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# Diablo View Orchid Society

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## October 12, 2006

5:30 Speaker's Dinner, 7:30 Meeting Starts, Presentation ~8:00

Contra Costa Water District, 1331 Concord Ave, Concord

### Pest and Disease Control in Orchids

**By Gerardus Staal**

Gerardus Staal is a Dutch native with a master's degree in tropical agronomy and a doctorate in entomology. He worked as a research entomologist for Bay Area companies developing both conventional and selective pesticides based on insect hormonal systems. He retired from entomology in 1990.

Gerardus' experience with orchids spans over 30 years. Today his interests are in hybridization and propagation. His flasks are commercially available under the Pen insula Hybrids label with an emphasis is on cool growing orchids from the tropical regions. He has registered hybrids in the Odontoglossum, Cattleya and Pleurothallid alliances. More recently, Gerardus has assembled a cross section of Bulbophyllum and cooler growing Dendrobium species of which many hybrids and species propagations are now in the flasking stage.

Gerardus' work has been acknowledged by many AOS awards, including 3 (joint) Awards of Quality for Masdevallia hybrids and several Awards of Distinction for novel directions in hybridizing. He has received many Certificates of Botanical recognition for species new to the judging system. One new trigenic hybrid genus was named Staalara. (The hybrid was Staalara Gerardus AD/AOS.)

Gerardus has served on the boards of three local orchid societies (MOS, POS, OSC), a term as president of the Pleurothallid Alliance and has been a member of the AOS Research Committee. He frequently lectures in orchid societies on topics such as Pleurothallid hybridizing, Epidendrums and their allies, Bulbophyllums, and Pest and Disease Control in Orchids.

Dinner with the speaker will be at Pasta Pomodoro in the Pleasant Hill Downtown at 5:30pm. Please notify Eileen Jackson at 707-642-5915 or [Jackson.eileen@att.net](mailto:Jackson.eileen@att.net) to join us for dinner.

Plant table will be provided by Gerardus Staal.



### Speakers for DVOS 2006

**October 12<sup>th</sup>** Gerardus Staal speaking on pests, disease and other nuisances.

**Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>** Harry Phillips of Andy's Orchids speaking on "Mounted Orchids – Fact and Fantasy".

**December** Holiday pot luck

### Refreshments for October Meeting:

Thanks to all who volunteered to bring:

Refreshments - Jeanette Bean, Evelyne Powell, Diana Vavrek, Jamie Wasson, and Nancy Pak.

Beverages - Dave Altman, Jill Chambers and Brenda Aday.

If you are unable to attend/bring refreshments, please contact Esther Yee.

### Awarded Plants for September Meeting

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Place (3 pts)

Name of Plant: Paphiopedilum Albion

Name of Grower: Diana Vavrek

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Place (2 pts)

Name of Plant: Cynoches chlorochilon

Name of Grower: Bernice Lindner

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Place (1 pt)

Name of Plant: Lc. Memoria Robert Strait 'Carmela' x x C. Walkeriana 'Carmela'

