



# Diablo View Orchid Society Newsletter

<http://www.geocities.com/diabloviewos/>

August 2001

## IT'S BBQ TIME !!!

### Aug. 18

### See details inside

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**NO GENERAL MEETING THIS MONTH**

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### Upcoming Events: (topics in parenthesis)

#### August

- 18 Club BBQ
- 23 Board Meeting @ Barbara Tague's

#### September

- 13 General meeting  
Speaker: George Carr

#### October

- 11 General meeting.  
Speaker: Weyman Bussey

#### November

- 8 General meeting  
Speaker: Francisco Miranda  
(Brazilian species)

#### December, 2001

- 13 DVOS Holiday Party

## President's Message

Well, it's that time again. The annual BBQ and Auction is upon us. Mark your calendars for August 18th, at the Van Galder estate. Be there early to help set up tables and chairs, etc., and get a look at the great plants to be auctioned. Once again we have dynamite donations from member commercial growers (Fordyce Orchids, D & D Orchids, The Paph House, Commercial Plant Services, etc.) and hobbyists. Remember the Paph rothchildianums that went for a song last year? This year we also have blooming-size and small Zygopetalums from Stephen Monkhouse of Adelaide Orchids, including two hard-to-come-by yellow flowering seedlings. Other suggested donations can be plants, books, garden tools, etc. Once again our auctioneer will be Dennis Olivas, of D & D orchids, and assisting him will be Dan Chiappone who is still trying to remember that the color written on the label is what the flower color should be..

An additional treat this year is the Hawaiian theme. We are having a pit-roasted pig along with our other meats, veggies, salads, desserts, drinks, etc. Remember, each family membership entitles your family to attend free with a donation of an orchid-related gift valued at \$10 or more and a dish to be shared with others. Refer to the special flyer in this newsletter for what you can bring, according to the first letter of your last name. Guests may also attend with a donation of \$10 per person or a membership in the society for the rest of the year.

So dust off that Hawaiian shirt, grass skirt and/or muumuu you've been saving for these occasions and come to the BBQ. We always have a great time, great food and great orchids.

**ARTICLE DEADLINE FOR  
SEPT. NEWSLETTER  
IS WEDNESDAY, AUG. 29**

## DVOS STAFF

*President* - Dan Chiappone

*Vice-President* - Pauline Brault

*Secretary* - Karen Moonitz

*Treasurer* - John Chamberlain

*AOS Rep.* - Barbara Tague

*BBQ* - George Kaplan

*Culture Sessions* - Pauline Brault

*Greenhouse Tours* - Open

*Historian* - Open

*Indoor/Outdoor Group* - Open

*Librarian* - Phyllis Arthur

*Lights&Equipment* - Juan Bofill

*Membership* - Ulrike Ahlborn

*Newsletter Ads* - Karen Moonitz

*Plant Sales* - Jeanette Bean  
Madge Fordyce

*Raffle/Other sales* - Nancy Pak

*Refreshments* - Brenda Aday

*S.F. Show* - Ron Bettencourt

*Sound System* - Dave Tomassini

*Webmaster* - Nick Doe

*Welcome Hostess* - Madge Fordyce

*Board Members* - Phyllis Arthur;  
Juan Bofill; Charlotte Leong; Alice &  
David Tomassini

*Newsletter Editor*

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# AOS Judging Results

Here are the DVOS members who got awards at the Oakland judging on 7/16/01:

*Disa uniflora* 'Kirsty' (species) got an HCC of 78, owned by **Michael Gallagher**.

Paph Prince Edward of York (*Paph sanderianum* x *Paph rothschildianum*), got an HCC of 75 points, owned by **Dave Tomassini** (photo below).



## Other Judging Results:

AOS Awards  
Pacific Central Supplemental Center  
San Francisco, CA  
7/3/01

*Epigeneium lyonii* 'Anna Chai' AM 83  
species  
Owned by Anna S. Chai

Paph. Lady Isabel 'Orchid Bench' AM 80  
(*Paph. rothschildianum* x *stonei*)  
Owned by Bruce and Regine Plows

Masd. Sunset Leopard 'Sunset Leopard' HCC 76  
(Masd. *Sunset Jaguar* x *decumana*)  
Owned by Sunset Orchids

*Disa uniflora* 'Mendocino' HCC 76  
species  
Owned by Sunset Orchids

*Disa Caspar* 'Axel' HCC 78  
(*D. Kewfoam* x *cardinalis*)  
Owned by Sunset Orchids

Masd. Anne Leggett 'Dennis Olivas' HCC 76  
(Masd. *coccinea* x *macrura*)  
Owned by Lucy Molineros

*Lyc. macrophylla* var. *litensis* CHM 87 (prov)  
species, rare Ecuadorian form.  
Owned by Sunset Orchids

