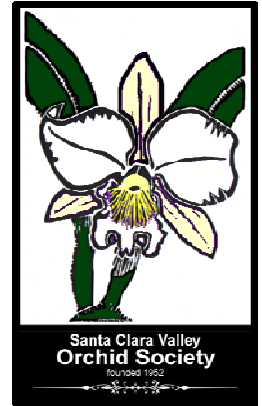

Santa Clara Valley Orchid Society

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Speaker Notes

Denise C. Wilson is Vice President of the Boulder Orchid Society, past Treasurer Denver Orchid Society, Colorado Native Plant Society Board member, and an international educator and advocate for orchid conservation through the Orchid Specialist Group with The World Conservation Union. She is an organizer for Partners for Colorado Native Plants with Denver Botanic Gardens. Through this program she manages 40 volunteers in the Denver area who monitor 45 sites of rare Colorado orchids for the Colorado Natural Heritage Program.

Denise is writing a book, *Field Guide to Colorado Wild Orchids*. She is working toward her Masters on Plant Conservation.

Denise will speak to our society about native orchid conservation. She will also speak at the Malihini and San Francisco society meetings on different topics, so you are encouraged to see her again at those meetings as well. Conserving our native species is an important but difficult task, and is a part of the larger concern of preserving biodiversity. Come support this goal on Wednesday!

As a part of our new plan to help members with specific growing problems, and largely in response to an overwhelming demand from the surveys to have some additional how-to workshops presented to the society, we will have our first DIY Demonstration prior to this month's meeting. Please join Doug Pulley promptly at 7:00 for a presentation about making baskets for orchids. Doug will bring examples and will make baskets during the demonstration. Join him for an excellent workshop.



Refreshments Announcement: Unfortunately, your newsletter editor has misplaced the refreshment volunteer list which was passed around last meeting. I would appreciate an email at timc@harker.org to let me know for which month you volunteered. I recall that each month prior to April was filled. Thanks for volunteering and sorry for losing the sheet!

Messages from the President

I would like to thank the officers, directors, and chairpersons for your valued volunteer efforts on behalf of our society this past year. Without **you** the Santa Clara Valley Orchid Society does not exist. Also, many thanks to all of you who have come on board to volunteer again or new this year. We are looking forward to a rewarding year. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact me by phone at (408) 997-1850 or by e-mail at thydebailey@yahoo.com.

Tim Culbertson has sorted through our archive of photographs, letters and other documents, and has beautifully organized them into albums for posterity. They will be on display occasionally at our regular meetings, so feel free to flip the pages and see what we were doing in the 1950s. Thank you, Tim, for tackling this important project.

Membership dues are now due. If paying with cash, it would be very helpful if you brought exactly \$15 so change will not be an issue. Dues are per family.

Upcoming Events

- Jan 7-8:** Peninsula Orchid Society Show and Sale, Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave., Redwood City.
Contact: Ginette Sanchou
(650) 361-8658
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- Jan 13-14:** Paphiopedilum Guild Annual Meeting at The Inn At Morro Bay.
Contact: Marilyn Levy
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- Feb 4-5:** Santa Cruz Orchid Society Show, Soquel High School, 401 Old San Jose Rd, Soquel.
Contact: Bridget Binko
(831) 338-4220
bbinko@cruzio.com
- Feb 15-19:** Pacific Orchid Expo: "Hot House Hotties and Their Cool Friends," Festival Pavilion, Fort Mason Center, San Francisco.
Attend the Gala Preview Night on Feb 16th for live music, wine tasting, and the pre-sale of vendor's plants!
Contact: The Larose Group
(650) 548-6700
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Members' Plant Sales

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, Dave Riches, before you leave. We rely on the honor system.

Board Meeting

The January board meeting will be held at the home of Sylvia Grossman on the evening of January 18th beginning at 7:30 PM. For further information and directions, please contact Sylvia by phone at (408) 266-6922 or by email at sylviag@cadence.com so that a chair may be set up for you.

Katrina Donation

As you may know, the headquarters of the AOS was hit hard by hurricane Katrina. Although the main office building is fine, the beautiful botanic gardens were much impacted. The loss of mature palm specimens and mature semi-tropical trees, in addition to damage to greenhouses will set the AOS back quite some time. To help in the recovery process, the Board decided to make a \$200 donation to the American Orchid Society Headquarters located in Florida. There is information in the most recent AOS pertaining to additional donations.

Recent Events

The Holiday Party was a wonderful event again this year held at the Blue Pheasant due to the planning of **Cathi Contreas**. Thank you, Cathi. Orchids were shipped in from Hawaii for each member to take home (**Ed Nazzal**), and additional raffle table plants were provided by **Doug Pulley, Jim Griffin, and Weegie Caughlan**. Thanks to all for the combined effort.

Email Address

If you are not getting your newsletter via email, it is probably caused by us not having your correct or recently changed new address. Please be sure to give your currently correct address to Ed Nazzal, paphman@gmail.com

Future Speakers

February: [Manuel Sagisi](#)

Our own Manuel Sagisi will be speaking on the growth and flowering of pendulous Cymbidiums. Pendulous Cyms, especially minis and sizes smaller than the large standard, have really increased in popularity in recent years; Manuel will have some examples to share in pictures or in real life of his beautiful plants!

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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Recent AOS Awards

From the [AOS Pacific Central Judging Center](#)

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Epidendrum hugomedinae 'waiting on a name'
(species) CBR
Awarded December 19 2005 at OSC Meeting.
Exhibited by Walter M. Shinn.

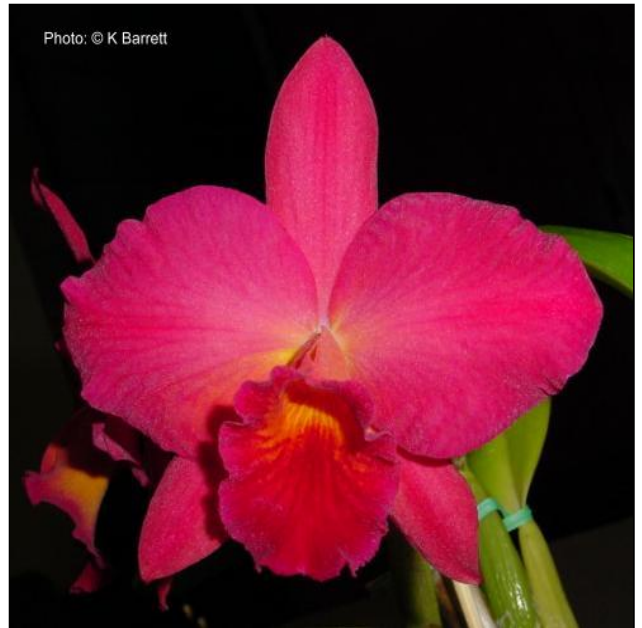


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Slc. Circle Spirit 'Nathalie Smith'
(Slc. Seagull's Apricot x Lc. Culminant) HCC 77
Awarded December 6 2005 at SFOS Meeting.
Exhibited by Kathleen F. Barrett.



Photo: © Eric Hunt
Masdevallia veitchiana 'Cow Hollow' (species)
AM 81
Awarded December 6 2005 at SFOS Meeting.
Exhibited by Anna S. Chai.

AOS Judging occurs on the first Tuesday of the month at the County Fair Building in Golden Gate Park in association with the SFOS meeting, and on the third Wednesday of the month at the Lake Merritt Garden Center in Oakland in association with the OSC meeting.



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