



Sonoma County Orchid Society Newsletter

A California Non Profit 501(c)(3) Corporation

Special points of interest

- Skill Session at 7pm– Judy Carney on Re-potting Paphiopedilums.
- Open Greenhouse at the Fosters, April 16th.
- This Month's Board meeting is on April 19th at the Jackson's at 6:30pm.
- Mark your calendar for next month's General Meeting and Election of new Board Members on May 10th.
- SCOS Bus Trip is May 14th
- SCOS Potting Party is June 4th at the Smiths.

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April, 2011

Meeting Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at 7:30 PM.

Veteran's Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA

April Speaker

Our Speaker for April is **Gerardus B. Staal, Ph.D.** speaking on Pests and Diseases. Gerardus is a Dutch native with a Master's degree in tropical agriculture and a Doctorate in insect physiology. He worked as a research entomologist for Bay Area companies developing novel selective pesticides based on the insect hormonal system as well as several more traditional insecticides. ENSTAR and MAVRIK were developed for greenhouse use and other compounds such as METHOPRENE for the control of household and animal pests. He retired from entomology in 1990.

His orchid interest started in 1974 and developed into an orchid hybridizing and propagating effort that continues today under the PENINSULA HYBRIDS label. The emphasis is on the creation of hybrids of cool and intermediate growing species and the propagation of rare species. Many new hybrids in the Cattleya, Pleurothallid and Odontoglossum alliances were registered in his name. More recently, the emphasis has shifted to hybrids and species in the Bulbophyllum, Dendrobium and Huntleya breeding alliances.

Another effort has been the development of an alternative to cork slabs, a technique that eliminates most of the drawbacks: cocopoles, suitable for all small species and hybrids.

Gerardus' hybridizing efforts have been rewarded with many AOS awards, among which 3 Awards of Quality (all in Masdevallia) and several Awards of Distinction stand out. In addition, numerous Certificates of Botanical Recognition awards were obtained for species newly introduced to the judging system. New trigeneric hybrid genera with his name are: Staalara (originally with the hybrid Staalara Gerardus, AD/AOS) and Gerardusara.

He participated in several trips to Ecuador and one species found in that country was named Masdevallia staaliana in his honor.

Gerardus has served in various capacities in 4 local orchid societies and has served 5 presidential years in 3 of these. He also served a term as president of the Pleurothallid Alliance and has been a member of the AOS Research Committee.

The speaker dinner before the meeting will be at 5:30pm. at Trattoria Cattaneo, 2700 Yulupa Avenue (across from Safeway center). Come join us for excellent food and conversation. It's a great opportunity to meet and talk to Gerardus. If you plan to come to dinner, please contact Kathie Hile at 707-585-1912 or email her at VicePresident@sonomaorchids.com no later than Monday, April 10th, so we can make reservations. Click here for [directions](#). The plant table will be provided by Gerardus Staal.

Annual Meeting and Election Announcement

The election of the Board of Directors for 2011-2012 will be at the May meeting. The current slate of nominees is listed on [page 6](#) of the newsletter. The Board will continue to solicit individuals to fill the vacant position. It is very important that you attend the May meeting and vote. Our Bylaws require that 1/3 of the membership be present in order to have a quorum which is necessary to approve the ballot measures. Without a quorum the election will have to be postponed or the vote conducted by mailings or email.

Don't forget the Skill Session at 7pm- Judy Carney on Re-potting Paphiopedilums.

President's Corner

Spring is in the air! Plants are starting to wake up from the winter doldrums. New roots and growths start to appear on many of our orchids. They seem to love increases in the amounts of sunlight as the days gets longer. There are dendrobiums and oncidiums that haven't grown for months that are starting to show new growths. Cattleya buds that have sat unchanged for months are finally starting to fatten up. It's time to start thinking about repotting. When new roots appear, consider repotting your orchids. It will help relieve repotting stress. Remember that SCOS has good quality Rexius Bark for sale in both fine and medium sizes. Let Kris or Jim Foster know if you need a bag.

Our 2011 Election is coming up. It's fun to volunteer! There are a lot of ways to help our SCOS grow and thrive. Speak to a board member if you are interested in helping Your Society!

