

# Diablo View Orchid Society

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at Our next meeting Wednesday, Dec. 14th



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It's time for our annual  
**Christmas Potluck party!**

Your "ticket" for entrance is a two-part affair!  
First, you need to bring a side dish, salad or dessert,  
enough for 8, according to the alphabetized  
schedule on Page 4.

Second, bring a gift orchid or orchid related item (something  
that you'd like to receive yourself) for the Annual Gift Exchange.  
Make sure any plants are bug free.

*The Christmas Potluck begins at 7:00 PM (Set-up 6:30)  
at the Shadelands Arts Center,  
111 N. Wiget at Ygnacio Valley Road, Walnut Creek.  
(directions on P. 5-6)*



**Next Meeting:**

**Wed. Dec. 14th**

**Christmas Party at:  
Shadelands Arts Ctr.  
Set-up 6:30  
Party 7:00-9:00**

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Kathy Barrett and Dennis Olivas were our speakers in November



*The Amazing Dennis demonstrates how to levitate your orchids*

The DVOS holiday lecture series for the month of November was presented by Dennis Olivas and Kathy Barrett. New members were treated to two of our most knowledgeable and entertaining speakers talking about the basics of growing orchids, otherwise known as Orchids 101.

Orchids originally evolved from lily's and are found on all the continents of the world except Antarctica. The orchid plants are mostly epiphytes, meaning they don't need soil to grow in. They have roots that are hard and can be touched without damaging the root hairs. This is because most orchid roots don't have root hairs. Instead of root hairs, most orchid roots are covered with a white substance called velamen. Velamen serves two purposes for the orchid; it grabs on to surfaces to support the orchid it absorbs water to hydrate the plant.

**Water is very important to the successful growth of your orchid. When you water your orchid you need to water in the morning, not at night. Watering late in the day or at night does not allow the plant to dry off. An orchid that is cold and wet will rot or get a bacterial infection. If you do notice a part of your orchid that has some rot forming, you'll want to cut it off then sprinkle the cut with cinnamon. Cinnamon is a natural anti-bacterial/fungal agent. When it comes time to fertilize your orchid, you'll want to follow the rule of "weakly, weekly". In other words, use a dilute**

**solution of any fertilizer (1/4 teaspoon per gallon) once a week. This will prevent the fertilizer from burning the foliage and still provide plenty of nutrient for strong growth. As to which type of fertilizer to use, Dennis and Kathy both agree that it does not matter. Any balanced fertilizer will work. 12-12-12 or 20-20-20. All will provide the adequate nutrients for strong growth and blooms. Lastly, don't over water your orchids. More plants are lost from over-watering than under-watering.**

**Thank you Dennis and Kathy for kicking off our holiday lecture series. We look forward to seeing all our new members at the Christmas party December 14th and at the next regular meeting on January 12, 2012. - Brad Piini**



*Kathy sees the light (assisted by Tom)*

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## Christmas Party

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Food assignments:

