

# 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**  
**October 20, 2009**  
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  
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(2008 - 2010)

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(2009 - 2011)

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**Librarian:** Heather Quinn  
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## Scheduled Program

Our Guest Speaker Will Be:

**Dan Asbell**

Our October speaker will be **Dan Asbell**. Dan will be speaking about areas of the world that are similar to the Central Coast of California. He will discuss the various genus that grow in these areas and how even you could grow them here in our area.

Many of us have heard Dan's father Bob Asbell speak to the society in the past and this will be a treat to have Dan as our speaker. Most of us associate Asbell Orchids with great Cymbidiums but the nursery is expanding on its collection of Cymbidium companions. This should be a very interesting talk for the evening and Dan will use several of the plants he will be discussing as a hands-on discussion.

Asbell Orchids will also be providing plants for the hospitality table for the evening as well.

You won't want to miss this meeting!

## **Membership Dues**

With September come and gone....this means that some of you have had your dues expire. This does not apply to all but to most. Please check your membership card to see if you are a member who needs to stay current. If you are unsure please contact Van or Pam Bivans or Phil Rietz.

## Notes of Interest from the September Meeting

Phil opened the September meeting by discussing the 2009 CVOS Auction results. He noted that there has been a steady decline each of the last three years. He emphasized that money raised from this event supports society guest speaker fees, hospitality table fees, and administrative fees.

Phil then provided a Treasurer's report that Van gave him prior to Van & Pam departing on vacation to Alaska.

He then turned to floor over to Jeannie Beattie to discuss the Orchid Society of Santa Barbara's fall show that will take place on Nov 28 0 29 at the Museum of Natural History in Santa Barbara. This year's theme is 'Orchids in Paradise'.

Phil then discussed other upcoming events such as the Annual CVOS Christmas Potluck that will take place at the home of Phil and Jeanie on December 19<sup>th</sup>. There will be more information coming on this event.

The meeting then turned to the evening's discussion that consisted of a round table discussion led by Gene, Phil & Eileen on the sort of information that can be found on plant tags. There were several handouts provided to those present and a lot of discussion and questions.

Special thanks to the Santa Barbara Orchid Estates for providing great plants for the evening's hospitality table.

Next month's speaker will be our own Phil Rietz.

### Upcoming Speakers

**November 17<sup>th</sup> – Phil Rietz**

**December 19<sup>th</sup> – Annual Christmas  
Potluck**

**January 19<sup>th</sup> – Wayne Ferrell**



*Stanhopea hernandezii* courtesy of Phil Rietz

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

This month's judging event will be held **October 16th** 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.

### 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."

## *Upcoming Events*

**Oct 16 – 18, 2009**

**Southland Orchid Show at the Huntington**

Botanical Gardens, 1156 Oxford Road, San Marino, CSA Board meeting, AOS Members meeting, lectures, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Check the website for the registration packet: [www.orchidshow.org](http://www.orchidshow.org)

**October 17 & 18, 2009**

**Diablo View Orchid Society Show and Sale. 10:00 AM to - 5:00 PM.**

Sales open at 9:00 AM. Pleasant Hill Community Center, Walnut Creek, CA. Visit the DVS website at [DVS.org](http://DVS.org) for information and directions.

**October 23, 2009**

**Peninsula Orchid Society Auction. 6:00 PM** San Mateo Garden Center, San Mateo, CA. Call Paul Reeve at (650) 366-3251 or Chaunie Langland at (510) 494-8850 for further information.

**Oct 24 - 25, 2009**

**OrchidMania Fall Sale: Sat & Sun, 11 AM to 3 PM.**

717 Paris St. San Francisco. In place of the previous, big offsite, annual sale OM plans to have more seasonal sales at the greenhouse. Many beautiful blooming orchids, collectibles, and special values will be available. For information contact Bob Christensen at [RCC572@aol.com](mailto:RCC572@aol.com) or visit the OrchidMania website at [www.orchids.org](http://www.orchids.org).

**Nov 6 – 7, 2009**

**Orchid Society of California Show,**

Lakeside Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Ave, Oakland. Contact: Mary Lou Smith: [MLRLS@aol.com](mailto:MLRLS@aol.com)

**November 7 - 8, 2009**

**Annual Fall Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Open House.**

Saturday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Sunday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. For more information, call 800-553-3387 or check the website [www.sborchid.com](http://www.sborchid.com)

**Nov 28 – 29, 2009**

**Orchid Society of Santa Barbara Annual Show and Sale**

"Orchids in Paradise," Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. Show installation Friday, Nov 27, 1–5 pm.

**Jan 23– 24, 2010**

**Peninsula Orchid Society Show**

1400 Roosevelt Ave., Redwood City, CA, info: [sue94301@gmail.com](mailto:sue94301@gmail.com) or 605-322-9853.

**Feb 26- 28, 9-5pm – SFOS Pacific**

**Orchid Exhibition, Fort Mason Festival**

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

## *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/)

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