Name of Grower: Barbara Tague

#### Lancer P. Smith Medallion (1 pt)

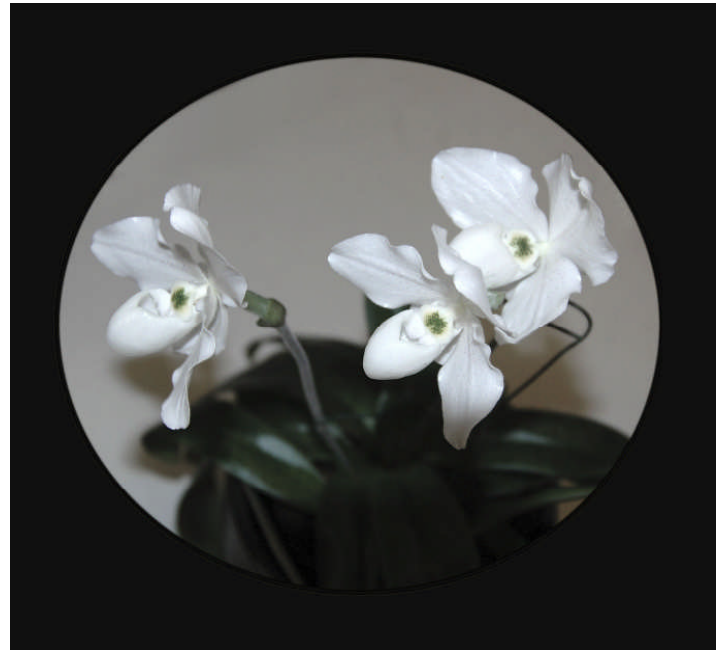
Name of Plant: Bulbophyllum frostii

Name of Grower: Brian Wraxall

#### Look What I Bloomed For The Very First Time Ribbon (1pt)

Name of Plant: Slc. Seagulls Apricot x 'Dream Contra' x Pot. Rosie O.

Name of Grower: Renate Johnson



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Place in September

Name of Plant: Paphiopedilum Albion

Name of Grower: Diana Vavrek

The next board meeting  
Barbara Tague's home



will be held at  
on October 19th.



## ***Make your List (and check it twice...)***

Our speaker for November, Harry Phillips of Andy's Orchids will provide the plant table at a significant discount to Andy's retail prices. He is also willing to bring pre-orders for members. If we can coordinate a single group order, any amount over \$200 qualifies for a 5% discount and any amount over \$500 qualifies for a 10% discount. His terms are 7.75% sales tax with free shipping. It won't take many orders to bring us over the \$500 mark, so ladies and gentlemen fire up your computers and visit [www.andysorchids.com](http://www.andysorchids.com). Bring your wish list **and a check**, made out to Eileen Jackson, for full retail price and tax to the October meeting. If you can't attend the meeting, mail your list **and check** to our Orchid Order Coordinator:

Eileen Jackson  
117 Muller St.  
Vallejo, CA 94590

We'll refund the discount to members after we have the final numbers and the buy is complete. Let's get this order coordinated!



### **2nd Place in September**

Name of Plant: *Cynoches chlorochilon*  
Name of Grower: Bernice Lindner

## **September Speaker Review**

Dr. Eric Christianson was our September speaker, discussing the topic of *Phalaenopsis*. Eric spent a lot of time in college, thirteen years to be exact. He is the kind of person that loves to categorize. He has gone through the

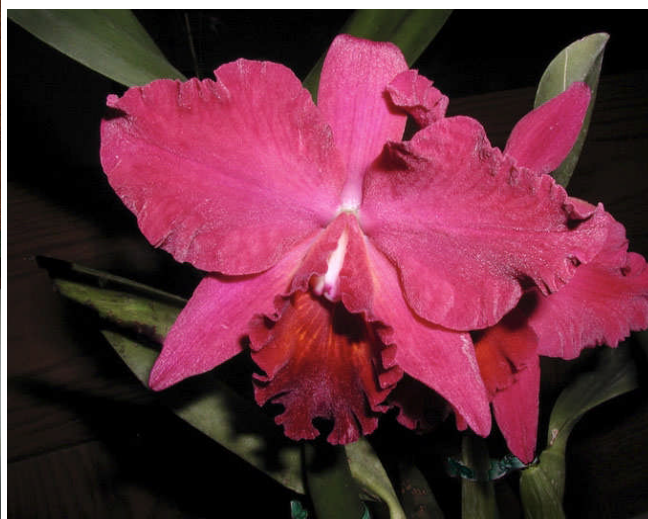
genera of *Phalaenopsis* and made sure that the subgenera and sections are all correct. In Eric's new classification he has eliminated two genera from the *Phalaenopsis* group.

I also like classifications, but I'm slightly more simplistic. Mine take after the famous movie title "The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly," coupled with the "GOD" principle - Grow Or Die. With these I have all the categories that I need for my personal collection. Like Eric and many of you, I have also eliminated several genera from my personal collection of *Phalaenopsis* and other species as well.

Eric went on for almost an hour detailing the different genera from *Phal. aphrodite* to the wonderful *Phal. philippinensis*, then into *Phal. equestris* and ending with a climactic description of *Phal. violacea*. Thanks, Eric, for the very knowledgeable talk.