The annual SCOS bus trip is in May on the 14th. Patty Connick and Judy Carney have a fantastic day planned. There is a flyer in the newsletter with all the details. The cost is only \$35 and includes transportation and entrance to the Conservatory of Flowers in San Francisco plus 3 other stops in San Francisco and Pacifica. It'll be a fun day! Mark your calendars and sign up!

We have a terrific speaker scheduled for our April 12th meeting. Gerardus Staal will talk about pests and diseases. He will also be supplying an opportunity table of fantastic plants. Judy Carney will show us how to repot a Paphiopedilum. These can be tricky so come and join us before the meeting for her skill session to learn how to do this properly.

See you at our next meeting April 12th!

Susan

Open Greenhouse



Kris and Jim Foster are hosting an open greenhouse on April 16th from 11:00 to 3:00PM. The Foster's have two intermediate greenhouses, and an outdoor covered shade house area. Additionally they have koi ponds and gardens supported by a wind and solar system. This is a must see for everyone. They are located at 827 Cleveland Avenue, in west Petaluma. Click here for [directions](#). It would also be a good time to pick up you bark if you order ahead.

Win an Orchid

How can I win an orchid? Let me count the ways!

1. Bring a plant for Show and Tell and your name will be entered into a drawing held quarterly. This person gets 1st pick from the raffle table.
2. Bring a refreshment, or help with set up or take down and receive a raffle ticket for the first drawing of the Opportunity Table.
3. Wear your name tag and be entered into a drawing to win three raffle tickets.
4. Do a skill session and win \$5.00 worth of raffle tickets.

Show and Tell



Every time you bring a plant to Show and Tell, you will receive a chance to win the "Three Month Plant". When you bring in your plant (or plants) to share, fill out the card with your name and drop it in the box. A drawing will be held every three months.

Board Highlights

March 15, 2011

- The questionnaire sent to the membership yielded only 4 responses so far. Please send yours in if you haven't yet. Participation in society events has been lagging, and the board doesn't want to put money and effort into events if there's not enough interest.
- Two people have stepped forward as showing interest in taking the Newsletter Editor job in July. Thanks to Debbie Chapman and Carl Levinson.
- Treasurer, Ann Possinger reports a profit from the show of \$6263.47 (doubled from last year!) with a bank balance of \$19,427.36. We now have insurance for Directors and Officers and liability insurance through the Garden Club of CA.
- Membership chair, Smitty reports 117 member households.
- Kris Foster will have a sign-up sheet for bark purchases at the next few meetings.
- Bus Trip is May 14, we need people to pay for their spot with a minimum of 40 people, or it will be cancelled.
- Potting party is June 4th at the Smith's house, 4711 Pepperwood Dr, Penngrove. There will be a sign-up for that too at the meeting. If not enough interest, it will be cancelled.

Refreshments for April

Mu - Pe

Since we do not have a Refreshment Chair to coordinate refreshments, the Society is asking that the members with their last name beginning with Mu - Pe bring refreshments to the meeting.

Snacks such as fresh fruit, crackers & cheese, cookies, cakes or any other snack is welcome.

Anyone can bring refreshments.

Don't forget to get your raffle ticket for bringing something to share.



Membership Corner

Current membership is now at 118 paid members. Welcome to new member Henry Savage. I'm presently taking orders for new or replacement name badges. If you are interested in having one made (\$12.00 each) please let me know.

Membership Chair Jerry Smith

AOS Awards for March

The March AOS awards given at the California Sierra Nevada Judging Center are:

Sacramento - 3/2/2011

Cattleya Pacific Splash 'Jocelyn', HCC 75 (C. sincorana x C. Dorothy Warne), Exhibited by James Morris

Dendrobium Aussie Parade 'Carrot Splash', HCC 75 (Den. Aussie Ira x Den. Star of Gold), Exhibited by James Morris

Paphiopedilum vietnamense 'Chunky', AM 84 species, Exhibited by Ramon de los Santos

Phalaenopsis cornu-cervi fma. sanguinea 'Red Devil*', AM 80 (prov) species, Exhibited by Ramon de los Santos

Fresno - Central California Orchid Society Show - 3/12/2011

Paphiopedilum Heart of Gold 'Fay', AM 82 (Paph. Carat Gold x Paph. Golden Acres), Exhibited by Robert and Fay Sun

Awards can be seen at:

Pacific Central Judging Center:

<http://www.aospacificcentral.org>

California Sierra Nevada Judging Center:

<http://www.csnjc.org>

2010/2011 Board of Directors and Committee Chairs

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Ballot for the 2011-2012 Board of Directors

Check YES or NO by each member, if NO you may write in your nominee/vote.

