

# Coastal Valley Orchid Society

Lompoc, California  
[www.coastalvalleyorchidsociety.com](http://www.coastalvalleyorchidsociety.com)



*Epipactis gigantea*  
Society Adopted Orchid  
Photo courtesy of Phil Rietz

**Next Meeting:**

**Tuesday**

**April 20, 2010**

The Lompoc Library  
Grossman Gallery

Meeting begins at 7 p.m.

AMERICAN  
ORCHID  
SOCIETY

An AOS Affiliate Society  
Since 2002

2010 - 2011

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## Scheduled Guest Speaker:

**Gene Baum**

## Speaking On: Orchid Pests and Diseases

Our guest speakers for the April meeting will be our very own **Gene Baum** and he will be showing a slide presentation on Orchid Pests.

Gene got his first orchid from an orchid grower in Montecito in 1954 and built his first greenhouse in 1955, but did not get seriously bit by the orchid bug until the mid-1980's after attending an orchid show in San Bernardino. Gene is currently most interested in cool growing Laelias, Schomburgkias and Cymbidium species. He continues to work part-time for the Santa Barbara Orchid Estate and manage their summer fair. Gene's favorite orchid is the one that someone most recently out-bid me on eBay. He has successfully grown just about every bug orchids can get but eventually he has learned how to prevent or evict most of them with the latest generation insecticides and good ant control.

Members are encouraged to bring plants to display and the opportunity table for the evening will be provided by Gene.

## Notes of Interest from the March Meeting

Phil was on business travel for the March meeting. The following minutes were provided by Wanda Bailey. CVOS met on March 16, 2010 with 16 members and 3 guests present. Gene opened the meeting by asking for suggestions for changes in orchid classifications for the upcoming June 88th Annual Flower Show. Martha Galisky of the Alpha Club attended to ask members opinions for new orchid classifications and members responded by suggesting orchids normally in bloom in June. The officers will submit final recommendations.

CVOS won a plaque as the best table top display of a society at the SB International Show March 12-14. Gene thanked all the enthusiastic members who helped set up the display March 10th. He also called for desperately needed delivery vehicles and help for the Central Coast Orchid Show (Theme: Orchids Gone Native) on Thursday, March 25th.

With no further business Gene introduced the evening speaker, Norito Hasagawa, an AOS and CSA judge and international speaker and also a premier grower and hybridizer. Gene even presented Norito with a 'cup-o-tea' in order to keep him alert as a speaker. (Norito claims he sometimes puts himself to sleep while talking!) Although Norito's interest lies mainly in the hybridization of Paphs he chose to speak about Phalenopsis at this meeting. Norito enthusiastically shared with members how various characteristics, such as color, spots, and stripes come about in different varieties due to hybridization. He also mentioned how classifications for judging the many hybrids have more become more complicated due to many and resultant secondary hybridizations.

Plants for the opportunity table were provided by Norito and CVOS wishes to thank him for his enthusiastic presentation.

### Condolences

The Coastal Valley Orchid Society would like to express its heartfelt sympathy and condolences to Gene Baum and his family on the recent loss of his mother, Persis E. Baum, who passed away peacefully on Monday, March 22, 2010, in Santa Barbara at age of 95-years young. She was an amazing lady who was born in Holtville, California, to homesteading parents in the Imperial Valley. She graduated valedictorian of Inglewood High School and quickly completed a bachelors and masters in mathematics at UCLA. She studied toward a doctorate in astronomy at UC Berkeley where she met her beloved husband Custer Charles Baum with whom she worked at Lick Observatory in 1939. Custer completed his doctorate and the couple was wed in the Newman Chapel near UCLA in 1940. And the rest is history.....

The family asks that she be remembered by donations to the Cancer Center of Santa Barbara, 300 W. Pueblo St., Santa Barbara, CA 93105

### CVOS Mission Statement

"The purposes of the **Coastal Valley Orchid Society** are to promote and stimulate interest in orchids;  
to encourage the culture and conservation of all orchids;  
and to provide for the exchange and dissemination of information relating to the culture of orchids among members of the Society."

