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November 10, 2005

5:30 Speaker's Dinner, 7:30 Meeting Starts, Presentation ~8:00 Contra Costa Water District, 1331 Concord Ave, Concord

Species of the World With Gerda Ferrington

Gerda Ferrington from Barrie, Canada will address our society on species of the world. Although there are more than 32,000 known species, she will cover some of the most popular and some of the unusual within a 45 minutes time frame.

Gerda Ferrington's knowledge on orchids extends back into the 70's. She started her career with the AOS as a student at the Great Lakes Supplemental Center for the Mid America Judging Region in Ann Arbor, Michigan. In the spring of 1992 an application to create a supplemental judging center in Toronto was accepted and the first judging was held at the Ferringtons. In 1996 the center became independent serving 13 orchid societies in the region including upper New York. The new independent center holds monthly judging training and an annual training with Ann Arbor and Cincinnati. As an active accredited AOS judge, Gerda's vast knowledge in orchids is known throughout the orchid world.

No host dinner will be at Pasta Pomodoro at 5:00 p.m. in down town Pleasant Hill.

Pasta Pomodoro

45 Crescent Drive Pleasant Hill, CA 94523 925-363-9641

To have a lovely dining experience and enjoy the company of our guest speakers, please contact Dennis Olivas at 925-969-1246.

The next Board Meeting is at the Dunn/Olivas residence at 7:30 a.m, November 17.

Future 2005 DVOS Speakers:

Culture (101)December 8th:
Annual X-mas Party **DVOS Speakers for 2006**January 12th:Sheldon Takasaki

Refreshments:

Renee Dowell, Eileen Jackson, Jill Chambers, Betty Michaelson, Dennis Olvias and Jeanette Beam

Beverages: Ken Dowdell

OCTOBER SPEAKER RECAP

Carson Withlow was our October speaker. Carson spoke about the history of breeding the blue cattleya. In a nutshell the blue catt. comes from crossing various blue (purple) laelias with blue (purple) cattleyas. This blue Catt. craze (I like the way that sounds) was started in 1959 by L.C. Blue Boy. Then as all breeding goes the latter crosses were made for better color, shape, and more flowers. A lot of slides and a lot of names of orchids with the word "blue" in the middle were mentioned for the next 45 minutes. Sorry this article is a shorty due to the time taken up by the DVOS orchid show & sale

Thanks again Carson.

Brad Piini

DVOS Bus Tour:

Thank you Joe for the great production in getting the bus tour on it's way. We had a great time at the Raymond Burr Winery and greenhouse. We had fun until the bus had a flat tire and we were stranded for 3 hours. But all in all although we did not get to the other 2 greenhouses, we got quality plants.

2006 DVOS OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the following slate of officers for the 2006 Board of Directors.

President: Brian Wraxall

Vice President: Eileen Jackson

Secretary: Pam Wood
Treasurer: Barbara Tague

Board Members: Sharon Duffy

Nancy Pak Brad Piini

Dave Tomassini Diana Vavrek

Further nominations may be made from the floor at the November meeting or submitted in writing to the Secretary in time to be read at the November meeting. Voting will be conducted at the December meeting.

Membership Report New Members:

A warm welcome to Bea Oji and Beth Ilog both from Martinez,
Bob & Claudia Evers and Jamie Wasson & Elizabeth Charlton from Pleasant Hill,
Linda Svendsen & Jeffery Weathers from Concord and
Madoleen Montgomery from N. Highlands
This brings our membership to 101.

Guests at the October meeting were: Stephanie Allen from Martinez and past members Corey & Sau Trovinger from San Lorenzo.

DVOS Annual Show

Thank you all who participated to make our 3rd annual show another successful one. Our special thank you to the following:

Alice Tommasini for all of the advertising which without, we would not have drawn into the show.

Brad Piini for making 30+ road side signs which drewing many customers that saw the signs leading up to the show. For making a new banner supported so our large banner was more visible and easier to assemble up right.

Chris Piini for helping Brad. They worked up to 10 pm that friday night placing the signs throughout the area including Martinez, Lafayette and Walnut Creek.

Joan Wraxall, Nancy Pak and David Dunn for the hard work in keeping us fed while we worked.

Noble Emory and Mercedes Bell for gathering boxes throughout the months for without them our plant hotel could not function.

Dan Chiappone and Dianna Vavrek who provided valuable information during the skill sessions.

All of you who helped at the show and if I missed your name it was not intentional:

Dave Tommasini, Jinnie Tom, Ken & Renee Dowdell, Jill Chanbers, Phyllis Arther, Ester Yee, Brenda Aday, Ulrike Ahlborn, Nick Doe, Jeanette Bean, Linda Castleton, Jennifer English, Eileen Jackson, Mary-Ann Gschwend, Renate Johnson, Loretta and Beacon Lim, Parky Parkison, Akiko Ogawa, and Jim & Grach Chan.

Respectfully submitted: Nancy Pak, Barbara Tague, Brian Wraxall.

Photos Taken from the DVOS Annual Orchid Show Taken by Alice Tommasini

Fordyce Orchids Display Front

Fordyce Orchids Display Back





Sue Fordyce and Linda Castleton Phyllis Arthur & her orchid stitchery







POTTING DEMO - Dan Chiappone & Brenda Aday

Diablo View Orchid Society

The purposes of this society are to promote and stimulate interest in orchids; to encourage the culture and conservation of all orchids; to provide for the exchange and dissemination of information relating to the culture of orchids among members of the society.

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