



Sonoma County Orchid Society Newsletter

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Special points of Interest

- SCOS Spring Show is February 5 & 6, 2011.
- This month's General meeting is on Tuesday February 8th.
- This month's Board meeting will be on February 15th at 6:30pm at Foster's home.
- Next Month's General Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 8, 2011. The speaker will be Sergio Garcia.
- Next Month's Board Meeting will be on March 15th.

February 2011

Next Meeting Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 7:30 PM.

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

February Speaker

Our Speaker this month is **Dennis Olivas** speaking on: **Those Amazing Orchids: ABC Culture**

Dennis Olivas was born and raised in Waimea in Kauai, Hawaii. At an early age, Dennis belonged to The Future Farmers of America! His venture into orchid cultivation was when his FFA adviser saw a couple of his mother's neglected plants on the side of the yard. Through his association with this organization, Dennis was introduced to many of the great Hawaiian growers in Oahu. Over the years his knowledge of orchids continued to grow as he purchased community pots and potted plants for his FFA projects, and as his knowledge grew, his orchids flourished.



For some reason, at age 28, Dennis swore never to touch another orchid. He didn't know that once the seed is planted it continues to germinate. Despite his best efforts to resist the lure of the orchid, Rod McLellan's 'Acres of Orchids' enticed Dennis back into the addiction. From that point, orchids became an obsession. First he filled his home with more than 6000 orchids; then, he leased greenhouse space for his orchid collection. What began with nurturing his mother's plants eventually became his career. Dennis and his partner David Dunn own D&D Flowers in Half Moon Bay.

Dennis is a certified American Orchid Society judge and past president of Diablo View Orchid Society, Peninsula Orchid Society and San Francisco Orchid Society. He is a member of many of the local orchid societies. Dennis loves orchids and loves to talk about them and teach. His presentations are energetic, full of information for the novice and experienced growers alike and always, great FUN!

The speaker's dinner will be at Kirin in Bennett Valley Shopping Center at 5:30 PM. The food is wonderful, and it's a great opportunity to meet and talk to the speaker. 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, February 7th, so we can make reservations. Click here for [directions](#).

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President's Corner

Catch a Wave of Orchids all of you SCOS members! It's time to get your volunteer hats on! Our Big Spring Show "Waves of Orchids" is here! We have 12 vendors, which is 2 more than last year, including 2 brand new ones. Our Show Chair, Lynne Murrell, needs help from everyone to make this Show successful! There are many opportunities to volunteer. If you haven't already done so, PLEASE pick up the phone and call anyone of the Show Leaders and offer them some help. This is YOUR Society and YOU can help make it a success. There are volunteer slots that still need to be filled. We also need a lot of help with set up and take down.

Please come to the Pasta Party on Saturday February 5th. It is a potluck so bring a dish and show up at 5pm at the Vet's Hall where our Show is held. We volunteers have a great time bantering with the vendors. It's a nice time to kick back and enjoy some GREAT company and conversation.

We have a terrific speaker scheduled for our February 8th meeting. Come to hear Dennis Olivas give one of his expert talks!

See you at our SHOW and at our next meeting February 8th!

Susan



Thank-you

Thank you Judy and Marni!

At our January meeting, Judy Carney and Marni Turkel gave us an enthusiastic talk on how to make our orchids ready for our upcoming show. A huge thanks goes out to them for donating their time to our Society! They also provided a fabulous opportunity table! Thanks, you two are terrific!

Thank you to Kathie Hile for filling in at the Opportunity Table for our January meeting.



A Note from the Newsletter Editor

I have been the newsletter editor for the past four years, and it is time for me to move on to other things. Effective June 30, 2011, I will be leaving this position. The Board has been looking for a replacement for the past several months with no success to date. I am asking that anyone who might be interested in doing this job for the Society contact either me or a Board member. As newsletter editor you may change the format, if you so desire, as long as it fits within the Society's goals and guidelines. I am more than happy to work with the new person and can provide many, many files for their use in composing the newsletter every month. Since I took over the position it has basically evolved into a cut and paste exercise monthly since all of the material is sent to me via email from the various Board members and committee chairs. It is not that hard of a task and really only takes a couple of hours a month at the most. I will continue to be available to anyone who needs assistance. Thanks.

