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## Next Meeting: Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm - 10:00pm Contra Costa Water District Building Board Room 1331 Concord Ave. Concord, CA

## Alan Koch will talk to us about Orchid Nutrition

One look at Alan Koch of Gold Country Orchids and you'd never think he was once an LAPD policeman, he's just too outgoing and smiles too much for that. A career change led him to work in the old Armacost and Royston nursery when they were located in the greater LA area. It sparked his imagination and the rest was history. He opened Gold Country Orchids in the foothills north of Sacramento, outside of Lincoln, CA. The nursery is located above the heat of the Central Valley in summer and at the thermocline in winter. And anyone who has been there can tell you its a wonderful place. One of these days you've all got to take advantage of a weekend drive out there, especially when he holds an open house with orchid culture classes.

This month Alan will talk about orchid nutrition, feeding, fertilizing and plant hormones. This is an appropriate discussion for hobbyists of all levels, so if you are new and wonder what to feed your orchids please come to this meeting. If you're an old hand and wonder if a regimen change might benefit your orchids, come and ask. If there's one thing I know about Alan, he'll give you a straight answer.

Speaker's Dinner with Alan Koch on Thur. Febr. 9th - before our meeting - will be at 5:30 at the Sichuan Fortune House, 41
Woodsworth Ln. in Pleasant Hill. Everyone is welcome to attend and meet our speaker before the meeting.

If you can join us, please call George McRae at (510) 233-7374 to be included in the reservation.

Gold Country Orchids will provide the plant table.

2011 DVOS Club Pins are still available \$8



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Slc. Jillian Lee (Sc.Beaufort 'Gold County' 4N x Sl.Orpetii 'Bonanza' AM/AOS)

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