

# 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**  
**September 15, 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  
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**Secretary:** Open at this time  
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& Pam Bivans  
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(2009 - 2011)

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**Newsletter:** Phil Rietz  
**Web Master:** Phil Rietz

## Scheduled Program

### What Do Those Plant Tags Mean?

Our September meeting will consist of a panel that will explain the "orchid shorthand" used by orchid nurseries and hobbyists to track the growing conditions and history of each plant. Bring in a tag you don't understand and have it deciphered.

This is not only a great chance to ask our panel about plant tags but also watering, pests, and much, much more!

### Membership Dues

With September upon us...this also means that most of society member's dues will expire this month. 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.

### What Would You Like To Hear Talks On?

Your CVOS Board of Directors would like to hear from you! What subjects would you be interested in hearing about each month? What type of hands-on demonstrations would you be interested in seeing?

We are looking for inputs from YOU! Send your ideas to Phil, Gene, Eileen, or Van by email or call one of us. The sooner we hear from you the sooner we can get what you want setup.

# Notes of Interest from the August Meeting

By Phil Rietz

The August meeting consisted of the society's annual plant auction and the society auctioned off more than 70 plants. Thanks to Phil, Gene, Eileen, Harry, Wanda, Van, and Bob for their contributions and especially Rudy Bachman at SLO Gardens for his generous donation of plants. A great time was had by all.

There were some brief notes to pass on that included the upcoming fall open house hosted by the Santa Barbara Orchid Estates and the Orchid Society of Santa Barbara's annual show and plant sale that is traditionally held around Thanksgiving and at the Museum of Natural History.

Additionally, Phil discussed the society's annual Christmas Potluck that will be held at the home of Phil and Jeanie on December 19<sup>th</sup>. More to come on all of these upcoming events.

## ***Cymbidium Society of America Forum is back On-Line!***

At the July 11 CSA Executive Board meeting, the Board decided to re-start the CSA Forum. The Forum is now open and for anyone interested in cymbidiums and other cool growing orchids without regard to their level of knowledge or expertise.

As stated on the Forum start page, "this is a forum for fun and lively discussions about everything cymbidium, paphiopedilum and other cool-growing orchids. It's the interactive part of the CSA website."

To make sure the Forum is useful to newer hobbyists, we are counting on you more experienced growers to log in and help answer questions relating to culture and other questions they might have.

There are some other parts of the Forum we'd like to see more use of. If you want to trade cymbidiums, for example, there's a section for that. Also, those of you having shows or special branch programs should use the Forum as an opportunity to advertise for free.

The web address is <http://forums.delphiforums.com/cymbidium/start>. The Forum is also accessible by a link on the CSA website at <http://www.cymbidium.org/>. Jim Lothrop, Immediate Past President, CSA, be moderator of the Forum.

For more information contact Phil or Gene.

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

This month's judging event will be held **August 19th** 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."



Blc. Memoria Vida Lee courtesy of Van Bivans

## *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).

**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.

## *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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**Sat. Oct. 17, 2009 Sun. Oct. 18, 2009**

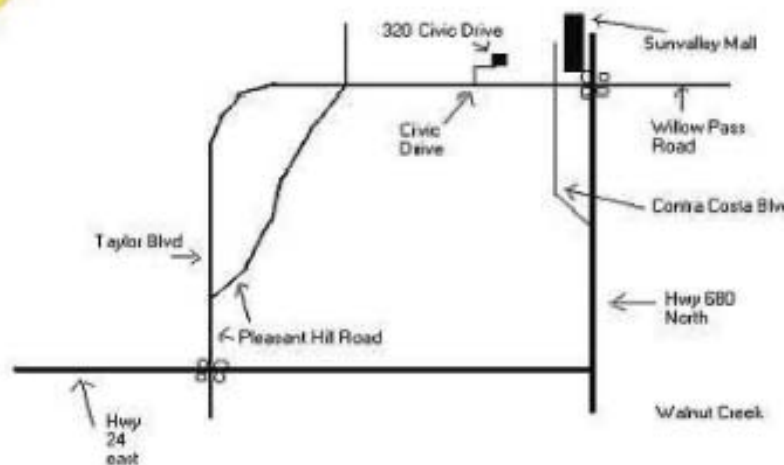
Sales open at 9:00 am Sat.

Show 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Sat. & Sun.

**Admission : \$ 2.00 - Children : Free**

**Orchid Displays \* Orchid Sales & Raffles \* Plant Doctor**

**Potting & Culture Demonstration**  
**11:00 am \* 1:00 pm \* 3:00 pm**



**Pleasant Hill Community Ctr. 320 Civic Dr**