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# Diablo View Orchid Society

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Contra Costa Water District 1331 Concord Blvd, Concord

Dinner with the speaker 5:30, meeting starts ~7:30 Speaker ~8:30

## August 12, 2004

### Vandas

### Martin R. Motes

Modern vandas are among the most spectacular of all cultivated orchids, offering a dramatic range of colors as well as long-lasting, frequent-blooming flowers.

Addressing the concerns of amateur growers, botanists, and professional horticulturists alike, this thorough and accurate presentation is a must for all orchid fanciers.

Dr. Martin Motes is a second-generation orchidist who has been growing orchids for 45 years. He is president of Motes Orchids, a major breeder of Vandas. He has produced hundreds of new hybrids, for which he has received scores of A.O.S. awards including three FCCs and three Awards of Quality. He is also an accredited A.O.S. judge. He has spoken at orchid conferences around the world. He is the author of 'Vandas, Their Botany, History, and Culture' published by Timber Press. His articles have appeared in The Fairchild Garden Bulletin, The South Florida Orchidist, The Orchid Digest, The Orchid Review and the American Orchid Society Bulletin. Martin was an assistant professor of English at Wright States University for several years. He was director of horticulture therapy at Grant Center Hospital and was consultant on horticulture therapy at the Hospital Corporation of America. Martin has lived most of his life in the Miami, Florida area but has traveled extensively in the Mediterranean and has observed orchids throughout most of Central and South America, The Bahamas, Puerto Rico, and the Cayman Islands, Malaya, Thailand, Australia, as well as Mexico and Florida.

**Dinner with the speaker will be DJ's Bistro, 1825 Sutter Street, Concord \$15 per person, incl. tip, wine extra.**

**Next Board Meeting is August 19 at Dennis Olivas's.**

PLEASE TURN YOUR CELL PHONE OFF DURING THE DVOS MEETING



## **Refreshment Corner**

Refreshments

Linda Daraskavich, Madge Fordyce, Noble Emory,  
Jill Chambers, Alice Tomassini, Renata Johnson,  
Dennis Olivas and Akiko Ogawa.

Beverages

Nancy Pak

## **Recap from Last Month**

We had an amusing and informative meeting last month with our president and VP in costume, discussing how we can correct the errors of our way. This is what I was able to capture:

1. Black spots – A fungal attack on your leaves due to high humidity and cool temperature. If it smells bad, wash it with hydrogen peroxide. Otherwise, change the above.
2. Crown rot – Leaves that begin at the base like Phals can't get wet there. More hydroperoxide, toothbrush the bad area and stop getting the base wet.
3. Transplanting Phals – Cut off the dead roots, more hydrogen peroxide. Do I hear a theme here?

There was more, so they have been considering holding such meeting twice a year. If you like that idea, let us know.

Roy

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**August 28** - DVOS BBQ and Auction

**Sept** - [Bob Gordon????]

**Oct** - Show prep??? Haiku Maui Orchids?

**Nov** - Glen Decker - Phrags and maybe some P kovachii

**Dec** - Xmas party

**Jan 05** - Gavin McDonald on African species

**Feb 05** - Ivan Portillo, Ecuagenera.

### **Some of this Month's AOS Winner**

AOS Awards in San Francisco July 6, 2004

Disa Uniflora 'Buff' species HCC 79 Exhibited by Golden Gate Orchids

Disa Uniflora 'Paleface' species HCC 77 Exhibited by Golden Gate Orchids

Paphiopedilum Armeni White 'Polar Bear' (Paph. armeniacum x Paph.

delenatii) AM 82 Exhibited by Japheth Ko

Pictures can be seen at the Pacific Central Judging Center's web page

<http://www.aospacificcenter.org>

## **Show & Tell Table Ribbons**

### **BEST WORST GROWN PLANTS**

1st – Marcia and Barry Hart – for a plant they thought they were growing poorly but actually was doing well.

2nd – Nick Doe – for a phrag demonstrating spontaneous variegation.

3rd – Brian Wraxall – for a plant weirdly chewed by slugs, and politely wrapped in plastic!

Look What I Killed For The Umpteenth Time – Mary Ann Gschwend – for bringing in the greatest number of plants.

