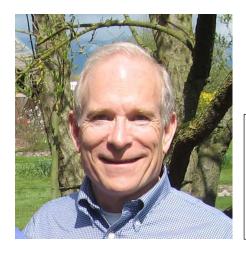


The meeting is October 12 at 7:15 PM PST at the Concord Water District, 1331 Concord Ave, Concord 94521

Doors open at 6:30pm for Show & Tell set-up and conversations.



October Subject:

"Phalaenopsis: Soup to Nuts"

This month our speaker is Dave Edgely. The meeting will be a hybrid IN PERSON/ZOOM meeting but David will be at the Water District with us. Please contact Henry Shaw (dvosshowandtell@gmail.com) if you want the link for the ZOOM meeting.

Everything you always wanted to know about *Phalaenopsis* but didn't know who to ask. In this comprehensive program, David covers a wide variety of topics such as what is an orchid? Do I need to feed them? What about ice cubes? Can I trim wandering roots? Also, fertilizer, watering, potting, roots, pots, media, virus, magic elixirs, advanced topics like "where do baby orchids come from?" and much more.

David's Orchid Biography

David has been growing *Phalaenopsis* for decades, after being introduced to them as a teenager living on a Navy base in the Philippines. A hobby grower, David has been active in local societies and shows, spreading the good news about *Phalaenopsis*. In his small and rather crowded (10'x12') greenhouse in the Pacific Northwest in the small tourist town of La Conner, Washington, David grows hundreds of orchids, primarily *Phalaenopsis*. In addition, David has made a few of his own crosses. Over the years, he has killed his fair share and hopefully learned most of what not to do. Having tried nearly every possible potting media (except shredded newspaper), and fertilizer fad, David has learned some hard but valuable lessons. Some of David's favorite *Phalaenopsis* are Harlequins, multi-floras, reds, oranges, yellows and, of course, novelty hybrids. Favorite species also include *Phal. schilleriana*, *equestris*, and *bellina*. He is an accredited American Orchid Society judge,a former AOS trustee, and treasurer of the International Phalaenopsis Alliance (IPA).

Dinner with the Speaker

Members of DVOS are invited to a no-host, pre-meeting dinner with our guest speaker, David Edgely. We will meet for dinner at 5 PM on Thursday October 12th at: Aung Burma, 2151 Salvio St Suite E Concord, CA 94520

This restaurant is a 5-minute drive from the meeting venue. If you wish to attend, please RSVP to bonddiane9@gmail.com by 5PM Wednesday, October 11th so that I can make reservations.

Phalaenopsis Zeng Min Cedar 'Prince' AM/AOS

One of David's Recently awarded Phalaenopsis.



The President's Letter

Greetings Orchid Friends,

Autumn is definitely in the air, and although summer is threatening to revisit us in San Ramon this week with near-100°F temperatures, I'm busy trying to find space in the house for my cold-sensitive orchids that enjoyed the summer outdoors.

We had a successful repotting workshop last month, with a turnout of about a dozen members and with a good mix of experienced and less-experienced members. Everyone got a few plants repotted and most of us came away with some new plants from generous members who had divided their plants. It was also a nice opportunity to socialize and get to know one another. I think we should do another repotting workshop in the spring, as our plants awaken from their winter doldrums. Let me know what you think.

SAVE THE DATE! Our annual Holiday Dinner will be held on Thursday December 7th at the Pleasant Hill Community Center. Details will be announced next month.

The Society's next major activity is our annual ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS. Any member can self-nominate for any of the Society's leadership positions. Being a volunteer on the Board or in one of the non-Board leadership positions doesn't take that much time and having broad-based participation of our members is essential for the continued success of the Society. DVOS is a vibrant, fun organization because members get involved; consider getting more involved! If you are interested in learning how you might participate, shoot me an e-mail at dvosshowandtell@gmail.com. See the right-hand side of the webpage at < https://dvos.org/about-dvos/ for a listing of the various positions that keep the Society running.

A nominating committee organized by the DVOS Board will present a proposed 2024 slate of Officers and Board Members at the November general meeting. Nominations can also be made in person at the meeting, or by sending a nomination to me in time for the name to be read at the November meeting. If there are multiple candidates for a position, we will hold an election at the Holiday Dinner to determine the winner.

On the flower front, my *Cymbidium* Golden Elf is blooming for the first time, my NOID reed-stem epidendrum is still blooming, though some of the spikes have finished, my (nearly) everblooming *Leomesezia* Lava Burst 'Puanani' is going strong with multiple spikes, and a Dendrobium NOID is blooming again. Hope your plants are thriving!

Henry

New Equipment for DVOS

George Su came up with this circle light for Show and Tell. It's not as bright as the old lights and has a dimmer control, too!!



September Repotting Workshop

Saturday Sept. 16, 2023, 1:00 – 4:00 pm Henry Shaw and Marina Hsieh's yard:





Linda and Marcia are watching Diane

Maggie is holding her BIG plant



D & D Flowers & Tiny Jungle Fall Sale



October 14th & 15th, 2023 9:00 am to 3 pm

> 169 1st Avenue Daly City, CA 94014

Directions 280 South from San Francisco: Take the Eastmoore exit and veer to the right onto Sullivan Avenue. At the stop light, make a right onto Washington Street (service station on the right and Krispy Kream Donut at opposite corner). Go over the freeway, through Junipero Serra Blvd to San Pedro (Catholic Church at intersection). Make a left onto San Pedro and continue through Mission Street between Bank of America and Wendy's. At the stop sign, make a left onto 1st Avenue. The greenhouse is on the right-hand side of the 3rd house with the red garage and a sign reading Demattei Nursery. Enter the gate of the chain link fence with red lattice on the lefthand side of the red garage.

Directions 280 north of Hicky Blvd.: Take the Pacifica/Eastmoore Avenue exit and veer to the right to the Eastmoore Avenue exit. At the stop light, you would like to be on the 2nd lane to the left. Turn left onto Junipero Serra Blvd and at the stop light and then make a right turn onto San Pedro Road. Continue through Mission Street between Bank of America and Wendy's. At the stop sign, make a left onto 1st Avenue. The greenhouse is on the right-hand side of the 3rd house with the red garage and a sign reading Demattei Nursery. Enter the gate of the chain link fence with red lattice on the lefthand side of the red garage.

Please drive safely. There is limited street parking so please carpool. Do not park within the chain link fence. Do not park across the street in the parking lot. The market by the bank will tow your car.

Mahalo for your cooperation!!!!!!

September Winners

Tulumnia Firm Barbie Lance Springs Award Grown by Maggie Woo



Paph Zycleon Novice: 1st Place Grown by Maggie Woo





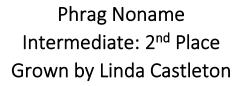
Cosmo-Hiroto Novice – 2nd Place Grown by Vera Kirichenko



Phal Yang Yang Blue Dragonfly Novice: 3rd Place Grown by Maggie Woo



Epc Siam Jade Intermediate: 1st Place Grown by Renate Johnson





Vanda falcata Intermediate: 2nd Place Grown by Henry Shaw





Cattleya Loddegesii "Blue Sky' Advnced: 1st Place Grown by George Su

C Branbantac Advanced: 2nd Place Grown by Phyllis Arthur



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