Brad Piini





### **Look What I Bloomed For The Very First Time**

Name of Plant: Slc. Seagulls Apricot x 'Dream Contra' x Pot. Rosie O.

Name of Grower: Renate Johnson

Name of Artist: Marilyn Fobian

## **DVOS Annual Show and Sale October 14 & 15 2006**

It is again time for us to make this a successful show so we can raise revenues to pay for most of our society's expense.

### ***WE DO NEED YOUR HELP!!!!!!***

**Please call Dennis Olivas at 969-1246 before our October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting to volunteer 3-4 hours at the show. Just leave a message on the day and time frame that you can work with us. We would like to place you where help is needed whether it is security, plant hotel, clean up set up.**

#### **October 13, 2006 from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.:**

This is where we need help to set up covering tables, cleaning plants, labeling plants, etc.

#### **October 14, 2006 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.:**

First day of the show and help is needed for security to insure no display plants are taken, society sales table to help customers and potential new members, plant hotel, and clean up crew.

#### **October 15, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.:**

Same duties as the 14<sup>th</sup> but more during take down from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.



### **3rd Place in September**

Name of Plant: Lc Memoria Robert Strait 'Carmela' x C. Walkeriana 'Carmela'

Name of Grower: Barbara Tague



## **We do need your blooming plants for the display!!!!**

Please bring your blooming plants that has been well watered, labeled with your name on the bottom of each pot, cleaned and properly staked to the General Meeting on October 12, 2006. We will take the plants that evening and place them into the display. If you cannot make the meeting, please bring your plants with you on Friday, October 13, 2006 after 3 p.m. but no later than 5 p.m. to give us time to register your plants for ribbons and trophies.

*When we all pitch in to make this a successful event, we become a more cohesive group that everyone looks up to.*

**Thank you in advance for all your efforts!!!! Dennis Olivas**

## **Membership Sale Table Rules**

During the annual show, members can sell orchid divisions from their collection or any orchid related items such as painting, photography, needle work, etc. The space is limited so you are allowed to bring 25 items the first day and 25 more items the second day. No one person will dominate the society member's sales area. Even amount of table top space per member and excess items will be placed under the table. You will have to bring in your own stands for any art work, photography, etc. and it will have to be within the society sales area on the table tops provided. There are strict rules to the fire aisle space at public functions and we will stick to these rules. Safety is the only rule.

Please see Barbara Tague at the General meeting on October 12 or contact Dennis Olivas prior to arrange the acceptable forms that you will have to use. No make shift forms will be accepted.

You will also have to sign an agreement that the society will be taking 25% of your total sales, you are responsible for paying any sales taxes, and the society is not responsible for any errors or missing plants.

Bring in your plants early to have Barbara check off the list form and sales items that you have brought in for sale. Barbara will then hold on to your list form. If you would like to have a copy of that form for yourself, please make a copy before you get to the show. You cannot change the prices on your items during the sale on the first day. You may on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day but you must consult with Barbara so she can change the sales form and list form. At the end of the show, do not remove any unsold items unless Barbara or one of the officers check off the list form with a "RETURN" next to each item.

**Thank you for your cooperation and for participating.**  
**The Officers of the DVOS**



### **Lancer P. Smith Medallion**

Name of Plant: *Bulbophyllum frostii*

Name of Grower: Brian Wraxall



# Diablo View Orchid Society

## EXHIBITION SCHEDULE

### TROPHY JUDGING- GENERAL RULES

#### TROPHIES TO BE AWARDED TO EXHIBITS:

These trophies are awarded to anyone who participates in this annual show.

1. AOS Show Trophy – most outstanding exhibit in show. Any size eligible.
2. ODC Show Trophy – exhibit displaying the highest levels of artistry, taste and innovation in design and presentation; flower quality; cultural excellence.
3. Best Educational Trophy

#### TROPHIES TO BE AWARDED FOR INDIVIDUAL PLANTS:

Trophies should be awarded in the order they are listed. Plants nominated must be a blue ribbon winner. Owner of the awarded plant must be a member of good standing and have paid their current annual dues.