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Write in nominee</u>
President	Kathie Hile	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
V. President	Vacant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Secretary	Becky Jackson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Treasurer	Ann Possinger	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Membership	Larry Mead	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Newsletter Editor	Vacant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Ways & Means	Gerry Smith	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Meetings	Vacant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Past President	Susan Anderson	No vote required		

In Memorium

I recently learned that one of our long time members passed away in February 2010. Marilyn was active in the Society for many years and served in many positions during that time. The following is a tribute to Marilyn, written by her friend and neighbor.– Jim

Our neighbor Marilyn Bucher died a year ago this month, suddenly, at home. Something stopped – her heart, her breathing. She was seventy-four years old, a chain-smoking orchid expert who raised varieties from around the world in an outbuilding on her property. Marilyn was the first person to move to Red Tag Road in the 1970s after parcels were sold off by the timber company that logged this part of the ridge. The ten-acre parcels went for one or two thousand dollars each and Marilyn and her husband, Jim, bought one. They arranged for a truck to deliver wood for their house, but the truck stopped where the pavement ended. It took Marilyn and Jim a few months to carry all the lumber the mile downhill. It took a few years to build their house, but they didn't get around to putting in electricity until ten years ago. Once they did, Marilyn claimed she lost certain powers she'd had before, including the ability to see in the dark.



Marilyn didn't go in for conspicuous consumption. One winter, years ago, she told me she lived mostly on wild mushrooms and generic cigarettes. She dressed like a handyman, had a gravelly voice and wore bright red lipstick. She loved dogs and stars. She understood Latin, especially as it related to the taxonomy of plants. To know her at all was to marvel at the hardiness of the human organism. A few years ago she had eye surgery, and the doctor had to give her a paralyzing drug as a precaution against her chronic cough, so the laser beam could safely impale her retina.

She called me up one afternoon last winter, a few weeks before she died. The power was out, rain had been falling hard, for weeks, and I think she felt lonely. We talked about our dogs, about the unusual mushrooms we'd seen along the road, about the vagaries of power. Marilyn mentioned again that she was almost sorry she'd electrified her house. Now she felt depressed when the power went out; she'd grown used to TV.

The houses on Red Tag road aren't marked with numbers; they're hidden, even, from view. Such discretion might be a badge of outlaw honor here, or maybe it's been our habit. Anyway, the first responders couldn't find Marilyn's cabin among the several cabins that several humpy driveways led to. We heard that her grandson, Chance, tried to revive her, until the paramedics finally found their way to the middle of nowhere, where we live.

I think of the orchids Marilyn felt such kinship with, how fragile and hardy and forgiving they are. Their homes are simple, their roots all exposed. Not quite grounded, they live on mist the way Marilyn lived on smoke. Until 2008 when she scaled back her worldly pursuits to take care of her husband, Marilyn was the contact person for the Sonoma County Orchid Society, where she gave regular talks on such subjects as "CPR for orchids" and "Preparing your Orchids for the Show." I love to think of her standing in the Veteran's Building in her man's plaid shirt and her mud-stained boots, steam rising through her fingers, explaining to gangs of well-heeled orchidophiles how to pimp their *Malaxis paludosa*.

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 <i>SCOS Meeting</i>	13	14	15	16 <i>Open Greenhouse @ Foster's</i>
17	18	19 <i>Board Meeting</i>	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	27	28	29	30

May 2011


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 <i>SCOS Meeting</i>	11	12	13	14 <i>SCOS Bus Trip</i>
15	16	17 <i>Board Meeting</i>	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Upcoming Events

- April 2, California Orchids Spring Sale, 9am to 4pm ([See page 11](#))
- April 12, SCOS General Meeting
- April 16-17, Sacramento Orchid Society Show and Sale ([See page 11](#)).
- April 23-24, Santa Rosa Iris Society Show ([See page 11](#))
- April 30th thru May 8th, Fiori D'Amore Orchid Liquidation Sale, 9am thru 4pm. ([See page 12](#)).
- May 7 - 8, Carmel Valley Garden Show. ([See page 11](#)).
- May 14th, SCOS Bus trip ([Page 9](#)).
- June 4th, SCOS Potting party, ([See page 10](#)).

