

# 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**  
**February 16, 2010**  
The Lompoc Library  
Grossman Gallery  
Meeting begins at 7 p.m.

AMERICAN  
ORCHID  
SOCIETY

An AOS Affiliate Society  
Since 2002

2009 - 2010

## Officers

**President:** Phil Rietz  
**Vice President:** Gene Baum  
**Secretary:** Open at this time  
**Treasurers:** Van  
& Pam Bivans  
**Past President:** Eileen Whitty

## Board of Directors

(2008 - 2010)

Lena Meurling  
Jeannie Beattie  
Mike Horochivsky  
Penny Whitaker

(2009 - 2011)

Heather Quinn  
Rich Boden  
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## Committees

**AOS Representative:** Van Bivans  
**Membership:** Phil Rietz  
**Publicity:** Gene Baum  
**Hospitality:** Judy Lee  
**Show Displays:** Jeannie  
Beattie & Eileen Whitty  
**Librarian:** Heather Quinn  
**Historian:** Mike Horochivsky  
**Newsletter:** Phil Rietz

## Scheduled Guest Speakers:

### ***Eric & Christina Holenda***

Our guest speakers for the February meeting will be **Eric and Christina Holenda** from the Five Cities Orchid Society. They will be showing a slide presentation and discussing their trip to Ecuador.

They met in Ecuador on an orchid tour 10 years ago and haven't looked back. Christina is an expert orchid and nature photographer. Eric has been a grower for 22 years and Christina takes the pictures. They travel extensively usually to regions with lots of native orchids. Their orchid trips have included Ecuador, Costa Rica, Madagascar, New Guinea, Alaska and other parts of South America.

Eric is an expert grower with both a greenhouse and sheltered patio on the Nipomo Mesa. His Specimen Cattleya alliance "Fiery Treat" was awarded for several years running in SB until he sold it to Paul Gripp.

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

## Notes of Interest from the January Meeting

Phil opened the meeting by thanking those who attended the Society Christmas potluck. There were 22 attendees.

He then discussed elections for 2010 that will occur next month. He will be sending out absentee ballots along with the February newsletter.

Phil then discussed plans to set up a field trip to Asbell Orchids and SLO Gardens in February. More coming on this event.

With no other new business, Gene Baum introduced the evening's speaker, Wayne Ferrell who presented an excellent talk on *Laelia anceps*. Thanks to SBOE for a great plant table...it was full of *anceps*.

### Greenhouse Tour Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>

We have setup a field trip to visit SLO Gardens and Asbell Orchids on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. We will leave Lompoc at 8:30 am 'SHARP' so as to arrive at our first stop, SLO Gardens. Please bring a brown bag lunch and drink. We will eat at SLO Gardens before we depart for Asbell Orchids just after lunch. We have been asked to carpool as much as possible due to parking limitations at Asbell Orchids. More information at the February meeting.



*Stanhopea hernandezii*  
Photo Courtesy of Phil Rietz

### 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 **January 20th** 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*

### **February**

**Feb 26 – 28**

**SFOS Pacific Orchid Exhibition, Fort Mason Festival**

Pavilion, San Francisco, 9 - 5pm, Contact: SFOS Hotline (415) 665-2468 flarose@prmagic.com or go to:  
[www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/poe.html](http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/poe.html)

### **March**

**March 12, 13 and 14**

**The 65<sup>th</sup> Santa Barbara International Orchid Show**

Earl Warren Showground's; Santa Barbara, CA. This year's theme is 'Nature in Harmony'. E-Mail:  
[SBOrCHIDSHOW@GMail.COM](mailto:SBOrCHIDSHOW@GMail.COM) or visit [www.SBOrCHIDSHOW.COM](http://www.SBOrCHIDSHOW.COM) for more information.

**March 13 & 14**

**Central California Orchid Society Show**

Sierra Vista Mall, 1050 Shaw Ave., Clovis, CA.

**March 19, 20 & 21**

**San Joaquin Orchid Society Show**

Sherwood Mall, 5950 Pacific Ave., Stockton, CA.

### **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.cvgardenclub.org](http://www.cvgardenclub.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)

## *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/)



**CARNAVAL!**  
San Francisco Orchid Society's 2010  
**PACIFIC ORCHID EXPOSITION**  
**FEBRUARY 26 - 28, 2010**  
*Cymbidium Pinata, watercolor by Sally Robertson*



**Santa Clara Valley  
Orchid Society**  
founded 1951

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SANTA CLARA VALLEY  
ORCHID SOCIETY  
**ORCHID SHOW**  
AND SALE  
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**MARCH 26-28**

**WESTGATE MALL**  
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# Coastal Valley Orchid Society

The nominating committee for 2010 presents the following slate of officers, committee heads and board of director's positions for election:

### Officers (1 year term)

|                |                    |
|----------------|--------------------|
| President      | Phil Rietz         |
| Vice President | Gene Baum          |
| Secretary      | Open at this time  |
| Treasurer      | Van and Pam Bivans |

Write In Vote (Print Name/Position): \_\_\_\_\_

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### Board of Directors (2 year term) 4 Positions open

1. Lena Meurling
2. Jeannie Beattie
3. Mike Horochivsky
4. Penny Whitaker

Write In Vote (Print Name): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please send your proxy ballot to Gene Baum or Eileen Whitty no later than Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Your vote matters! Only one ballot may be submitted.**