Jim Foster

Board Highlights

Jan 21, 2011

- February Speaker is Dennis Olivas. March is Sergio Garcia. May's speaker will be Cindy Hill on how to grow specimen plants.
- Membership reports 99 member households. Smitty will make gift membership certificates available for people to purchase. They will be available at the show and at meetings.
- Newsletter editor still needed starting in July. Jim Foster, who's done a fantastic job, will be 'retiring'.
- The Spring Show has 12 vendors now.
- Malahini Orchid society has changed their show so it doesn't conflict with ours.
- Potting Party is set for June 4th at the home of Jerry and Gerry Smith. A sign-up sheet will be passed out at future meetings.
- Bus trip is in the works, led by Judy Carney and Patty Connick. Probably in May.
- Open Greenhouses are being scheduled. Contact Kathie Hile if you'd like to host one.

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.

November Refreshments

Ko - Lo



The Society is asking that the members with their last name beginning with *Ko - Lo* 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.



AOS Awards for January

Hi editors,

This marks a departure from my usual monthly reports. Carol Klonowski has taken over running the Pacific Central web page for me, so I'll leave it to her to keep y'all up to date on the awards given at San Francisco and Oakland. I've included her email address on the header so she can start her own email group.

Awards given at the California Sierra Nevada judging center in January are:

1/5/2011 - Sacramento

Cattleya Circle of Life 'Mesmerize', AM 80 (C. coccinea x C. Culminant), Exhibited by Nancy and Ted McClellan

Paphiopedilum Fanaticum 'Green Goblin', AM 81 (Paph. malipoense x Paph. micranthum), Exhibited by Ramon de los Santos

Phalaenopsis reichenbachiana 'Pikachu', AM 80 species, Exhibited by Ramon de los Santos

You'll note the Paph. Fanaticum is greener than most Fanaticums, and the Phal reichenbachiana has a 'hairy' lip which separates it from Phal fasciata, which which it is often confused. Also I'll have awards from Brazil's show at Joinville up sometime later this week. Hope these notes make up for the short missive.

Kath

Pictures of the awards can be seen at:

Pacific Central <http://www.aospacificcentral.org>

California Sierra Nevada <http://www.csnjc.org>

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February 2011

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

March 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4 <i>SFOS POE show and sale</i>	5 <i>SFOS POE show and sale</i>
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27	28	29	30	31		

April 2011

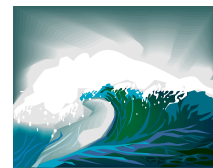
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17	18	19 <i>Board Meeting</i>	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Upcoming Events

- **January 29, 30 Santa Cruz Orchid Society**, Soquel High School, 401 Old San Jose Rd. Soquel Contact: (831) 278-1937.
- **February 5-6, 2011– SCOS Annual Show and Sale. See Page 12.**
- **February 8, 2011, SCOS General Meeting**
- **February 11-13, 2011, Malihini Orchid Society, Annual Show and Sale**, Cupertino Square, Cupertino, CA.
- **February 15, 2011, SCOS Board Meeting at the Foster's.**
- **February 22, 2011, Newsletter Deadline.**
- **March 4-6, 2011, San Francisco Orchid Society, Pacific Orchid Exposition.**
- **March 11-13 66th Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, "Get Your Kicks With Orchids"**. 9:00AM - 5:00 PM. Earl Warren Show Grounds, Exhibit Hall, 3400 Calle Real, Santa Barbara, CA. visit: www.sborchidshow.com

Membership Corner

Our current membership is at 99. Hope to see all 99 of you at this years "Annual Spring Show and Sale on February 5th and 6th". The surf will be up at the "Waves of Orchids Display" with lots of beautiful orchids.



