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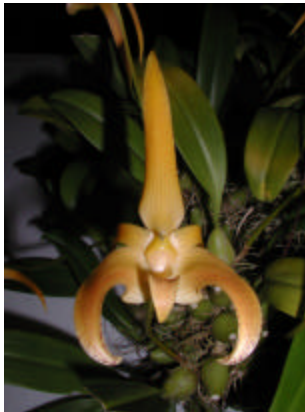
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August 10, 2006

5:30 Speaker's Dinner, 7:30 Meeting Starts, Presentation ~8:00

Contra Costa Water District, 1331 Concord Ave, Concord

Joe Grillo: *Bulbophyllum*



Our speaker for the August 10 meeting will be none other than our very own Joe Grillo. We have all seen the quality of the plants Joe grows, all the more impressive as he has three children and a dog to maintain as well as his orchids. He will be talking about *Bulbophyllum*. These have to be some of the most weird and wonderful of the orchid world. Joe claims to have been growing orchids for only 7 years and gained his information from DVOS, books, the internet and the familiar

to all of us method of trial and error.

It will be a very informative talk with an emphasis on culture, so those of us still trying to make these plants bloom may get the information needed.

Dinner with the speaker will be at La Tapatia, 1802 Willow Pass Road in Concord (tel 925.685.1985) ([map](#)) at 5:30pm. If you would like to attend please call Eileen Jackson at 707-642-5915 or email

Jackson.eileen@att.net

The plant table will be provided by Joe Grillo.

The next board meeting will be held at Brian Wraxall's home on Aug.17 at 7:30 PM

This month's newsletter is provided by Ulrike Ahlborn. Roy Florey is on vacation.

Events for DVOS 2006

August 19th Annual BBQ & Auction
September 14th Eric Christensen:
Phalaenopsis species
October 12th Gerardus Staal:
Pests, Diseases and other Nuisances.
October 14th & 15th DVOS Annual Show &
Sale
November 9th Harry Phillips:
December 14th Holiday pot luck

Refreshments for August Meeting:

Thanks to all who signed up to bring refreshments:

Parky Parkison, Madge Fordyce, Sharon Duffy,
Betty Michaelsen, Diana Vavrek, and Bob Akbarian.
Beverages are not needed.

If you are unable to attend/bring refreshment,
please contact Esther Yee.

Awarded Plants for July Meeting

1st Place (3 pts)

Blc. Waianae Leopard 'Ching-Hua'
Akiko Ogawa

2nd Place (2 pts)

C.forbessi x L. sincorana 'Highland'
Parky Parkison

3rd Place (1 pt)

Miltassia Dark Star 'Darth Vader'
Sharon Duffy

Lancer P. Smith Medallion (1 pt)

Bulbophyllum masdevalliaceum
Parky Parkison

Look What I Bloomed For The Very First Time Ribbon (1pt)

Paph. Deperle (P. primulinum x P. delenatii)
Brian Wraxall



Blc. Waianae Leopard 'Ching-Hua'
Grown by Akiko Ogawa



C.forbessi x L. sincorana 'Highland'
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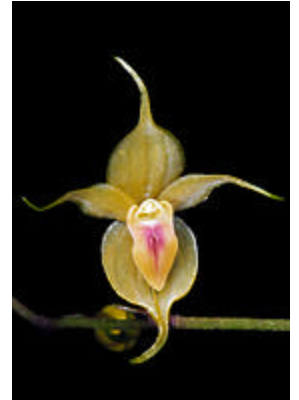
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JULY SPEAKER REVIEW

Lou Jost was our July speaker. Lou was originally a mathematician and physicist but soon turned his attention to studying birds. During the course of his studies, he

discovered several new species of orchids. This soon became his passion.