I Lanced It 'Dallion – Beacon Lum for a Maki Die Dead orchid of indeterminate genus...

Many thanks to the Judges: Johnny Strabler, Terry Malloy and Walter E. Kurtz, who swear they hit the bar \*after\* the judging, not before!



## Announcements

The Diablo View Orchid Society is having its **2<sup>nd</sup> annual Fall Show and Sales** on **Saturday, October 16, 2004** from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Sunday, October 17, 2004 from 10:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m.. The event will be at the Pleasant Hill Community Center, 320 Civic Drive, Pleasant Hill, CA. Besides the beautiful array of blooming exotic orchids on display, there will be numerous vendors selling their plants. We will also have raffle plants, a plant doctor to offer advice and on both days, we will have potting and culture demonstrations at 10:00a.m., 12 noon and 2:00 p.m..

From the San Jose area, take 680 north to Concord. Exit at Willow Pass Road, turn left heading west and as you cross through Contra Costa Blvd., the name changes to Taylor Blvd.. Go pass the next stop light and Civic Drive will be just a bit furthur up on the right side. If you've driven up to the second stoplight after Contra Costa Blvd., you've gone too far.

From Sacramento to Fairfield, take 80 west to the 680 San Jose exit and go over the Benicia Bridge to Concord. Exit at Willow Pass Road, turn right heading west and as you cross through Contra Costa Blvd., the name changes to Taylor Blvd.. Go pass the next stop light and Civic Drive will be just a bit furthur up on the right side. If you've driven up to the second stoplight after Contra Costa Blvd., you've gone too far.

From the Bay Area, take 80 east to the 24 Concord exit. Continue on 24 east then 680 north to Concord. Exit at Willow Pass Road, turn left heading west and as you cross through Contra Costa Blvd., the name changes to Taylor Blvd.. Go pass the next stop light and Civic Drive will be just a bit furthur up on the right side. If you've driven up to the second stoplight after Contra Costa Blvd., you've gone too far.

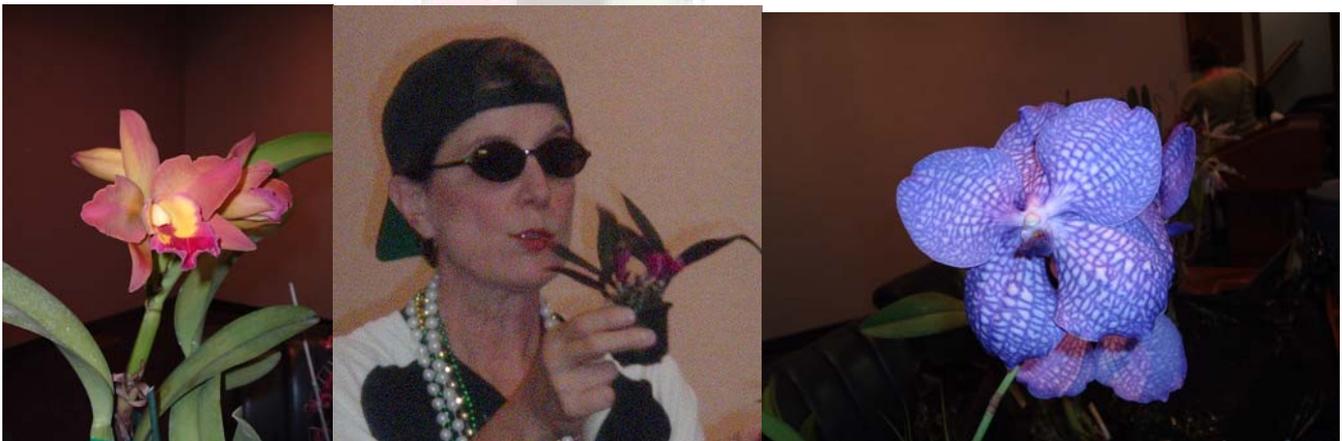
Hope to see you at our board meeting. You'v always come up with ideas that are helpful to the success of this organization.

Mahalo!!!!!!

## **Open House**

D & D Flowers will have their Fall Open House on September 25 and 26, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There will be lots of masdevallia, cumbidium, oncidium and cattleya hybrid and specie divisions at great prices. There will be lots of anthuriums also. Come for the company of friends, fun and food.