Thank-you

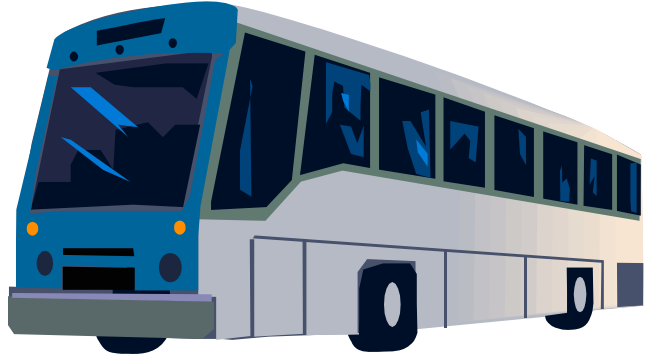
Thank you to Judy Carney for hosting an Open Greenhouse in March and to Earl Rathbun for doing a Skill Session on reading plant labels.



The Potting party will be on June 4th. If you want to pick up your bark at the party you should sign-up at the meeting or call Jim and Kris Foster @707-762-7124 to reserve it and have it delivered to the party.

ANNUAL SONOMA COUNTY ORCHID SOCIETY BUS TRIP

Saturday, May 14th, 2011



\$35 per Person, Available to Members, Guests, and
All Orchid Enthusiasts

The bus will leave promptly at 7:45 AM from the parking lot under Highway 12, across from the Santa Rosa Veteran's Building. Please arrive early enough to store your belongings under the bus, find a seat and get settled. If you are a single passenger please double up with another single passenger to allow couples to sit together. Due to our schedule we cannot wait for late arrivals. Please bring an empty box to store orchids that you buy.

Times are approximate and may vary based on traffic conditions

7:45 AM	Bus leaves from Santa Rosa
8:05 AM	Pick-up Petaluma Lakeville Hwy (116/101) Park N Ride
8:30 AM	Pick-up San Rafael Lucas Valley Road Bus Stop Westside Hwy 101 (Park Eastside of Hwy 101, Smith Ranch Road, allow time to walk to other side of Hwy 101)
9:20 AM	Golden Gate Orchids
10:50 AM	Golden Gate Park Conservatory of Flowers, behind-the-scenes tour, west wing special exhibit 'Wicked Plants'
12:40 PM	White Oak Orchids & Lunch, please bring lunch for yourself, SCOS will provide bottled water
1:55 PM	Hanging Gardens Orchids and Collection of John Leathers & Bob Hamilton
4:15 PM	Smith Ranch Road Bus Stop
4:45 PM	Petaluma Park N Ride
5:30 PM	Santa Rosa

To reserve your place make checks for \$35 per person payable to SCOS. State your pick-up location (Santa Rosa, Petaluma, Lucas Valley). Mail checks to:

Patty Connick
5404 Shallows Place West
Santa Rosa, CA 95409
(707) 538-4245

Annual Potting Party

When: Saturday, June 4th

Time: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Where: Smith's house, 4711 Pepperwood Dr, Penngrove

What to bring: Please bring a finger food to share. Water and soft drinks will be provided by the society.

Bring any plants you want help in repotting, overgrown monstrosities you want to share pieces of, or even plants you want to find a new home for. Come early for the best selection of plants!

Also bring supplies such as pots, cork slabs and moss, wood slat baskets, stakes, plant ties, plant labels, cutting shears, etc. In other words, bring whatever you'll need (except bark) to pot up your treasures. The Society will supply medium and fine bark.



Just click [Here](#) for directions from your location.

The society has a supply of bark (fine and medium size) and we will have sign-up sheets available at the next few meetings. It can be delivered to the potting party.

California Orchids Spring Sale!

