

Diablo View Orchid Society, Inc.

<http://www.dvos.org>

a 501c3 corporation

Thursday May 8th, 2003

Board Room, Contra Costa Water District Offices, 1330 Concord Avenue, Concord

5:30pm Dinner with the Speaker

!No Culture Session This Month!

~8:30 Speaker's Presentation

Dendrobiums

Roy Tokunaga
of H&R Orchids

Roy Tokunaga earned a Bachelor degree in Education from the University of Hawaii in 1973, with a major in high school biology. He never used that teaching certificate as he was immediately recruited by Ernest Iwanaga to set up an orchid lab, where he spent the next seven years primarily honing his skills at cloning and germinating orchids. At about the same time, Harry Akagi was growing bromeliads, and in 1981, together Harry and Roy established an orchid lab in Waimanalo, giving birth to H&R Nurseries. Today, Roy is credited with 27 years of experience in hybridization with several thousand hybrids delivered. Most of his work has been in the Dendrobium and Cattleya alliances. He is a long time member of the Honolulu Orchid Society and an accredited American Orchid Society judge since 1990. Roy confesses to having one vice, the game of golf. Nora and Roy Tokunaga have two children, Lori and Kevin.

Roy will be providing the raffle table plants AND HE WILL TAKE **PRE-ORDERS**. His plants are extremely luscious so you'll want in on this opportunity! Get a current catalog (like you don't have one already) at H&R Nurseries, Phone: 808-259-9626; Fax: 808-259-5422. **Make sure you tell them which society you are with so he'll bring your order to the right meeting!!**

Roy doesn't get off island very often and when he does he enjoys cuisine he can't get at home. So we are going back to **DJ's Bistro**, featuring huge platters of Austrian/Czechoslovakian food. Located in same complex as Kinko's across Willow Pass Rd from Park and Shop and across Sutter Street from Big 5 Sporting goods. Members who want to chat with Roy over dinner should call my voice mail number for early reservations: 925-975-5202 and/or please page me at 925-210-5043 if they call on Wednesday or Thursday. I need to reserve enough tables. – Sybil McGowan

DJ's Bistro 1825 Sutter Street, Concord 825-3277 \$15 includes tip, wine extra If you want to eat call Sybil McGowan (925) 975-5202	Next Board Meeting May 15 th , 7:30 pm Barbara Tague's House 716 Skyline Dr. Martinez, 925-229-0512 (You can come too!)
--	---

May Refreshment Corner

The April table was an excellent one. We want to express our appreciation to the members who provided the food. The following members have signed up for April: **Betty Michaelson, Takafumi Okajima, Sharon Duffy, Kathy Barrett, Diana Vavrek, Noble Emery, Bea Emery.** Beverages will be provided by: **Donna Hajelow, Tonky Bofill, and Brad Piini**

If, for whatever reason, any of you can not attend the May meeting, please call **Antonietta Bofill** (925-609-8443) or **Esther Yee** (925-825-8194) in advance of the meeting

Tonky Bofill and Esther Yee

Upcoming Events

May 3-4: **Carmel Orchid Society MayFaire Orchid Show and Sale.** Crossroads Shopping Village, Hiway 1 at Rio Rd., Carmel. May 3, 9 am – 6 pm; May 4, 9 am – 4 pm. 23 orchid vendors.

May 9 – 11: **Orchid Society of California Mother's Day Sale and Show.** Lakeside Garden Center (near Fairyland) 666 Bellevue Avenue, Lake Merritt Park, Oakland. Bulbophyllum and cirrhophyllum hybrids from Bill Thomas/Doris Dukes of Tampa, FL will be available. www.orchidsocietyofcalifornia.com .

May 10 – 11: Orchid Mania is holding the world's largest Orchid Garage Sale. Saturday 10 am to 5 pm; Sunday 10 am to 4 pm. Golden Gate Room 2C, Fort Mason Center, Marina Boulevard at Buchanan, San Francisco. Free admission.

Also, Friends of Orchid Mania Greenhouse Sunday Sales, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, 717 Paris Street, off Geneva, San Francisco.

May 17 & 18: **D&D Flowers** (Dennis Olivas) is having an open house and sale. 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. 1/3 mile east of Main Street off Hiway 92, Half Moon Bay. For info call: 925-969-1246.

DVOS March Show Table Results

- 1st Epi. parkinsonianum owned by Parky Parkison
- 2nd Cirr. lepidum owned by Juan Bofill
- 3rd Maxilaria tenuifolia - owner unknown!! Tell me!!

