

# SCVOS

NEWSLETTER

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

### **JANUARY SPEAKER**

Our January Speaker will be Gavin McDonald from South Africa. His topic is "South African Indigenous Orchids". Gavin has a Master's degree in the taxonomy and biogeography of Orchids in and around the Durban area. He is currently the Senior Lecturer and acting Head of Department at the Department of Nature Conservation at Mangosuthu Technikon.

Gavin began growing orchids in 1981. He has been active in orchid societies and the AOS; has been a South African Orchid Council Judge since 1989; and was a member of the task team instrumental in introducing the new National training program for judges in South Africa. He will bring examples of most of the species of South African orchid genera.



### **HOLIDAY DINNER**

The 2004 Holiday Dinner was a great success! The food was wonderful and so were the plants. A BIG round of applause goes to Cathi Contreras who orchestrated the event, and all the other volunteers who contributed to the success of the evening.



### **2005 SCVOS BOARD & OFFICERS**

The 2005 SCVOS Board, Officers and Chairs are listed on the last page of this newsletter. The 2004 Board would like to thank all those volunteers who worked so hard last year. Your participation was greatly appreciated!



## ***FUTURE SPEAKERS***

FEBRUARY: DEBRA ATWOOD  
MARCH: RON PARSONS



## ***UPCOMING EVENTS***

JANUARY 8 – 9

PENINSULA ORCHID SOCIETY SHOW

Fair Oaks Community Center, 2600  
Middlefield Rd., Redwood City.  
Contact: Renee Biggs (650) 593-4793

JANUARY 21

GOLD COAST CYMBIDIUM GROUP

Annual Auction; San Mateo Garden  
Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo

FEBRUARY 17 – 20

53<sup>RD</sup> PACIFIC ORCHID EXPOSITION

Festival Pavilion, Fort Mason Center  
[Http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/poe/index.htm](http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/poe/index.htm)



## ***POTS FOR SALE***

Claudia Peterson, for many years a member of SCVOS and MOS is no longer growing orchids and has a number of slotted clay pots (various sizes) for sale at give away prices. These are heavy, slotted pots from OFE in Florida. They have been used once, but are easily cleaned up. Contact Claudia at: (408) 266-0250 or by e-mail at [gorapeterson@earthlink.net](mailto:gorapeterson@earthlink.net).

## ***TIP OF THE MONTH***

Tom Bailey  
December saw some below-freezing weather, and January is usually our coldest month. Outdoor plants can be protected by covering with freeze cloth, bed sheets, or paper grocery bags. Most Cymbidiums, Masdevallias, Sophronitis *cernua*, *Laelia anceps*, and *Oncidium macranthum* can tolerate 30 degrees F with no cover. Do not water, even if it has been a month, unless both the day and water temperature is at least 50 degrees.



## ***10%... MEMBER PLANT SALES... 10%***

All plants brought for sale by members must be properly labeled, disease free, and priced in even dollar amounts. 10% of the sale price goes to the club treasurer, Lothar Schicker, before you leave. We rely on the honor system.



## **BOARD MEETING**

The 3rd Wednesday in January (Jan. 19) The meeting will be held at Jim Griffin's house, 108 Privada Luisita, Los Gatos, 95030 at 7:30 PM. All members are welcome. Please give Jim a call (408) 395-3888 if you plan to attend.



### **SCVOS BOARD:**

The Santa Clara Valley Orchid Society is a non-profit organization that meets the first Wednesday of each month at the American Legion Hall, 1504 Minnesota Avenue, in the Willow Glen neighborhood of San Jose, California. The meeting usually starts at 7:30 pm. The schmoozing starts at about 7:00 pm.

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