A-H dessert  
I-O salad  
P-Z hot dish



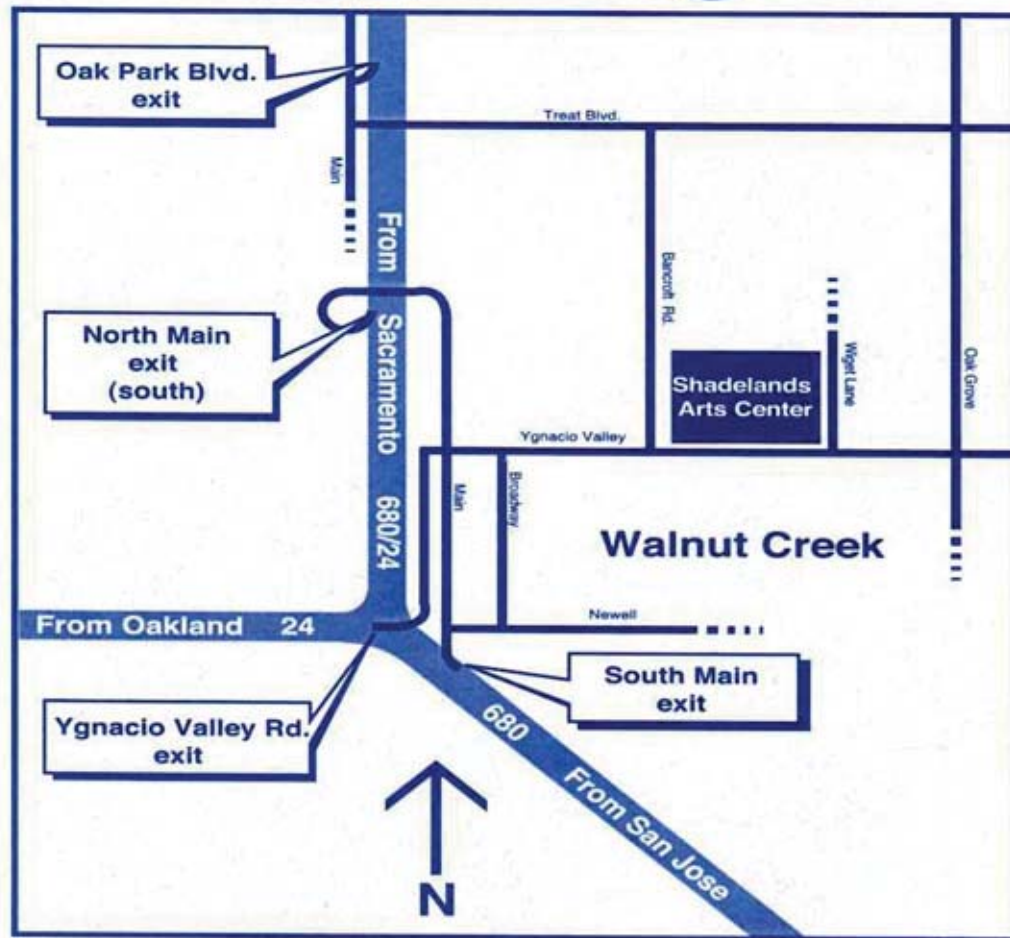
**NO GLITTER**

**Set-up 6:30 - Dinner 7:00**

**NO GLITTER**

# SHADELANDS CHRISTMAS PARTY Arts Center

111 North  
Wiget Lane  
at Ygnacio  
Valley Rd.  
Walnut  
Creek



# Directions to **SHADELANDS Arts Center**

*111 North Wiget Lane at Ygnacio Valley Rd.*

## **FROM OAKLAND, BERKELEY**

Highway 24 east exiting left onto Highway 680 north. Take the Ygnacio Valley Rd. exit and go 1.1 mi to the light. Turn right on Ygnacio Valley Rd. and go 2.9 mi. Turn left on North Wiget Ln. and go 0.1 mi. The Shadelands Arts Center parking lot is on the left.

## **FROM SACRAMENTO, CONCORD, PLEASANT HILL**

Highway 680 south to Exit 48 Treat Blvd/Geary Rd. Take exit and continue 0.3 mi. to the light. Turn left on N. Main and go 0.2 mi. to Geary Rd and turn left. Go for 1.1 mi. on Geary Rd/ Treat Blvd to Bancroft Rd and turn right. Go 0.7 mi. to Ygnacio Valley Rd and turn left. Go 0.7 miles to North Wiget Ln. Turn left on North Wiget and go 0.1 mi. The Shadelands Arts Center parking lot is on the left.