Driving from the north or south, take 101or 280 to 92 west to Half Moon Bay. About a quarter of a mile before down town Half Moon Bay, you will see a fire wood business, a house, the statuary and Spanish Town, a small arts and craft complex. Turn left at the fire wood business and drive beyond the left side of the house over the bridge and up into the greenhouse complex. D & D Flowers is the first greenhouse to the right.



## Membership News

A warm welcome to our new members:

**Barbara Gross** from Walnut Creek, **Haldis Grummel** and **Brian Maloney** from Antioch, **Nancy Kieft** from Concord and **Shirley Nagy** from Lafayette. This brings the number of DVOS members up to 96. Their addresses will be in the roster addendum, available at the general meeting in August. Please see me if you have not yet received the 2004 roster and would like to get one.

A note to our guests who attended our general meeting in July 2004: please be aware that this will be your last newsletter. If you would like to continue receiving it and enjoy the meetings and participate in the club's benefits, send in your application and dues or bring them to the next general meeting.

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### **Greenhouse Tour**

The DVOS fall greenhouse tour is scheduled for Saturday Sep 18. We have private tours scheduled at the brand new White Oak Orchids facility in Pacifica and at Golden Gate Orchids. The cost for the trip is \$25 and includes transportation, soft drinks/water and 5 tickets for the plant raffle on the return trip. Each of the facilities we are visiting will be contributing special plants to the raffle. We will meet the bus at 8:30 AM in Pleasant Hill, return time is approximately 4:00 PM. Bring your own lunch, White Oak has a designated lunch area at their new greenhouse. Space is limited to 24. Please bring your check to the meeting or send to:

**Joe Grillo, 18 Crest View Court Orinda, CA 94563**

Please make checks payable to DVOS.

Thanks! Feel free to e-mail me if you have any questions.

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## DIABLO VIEW ORCHID SOCIETY



### Bulletin Supplement

Lancer P. Smith Annual Bar-B-Q and Auction at the Van Galder Estate, Lafayette.

Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2004

Set up at 10:30 and luncheon at Noon

This year's theme is Gilligans Island so come dressed in your best Hawaiian Islander outfits. Auctioneers are scheduled. We feature Roast Pig or Chicken, paid for by the SOCIETY. Dues currently paid gives you entrance for the Dinner. If you wish to bring a guest who is not a member, we'll make him/her a member for the usual \$15 application Fee, or regular meal charge is \$20. The other requirement is donation of one orchid plant, or more, per person. If you don't have a plant to donate, use your imagination for a donation of some item akin to orchids: baskets, apron, crochet something with an orchid theme, pots, trimmers, earrings, broaches etc. Bring something nice to bid on!

A-H brings Casserole/Hot Dish, I-O brings Dessert, P-Z brings Salad, (or your favorite PotLuck Dish) 'nuff for 10 people.

Bring Your Own Service for Eating! (plates, knives, forks, spoons, napkins). The society will provide non-alcoholic beverages.

Parking is limited to adjacent city streets, which are plentiful. Bob only has about 6 spaces, which will be reserved for necessity. Bob also requests that the pool is off limits due to no life guard on duty.

**A Fun Orchid Society!!!**

A MAP WILL BE SENT TO THOSE RESPONDING AFFIRMATIVELY TO THIS COUPON



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DIABLO VIEW ORCHID SOCIETY

Annual Bar - B - Q and Auction

I/We am/are planning on attending the Bar-B-Q and Auction at the Val Galder Estate in Lafayette. Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup> 12:00 Noon

