



ORCHID NEWS

and other important stuff

We meet the second
Tuesday of every
month at 7:30 PM in
the **Veterans
Memorial Building**
1351 Maple Ave
Santa Rosa, CA
in the Dining Room
(East side of building)

October, 1999

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 10/12/99

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October Events

Speaker: Mike Honickman of Hydrofarm
"Growing Orchids Under Lights"

Opportunity Table: Orchids by Someone

Open Greenhouse : Robert Benevides

Sun. 10/17/99 10:00 to 4:00 PM

Route 101 North to Canyon Road Exit. Left
on Canyon Road to Dry Creek Road. Right
on Dry Creek Road to Yoakim Bridge Road.
Left on Yoakim Bridge to WEST Dry Creek
Road. Left on West Dry Creek Road to First
Driveway on the Right 8339 West Dry
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**Map
Inside**

About This Month's Speaker...

Mike Honickman- Education; Delaware Valley College of Agriculture, Doylestown Pa., B.A. Class of 68, Two Semesters as ass. Hot. Governor's Palace, Williamsburg Va., One Semester at Her Majesty's Royal Gardens at Kew. Active member of: Bucks County Orchid Society, Philadelphia Orchid Society, Southeast Pa. Orchid Society, Pa. Horticultural Society. Exhibited orchids at Phila Flower Show and Sepos. Worked six years at Hydrofarm East before moving to San Rafael (Hydrofarm West).

Committee Chairs
1999-2000

Greeter
Merilee Hesemeyer?

Librarian
Josie Lee

Opportunity Table
Kathy Hile

Plant Sales
Mariann Hopkins &
Marilyn Barquero

Refreshments
open

Set-Up
Jim Butts

Spring Show
Tony Mininno
assisted by
Cynthia Rathkey &
Merilee Hesemeyer

Bus Trip
Barbara & John
Hooper

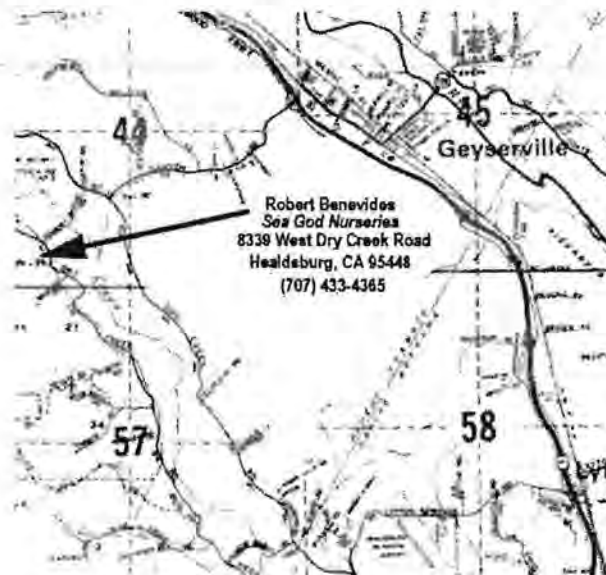
* * September's Speaker * *

We had one but this editor was in Colorado and therefore unable to pass on any jewels or highlights of the presentation.

* * Special Announcement * *

The Peninsula Orchid Society would like to invite members of SCOS to attend and participate in their annual Auction on October 22, 1999 at the San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo. Bidder registration will start at 5pm and the auction will begin at 7pm. Orchids already donated by Petite Plaisance, Carter and Holmes, D & D Orchids, Golden Gate Orchids, May On Orchids and others. Information - Rene Biggs (650) 593-4793 evenings, email: Biggs6677@aol.com

Map To
Robert
Benevides
Open
Greenhouse
10/17/99



Dollars & \$ense

Our Treasurer's report is supposed to be shown here in each of the monthly newsletters per a directive of the Board of Directors. Unfortunately, as this editor lacks clairvoyance, it will appear here when the appropriate information is provided by our esteemed Treasurer.

Christmas Party Dinner

Save this Date : Tue. 12/14/99

Marilyn Dailey, 'queen of the hop', has once again graciously volunteered to be in charge of the arrangements for our annual Christmas Party Dinner. this year it is going to be held at:

Cattleman's of Santa Rosa

2400 Midway Drive (in Montgomery Village)

Time : 7:00 PM till whenever

Your choices for an entree will be:

Prime Rib

Salmon

Veggie Pasta

Cost: **\$19.95 per person** (includes tax and tip)

Our society will provide Hor Doeurve platters and there will be a 'No-Host' bar (as in you buy your own booze) from 6 to 7.

"This has always been a fun event to socialize with members and their guests, have an orchid related gift exchange and even take a chance on some raffle items," Says Marilyn. She also says, "Show me the money.!" Please mail your checks to:

Marilyn Dailey

212 Dover Ct.

Santa Rosa. CA 95403

Since Marily also lacks clairvoyance please indicate your preference for your entree(s) with your remittance. Thanks Marilyn for all your work.

