

# THE SHEATH

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**October General Meeting**

Date:       October 26, 2018

Time:       Doors open at 7:00PM

Place:       San Mateo Garden Center  
605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA

Take the Alameda de las Pulgas exit off Hwy 92, turn South. The Garden Center is located between 26th and 28th Avenues.

## Skill Session: Ask and Expert with Ken Jacobsen Meet in the Rose Room at 7:10pm

Ken Jacobsen will answer any questions you have on orchid culture or any other orchid related topic! An excellent chance to have some of those pesky questions answered that just don't come up in our meetings. Ken is an AOS judge, a CSA judge, and an advanced expert hobby grower cultivating thousands of plants.

## This Month's Program: Deflasking Speaker: Tom Perlite

Tom Perlite is the owner of Golden Gate Orchids in San Francisco and has been growing orchids for the past 40 years or so. After receiving a degree in Botany from Cal Berkeley, Tom worked at the Rod McLellan Co., and subsequently started Golden Gate Orchids in 1981. Golden Gate Orchids is a wholesale nursery specializing in cool growing orchids including Odontoglossum, Masdevallias, Miltonias, and Dendrobiums.

**Opportunity Table**

There will be a few plants from Tom Perlite, with the majority of the table coming from Andy's Orchids.

- Bulbophyllum rugosum
- Dendrobium unicum (dormant)
- Dracula orientalis
- Epidendrum (Nanodes) logirenens (mini discolor)
- Gastrochilus bellinus
- Leptotes bicolor
- Masdevallia floribunda
- Masdevallia rolfeana
- Mixillaria picta
- Pleurothallis imraei
- Pleurothallis palliolata
- Pleurothallis sandemanii
- Pleurothallis titan orange
- Scaphosepalum odontochilum
- Scaphosepalum swertifolium (yellow)
- Stelis argentata
- Stelis sp. (Brazil)

Tom is a retired AOS judge and has received numerous awards including Grand Champion at the Osaka International Orchid Show, the George Moore Medal from the RHS, the Butterworth Prize and 8 FCCs from the AOS.

Tom will demonstrate deflasking and planting with two root types of orchids, one with thick roots and one with thin roots. He will also demonstrate mounting onto bark.

This will be a great opportunity to ask Tom questions. He has a vast store of knowledge and is one of the best growers ever.



*A preview of the opportunity table plants.*

### **Dinner with the speaker!**



We will have a no-host dinner with Tom will take place at California Pizza in the Hillsdale Mall (it is easiest to get there if you park on the back side of the mall) - about a 5 minute drive from the garden center. Please let Chaunie know if you will attending so she can request enough seating. [chaunie.langland@earthlink.net](mailto:chaunie.langland@earthlink.net)

### **Flask for sale!**

Chaunie ordered two flasks from Marni Turkel for Tom's demonstration, only one of which she wishes to keep. As it turns out, Tom ended up with some other flasks to use so this one will not be deflated at the meeting. There will be a flask of *Dendrobium treubii* for sale at our meeting for \$70 (this includes the sales tax). What a great time to try out deflasking soon after our meeting!

## **Member News**

**Wanted: Janice Pettee orchid (most likely Cattleya hybrid).** Sentimental value for the requester; Janice Pettee was her great aunt and she would love to find a plant. Contact Janusz (email and phone in the Newsletter) who will put you in touch with the requester.

### **August Birthdays**

Robert Anderson Jr., Carol Armendariz, James Baxter, Betty Chinn, Mary Kunitake, Kathryn Parker, George Spangler, Abraham Chih Wang, Helena Wee, Allan Wofchuck and Barry Zimmerman

### **New members**

Jean-Marc Mazzoni

## PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

The Peninsula Orchid Society Board of Directors met recently to discuss a variety of issues important to our society including:

- 1- Finances: POS financial performance is on-track to meet our budget for 2018, and we see no significant issues that would jeopardize this.
  
- 2- POS Board Membership for the coming year 2019: As I'm sure you appreciate, POS cannot be a functioning organization without the help of volunteers. There are several Board of Director positions open for 2019 and a nominating committee has been formed to find volunteers to help handle POS activities in 2019. We are looking for a Vice President, who primarily handles speaker schedules; for a Treasurer who primarily handles ticket sales at our meetings; and for several "Director at Large" volunteers. Please consider volunteering your time to keep POS going. Most of these positions require only a nominal amount of time, and past volunteers in these positions are available for advice. Feel free to contact me or other Board members for more information regarding what each position requires.
  