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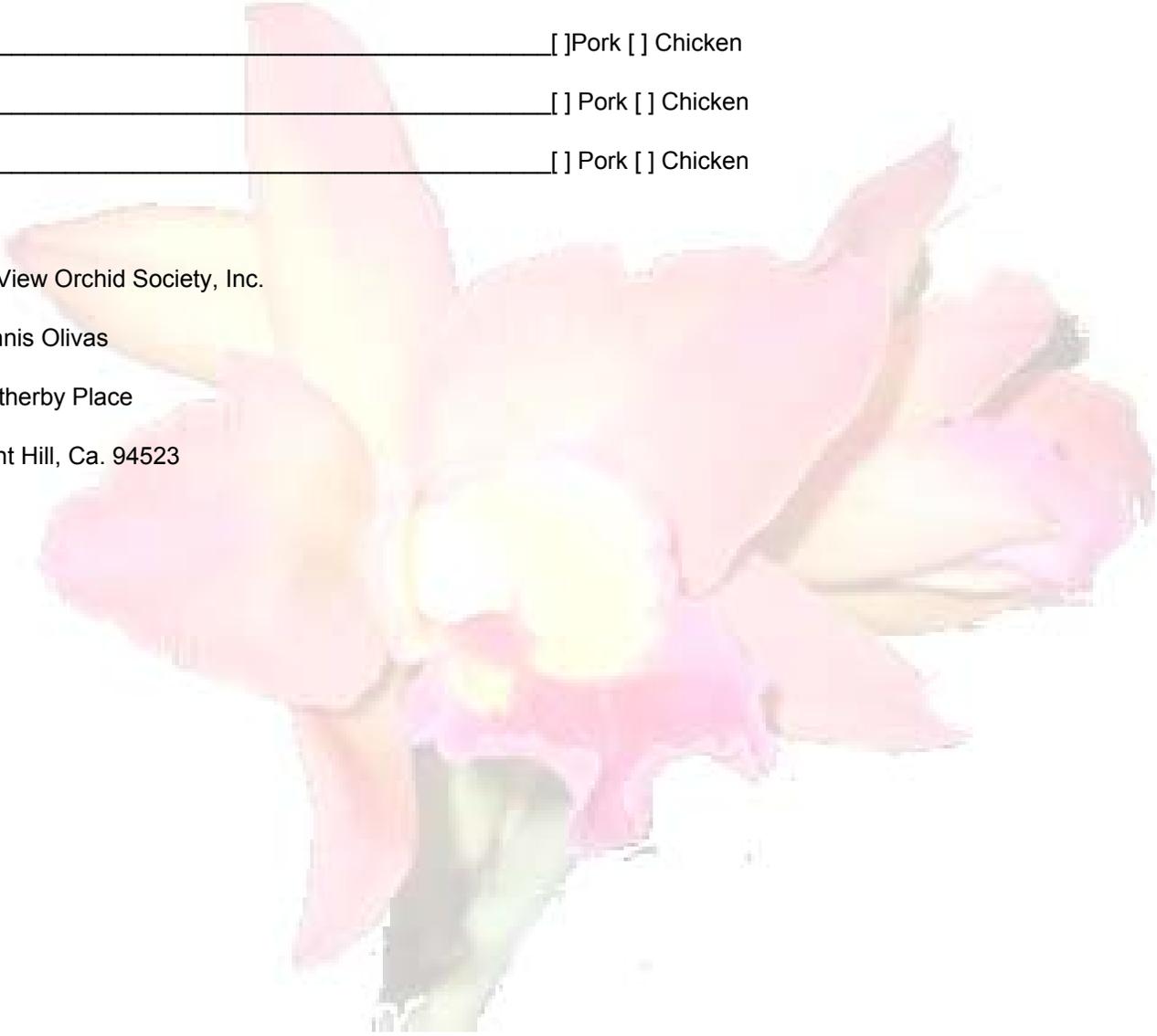
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**“Commercial Plant Services”**

David & Alice Tomassini  
586 El Capitan Drive  
(925) 648-7667  
[atomassini@aol.com](mailto:atomassini@aol.com)

**Half Moon Bay**

**“D & D Flowers”**

Dennis Olivas  
62 Oceanside Dr.  
(925) 969-1246  
[dolivas@comcast.net](mailto:dolivas@comcast.net)  
(By appointment only)

**San Leandro**

**“The Paph House”**

Francisco Baptista & Fred Jernigan  
375 Warwick Ave.  
(510) 635-2845  
[Paph@flash.net](mailto:Paph@flash.net)  
(By appointment. only)

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“Fordyce Orchids” – Catleyas  
[www.fordyceorchids.com](http://www.fordyceorchids.com)  
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“Tonkins Orchids” - Paphs  
1330 Isabel Ave.  
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Paolo & Nina Di Candia  
4526 Fair Ave.  
(510) 530-4884  
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**Pacifica**

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