### AOS Judging Central Coast Judging Center In Santa Barbara

This month's judging event will be held **April 21st** at the Louise Lowry Davis Center, 1232 De La Vina Street, in Santa Barbara in conjunction with the Orchid Society of Santa Barbara's monthly meeting. Plant check-in begins at 6:30 pm with the judging beginning at 7 pm. If you have a plant that you would like to have judged by accredited AOS judges then take it on down to Santa Barbara and support our new judging center. This event is held the third Wednesday of each month.

## *Upcoming Events for 2010*

### **April**

**April 17 & 18**

**Sacramento Orchid Society**

Scottish Rite Temple, 6151 H Street, Sacramento, CA,

[http://sacramentoorchids.org/index.php/spring\\_show\\_and\\_sale/](http://sacramentoorchids.org/index.php/spring_show_and_sale/)

### **May**

**May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Carmel Valley Garden Show**

9 am – 4 pm was named the COS Annual MayFaire Show & Sale ADMISSION IS FREE Hidden Valley Music Seminars, 88 W. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley Village, 11 miles East of Highway

1. Please visit our websites: [www.carmelorchidsociety.org](http://www.carmelorchidsociety.org), [www.cvqgardenclub.org](http://www.cvqgardenclub.org), [www.hiddenvalleymusic.org](http://www.hiddenvalleymusic.org), for more information or contact Joanie Linares, COS Chairperson at [winecow@gmail.com](mailto:winecow@gmail.com)

**May 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Orchid Society of California Mother's Day Sale**

10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Lakeside Garden Center. 666 Bellevue, Oakland, CA. For information contact

[www.orchidsocietyofcalifornia.com](http://www.orchidsocietyofcalifornia.com)

### **June**

**June 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>**

**San Jose Orchid Exposition**

San Jose Japan Town, Miraido Club House, 550 6th St., San Jose, CA 95112 For More Information:

[bwdavidson2@bbnow.net](mailto:bwdavidson2@bbnow.net)

**June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>**

**58<sup>th</sup> Annual Lompoc Flower Festival**

More on this year's event in next month's newsletter.

## *Local Society Meeting Information*

**Santa Maria Orchid Society, Inc. Monthly Meeting.** Held each month on the first Wednesday, beginning at 7 pm, Veterans' Memorial Center, 313 W. Tunnell Street. Meetings are held every other month (Feb, Apr, June, Aug, Oct, Dec). Contact Chuck Scheithauer at 937-6201 for more information.

**Orchid Society of Santa Barbara Monthly Meeting.** Held each month on the third Wednesday at the Louise Lowry Davis Recreation Center, 1232 De La Vina (at De La Vina and Victoria) and beginning at 7:30 pm.

[www.west.net/~orchidsb/](http://www.west.net/~orchidsb/)

**Five Cities Orchid Society Monthly Meeting.** Held each month on the second Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m., at the Arroyo Grande Woman's Community Center, 211 Vernon St., Arroyo Grande. [www.fcos.org/meetings.html](http://www.fcos.org/meetings.html)

**Santa Barbara Cymbidium Society Monthly Meeting.** Held each month on the second Wednesday at the Louise Lowry Davis Recreation Center, 1232 De La Vina (at De La Vina and Victoria) and beginning at 7:30 pm.

[www.cymbidium.org/](http://www.cymbidium.org/)



# Orchid Show & Plant Sale

April 17-18th, 2010

## "Gems of the Jungle" Scottish Rite Temple

6151 H Street Sacramento, CA 95819

*Just across from Sac State University*

Admission: \$5.00

Plenty of FREE PARKING

Sat 10am - 5pm      63rd Annual Show  
Sun 10am - 4pm      Hourly Door Prizes

**Sacramento Orchid Society**

*www.SacramentoOrchids.Org*

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[www.SacOrchidShow.com](http://www.SacOrchidShow.com)

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