

Diablo View Orchid Society

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January 2009



*At Our next meeting
January 8*

Can This Plant Be Saved?

Dear Kathy and Dennis,

She was tall and strong with the most beautiful red lip. I fell in love and brought her home. Every night I watered and fed my new love. I rubbed *LeafShine* on her foliage. During the day I set her in a warm sunny window. We were so happy.

Then things began to change. I first suspected something was wrong when I noticed a silvery trail on a leaf. Was she cavorting with snails? I hoped it was only a phase, like the tiny webs and white cottony dots I occasionally found under her leaves. Then came the ants. She let them crawl all over her.

Bring in your tired, your sick, your sad plants. Awards will be given to those with the *worst* plants. Any plants with bugs or diseases PLEASE bring them in a plastic bag so as not to contaminate other plants.

Speaker's Dinner will be at 5:30 at Sichuan Fortune House, 41 Woodsworth Ln. Pleasant Hill. Everyone is welcome to attend and meet our speakers. If you plan to attend, please notify Liz Charlton at (925) 280-1671 or email dvosnews@gmail.com so we can include you in the reservation.

Plant table will be provided by Dennis Olivas.

Is there any hope for our relationship? Or, should I throw her out and look for another orchid?

- Wilted

Dear Wilted,

Even the best breeding doesn't guarantee that you will never experience heartache. There comes a time in every orchid grower's life when he looks at a beloved plant and says "Oh, no, what is that? This is no time to be sentimental. Many problems can be eliminated by

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NEXT MEETING

Thur. Jan. 8

5:30 Speaker's Dinner

7:30 Meeting Begins

8:00 Presentation

Contra Costa Water
District Board Room
1331 Concord Ave.
Concord map:
www.diabloviewos.org

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*Christmas Party
2008*



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Membership:

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membership@dvos.org

Greenhouse Tours:

Joe Grillo

Refreshments:

Linda Castleton

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Dave Tomassini

Librarian:

Phyllis Arthur

AOS Representative:

Dennis Olivas

Orchid Digest

Representative:

SFOS Show Chairman:

Brad Piini

DVOS Show

Chairwoman:

Kathy Barrett



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DVOS Commercial Members

Danville

Commercial Plant Services

David and Alice Tomassini
3 Woodside Ct.
(925) 736-7630
atomassini@aol.com

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D & D Flowers

Dennis Olivas
62 Oceanside Dr.
(925) 696 -1246
dolivas@comcast.com
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(925) 600 - 8406

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White Oak Orchids, Inc.

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(650) 355 - 8767
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Diablo Orchids

Huei-Mei Chen &
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(925) 946-9740
www.diabloorchids.com

Awarded Plants in 2008

Member Points

Sharon Duffy 10

Phyllis Arthur 7

Diane Ecoffey 7

Ken Cook 7

Akiko Ogawa 6

Noble Emery 5

Greg Mayfield/Mei Chen 4

Kathy Barrett 4

Diana Vavred 4

Jennifer English 4

Charis Anderson 3

George Cooper 3

Bernice Lindner 2

Renate Johnson 2

Susan Fetter 2

Liz Charlton 2

George McRae 2

Parky Parkison 1

Bryanna Shields 1

Melissa Sadler 1

Dick Emory 1

Linda Castleton 1

Frank English 1

Kevin Carroll 1

Calvin & Charis Anderson 1

Joe Grillo 1

Raul Garcia de Leon 1

Bayan Culhane 1

Jim & Grace Chan 1



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Upcoming Speakers and Events

- Jan 8: *Can this Plant be Saved?* by Kathy Barrett and Dennis Olivas
Jan 10-11: Orchids Under the Oaks, Alden Lane Nursery, Livermore
<http://www.aldenlane.com/orchids.html>
- Jan 17-18: Peninsula Orchid Society Show & Sale <http://www.penorchidsoc.org>
Jan 24-25: Santa Cruz Orchid Society Show & Sale (831) 338-4220
Feb 6-8: Malihini Orchid Show & Sale malihiniorchidsociety@yahoo.com
Feb 12: Growing Paphs, Cattas, Masdevallias and Phals by Club panel
DVOS and a not-to-be-missed **Special Raffle**
- Feb 7-8: Sonoma Orchid Society Show <http://www.sonomaorchids.com>
Feb 21-22: 58th Annual Santa Clara Valley OS Show & Sale
<http://www.santaclaravalleyorchidsociety.org/show.htm>
- Mar 5 - 8: POE Gala, Show & Sale twculber@hotmail.com
<http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/orchidfest.htm>
- Mar 20 - 22: Santa Barbara Show & Sale

Refreshments for the January Meeting

The Board will provide refreshments and drinks at the January meeting.

See what is available in our library:
www.diabloviewos.org/Library/library.htm

To check-out an item, contact
Phyllis Arthur

The next Board Meeting and POE Planning Session

Will be at the home of Brad and Karen Piini January 15th at 7:30 p.m.
Please join us and help plan the DVOS Pacific Orchid Exposition display.

Membership News

As of Jan. 1 we have 3 members. That means it's time for the rest of you to send in your annual dues.

Yearly dues are \$20 for general members, \$25 for business members and \$30 for general members who do not have email and need the newsletter mailed.

Attached is a membership form. Please fill it out and return it to Ulrike Ahlborn.