## **FROM SAN JOSE, DANVILLE, ALAMO**

Highway 680 north to South Main St. off ramp. Stay on South Main 0.5 mi. to Newell. Turn right on Newell and go 0.2 mi. to stop light. Turn left on Broadway and go 0.7 mi. to Civic Dr. Turn right on Civic and go 0.3 mi. Turn right on Ygnacio Valley Rd. and go 2.5 mi. Turn left on North Wiget Ln. and go 0.1 mi. The Shadelands Arts Center parking lot is on the left.



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## Pottery by Marni Turkel

30% Discount Sale

Saturdays from 11 AM - 4 PM through December 17th

I am in the process of shifting my business from ceramics to orchids and am closing out all pottery stock on hand. I am discounting all stock 30% off of the marked prices. This is for both first and second quality work. Since seconds are already discounted 50%, they are now 65% off of the regular price. If you can't make it that day, don't worry, the pottery will be open on Saturdays from 11 am to 4 pm and by appointment at other times through December 17th and possibly longer. If you want to make an appointment or have any questions, you can contact me.

Contact: Marni Turkel 707-328-5973      Stony Point Ceramic Design  
2080 Llano Road Suite 1B Santa Rosa, [www.marniturkel.com](http://www.marniturkel.com)

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## Membership News

courtesy of Ulrike Ahlborn,  
Membership Chair

[membership@dvos.org](mailto:membership@dvos.org)

We start 2012 with 139 members

## 2012 Dues are now due

General Members \$20

Commercial Members \$25

Lifetime Members \$300

If you are unable to receive the newsletter  
by email and need a B&W copy mailed to  
you, there is an additional \$10 charge for  
copying and postage.

New Member/ Renewal application:

[www.dvos.org/About/membersh.htm](http://www.dvos.org/About/membersh.htm)

If you joined at our Show in November  
you do not owe for 2012



*Aer. biloba*



*Angcm. Longiscott*



# Upcoming Speakers and Events

Winners of the Show and Tell plants:  
2011

Advanced : Ken Cook with 26 pts

Intermediate: Renate Johnson with 12 pts  
The runner up is Brian  
Wraxall with 11 pts  
plus 1 pt for Lancer Smith

Novice: Miki Ichiyanagi with 11 pts



**Dec 10-11: Bud Seagraves Sale (see P.11)**

**Dec.14: DVOS Christmas Party**

**Note: this is a *Wednesday***

**Jan 12: DVOS meeting: Steve Beckendorf**

**Jan 16: The next board meeting will be held at the home of Brian and Joan Wraxall**

*Refreshments for the January Meeting will be provided by the Board*

**Jan. 28-29: Peninsula Orchid Society Show & Sale (see P. 13)**

*B/c. Chance the Chance*



# Diablo View Orchid Society

## Awards DVOS Sept.

### Novice

- |     |  |                 |
|-----|--|-----------------|
| 1st | <i>Pot. Mem. Mario Lanza #3 x</i><br><i>Blc. Murray Spencer</i>                  | Miki Ichiyanagi |
| 2nd | <i>C. intermedia v. amethystina x</i><br><i>Blc. Morning Glory 'Mary Putnam'</i> | Judith Johnson  |
| 3rd | <i>Brassia hybrid</i>  | Marcia Hart     |

### Intermediate

- |     |                               |              |
|-----|-------------------------------|--------------|
| 1st | <i>Blc. Chance the Chance</i> | Tom Pickford |
| 2nd | <i>C. Olivetensis</i>         | Tom Pickford |

### Advanced

- |     |  |                   |
|-----|--|-------------------|
| 1st | <i>Aerangis biloba</i>                 | Sue Davis         |
| 2nd | <i>Masd. macura</i>                    | George McRae      |
| 3rd | <i>Paph. (primulinum x Golden Liz)</i> | Cheryl Phillipson |

### Lancer Smith (species/under 6")

- |                                       |               |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| <i>C. (syn. Sophronitis) coccinea</i> | Ted McClellan |
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*Paph. primulinum x Golden Liz*

## Bud Segraves' Orchid Sale



*C. intermedia* v. *amethystina* x  
*Bl. Morning Glory* 'Mary Putnam'