Membership Chair Jerry Smith

Santa Cruz Orchid Society
and Soquel High School
FFA/ROP proudly present -

2011 Santa Cruz Orchid Show and Sale

Saturday, January 29th, 9 AM to 5PM
Sunday, January 30th, 10 AM to 4 PM

At Soquel High School
401 Old San Jose Road
Soquel, California



Laelia purpurata
var. *carnea*

photo by Frank Drake

For more information, or to
exhibit, call Santa Cruz Orchid
Society at 831-278-1937, or
Soquel High School FFA at
831-429-3612

Free Admission
Free Parking

- Show featuring rare and beautiful orchids, judged by American Orchid Society
- Exotic indoor and outdoor orchids for purchase
- Cultural information and expert advice available
- Potting demonstrations
- Raffle





MALIHINI
ORCHID SOCIETY

2011 Annual

Orchid Show & Sale

American Orchid Society & Cymbidium's America Judged Show

Fri. Feb. 11 - 7pm-9pm

Sat. Feb. 12 - 10am-6pm

Sun. Feb. 13 - 10am-5pm

There will be displays, lectures, demonstrations on orchids. Special purchased orchids for sales.

Vallco Shopping Mall

10123 N. Wolfe Road, Cupertino CA
(Hwy 280 & Stevens Creek Blvd., near JC Penney)

www.malihini.org



San Francisco Orchid Society's
PACIFIC ORCHID EXPOSITION
MARCH 3 - 6, 2011

America's Finest Orchid Show

Gala Benefit Preview THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 6:30 TO 10:00 PM, Details on Reverse

SHOW & PLANT SALE: MARCH 4 - 6, 2011

Hours: FRI. 10AM - 6PM, SAT. 9AM - 6PM, SUN. 10AM - 5PM

FESTIVAL PAVILION, FORT MASON CENTER, SAN FRANCISCO

Admission \$12 online/\$14 at the door, Seniors (65+) \$8 online/\$10 at the door
 Children 12 & under free w/adult except at Gala

For tickets & information please call 415-665-2468 or visit

www.orchidsanfrancisco.org



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Special Show Supplement



Sonoma County Orchid Society

invites you to our

Annual Spring Show and Sale

Waves of Orchids

February 5-6, 2011

Sat 10am - 5pm

Sun 10am - 4pm

Admission \$7

Santa Rosa Veterans Building
1351 Maple Ave, Santa Rosa, CA
(across from the Fairgrounds)

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A NOTE FROM THE SPRING SHOW CHAIR

LAST CALL for Volunteers, orchids, and support for SCOS at the WAVES of Orchids. The Show is just a week away: Set-up is Friday February 4, Judging is Saturday morning, and the Show runs through Sunday at 4pm (so you'll still have time to get home to watch the Super Bowl).

Have you handed out or mailed your supply of Show Postcards to family, friends, local nurseries, and service providers, so we get GREAT attendance this year?

Here is our final list of **TWELVE** participating Vendors:

Botanico	Brookside Orchids	D & D Orchids	Dyna-Gro
Gold Country Orchids	Golden Gate Orchids	Napa Valley Orchids	Olympic Orchids
Orchids Fiori D'Amore	Orchids by Neal	Orchids & Gardens	Orchids for the People

Orchids, orchids and more orchids...we need your Blooming Beauties to decorate our eye-popping SCOS display. Wait 'til you see what Smitty has created this year! Please bring your orchids to the hall by 6pm on Friday, or arrange with another member to transport them for you. This is also your once-a-year opportunity to enter your orchids for AOS Judging and/or Show trophies.

And if you have blooming or non-blooming orchids to sell, this is your chance to earn a few \$\$ to pay for your orchid habit, with 20% of all sales benefiting SCOS. Also the Boutique will welcome your non-growing orchid-y or gardening items to sell.

Please plan to join us for the Pasta Party on Saturday evening (2/5) for all Volunteers and Vendors. Raymond Burr Winery has donated some delicious adult beverages for us to enjoy with our pasta dinner.

The Waves of Orchids Show is a key 2011 fundraiser for our Society, and it is an opportunity to share our love of orchids with family, friends, and co-workers. We look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you in advance for making this show a great success!