*Lemboglossum apterum* 'Somona' CBR (prov)  
species  
Owned by Petite Plaisance

*Pleurothallis* species 'Kay's Laugh' CBR (prov)  
species  
Owned by White Oak Orchids

*Telipogon hausmannianus* 'Sonoma' CBR (prov)  
species  
Owned by Petite Plaisance

*Bulbophyllum* species 'Sonoma' CBR (prov)  
species  
Owned by Petite Plaisance

- Kathy Barrett

## A Plea for Housing

Our society will be bringing out-of-town speakers for your enjoyment during the months of September, October and November. Please see our schedule for the year in this newsletter. These speakers travel among three other Bay area societies to present their programs. During this time-frame we need to house them and usually their spouses/guests. We are asking for volunteers to house them for one or two nights (second Wednesday and possibly Thursday of the month) during their stay. If we cannot find volunteers the society will have to incur the cost of placing them in hotels, etc. This can be very costly. If you think you can accommodate some of them please let me know the dates/nights you can do so. Contact me (925)-943-2022 or e-mail me at Dchiapej@aol.com. I'm certain the speakers will be very appreciative and I know the society definitely will.

Dan Chiappone

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## Francisco Miranda

My name is Francisco Miranda, I am a Brazilian botanist and orchid grower and have been coming to the U.S. for the past 13 years for orchid shows and lecture trips. So, there is a chance that you might know me. I am also one of the Species Identification Taxonomic Authorities for the AOS. Presently, we are starting a nursery in Central Florida that, although not open yet to the public, is working by mail order and attending shows.

Also, allow me to introduce my website, <http://mirandaorchids.com>. This is a website devoted basically to the many aspects of Brazilian orchids, although not limited to the subject. Among the varied sections are pages dealing with taxonomy, selected cultivars, botanical illustration and a price list of selected Brazilian and exotic species. Although the site has been online for more than one year, I haven't been advertising it much. At this time, as I did a major update and made it current, I am making it widely available. There is also a Price List page,

with a variety of selected species, mostly Brazilian and most of them pictured. At this point I am giving an extra 10% discount (besides the regular discounts of the list) for orders from Orchid Society members during the months of July and August.

Francisco Miranda

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Barbara Tague

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## Refreshment Corner

Thanks to those who signed up and brought goodies to our July Meeting. Just in case you do sign up and are unable to fulfill your commitment due to circumstances beyond our control, please give me a call, and I would be happy to fill in at a moment's notice. There will be no August Meeting due to the Picnic, hope to see you all there.

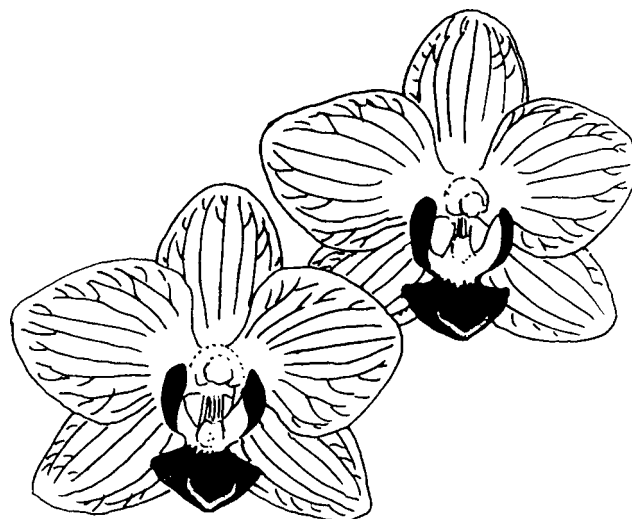
Thank you, Brenda Aday

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## BBQ Reminders

Some reminders for the BBQ this month:

- 1) **Please bring your own dishes and utensils!!**
- 2) Please bring a box for any orchid plant(s) you get during the auction.



**September's Speaker:**  
**George Carr**  
**"Cats, Swans, and Goblins"**

Mr. Carr is an accredited American Orchid Society Judge in the Florida North Central Judging Center in Tampa, Florida. He has been growing orchids for over twenty years. His interest in the genus *Cynoches* began in 1993 when he asked to do his Student Judge research on the genus. His paper, *Cynoches - One Hundred Sixty-five Years of Confusion* was completed and presented in 1995. In 1996, the paper was awarded the first American Orchid Society Education Certificate of Appreciation. Since then, he has continued his research and writings on the genus and the related genera of the subtribe *Catasetinae*. He has given a number of presentations on the subtribe including talks in Cali, Colombia in 1997, Piracanjuba, Brazil in May 2000, and at the Spring 2000 AOS Trustees meeting in Clearwater, Florida. He is the co-author of the description of a new species *Cynoches barthiorum* G. Carr & E.A. Christenson that was published in the June 1999 issue of *Orchids*. His article, *The Cynoches ventricosum Complex*, was published in the *Orchid Digest* issue for January, February, March 2000. His student paper can be found on the Florida North Central Judging Center website [www.orchidjudges.org](http://www.orchidjudges.org) in the Student Papers section.

