
Sunset Valley Orchids Open House, 1255 Navel Place, Vista, Dec. 2, 9 am - 4 pm

**Our December 2017 regularly scheduled monthly meeting date is December 18, 2017**

## Meeting Location

The South Coast Orchid Society holds monthly meetings, usually on the fourth Monday of the calendar month, at the Whaley Park Community Center in Long Beach, CA. Whaley Park is on Atherton, just off Bellflower Blvd. near the Long Beach State University campus.

## Vendor Sponsors

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