SCOS Board of Directors, Minutes for August 19, 1999

ATTENDING: Mitch McAlpin, President, Cynthia Rathkey, Past President, Howard Blum, Editor, Jim Kennedy, Vice President, Becky Jackson, Secretary, Jim Hamilton, Treasurer, Bud Lockwood, Ways & Means, Tony Minnino, Show Co-Chair, Ron Ehlers, Earl & Kathy Rathbun

Meeting was called to order by Mitch McAlpin, President. Minutes for the July 22 meeting were reviewed, then approved.

Treasurer's Report—The lengthy Annual Report was handed out by Jim Hamilton, Treasurer. The bottom line showed a profit of \$2,801.03 for last fiscal year. The Profit and Loss Statement for 7/1/99 to 8/19 showed income of \$1,642.25 and expenses of \$2,207.37 for a total of <-565,12> The Treasurer's Reports were approved as presented.

VP Report: Jim Kennedy handed out an updated program schedule showing Stig Dalstrom speaking in September with the raffle table provided by Hausermann's. October speaker is Michael Honickman from HydroFarm. Jim K. suggests we purchase a few Brassias as his payment (he isn't charging a fee). A motion was made to spend up to \$100 for purchasing Brassias for Mr. Honickman. It was seconded and approved. November speaker is Milton Carpenter, AOS President. It was warned that he is a rather dry speaker. December is the xmas dinner. Rob Terry would like to do a hands-on presentation like Pauline's, but on Paphs. Pauline is scheduled for April.

Jim K. handed out "Delegation of Authority" for his position on securing speakers for the year. Local speakers currently don't get a fee, but he would like to pay them at least 30 cents per mile. And pay the mileage to the person who picks up any speaker from the Bay Area. We will continue paying \$200 for a table of 20-25 nice raffle plants. Jim was told a Budget committee must be formed now to present a new budget, and Jim's requests will be reviewed there.

Ways & Means, Bud Lockwood is helping secure the raffle plants each month. He is working with Jim K. Newsletter, Howard reports Josie Lee (Librarian) would like to impose a 2 book limit for library check-out. We would like to know more before doing so. Perhaps a fine or suspension of library privileges for overdue books. A motion was made to suspend a member's privileges to check out books for 1 year if they are overdue for 3 months or more. There was some discussion on this, and the board decided to just get after Edward G. (who is 3 mos. overdue) instead of making more rules at this point. The motion was withdrawn.

Howard also reported that 2 members who had let their membership lapse were selling plants at the last meeting. One of them had the membership fee taken out of her proceeds. Howard doesn't remember the other.

Membership, Paul Matsushita was absent, but sent word that he will have a roster for the new year at the barbecue in Sept. Also, the FTP site on our Web page will have the most up-to-date roster for everyone to consult. Howard will do it. Mitch asked Howard to print a map to his house for the BBQ/Auction in the next Newsletter. Spring Show, Tony Minnino handed out his proposed Budget for the 2000 show, comparing it to last year. It will be passed on to the Budget committee.

Luther Burbank was disappointing last show in ticket sales/help. Will we have a co-beneficiary? Howard suggested HCA Fund—a huge network of volunteers that help secure housing, etc. for people. Bud suggested the Sonoma County Jail's garden program. Another suggestion was the 4-H. Tony suggested the Food Bank in Forestville. Jim K. will go to the Volunteer Center of Sonoma County to get suggestions of who is needy and matches our needs.

Old Business: BBQ/Auction—Mitch expects 70-80 people. Jim H. is getting the plants. It should be printed in the Newsletter that members can bring plants to sell at the silent auction. New members may not be aware of this. Date is Sunday Sept. 26th.

New Business: Ron Ehlers is doing the Sept. pre-meeting seminar. He wants to rent the "Command Center" room for that talk, rather than have it at the front of the meeting room. Jim will find out if its available. Someone needs to make sure the raffle people get the wireless mic. It was also brought up that a new laser pointer is needed.. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Becky Jackson, Secretary • Thanks Becky-ED

All About Our Meeting !

Plant sales begin at 7:00 PM and end 10 minutes after the speaker(s) finishes their presentation. Announcements begin the meeting at 7:30 PM followed by 'Show & Tell' where members discuss the plants they brought and exhibited in the front of the meeting room. The speaker begins at roughly 8:00 PM, after the 'Show & Tell' has concluded. We end the meeting with our raffle drawing for plants.

Note: The society provides an opportunity table to sell plants or materials (with a 20% commission to The Society for providing that opportunity). A reminder to all members that any plant material offered for sale at The Society's meeting must be done through The Society. Plant owners assume all risk and responsibility for their property.

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Ψ Other Stuff Ψ

- **Next Board Meeting:** The next board meeting might be on Thurs. 10/21 at the home of Kathy and Earl Rathbun, our gracious hosts. The meeting begins at 7:30PM at 1920 Grace Dr., Santa Rosa. 528-1671. Board meetings are open to the members.
- Thanks Mitch & Gail for your gracious hospitality at the annual BBQ & Auction. Photos to appear in next month's edition.

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