Lynne

2011 Spring Show Chairs

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Set Up / Take Down	Larry Mead	707 539-5316	lrm9@sbcglobal.net
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Volunteer Coordinator	VACANT		

SCOS Awards & Trophies

2011

Best of Class Rosettes:

- Best Slipper Orchid
- Best Phalaenopsis
- Best Cattleya Alliance
- Best Oncidium Alliance
- Best Pleurothallid Alliance
- Best Cymbidium
- Best Dendrobium
- Best Vanda Alliance
- Best of Other Genera
- Best Basket of Orchids

Special Award Rosettes:

- Best Orchid Species
- Best Miniature Orchid (not exceeding 8" including flowerscape)
- Best Specimen Orchid Plant
- Best of Show
- Best Commercial Display

Trophies:

- Best of Show
 - Best Novice-grown Orchid
 - Best Intermediate-grown Orchid
 - Best Entry by a Sonoma County Orchid Society Member. Perpetual Trophy in Honor of Earl & Kathy Rathbun for Extraordinary Care and Nurturing of the Sonoma County Orchid Society. Trophy sponsored by SCOS.
 - AOS Show Trophy (for the most outstanding exhibit)
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Sonoma County Orchid Society Schedule of Show Classes - 2011

A. Slipper Orchid Alliance

- A-1. Paphiopedilum species, single flower
- A-2. Paphiopedilum species, multifloral
- A-3. Paphiopedilum species, brachypetalum or parvisepalum type
- A-4. Primary hybrids
- A-5. Half-primary hybrids (one parent is a species)
- A-6. Maudiae-type hybrids w/ striped dorsal
- A-7. Complex hybrids
- A-8. Phragmipedium & Cypripedium species
- A-9. Phragmipedium & Cypripedium hybrids
- A-10. First bloom seedlings

B. Phalaenopsis Alliance

- B-1. Phalaenopsis and Doritis species
- B-2. Multifloral (branching), small flowering hybrids
- B-3. White (including white with colored lip) hybrids
- B-4. Lavender and pink hybrids
- B-5. Yellow, green, red, and art shade hybrids
- B-6. Patterned - stripes and spots hybrids
- B-7. First bloom seedlings

C. Cattleya Alliance

- C-1. Species: Cattleya, Laelia, Brassavola and Sophronitis
- C-2. Hybrids from C-1: White & semi-alba (colored lip)
- C-3. Hybrids from C-1: Pink, lavender and purple
- C-4. Hybrids from C-1: Red, yellow and art shade
- C-5. Hybrids from C-1: All other colors, i.e. green, splashed, spotted, flared

- C-6. Other species and hybrids, i.e. Epidendrum, Broughtonia, Diacrium, Barkeria, etc.
- C-7. Intergeneric hybrids between C-1 & C-6, i.e. Dialaelia, Iwanagara, Epicat, etc.
- C-8. First bloom seedlings

D. Oncidium Alliance

- D-1. Oncidium species and hybrids
- D-2. Miltonia and Miltoniopsis species and hybrids
- D-3. All other related species or hybrids i.e. Brassia, Cochlioda, Rodriguezia, etc.
- D-4. Odontoglossum species and hybrids
- D-5. All other intergeneric hybrids, i.e. Miltassia, Odontioda, Vuylstekeara, Odontocidium, Wilsonara, Odontonia, etc.
- D-6. First bloom seedlings

E. Pleurothallis Subtribe

- E-1. Masdevallia species and hybrids
- E-2. Pleurothallis species and hybrids
- E-3. All other related species and hybrids, i.e. Dracula, Restrepia, Lepanthes, etc. (including intergenerics)
- E-4. First bloom seedlings

F. Cymbidiums

- F-1. Cymbidium species
- F-2. Miniature hybrids (<1.5" flower spread) - white, cream, pink
- F-3. Miniature hybrids - red, brown, bronze
- F-4. Miniature hybrid – yellow, green and all other colors
- F-5. Novelty hybrids - white, cream, pink