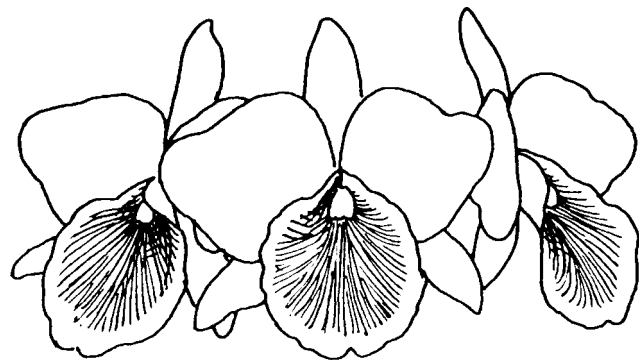
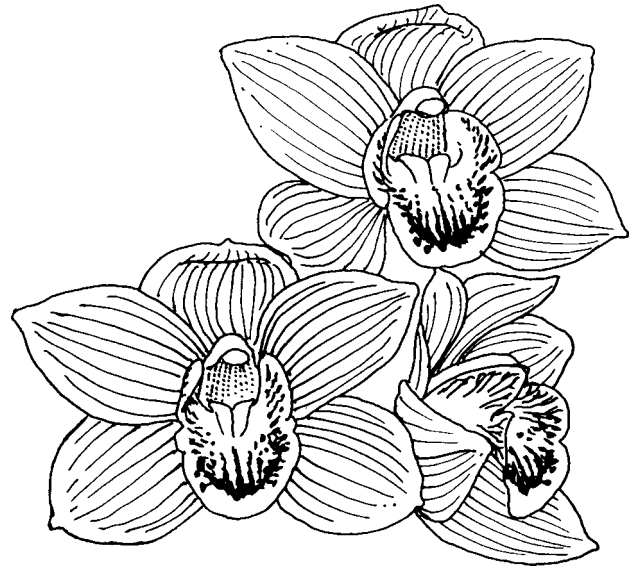
George Carr's program "Cats, Swans and Goblins" is an introduction to the five members of the subtribe *Catasetinae*, *Catasetum*, *Cynoches*, *Mormodes*, *Clowesia* and *Dressleria*. He will show a few slides of each species to illustrate their difference, as well as provide information on how to grow them.

**RAFFLE PLANTS**

Raffle plants will be provided from the fine collection of Ulrike Ahlbon and Nick Doe.

Pauline Brault

**See You at the  
BBQ!!!**



**Livermore**

\*The Orchid Ranch\*;  
Fordyce Orchids - Cattleyas 925-447-1659  
Orchids Orinda - Phalaenopsis  
Tonkins Orchids - Paphiodeilums

**Oakland**

\*Orchids Fiori D'Amore\*  
Paolo & Nina DiCandia  
510-530-4884 (by appt. only)

**Hawaii**

\*Yamada's Orchid Nursery\*  
Allen Yamada  
5087-A Kawaihau Rd.  
Kapaa, HI 96746

**Yuba City**

\*Orchid Obsession\*  
Brent & Toni Cushenbery  
1477 Oswald Rd., Yuba City, CA 95993  
916-673-6763

**Walnut Creek**

\*Orchid Gallery\*  
Jing Ho  
1501 N. California Blvd.

**Martinez**

\*MGM Orchids\*  
Mariano G Morales  
718 Main Street  
Martinez, CA. 94553

**San Leandro**

\*The Paph House\*  
Francisco Baptista & Fred Jernigan  
375 Warwick Avenue, San Leandro, CA  
510/ 635-2845, (by appt. only)

**Concord**

\*San Miguel Greenhouses\*  
Pamela Leaver  
936 San Miguel Rd.  
925-798-0476 (by appt. only)

**Concord**

Nathalie Smith  
1507 Lavetta Way; 925-685-8904  
(by appt. only); orchid supplies

**Danville**

\*Commercial Plant Services\*  
David & Alice Tomassini  
586 El Capitan Dr.; 925-837-1780

**Half Moon Bay**

\*D & D Flowers\*  
Dennis Olivas; 62 Oceanside Dr.  
650-994-7465 (call in advance)

**Australia**

\*Adelaide Orchids\*  
Stephen and Robin Monkhouse  
16 Pine Road  
Woodcroft, South Australia 5162



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