Lancer P. Smith Medallion: Ascocentrum garayi owned by Karen Moonitz

LWIBFTVFT: Slc. Vallezac 'Montebello' Donna Haslow

And the judges - who were able to visit the DVOS thanks to a day pass from the Napa asylum - were Diana Vavrek, Katie Pleasance, and Brian McDonald.

Pics at <http://www.dvos.org>

As always, Frank Fordyce and Dave Tomassini request that their plants not be considered for Show Table judging since they are commercial growers.

Full judging rules can be found on the web page, but the gist is: Pick a Pretty Flower. One you'd like to take home with you. We're easy.

DVOS DOERS

President: **Linda Darascavich**

Vice President: **Sybil Renee McGowan**

Secretary: **Alice Tomassini**

Treasurer: **Barbara Tague**

Board Members: **Juan Bofill**

Naomi Chamberlain

Parky Parkison

Brad Piini

Phyllis Arthur

Membership: **Ulrike Ahlborn**

Greenhouse Tours: **Dan Chiappone**

Refreshments: **Esther Yee & Tonky Bofill**

Hostesses: **Madge Fordyce & Naomi Chamberlain**

Raffle & Sales: **Nancy Pak**

Librarian: **Phyllis Arthur**

Historian: **Nathalie Smith**

Newspaper Announcements/Ads: **Your name goes here!!**

Newsletter: **Kathy Barrett** (mormodes@hotmail.com)

Webmaster: **Nick Doe**

Nice Guys: **Dave Tomassini** and **Parky Parkison** for hauling around the projector, the sound system, the lights, and whatever else this club uses or needs. [They could use some help.](#)

SF Show Chairman: **Ron Bettancourt**

DVOS Show Chairman: **Juan Bofill & Dave Tomassini**

Membership News

With membership dues still trickling in the membership count rose to 84. Sue Yee from Walnut Creek and Lori Hyland from Lafayette were guests at the April general meeting.

A note to our guests who attended our general meetings prior to March 2003: 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 before the end of this month if you want your name to appear in the 2003 roster. You may also bring them to the May general meeting.

Any questions? Call me at 510.741.6762 or send an e-mail to Membership@DVOS.org

Ulrike Ahlborn, Membership Chair

Fun Web Stuff

Our webmaster found this site <http://www.orchidwire.com> where you can rate web pages (the DVOS is currently #39, with a bullet!)

But more importantly, it acts as a quick search engine for orchid web pages. A nice feature is that it gives you a thumbnail of the front page. Lets you see what others think and check out some pretty neat web design features!

Wear your membership badge and get one free raffle ticket!

Yes! That's what it says. One free chance to win an orchid merely by wearing your membership badge. So dig the dang thing out of your jewelry box and pin it to your chest. What? You say you ain't got no stinking badges? We'll have some of those peel and stick badges for your (hopefully) temporary use. See Ulrike. She'll be wearing her badge.

AOS April Awards

Well, I could go on about total strangers who got AOS awards but why bother when the news is closer to home:

PARKY AND I GOT ONES!!!!

Epi parkinsonianum 'Parky' HCC 76
Species
Exhibitor: Clarence 'Parky' Parkison



Paph glanduliferum var. wilhelminae 'Barbara Tague' HCC 76
Species
Exhibitor: Kathy Barrett



Oh, yeah, and all the other winners can be seen at <http://www.aospacificcentral.org>

Local Vendors

Livermore

The Orchid Ranch
Fordyce Orchids - Cattleyas 925-447-1659

<http://www.fordyceorchids.com>

Orchids Orinda - Phalaenopsis
Tonkins Orchids - Paphiodeilums

Concord

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

Oakland

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

Walnut Creek

Orchid Gallery
Jing Ho
1501 N. California Blvd.

Vallejo

MGM Orchids Mariano G Morales
(707) 557-2716 (by appt. only)

San Leandro

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

Lafayette

Diablo Disas <http://www.diablodisas.com>
Michael Gallagher
3 Maloyan Lane
925-283-8450 (by appt. only)

Danville

Commercial Plant Services
David & Alice Tomassini
3 Woodside Ct.; 925-736-7630

Half Moon Bay

D & D Flowers
Greenhouse located in Half Moon Bay
(925) 969-1246 (by appt. only)

Australia

Adelaide Orchids <http://www.adelaideorchids.com>
Stephen and Robin Monkhouse
16 Pine Road
Woodcroft, South Australia 5162



Diablo View Orchid Society
Kathy Barrett, editor
280 Fernwood Drive
Pleasant Hill, Ca. 94523