*Pot. Mem. Mario Lanza* #3 x  
*Blc. Murray Spencer*



After Bud Segraves, a long time member and past president of many orchid societies in Northern California, a good friend of us passed away; Bud's family decide to sell his orchids which is one of the best orchid collection in the Bay Area. There are Species & Hybrids, large Flowers of Cattleyas, Laelias, specially *Laelia Pupuratas*, *Vandas*, *Phalaenopsis*, others... and many in spikes *Cymbidiums*, *Zygos*, *Australian Dendrobiums* (outdoors growing) will be available.

Please save the weekend of December 10th & 11th to visit Bud's green house to buy some orchid gifts for friends and yourself.

Bud's greenhouse Address:  
115 Lu Ray Drive  
Los Gatos, CA 95032

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AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY

WE WILL VOTE ON THE

BOARD MEMBER SLATE FOR 2012

PRESIDENT: GEORGE McRAE

VICE PRESIDENT: KATHY BARRETT

SECRETARY: RODNEY KLINE

TREASURER: BRIAN WRAXALL

BOARD MEMBERS: BRAD PIINI

MEG CROSBY

PARKY PARKISON

JAMIE WASSON

EILEEN JACKSON



*C. (Sophronitis) coccinea*



*Masd. macura*



\$50 goes to the best decorated  
Christmas Orchid at our  
Christmas Party

## Peninsula Orchid Society Show and Sale

Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave, Redwood City - 10 AM to 5 PM both days - orchid show, presentations and demonstrations, member sales area, and vendor sales area. Adult admission only \$5. Seniors, disabled, and children 12-16 admitted for \$3. Parking is free.



*C. Olivetensis*



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## AOS Awards

Kathie Barrett

11/2/2011 - Sacramento

**Aerangis biloba 'Missy's Angel', CCE 91**  
species, exhibited by Sue Davis

**Stanhopea connata 'Joan', HCC 75**  
species, exhibited by Howard Gunn



## DVOS Officers 2011

**President:** Liz Charlton  
**Immediate Past President:** Eileen Jackson  
**Vice-President:** George McRae  
**Treasurer:** Brian Wraxall  
**Secretary:** Rodney Kline  
**Board Members:** Brad Piini, Karen Piini,  
Ken Cook, Jamie Wasson, Parky Parkison

**Membership:** Ulrike Ahlborn [membership@dvos.org](mailto:membership@dvos.org)

**Newsletter:** Jamie Wasson, Liz Charlton  
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**Webmaster:** Nick Doe, Ulrike Ahlborn  
[webmaster@dvos.org](mailto:webmaster@dvos.org)

**Greenhouse Tours:** Parky Parkison

**Refreshments:** vacant

**Raffles and Sales:** Rita Tischler, Judith Johnson

**Equipment and Lights:** Dave Tomassini

**Librarian:** Phyllis Arthur

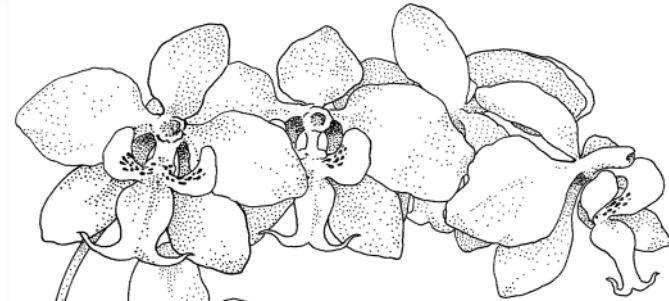
**AOS Representative:** Dennis Olivas

**Orchid Digest Representative:** Brian Wraxall

**SFOS Show Chairman:** Brad Piini

**DVOS Show Chairman:** Liz Charlton

## Commercial Members



### Commercial Plant Services

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### White Oak Orchids, Inc.

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### California Orchids

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