**The Stan & Dale Dinsmore Trophy** - Best Orchid Flower in the Novice category

**The Bob & Mary Lou Van Galder Trophy** - Best Orchid Flower in the Intermediate category

**The Floyd and Marlene Lundquist Trophy** - Best Orchid Flower in the Advance category

**The Frank and Madge Fordyce Trophy** - Best Orchid Flower in the Open Class category

**The Dick and Jean Emory Trophy** - Best Species Orchid Flower (large and showy)

**The Bernice Lindner Trophy** - Best Botanical Species Orchid Flower (plant no taller than 6” with flowers no larger than 1 ½ inches)

**The Lancer and Natalie Smith Trophy** - Best Orchid Flower in the show selected from all of the Perpetual Trophies listed above.

**The Noble and Bea Emory Trophy** - Best Orchid Art in the show award to the DVOS member artist (photography, painting, needle work, etc)

**The Scotty and Beverly Young Trophy** - Best Foliage Orchid Plant (Jewel or variegated)

**The Don and Shirley Baker Trophy** - Judges Choice of any Blue Ribbon winner flower or plant that did not win a perpetual trophy.

**The Pauline Brault Trophy** - Best First Bloom Seedling Flower



# RIBBON JUDGING – GENERAL RULES

Plants will be judged on flower quality and culture. Ribbons are awarded for first, second and third in each category. Ribbons will be awarded for each class of exhibitors: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, and Open. Exhibitors class is based by definition listed.

## Definitions:

Show Trophy is defined as Best of Class Award or any perpetual trophy awards won by an individual at orchid shows throughout the world. This is cumulative and we will not police this with an iron hand. We expect our membership to be fair and honest about their classification and if in doubt, please ask the DVOS Show Chair or the Board of Directors.

**Amateur:** has never won a show trophy, *or* has won up to 3 trophies.

**Intermediate:** has won 4 to 10 trophies.

**Advanced:** has won 11 or more trophies.

**Open:** is as stated and any member of the DVOS can enter this category. If you feel you can beat the competition, which also includes commercial growers, than you may enter your blooming orchid in this category. You may not enter your plant in the open category and also cross enter it the novice, intermediate and advance categories. This category also includes commercial growers, vendors with commercial license, or anyone sells orchids at individual sales booths at orchid shows, flea markets, and farmer markets or general public special events. This does not include Orchid Society Membership sales tables at monthly meetings, shows and orchid society special events.

To be eligible for DVOS judging, plants and exhibits must be entered on Friday, between 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED SATURDAY MORNING. Plants and artistic displays may not be removed before the close of the show at 4 PM Sunday, unless the health of the plant is affected.

To guarantee DVOS judging, be sure to fill out an entry form for each plant entered.

IN ANY AOS OR CSA JUDGED SHOWS: ALL PLANTS ARE CONSIDERED ENTERED FOR AOS/CSA JUDGING UNLESS SPECIFICALLY MARKED "NOT FOR AOS/CSA JUDGING". Failure to so mark your plants **will** disqualify them from consideration for national awards at a later date. Questions should be directed to the Show Chairperson.

## Plant Entries/Exhibits:

- A. Show judging for trophies and ribbons will be by acclamation by a team of at least 3 judges. Regular DVOS members will comprise the judging teams, assisted by AOS/CSA judges if available. Plants will be judged on flower quality and culture. Judges who have entered plants in the show may not judge their own class.
- B. Plants entered in the wrong category may be disqualified from judging. Judges may, at their discretion, move plants to the appropriate category, but they are not required to do so. Questions should be directed to the Show Chairperson.



- C. Judges may withhold trophies or ribbons if, in their opinion, some or all plants in a category are not worthy of awards. Decision of the judges is final.
- D. Plants entered for show judging must have been in the exhibitor's care for at least 6 months prior to the show.
- E. Diseased or infected plants may not knowingly be exhibited. If discovered such plants will be disqualified and removed from the show.
- F. Only plants entered for ribbon judging are eligible for trophy awards.
- G. Trophy judging is by acclamation by a single team comprised of all judges who have participated in judging the show. Judges who may have plants/exhibits selected for trophy consideration may not participate in voting for that particular trophy. **One cannot vote on one's own plant or exhibit.**

### Artistic Entries/Exhibits:

Some examples of Artistic Exhibits include but are not limited to corsages, cut flower arrangements, photographs, paintings, drawings, pottery, jewelry etc. Entries must NOT have been entered in previous years for judging.

