Our Speaker is Jim Heilig talking about Habenarias

Jim has been growing orchids for over 20 years. His interests have revolved around Phalaenopsis and relatives, along with many others. He has been breeding orchids for over 10 years with a particular interest in exploring the genetics of various Phalaenopsis species in simple hybrids (primary and near primary) with a goal of bringing fragrance and other traits back into standard type hybrids. Over the last several years his interest in breeding has turned to conserving Habnenaria species as well as creating hybrids. He grows most of his plants under lights, but after his move from Michigan to California has added plants that can grow outdoors in his coastal California environment such as Cymbidium, Lycaste, Laelia, and Cattleya.
Jim began his judging career at the Great Lakes Judging Center in Ann Arbor, MI and is currently a judge at the Pacific Central Judging Center. He is also a Trustee of the American Orchid Society.

Jim purchased his first Habenaria at the Greater Lansing Orchid Society Show in East Lansing, MI, from Natt’s Orchids in the mid-2000s. It was labelled “Habenaria rhodocheila Pink Form” and had an amazing clove fragrance. While several people said it would be impossible to grow, it flourished (and is still alive!). His Habenaria collection has grown considerably since that first plant. Jim will share what he has learned about Habenaria culture as well as discuss taxonomy and breeding. While having a reputation for being difficult (they really aren’t), the colors and forms of the various species and hybrids make Habenaria a rewarding and intriguing group of orchids to grow.

Dinner with the Speaker at 5:30 p.m. is at Aung MayLika 1050 Contra Costa Blvd, Concord, CA 94423. Everyone is welcome to attend and meet our speaker – email Eileen Jackson at eileen.jackson@att.com to reserve a seat.

President’s Message:

Orchid Friends:

The potting party was held at my house on June 22 and it was a great success! When I asked how many people would be interested at the June meeting, about 5 hands went up, so I figured we might have 7 or 8 people. We ended up with an even dozen!

Eileen did a great job showing everyone how to go about repotting their orchid. There were several different kinds of orchids… mostly potbound… that needed serious work. Dan helped MaryAnn with her giant cymbidium after doing his own.

So, all in all, a great time was had by all.

Let’s do it again!

Marcia
Here’s the potting party crowd in Marcia’s garage!

Upcoming local event…Orchids in the Park

ORCHIDS IN THE PARK
2019

Join us for Orchids in the Park, our summer show and sale. View orchids on display from local growers and purchase plants and supplies from vendors from all over the world.

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SHOW DAYS & HOURS
Saturday, July 20, 2019
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, July 21, 2019
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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COUNTY FAIR BUILDING
– HALL OF FLOWERS

BUY OITP TICKETS ONLINE
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - Saturday, July 27, 2019

9:00   AOS Judging, see how we judge

10:30  Miniatures, Honey I Shrank the Orchids
       Kristen Uthus, New World Orchids

11:45  Lunch Break

12:30  Auction

1:45   How to Grow without a Greenhouse
       Dr. Yin-Tung Wang, Taisuco Orchids, Texas A&M

2:45   Boosting Flower Production
       Roy Tokunaga, H&R

3:45   Questions and answers
       Moderated by Alan Koch

Plant sales will close at 4pm

$10 advance for Sponsoring Societies or AOS members
$35 general admission

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All talks subject to change
Dendrobium eximum x polysema
Novice: 1st Place
Grown by Diane Bond

Phalaenopsis
Novice: 2nd Place
Grown by Lena Chiappone

Den. 'Hotips' x 'Dark Form
Novice: 3rd Place
Grown by Diane Bond

Brassia
Intermediate: 1st Place
Grown by Marcia Hart
Phal pellens kaleidoscope
Intermediate: 2nd Place
Grown by Linda Caseleton

Phalaenopsis
Intermediate: 3rd Place
Grown by Jeanette Bean

Schomburgkia tibicinis
Advanced: 1st Place
Grown by Phyllis Arthur

Laelia pacavia
Advanced: 2nd Place
Grown by Judith Johnston
Collages
2 images, April 2018

Advanced: 3rd Place
From Phyllis Arthur

Lockhartia Oerstedii

Lancer Smith
From Phyllis Arthur

Angraecum didieri
This was a tasty treat at the snack table last month…

Diane Bond sent us the recipe…

Balsamic Pecans

From sohowsittaste.com

Ingredients:
2 cups lightly toasted pecan halves*
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/3 cup balsamic vinegar
1/2 tsp. kosher salt (I used ~1 tsp)
1/4 tsp. chili powder or cayenne pepper (optional) (I used ~1/2 tsp)

*To toast pecans: Heat oven to 350. Spread pecans in thin layer in shallow baking pan. Bake, stirring occasionally, 7 to 8 minutes or until golden brown. Cool.

Directions:
1. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

2. Place pecans, brown sugar, and balsamic vinegar in a large skillet. Cook over medium heat, stirring until the sugar melts, the pecans are well coated, and there is no liquid at the bottom (about 3 to 5 minutes). Sprinkle evenly with salt and chili powder or cayenne pepper.

3. Transfer pecans to prepared baking sheet. Separate individual nuts. Cool before serving