F. *Cymbidiums (contd)*

- F-6. Novelty hybrids - red, brown, bronze
- F-7. Novelty hybrids – yellow, green and all other colors
- F-8. Standard hybrids (> 3” flower spread) - white, cream, pink
- F-9. Standard hybrids - red, brown, bronze
- F-10. Standard hybrids – yellow, green and all other colors
- F-11. Pendant spike
- F-12. Variegated foliage
- F-13. First bloom seedlings
- I-3. Zygopetalum alliance species and hybrids not included in I-2, i.e Maxillaria, Zygopetalum, Bollea, Promenea, etc.
- I-4. Bulbophyllum and Cirrhopetalum species and hybrids
- I-5. Coelogyne and related species (Pholidota, Pleione, etc) and hybrids
- I-6. Dendrochilum species and hybrids
- I-7. Terrestrials (including Phaius, Disa, and Calanthe)
- I-8. All other species and hybrids
- I-9. Outstanding foliage

G. *Dendrobium Subtribe*

- G-1. Phalaenopsis and antelope type species and hybrids
- G-2. Oxyglossum section and Pedilonium species and hybrids
- G-3. Latouria section species and hybrids
- G-4. Formosae section species and hybrids
- G-5. Australian species and hybrids not included in G-1
- G-6. All other species and hybrids
- G-7. First bloom seedlings

H. *Vanda Alliance*

- H-1. Vanda and Ascocentrum species and hybrids
- H-2. All other related species and hybrids, i.e. Rynchosstylis, Aerides, Renanthera (including intergenerics)
- H-3. First bloom seedlings

I. *Other Genera*

- I-1. Angraecum and related species and hybrids, i.e. Aeranthes, Aerangis, etc.
- I-2. Lycaste and Anguloa species and hybrids

J. *Basket of Orchids (non-commercial exhibitors only)*

- J-1. At least 3 blooming orchids-other plants and props allowed in moderate quantities. ***Individual plants can also be entered in their appropriate section.***

Note: First bloom seedlings, foliage, and pendant spike can also be entered in their appropriate class.

Judges will also award Best Species, Best Miniature, and Best Specimen plant from within all entries.

Sonoma County Orchid Society Spring Show 2011

RULES FOR EXHIBITORS

Show vendors and invited visiting orchid societies are encouraged to enter their plants for ribbon judging, provided the following rules are followed. All other plants entered must be owned and grown by a member of Sonoma County Orchid Society.

1. Entry cards must be completed for all plants entered into competition. Cards must be turned into the Plant Entry table by 8:00 pm Friday, February 4th, 2011, unless other arrangements are made with the Judging Chairperson.
2. **Plants entered in show ribbon judging must have been owned and cared for directly by the exhibitor for at least 6 months.** Judges may decline to consider a plant if ownership is questioned.
3. Plants incorrectly labeled or entered may be eliminated.
4. If a plant is found to be infected or infested, it will be disqualified and isolated.
5. All plants and items exhibited must remain on display throughout the duration of the show.

For AOS judging, specific entry cards must be completed and left with the AOS clerk. However, since this is an AOS-sanctioned show, all plants exhibited may be considered for AOS awards unless "No AOS Judging" is written on the entry card. Unless so noted, plants may not be judged at a later date on the same inflorescence.

Every effort will be made to safeguard all plants entered. However, exhibitors assume all risks and liabilities for their property.

CLASSIFICATION OF EXHIBITORS

NOVICE/BEGINNER: one who has never won a trophy/rosette/award (other than ribbons) at any orchid show.

INTERMEDIATE: one who has won at least one, but fewer than 10 trophies/rosettes/awards (other than ribbons) at any orchid show.

OPEN/COMMERCIAL: one who has won at least 10 trophies/rosettes/ awards (other than ribbons), or one who is a commercial grower or operates a sales booth at the show.

PLANT AWARDS-RIBBONS & TROPHIES

At the discretion of the judges, first, second and third place ribbons will be awarded in all classes and sections. Judges may withhold awards if, in their opinion, no suitable material is exhibited. BEST OF CLASS Rosettes will be selected from the First Place ribbons awarded at the discretion of the judges. Trophies for Best Novice and Best Intermediate exhibitors will be selected from 'Best of Class' rosette winners in those skill categories. SPECIAL AWARD Rosettes for 'Best Orchid Species,' 'Best Miniature Orchid,' 'Best Specimen Orchid Plant,' and 'Best of Show' may be chosen from any Blue Ribbon winner in any Class. If the Best of Show winner is a member of SCOS, that entry will automatically be awarded the Rathbun Perpetual Trophy.



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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.