- 3- Filoli Show: In the past, POS members have volunteered to help with an orchid display for Filoli shows. The next Filoli Show will be a little different and a little longer. The show is set for 1/11/19 – 2/17/19 and is being presented as an orchid show. Many of the local orchid societies will participate. POS has agreed to help between 2/7/19 - 2/17/19 (10 days) and we hope to again find volunteers from POS to help. If you have an interest in helping with the next Filoli Orchid Show, please mark your calendars now. More information will be forthcoming.
  
- 4- Storage Space for POS Equipment: POS is looking a small amount of storage space for certain pieces of equipment needed for our annual POS show. In the past we have found members willing to store some of this equipment, perhaps in their garage. Access is normally required once or twice a year. The POS Board has agreed to pay a fee to a POS member willing to store this equipment. Please consider this and contact Mike Drilling for more information ([mike.drilling@gmail.com](mailto:mike.drilling@gmail.com)).

**Eric Levenson**

## 2019 Show and Sale

### January 26-27, 2019

The first show meeting will take place on Sunday, November 4th at 2:00 PM at Chaunie's house in Fremont. There will be refreshments. Please come if you have agreed to be a show chair, if you think you might like to be a show chair (several spots still available) or if you have ideas you would like to share for the show.

We urgently need a hospitality chair - this is the person in charge of the kitchen. This is one of the functions that makes our show extra nice and encourages the volunteers to show up every year! Your job would be to figure out the amount of food needed, purchase it and get it transported to the CAB. Also, to line up people to be in charge of the kitchen each of the three days. We are not planning on anyone cooking this year, just arranging for pizza and sandwiches for lunch and dinner Friday, lunch Saturday and lunch Sunday. We also plan to have water, cookies, fruits, chips, coffee and tea. Bagels and donuts for Saturday and Sunday morning. If you would like to organize this, please let Chaunie know. It would be sad if everyone had to bring their own food, especially the vendors who work so hard during our show.

SOMEONE COME UP WITH A SHOW THEME, PLEASE. Last year's theme, Orchid Tiki Lounge, was a lot of fun. Please send your ideas to chaunie ([chaunie.langland@earthlink.net](mailto:chaunie.langland@earthlink.net)) or we could have a theme of Orchid Show.

## Meeting Refreshments



We appreciate and want to thank anyone who brings snacks to our POS meetings. However, all POS members are also expected to help out with refreshments, setup and cleanup at monthly meetings based upon the first letter of your last name.

Check the calendar below for the monthly meeting corresponding to your last name.

### For **EXAMPLE:**

Members whose last name starts with the letter range A - B would bring snacks to the meeting in **January**.

Please bring snacks such as baked goods, nuts, fruit or veggie sticks, crackers & cheese for the next meeting. A jar/can of nuts, a pound or two of fruit (dried or fresh) or cheese, a dozen cookies, or a box or two of crackers is an appropriate amount.

**And everyone who brings snacks should remember to ask the folks at the opportunity table for an extra opportunity table ticket, regardless of your last name!**

### 2018 Refreshment Calendar:

Jan: A - B

Feb: C

Mar: D - G

Apr: H - J

May: K

Jun: L

Jul: M - Q

Aug: P - Q

Sep: R

**Oct: S - V**

Nov: W - Z

Dec Potluck: Everyone

Jan 2019: A - B



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## Upcoming Orchid Events

### **October 26 - 27, 2018**

Carmel Orchid Society Fall Orchid Festival

9 AM - 4 PM

Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula 4590 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel [www.Carmelorchidsociety.org](http://www.Carmelorchidsociety.org)

### **November 17–18, 2018**

Orchid Society of Santa Barbara Fall Show & Sale "Orchid Safari" –

Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, Fleishmann Auditorium 2559 Puesta Del Sol Road, Santa Barbara, California. For more information: [www.orchidsb.org](http://www.orchidsb.org)

### **January 26-27, 2019**

Peninsula Orchid Society Show & Sale

Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave., Redwood City, CA

### **February 22 - 24, 2019**

The Pacific Orchid Exposition

Gala Night February 21, 2019

Save the Date and start spreading the word! Stay tuned more information to follow.

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

### **March 15 - 17, 2019**

The Santa Barbara International Orchid Show 'Orchid Magic'

Fri thru Sun 9 AM - 5 PM

Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara

For more information: [www.sborchidshow.com](http://www.sborchidshow.com)

## Photos from the Plant Auction



Plant preview before the auction.



Our auctioneers working hard to sell those plants.



Our volunteers keeping everything organized.



Many bidders went home with a whole collection of new plants.