

Diablo View Orchid Society

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February 2009



*At Our next meeting
February 12*

NEXT MEETING

Thur. Feb. 12

5:30 Speaker's Dinner

7:30 Meeting Begins

8:00 Presentation

Contra Costa Water
District Board Room
1331 Concord Ave.
Concord
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**DVOS members will share
their culture tips**

Sue Fordyce on Cattleyas
Linda Castleton on Phalaenopsis
Eileen Jackson on Paphiopedilums
Brian Wraxall on Masdevallias

Speaker's Dinner will be at 5:30 at Cafe Milano, 716 Contra Costa Blvd. Pleasant Hill. Everyone is welcome to attend and meet our speakers. If you plan to attend, please notify Liz Charlton at (925) 280-1671 or email dvosnews@gmail.com so we can include you in the reservation.

Plant table will be a special event. See P.3

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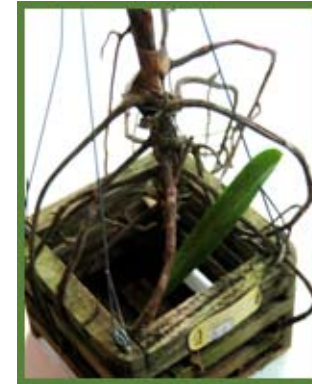
*Our speakers in January were
Dennis Olivas and Kathy Barrett*

Dateline January 15,2009

This nation and the rest of the world was focused on the impending inauguration of our 44th president. If the subject matter didn't have the word Obama in the title nobody was interested- except at the last DVOS meeting, where the focus was on Good Plants, Bad Plants. For one hour, our own gifted speakers, Dennis Olivas and Kathy Barrett, entertained and informed the crowd with their vast knowledge.

So what did the crowd in attendance see? Almost all the plants considered "bad" were just culturally challenged.

Leaves that showed sunburn, had too much sun. A mounted dried out *Bulbolphyllum* needed more humidity. Some *Cymbidiums* and *Zygopedelums* were dropping their leaves, which is normal when winter arrives and the weather gets cold and wet. The cold and damp weather will also will cause *Dendrobiums* to drop their leaves.



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Membership:

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Refreshments:

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Raffles and Sales:

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Equipment and Lights:

Dave Tomassini

Librarian:

Phyllis Arthur

AOS Representative:

Dennis Olivas

Orchid Digest

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DVOS Show

Chairman:

Dennis Olivas

This is why you need to cut back on the water during the winter months. When the Dendrobiums start to get their new leaves and shoots, then it's time to water and fertilize to encourage new blooms.

Many of the orchids had yellow leaves. This is normal in the cold winter months and can be fixed by turning up the heat in the greenhouse. Many orchids brought in had spots on the leaves. The Phalaenopsis had soft spots and the Cymbidiums had black spots. Both of these problems are caused by cold, damp conditions. These conditions promote bacteria and fungal spores to propagate. If the spots smell, then they are most likely bacterial in origin.

The cure for both fungal and bacterial spots is to pour hydrogen peroxide directly on the spot or to sprinkle cinnamon on the spot. One other treatment is to mist the plant with Lysol spray, which will kill bacteria and fungal infections.

Yellow spots on the leaves are usually caused by spider mites. They can be controlled by increasing the humidity or by spraying the plant with Rosecare.

Thank you Dennis and Kathy. Now back to the presidential inauguration.

-Brad Piini

A Special Raffle Table for February

Everyone who buys a \$5 raffle ticket will be guaranteed to go home with a quality plant from Exotic Orchids of Maui. Each member may buy one ticket before the break. If there are tickets left over, members may buy additional tickets after the break. Plants will be inside paper sacks. Raffle table plants are a mix of Cattleya, Dendrobium, Phalaenopsis, and Tolguezettia (O.K. maybe not that one.)



