

AT OUR NEXT MEETING:

Ken and Amy Jacobson will speak on 'What's in Bloom' (Ken - Cymbidiums; Amy - Cattleyas)

PLANT TABLE PROVIDED BY: Ken and Amy Jacobson

SPEAKER'S DINNER BEFORE OUR NEXT MEETING AT 5:30 PM: Sichuan Fortune House, 41 Woodsworth Lane, Pleasant Hill

BOARD MEETING:

Jan. 16th at 7:30 pm at the home of Sung Lee



Winner of the BEST Holiday orchid decoration for 2013 is Alice Tomassini

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AT OUR NEXT MEETING JAN. 9 Ken and Amy Jacobson

Ken Jacobsen, an AOS judge and a CSA judge is an avid cymbidium grower for over 40 years (to the point of having to rent a commercialgreen house for his out of control plants due to his own hybridizing program). He is a regular contributing author for the CSA Journal and the past Awards Judging Chair for the CSA. Ken is also the past president of Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers and the Peninsula Orchid Society.

Amy is also an AOS judge. Although she had always grown a few orchids, when Amy and Ken were married she was faced with a quandary. She basically had a choice between getting more involved with orchids, or becoming an orchid widow. Since there was a mostly empty greenhouse available, Amy decided to start growing Cattleyas and Laelias. In addition to Laelias and Cattleyas, Amy is also growing Lycastes and Anguloas, Masdevallias, Pleurothallids, and a wide mix of other genera.

Ken and Amy's orchid collection now numbers about 5,000. Other than their numerous AOS and CSA awards, Ken and Amy also won the "Best Orchid in Show" and "Best Cattleya Alliance" awards at the 2008 Santa Barbara International Show. They are also the winner of the AOS Berliner Award for the Best Award Lycaste for 2009.

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Winners of the 2013 Annual Awards for receiving the most points at out monthly meetin



Advanced:Ken CookIntermediate:Sung LeeNovice:Barbara Ungersma6



Membership News courtesy of Ulrike Ahlborn, Membership Chair membership@dvos.org

We start 2014 with 57 paid members

2014 Dues are now due General Members \$30 Commercial Members \$40 Lifetime Members \$300 If you are unable to receive the newsletter by email and need a B&W copy mailed to you, there is an additional \$10 charge for copying and postage. New Member/ Renewal application: www.dvos.org/About/membersh.htm

If you joined at the Art Jazz & Wine Festival in November you do not owe for 2014 California Sierra Nevada Judging Center Awards for December can be viewed at: http://www.csnjc.org



Refreshments for the January Meeting will be provided by The Board

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

Jan 9: DVOS Meeting with speakers Ken & Amy Jacobson

Jan 16: DVOS board meeting at the home of Sung Lee

- Jan 25-26: 56th Annual Peninsula Orchid Society Annual Show http://events.sfgate.com/redwood_city_ca/events/ show/301511725-56th-annual-peninsula-orchid-society-
- Feb 1-2:
 Sonoma County Orchid Society Annual Show

 http://www.sonomaorchids.com/springSale.html
- Feb 20-23: Pacific Orchid Expo

http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/poe.html

- March 29-30: Sacramento Orchid Society 66th Annual Show http://www.sacorchidshow.com
- April 5-6: Napa Valley Orchid Society Show and Sale

AOS NEWS Lynn Fuller, Chair AOS Affiliated Societies Committee

The Trustees and Members meeting was held in Coral Gables with most of the meetings being held at Fairchild Botanic Gardens (the new home of the AOS). It was a great opportunity to get to know Fairchild and for Fairchild to see what the AOS is about. A nice show was arranged by the Coral Gables Orchid Society and at the AOS judging, awards were given to many local orchidists. In conjunction with the meetings, a number of AOS awards were presented. The Distinguished Affiliated Society Award (DSSA) was given to the Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania for their volunteer commitment to Phipps Conservatory in Pittsburgh. An article will be forthcoming in Orchids about their joint project whereby they will be assisting in the establishment of an historic slipper orchid collection. An AOS Gold Medal was given to Harold Koopowitz for his dedication to orchids in conservation, biology, hybridizing and publishing; Two AOS Silver Medals were bestowed upon Aileen Garrison and Jose Izquierdo in recognition of their service to the AOS judging system. Leon Glicenstein was recognized with an AOS Fellow for his outstanding scientific, horticultural and hybridizing in addition, Leonid Averyanov was recognized with an AOS Fellow for his work on Vietnam orchids. Two Hybridizing awards were presented to Milton Carpenter for his work with Oncidiinae and warmth-tolerant cymbidiums and to Gene Crocker of Carter and Holmes for his art-shade cattleyas.

Anyone wishing to be considered for judging at the 21st WOC in South Africa, must submit their application to do so by December 31, 2013. There will be no late registrations considered. In addition, discounted registration ends on December 31, 2013. For more information or to register, go to www.woc21.org.

Save the date for the Spring Members and Trustees meeting to be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 30 through May 4, 2014 in conjunction with their show – Orchids – A Growing Obsession. This event will be held in conjunction with meetings of the Mid-America Orchid Congress, the Slipper Orchid Alliance, the International Phalaenopsis Alliance, Pleurothallid Alliance and Angraecoid Alliance.

Wishing you all the best during this holiday season and for a happy 2014.

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