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The Orchid Society for the East San Francisco Bay Area

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Next Meeting is on Thursday, April 12th, 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Contra Costa Water District Building Board Room 1331 Concord Ave. Concord, CA

Hands - On Potting Party

'Whan that Aprille with his shoures soote
The droghte of Marche hath perced to the roote,
And bathed every veyne in swich licour,
Of which vertu engendred is the flour;'

Prologue to the Canterbury Tales

No one says it better than Geoffrey Chaucer. Yes, we welcome the sweet showers of April, albeit a trifle early. And we especially look forward to the flowers.

Geoff is absolutely right about it being time to water and fertilize our orchids, but he misses the mark when he says

'Than longen folk to goon on pilgrimages'.

Not at all, sir! - DVOS folk long to go to their potting sheds and benches to clean and repot their orchids, hoping to be rewarded in good time with 'flours'.

How wondrous that,
The DVOS meeting doth ensue,
Whereto folkes might bring sich orchides,
In need of soote barke and potting anew

We will have a brief discussion and demonstration about proper potting procedure followed by a workshop where you can repot the sorry, overgrown plant you brought. Please do not bring plants larger than quart size. The club will provide bark, pots, and all other necessary supplies. Experienced growers will be available to help new growers to evaluate your plant's needs and help with the processes.



Masd. ignea 'Golden Gate'



Masd. caudata 'Cookie Peschko'

The Opportunity Table at our April meeting will be our popular $Grab\ Bag$ with plants from Exotic Orchids of Maui. Tickets cost \$10. Buy one and you are guaranteed to win a quality, blooming size orchid. This is always a fun plant table.

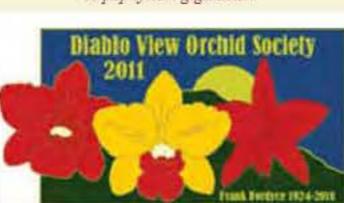


Arpophyllum giganteum



Lc. Puppy Love 'True Beauty'

2011 DVOS Club Pins are still available \$8



C. Circle of Life AM/AOS Rth. David Tomassini Ctt. Gregory Tyrome Darden AM/AOS

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