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Awarded Plants in November

DVOS Commercial Members

Danville
Commercial Plant Services
David and Alice Tomassini
3 Woodside Ct.
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atomassini@aol.com

Half Moon Bay
D & D Flowers
Dennis Olivas
62 Oceanside Dr.
(925) 696 -1246
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(925) 600 - 8406

Pacifica
White Oak Orchids, Inc.
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1204 Linda Mar Blvd.
(650) 355 - 8767
www.whiteoakorchids.com

Pleasant Hill
Diablo Orchids
Huei-Mei Chen &
Gregory Mayfield
(925) 946-9740
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1st *Slc.* Circle of Life 'Mesmerized'
Ted McClellan

2nd *V.* Pachara Delight
Bernice Lindner

3rd *Paph.* Valerie Tonkin
Bryan Wraxall



Paph. Valerie Tonkin



Lancer Smith:
(species or miniature orchids)
Masd. floribunda
Bryan Wraxall

Beginner's Corner:
Onc. Twinkle
George Cooper



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Upcoming Speakers and Events

- Feb 6-8: Malihini Orchid Show & Sale
<http://www.malihiniorchidsociety@yahoo.com>
- Feb 12: Growing Paphs, Catts, Masdevallias and Phals by Club panel DVOS and a not-to-be-missed **Special Raffle (see P 3)**
- Feb 7-8: Sonoma Orchid Society Show <http://www.sonomaorchids.com>
- Feb 21-22: 58th Annual Santa Clara Valley OS Show & Sale
<http://www.santaclaravalleyorchidsociety.org/show.htm>
- Mar 5 - 8: POE Gala, Show & Sale
<http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/orchidfest.htm>
- Mar 14-15: GG Cymbidium Society Show, Oakland
<http://www.ggcymbidiums.com>
- Mar 20 - 22: Santa Barbara Show & Sale
<http://www.sborchidshow.com>
- April 25: Orchid Greenhouse Tour, Santa Clara Orchid Society locations will be printed next month

The next Board Meeting

February 19th at 7:30 p.m. will be at the home of Liz Charlton and Jamie Wasson.

See what is available in our library:

www.diabloviewos.org/Library/library.htm

To check-out an item, contact Phyllis Arthur

S/c. Circle of Life 'Mesmerized'

Refreshments

for the February Meeting

Cookies: Bayan Culhane, George Cooper, Giovanna Deen, Noble Emery, Sheridan, George McRae

Bring baked goods CUT into serving size pieces.

Beverages: Raul De Leon, Melissa Sadler
Ice:



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PACIFIC ORCHID EXPO

The 57th Annual Pacific Orchid Exposition at Fort Mason Center's Festival Pavilion
March 5-8, 2009 \$12 adv./\$14 door/Seniors \$8 adv./\$10 door
Gala Benefit Preview Thurs. March 5, 6:30 - 10:00 p.m. \$35adv/\$40 door

The DVOS show display

Thanks to every one who showed-up to help design and create the DVOS display for POE. It wouldn't happen without the hard work of our members.

We need your healthy, blooming plants for our display.

The show is the week before our regular meeting.
You will need to drop off your plants by Saturday
Feb 28th at one of these greenhouses

Brian & Joan Wraxall

Alice & Dave Tomassini

Jamie Wasson & Liz Charlton

Be sure your plants are clean and bug free.

Have them tagged with your name on the bottom of the pot and the plant's name inside the pot.

If you are not sure how to do this, or you want to improve your technique, check out the

Online Guide to Exhibiting Orchids

(thanks to Kathy Barrett for forwarding this very useful link)

<http://www.orchidworks.com/showguide/index.html>



Green...with Envy
San Francisco Orchid Society

Sunday Mar.1st will be a **work party** to prepare for the show and make name cards for the plants.

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Membership News

Let's give a warm welcome to our newest members: **Patricia Fitch-Hayashida** from Danville and **Barbara & Mike Ungersma** from Benicia.

Membership dues for 2009 are due!

General Membership is \$20, Business \$25. If you want to receive the newsletter by mail add \$10. Please be so kind and fill out the renewal form for me. This is my best and only chance to keep our database up to date and find errors and changes. It is also the only evidence that you paid your dues since the check or cash will be handed to the treasurer immediately after I update the database.



Masd. floribunda

I hope all of the 108 members will join DVOS again in 2009. So far we have 33 regular members and 10 Lifetime members.

