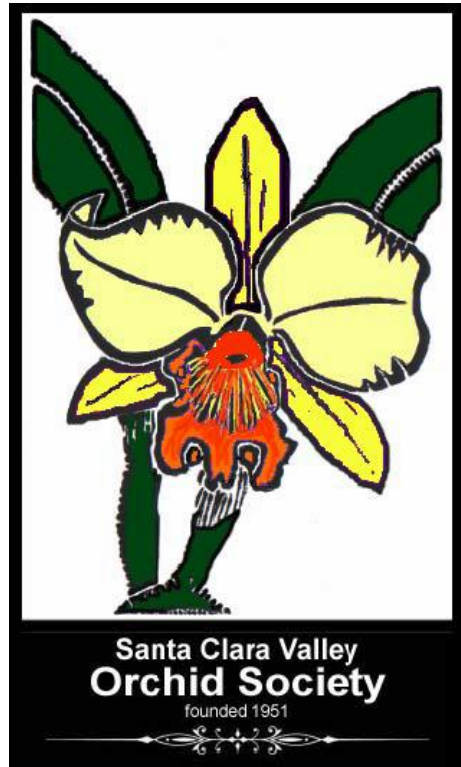


**Santa Clara Valley
Orchid Society
Established 1951
"Helping You to Become
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October 2015
Newsletter
Next Meeting:
Wednesday October 7th,
2015
American Legion Hall
1504 Minnesota Ave
Willow Glen - San Jose
7:30 PM**



Our speaker for October will be Holger Perner.

He is a world known German botanist and orchid specialist, and has worked at Huanglong National Park in northern Sichuan as senior consultant since September 2001. Wenqing, his wife, an accomplished businesswoman and linguist, is fully fluent in English, Japanese, German, and of course her native language, Chinese. They met in Sichuan in 1997 on a botanical tour, were married a year later, and moved to Sichuan (Wenqing's homeland) full time in 2001. They have two lovely daughters, Stefanie and Isabell.

Since 1999 Wenqing and Holger have been leading botanical tours to see western China's rare plant flora. In 2010 these tours were extended to the subtropical and tropical mountains of southern China where a number of Paphiopedilum species can be seen. In May of the same year they finally got the go ahead to export CITES

protected orchids (both Appendix II and Appendix I) out of China, making it possible for people to legally possess such species as Paphiopedilum hangianum and P. tranlienianum (both Appendix I) for the first time outside of their native lands. Wenqing and Holger also travel extensively throughout the world attending orchid shows, and giving talks to local orchid societies. Dr Perner's presentation will be on "Chinese Paphiopedilums - The rare, the new and the unusual"

This is a chat about Paphiopedilums, presenting new species from China, also discussing unusual forms and rare species. The presentation also includes notes on cultivation, understanding of their natural habitat and photographs. Dr. Perner will also bring the plant table!

NOTES: Remember your 2015 dues are over due at the next (October) meeting. \$20.00 per year for email and \$30.00 for mail. You can also mail your check to:

**Cheryll Moss
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If you are not getting your newsletter via email, please be **sure to give your current correct address to EdNazzal @ paphman@gmail.com**

Remember, for much more information about orchids, links, our future schedule, care sheets, contact information, previous newsletters, and lots of pictures of plants and people, visit the website: santaclaravalleyorchidsociety.org/links.htm

**The SCVOS:
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SCVOS Online- So much online – check it out!! We have a Facebook page. Have a look at it on [Facebook!](#) Also see [Matt Bond's Flickr page](#), and [Eric Hunt's SCVOS Show page](#), and the [Internet Orchid Species Encyclopedia](#), which the SCVOS helps fund. Member SusanWiedmann also has a new link at

<http://www.upclosewithmothernature.com/>

SCVOS Board Meeting

**The next SCVOS Board Meeting will be held on October 21, 2015 at a location to be named later.
7:00 PM**



Past SCVOS President Kristina Bell and new President Marv Bell. Thanks to Kristina for years of service to SCVOS.



Your 2015 SCVOS Board

**Standing left to right- Tom Moss, Kristina Bell, Sheryll Moss, Marie Lofton, Tung Nguyen, Javier Perez
Sitting- Ed Nazzal, Dave Smitt, Sandi Fox, Ann Stuart, Marvin Bell**

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September 2015 Meeting

The September Meeting was our annual auction. Sandi Fox, Bob Shimmon and Javier Perez were out autioneers. This is one of our most important fundraisers and a really good time.



Sandi, Javier & Bob



**Liz Gehrig, Conrad Kumata and
Ed Nazzal our registrars**



Sandi Fox in action



Last orchids

Upcoming Events for 2015

2015

October 3, 2014 California Orchids Fall Sale 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
5154 Aspen Rd., Bolinas, CA

November 11-15, 2015 AOS Members Meeting Hosted by the Northern Nevada Orchid Society
Atlantis Casino & Resort 3800 S. Virginia Street, Reno, Nevada
89502 www.nnvos.org

November 14 - 15, 2015 Santa Cruz Orchid Society Show & Sale Sat. 9 - 5PM;
Sun. 10 - 4 PM Santa Cruz

This from Bay Breeze Nursery

Hi All,

Contrary to what you may have heard, the Bay Breeze Nursery has NOT (yet) been sold and no sale is pending as of 9/23/15.

The nursery remains open for business, offering Cymbidium seedlings and clones as well as other orchids and some decorative plants at reasonable prices. Calling ahead is not essential but is always a good idea.

Paphs & Phrags