- A. Judging teams will include DVOS members assisted by AOS/CSA judges, if available.
- B. No artistic division exhibitor may participate in judging the artistic division.
- C. Each artistic division entry must be the original work of the entrant.
- D. Until judging has been officially completed it is necessary that the exhibits appear anonymous. After that each exhibitor may place a card up to 3x5 containing personal information. No prices may be displayed at any time.

### Aloha Orchid Retreat welcomes you to the Puna, Hilo side of the Big Island of Hawaii.

They offer affordable vacation rental accommodations in a luxurious Hawaii home surrounded by exotic palm trees, rare tropical plants, unique fruit trees and an orchid greenhouse, all located on an acre of land.

#### Your host Artist & Orchid Grower

Your host Pauline is a lady of many interests and has broad knowledge of the island and many other subjects. She is one of the founding members and a past V.P. of the Diablo View Orchid Society.



✳️ She is always eager to share her "Paradise" with you: She is an avid orchid grower and currently President of the Hilo Orchid Society and previous president of the Orchid Society of California.

✳️ She is acquainted with many of the local orchid nurseries and can make appointments for you to visit them. If you are interested you may learn the wonderful hobby of orchid growing from Pauline (transplanting, fertilizing, etc.)

Fellow artists or would be artists are welcome to paint with her or alone in her large art studio. Basic art supplies of oil and acrylic paints as well as brushes are available free of charge to guests.

If you wish can give you some art lessons for the price of \$15.00 for a 3-hour session.

See the website for more information: [www.alohaorchidretreat.com](http://www.alohaorchidretreat.com)

Mailing Address:  
Pauline Brault  
HCR2 Box 6447  
KEAAU, HI. 96749

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Phone (808) 966-4123  
E-mail: [orchidlady1@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:orchidlady1@hawaiiantel.net)



## Membership News:

Let's give a warm welcome to our new members **Marilyn and Bill Fobian** from Concord. This brings the membership up to 91.

Charis Anderson from Pleasant Hill was a guest at the September meeting.

I still have many 2006 rosters. If you would like to have a copy, see me at the October meeting or send me a message.

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117 Laredo Court  
San Ramon. CA 94583  
membership@DVOS.org

### **September 5, 2006 Pacific Central Additional Center, San Francisco**

Laelia anceps var. veitchiana 'Rev. Sang-Jo Rah',  
HCC 76 species  
Exhibited by Anna S. Chai

Rhynchostylis coelestis 'Blue Mountain',  
AM 80 species  
Exhibited by Japheth Ko

### **September 6, 2006 California Sierra Nevada Judging Center**

No awards.

### **September 16, 2006 Sacramento Orchid Forum Show (CSNJC)**

Miltonia Bluntii 'Prolific' HCC 79  
(Milt spectabilis x Milt. Clowesii)  
Exhibited by Cathy Norris

Habenaria erichmichealii 'Nicholas'  
CCM 82 species  
Exhibited by Vivian Sellers

Habenaria Regnieri 'Joan' AM 81  
(Hab. carnea x Hab. rhodocheila)  
Exhibited by Howard and Joan Gunn

Inobulbon munificum 'Joan'  
HCC 77 species  
Exhibited by Howard and Joan Gunn

Cattleya Landate 'Charm' HCC 77  
(C. aclandidae x C. guttata)  
Exhibited by: Howard and Joan Gunn

Dendrobium Merrit Island 'D's Surprise' HCC 78  
(Den. bigibbum x Den. dicuphum\*)  
Exhibited by: Dick and Donna Murrill  
\*synonym Den. affine

### **September 18 2006 Pacific Central Judging Center, Oakland**

No awards.

Pacific Central awards can be seen at:  
<http://www.aospacificcentral.org>  
California Sierra Nevada Judging Center awards can be seen at: <http://www.csnjc.org>

## **Diablo View Orchid Society – Commercial Members**

### **Danville**

#### **Commercial Plant Services**

David and Alice Tomassini  
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