You can bring your check made out to DVOS with the renewal form to the next meeting on February 12th, 2009 or mail it to

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Attn. Ulrike Ahlborn, membership Chair

202 Gaucho Ct * San Ramon * CA 94583

www.membership@DVOS.org

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AOS Awards January 2009

Courtesy of Kathy Barrett

1/06/09 - Pacific Central Judging Center - San Francisco Center none

1/07/09 - California Sierra Nevada Judging Center - Sacramento

Angraecum Dianne's Darling 'Scarlet', HCC 78 (Angcm. sesquipedale x Angcm. Alabaster)
Exhibited by Dennis Wade

Dendrobium Garnet Jewel 'Jocelyn', AM 81 (Den. Jewelite x Den Blue Twinkle)
Exhibited by Jim Morris

Paphiopedilum Emerald Lake 'Sierra Nevada' (Paph. Stone Lovely x Paph. Emerald Sea),
Exhibited by Curtis Gean

Paphiopedilum gratroxoami, 'Taffy', AM 80 Exhibited by Ted Foin

1/19/09 - Pacific Central Judging Center - Oakland none

1/16/09 - Pacific Central Judging Center - Peninsula Orchid Society Show

Cymbidium Sophie's Choice 'Mio Tesoro', CCM 8 (Cym. pumilum x Cym. Mimi), Exhibited by Christine Kradjian

Dendrobium glomeratum 'Giant', HCC 75 species, Exhibited by Japheth Ko

Dendrochilum glumaceum 'Vistamont', CCE 93 species, Exhibited by Cynthia Hill

Lycaste unregistered hybrid 'Great White Hope', AM 81 (prov) (Lyc. Chita Sunset x Lyc. Sunray), Exhibited by Cal Orchid

Odcdm. Saint Anthony of Egypt 'Jake', HCC 79 (Odcdm. Tiger Night x Odcdm. Tiger Barb), Exhibited by Golden Gate Orchids

Phalaenopsis unregistered hybrid 'x', HCC 76 (prov) (Phal. Brother Love Hero x Phal. Sierra Serenade) Exhibited by Cordelia Wong

Potnara Annie Zilius 'Ming-Feng', AM 82 (Blc. Bryce Canyon x Pot. Bobby Brown), Exhibited by Japheth Ko

Wilsonara Debra Atwood 'Golden Gate', AM 80 (Odcdm. Tiger Crow x Oda. California Sunset), Exhibited by Golden Gate Orchids

Pictures can be seen at the Pacific Central web page <http://www.aospacificcentral.org>

California Sierra Nevada Judging Center <http://www.csnjc.org>



V. Pachara Delight

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Diablo View Orchid Society Membership

Membership \$20 (), Business \$25 (), Life \$300 () Add \$10 () if you wish to receive the monthly newsletter by mail.

(All memberships are valid January 1 to December 31 of the current year. If you do not renew your membership dues by March 1 the following year, your privileges will cease. Monthly newsletter will be by e-mail unless you do not have an e-mail address.)

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

New () Renewal () Date: _____

For General Membership: Principal Member: _____

Spouse or Significant Other: _____

For Business Membership: Name of Business _____

Name of Business Contact:/Owner: _____

Mailing Address (Must fill in) Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: () _____ - _____ Work or Cell Phone (Opt.): () _____ - _____

E-Mail address: _____ WebSite: _____

Are you a member of the American Orchid Society (AOS): Y/N (); Orchid Digest Corporation (ODC): Y/N ()

Cultivation (Check all that applicable): Indoor (), Outdoor (), Greenhouse (), Hobbyist (), Commercial () What is you favorite genus to grow?
Phalaenopsis (), Cattleya (), Cymbidium (), Dendrobium (), Vanda (), Masdevallia (), Paphiopedilum (), Phragmipedium (), Pleurothallids (), Zygopetalum (), List others:

DVOS perpetuates with the fun and diligent work performed by our membership. We would like to know if you would be interested in participating in the various functions in order to keep this fun, educational, and friendly environment.

I would like to participate in present or future: (Check all that is applicable)

Elected Officer/Board of Director () Committees: Equipment () Library () BBQ/Auction () Advertising () Refreshments () Newsletter () Xmas Party () San Francisco Show ()
Raffle/Sales () Book Meeting Room () Greenhouse Tours () DVOS Show & Sale () Welcome Hostess () Assist when needed ()

Endorse check payable to: **Diablo View Orchid Society, Inc.**

Please send application and check to: **Diablo View Orchid Society c/o Ulrike Ahlborn, 202 Gaucho Ct, San Ramon, CA 94583-2113**