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9am - 4pm



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The Santa Rosa Iris Society 2011 Iris Show and Potted Iris Sale

"Easter Iris Parade"

Saturday, April 23rd 1:00pm - 5:00 pm &
Sunday, April 24th 11:00am - 5:00pm
Potted Sale 10:00am - 5:00pm both days



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Carmel Valley Garden Show Post Office Box 72 Carmel Valley, California 93924

AT A GLANCE:

WHAT: 42ND ANNUAL CARMEL VALLEY GARDEN SHOW

www.cvgardenshow.com

WHO: PRESENTED BY CARMEL ORCHID SOCIETY, CARMEL VALLEY
GARDEN ASSOCIATION AND HIDDEN VALLEY MUSIC SEMINARS

WHEN: MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND, MAY 7 & 8, 2011 - 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

WHERE: HIDDEN VALLEY MUSIC SEMINARS, 88 WEST CARMEL VALLEY ROAD, CARMEL VALLEY
(11 MILES EAST OF HIGHWAY 1)

COST: FREE

DESCRIPTION: Beautiful plant and floral displays with accredited judging, lectures by Elizabeth Murray and John Greenlee, nationally known gardening experts and authors, potting demonstrations with helpful suggestions for all levels of gardeners, container plants, artistic flower arrangements, Silent Auction, Field of Flowers, Children's Garden with lots of fun activities, vegetable gardens, handmade pottery, a wide selection of plants and orchids for sale, gorgeous orchid and rose displays, art, gift and jewelry vendors, and delicious Greek food by Poseidon's, snacks, wine, beer, coffee and other beverages.

ALSO: Saturday Night Gala Event, Saturday, May 7th with hors d'oeuvres, wine, Silent Auction and entertainment. Advance Tickets are \$25 per person @ (831) 659-3115.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Orchid Show & Plant Sale April 16-17th, 2011

"Orchid Adventures"

Scottish Rite Temple

6151 H Street Sacramento, CA 95819
Just across from Sac State University

Admission: \$6.00

Plenty of FREE PARKING

Sat 10am - 5pm

64th Annual Show

Sun 10am - 4pm

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**The Hillside Gardeners of Montclair present:
"The Ups and Downs of Hillside Gardening."**

A self-guided tour of eight fabulous Oakland gardens on Sunday, May 1, 2011 from 11 am – 4 pm.

See a huge garden more than an acre in size, a tropical garden, a collector's paradise, and one with yards and yards of purple mulch!

These gardens reuse materials in many creative ways:

- Smashed old pavers show up as mulch
- Rebar and pruned branches act as fencing
- An old sandbox has become a potting bench
- A decorative jar has been turned into a fountain
- A tree has been cut down and turned into a beautiful bench
- One owner even used her old jewelry, buttons and beads to decorate the concrete edges of her pond

Each garden is overseen by owners who have used their land to create a very personal vision of how they see the world.

Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 day of. For tickets, call (510) 530-1681 or email hmggardens@gmail.com. You may also mail a check, made out to Hillside Gardeners of Montclair, to 5601 Harbord Drive, Oakland, 94611. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Hillside Gardeners of Montclair, founded in 1947, is dedicated to increasing the love of gardening among its members and the community at large. Members maintain the gardens at the Montclair Public Library, the Joaquin Miller Community Center and the garden at Moraga and Masonic Avenues. Hillside Gardeners operates an after-school gardening program at Joaquin Miller School and a horticulture therapy program at Water's Edge nursing home. The club was instrumental in the revival of the Sensory and Mediterranean gardens in the Gardens at Lake Merritt, and members help maintain those gardens as well. In addition, we provide scholarships for Merritt College and UC Berkeley horticultural students. Proceeds from the garden tour will help sustain these programs.

For more information, contact Ann Livingston at (510) 708-7008 or alliving57@gmail.com



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Address Correction Requested

We're on the Web!

<http://www.sonomaorchids.com>

SONOMA COUNTY ORCHID SOCIETY

The Sonoma County Orchid Society meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month. **Plant sales begin at 6:45 p.m. and ends when the speaker begins his/her presentation.** The Society provides an opportunity for any member to sell plants or material (with a 25% commission to the Society). A reminder to all members that any plant material offered for sale at the Society meeting, must be run through the Society. Pre-arranged pick-up of plants or materials is OK and does not have to go through the Society. Plant owners assume all risk and responsibility for their property. Your members binder has additional information.

The Skill Session, when scheduled, is held at **7:00** at the front of the meeting room. The subject will be announced in the newsletter and a sign will be posted at the meeting. Announcements followed by Show and Tell begin at 7:30 p.m. The speaker will begin after Show and Tell (approximately 8:00 p.m.). Refreshments and opportunity plant drawings occur after the speaker's lecture.