Diablo View Orchid Society * Attn. Ulrike Ahlborn, Membership Chair * 202
Gaucho Ct * San Ramon * CA 94583

www.membership@DVOS.org

Alden Lane Nursery presents

Orchids Under the Oaks

Jan. 10th and 11th 10 am to 4 pm

Please join us for our 3rd Annual Orchid Show and Sale- a “free” vacation in the tropics as you stroll through our “Pathways through Paradise” display in our greenhouse featuring a wonderland of exotic orchids in our interactive exhibit. But wait! There’s more! Don’t miss the Orchid Marketplace- A tempting array offering thousands of orchids for sale by a variety of vendors from throughout California. Got questions? The orchid doctor has the answers and will be available during show hours. To quench your thirst for MORE orchid knowledge, we have 6 seminars scheduled with orchid experts (see our website for times and topics (www.aldenlane.com)). Alden Lane in partnership with the International Greenhouse Company is selling opportunity tickets to win a fabulous little greenhouse, with all proceeds benefiting Open Heart Kitchen, serving meals to those in need in Livermore, Pleasanton and Dublin. Tickets for the greenhouse giveaway are (get 10 tickets for \$5.00 donation).

Indulge yourself and your senses as you experience the heavenly beauty and aromas of our little paradise created just for you- right in the heart of Winter. Forget your cares and come vacation with us at this free event. All venues are indoors- no sunscreen required!

DVOS participation is more than welcomed! If you have a little time that weekend to help out with plant hotel for a couple of hours, answer orchid questions, or just greet folks as they come thru the greenhouse, we would love to have you. I will be passing out a signup form at the Christmas Party, or you can call Sue Fordyce at 447-0280 (Alden Lane). We would also love to show off your orchids in bloom in the large greenhouse display. DVOS January meeting is the Thurs. before the show Jan.8, so bring your plants to the meeting and they will be transported to Alden Lane for you. We will also be accepting plants at the Nursery up to 8pm on Friday, Jan.9. Please make sure your plants are clean, bug free and labeled with your name and phone number. (Alden Lane, 981 Alden Lane, Livermore)

Alden Lane Nursery Presents
Orchids Under the Oaks 2009

Pathways
through
Paradise

Orchid Show & Sale
Jan. 10-11
10am-4pm

- Orchid Marketplace
- Free Orchid Seminars
- Repotting Demos
- Expert Orchid Advice
- Free Admission & Parking

Win this
Greenhouse
a \$900.00 Value

981 Alden Lane, Livermore
(925) 447-0280
www.aldenlane.com

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AOS Awards December 2008

Courtesy of Kathy Barrett

12/02/08 - Pacific Central Judging Center - San Francisco Center

Blc. Jungle Treasure 'Paseo del Roble', HCC 75 (Blc. Love Sound x Lc. Jungle Elf),
Exhibited by Japheth Ko

12/03/08 - California Sierra Nevada Judging Center - Sacramento

Fredclarkara After Dark 'Nightmare Before Christmas', AM 85 (Mo. Painted Desert x Ctsm. Donna Wise),
Exhibited by Jeff Tyler

Lycaste Alan Salzman 'Carol', AM 80 (Lyc. Island of Vulcorn x Lyc. Shoalhaven),
Exhibited by Howard Gunn

Paphiopedilum King's Forest 'Auslese', HCC 78 (Paph. Gege Hughes x Paph. Alex Szabo)
Exhibited by Dave Sorokowsky

Platystele repens 'Joan'. CCE 95 (this is an upgrade of a previous CCE)
Exhibited by Howard Gunn

12/15/08 - Pacific Central Judging Center - Oakland

Slc. Circle of Life 'Finery', HCC 75 (Lc. Culminant x Soph. coccinea),
Exhibited by Amy and Ken Jacobsen

Pictures can be seen at the Pacific Central web page <http://www.aospacificcentral.org>

California Sierra Nevada Judging Center <http://www.csnjc.org>



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Diablo View Orchid Society Membership

Membership \$20 (), Business \$25 (), Life \$300 () Add \$10 () if you wish to receive the monthly newsletter by mail.

(All memberships are valid January 1 to December 31 of the current year. If you do not renew your membership dues by March 1 the following year, your privileges will cease. Monthly newsletter will be by e-mail unless you do not have an e-mail address.)

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

New () Renewal () Date: _____

For General Membership: Principal Member: _____

Spouse or Significant Other: _____

For Business Membership: Name of Business _____

Name of Business Contact:/Owner: _____

Mailing Address (Must fill in) Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: () _____ - _____ Work or Cell Phone (Opt.): () _____ - _____

E-Mail address: _____ WebSite: _____

Are you a member of the American Orchid Society (AOS): Y/N (); Orchid Digest Corporation (ODC): Y/N ()

Cultivation (Check all that applicable): Indoor (), Outdoor (), Greenhouse (), Hobbyist (), Commercial () What is you favorite genus to grow?
Phalaenopsis (), Cattleya (), Cymbidium (), Dendrobium (), Vanda (), Masdevallia (), Paphiopedilum (), Phragmipedium (), Pleurothallids (), Zygopetalum (), List others:

DVOS perpetuates with the fun and diligent work performed by our membership. We would like to know if you would be interested in participating in the various functions in order to keep this fun, educational, and friendly environment.

I would like to participate in present or future: (Check all that is applicable)

Elected Officer/Board of Director () Committees: Equipment () Library () BBQ/Auction () Advertising () Refreshments () Newsletter () Xmas Party () San Francisco Show ()
Raffle/Sales () Book Meeting Room () Greenhouse Tours () DVOS Show & Sale () Welcome Hostess () Assist when needed ()

Endorse check payable to: **Diablo View Orchid Society, Inc.**

Please send application and check to: **Diablo View Orchid Society c/o Ulrike Ahlborn, 202 Gaucho Ct, San Ramon, CA 94583-2113**