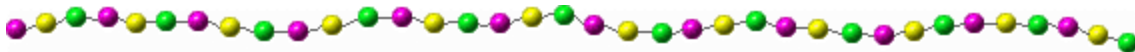
Lou lives almost dead center in the country of Ecuador, on the side of an active volcano. His slide show demonstrated the distribution of orchids species were completely unique at 10 km increments. Even though these areas are in very close proximity, the species are completely different looking. Part of this is due to the steep geographic terrain of these high, misty areas that keep the species separated. Lou has found several new, never before discovered, species of *Lepanthes* and *Letegias*. Most of these flowers are no bigger than your fingernail, but the colors and patterns of these flowers are so vivid that if they were the size of *Cattleyas* no one would grow anything else.



Lou's slide show also demonstrated some of the varied climates of Ecuador; from the sand dunes to the cloud forests, Phrag. Bessie on the constantly wet cliffs to *Catt. Maxima* in full desert sun receiving only night time fog.

Thank you Lou for this spectacular presentation.

Brad Piini



Annual Picnic/Pot Luck and Auction

This year we will party to the theme of **Mardi Gras** on August 19, 2006 at Bob and Mary Lou Van Galder's home. Besides fun, good company and good food, we have the best orchid auction in town. This is our annual money making event and we encourage everyone to participate. We appreciated the donations in the past and encourage you to assist again so we can continue to function as the organization we are today.

Mardi-Gras Costume Contest: be it a tutu, king, queen, jester, we will be voting for the best in the group. Mardi-Gras colors are purple, green and gold. We will provide masks on a stick that can also be used as fans and there will be lots of beads.

Ticket to Mardi Gras:

To join in the fun, each participating member must bring in 1 orchid plant or orchid related material (book, jewelry, clean pots, fertilizer, etc.) as a donation to the club. Plants must be pest and disease free. It must be a healthy and established one that you yourself would like to bid on and own.



Sustenance:

Yes, we must have food to carry us on in having fun. The society will provide roast sucking pig and roast chicken. We will also provide lots of water and soft drinks.

We ask that you provide one of your favorite dishes that you will share with at least 12- 15 people. As a suggestion, you can pony up with another member and make a double recipe for 24-30 people.

Members with the following alphabets to their last name please provide a side dish:

A-H Desserts

I-O Salads

P-Z Casserole/Hot dish

Please don't forget to bring your own plates, forks, spoons and napkins.
Please also bring your nametag.

Best to sign up at the August 10th general meeting. We need to know how many members will be participating. When you do sign up for the event, we will then give you a map to the Van Galder estate. If you are not attending the August meeting, please call Ester Yee at 925-825-8194 or Dennis Olivas at 925-969-1246 to confirm that you will be attending and the number of members in your party. In return, we will mail you the map to the Van Galder Estate.



<p>July 5, 2006, Pacific Central Supplemental Center, San Francisco</p> <p>Cattleya warscewiczii var. coerulea 'MaryAnne', AM 80 species, exhibited by Stephen Christopherson.</p> <p>Epipactis helleborine 'Jinny', CBR (prov) species, exhibited by Will Tait.</p> <p>Pictures can be seen at http://www.aospacificcentral.org and http://www.csnjc.org</p>	<p>July 5, 2006 California Sierra Nevada Judging Center</p> <p>Lc. Kiritsubo 'Gerle Creek', HCC 79 (L. alaorii x C. nobilior), exhibited by Cory Cowden</p> <p>July 19, 2006 - Pacific Central Judging Center, Oakland</p> <p>Dendrobium brymerianum 'Solana Sunrise', CCM 84 species, exhibited by Cynthia Hill.</p>
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Look What I Bloomed For The Very First Time
Paph. Deperle (P. primulinum x P. delenatii)
Grown by Brian Wraxall

Greenhouse for sale!

Five years old, great condition. 10' x 12', redwood and twin-wall, fully automatic, all systems included. Has swamp cooler, misting system, heating system, timing units, vented ceiling, lights, shade cloth, brick floor. Photos available. Asking \$2500 or best offer
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