

A LITTLE COMMERCIAL MESSAGE...

DUES ARE DUE FOR 2011...

Thank you to all the folks who have paid 2011 dues. (We liquor you up at the holiday party and then ask for money. Pretty smart...) Some folks have even added a small donation. Single dues remain \$30 with couples \$45. If you would like to add a couple of bucks to your membership check, it would help. You can pay at the February meeting or send a check made out to GLVOS to Carol Siegel 8601 Robinson Ridge Drive Las Vegas, NV 89117. I pay for the newsletter postage and printing myself so if you are still getting a hard copy newsletter and have an email, please send me your email (Mine is growlove@cox.net). If you have decided not to rejoin, please let us know. If you did not get an orchid key chain at the party, you will get one when you pay your dues!



Newsletter is below....

GREATER LAS VEGAS ORCHID SOCIETY
THE ORCHID COLUMN

CAROL SIEGEL, EDITOR

GREENHOUSE TOUR
SECOND SUNDAY

Sunday, February 13, 2011
2 P.M.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY,
SWEETIE!

OUR 12TH ANNUAL WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

SPECIAL EVENTS:

February 13, 2011
West Side Greenhouse Tour
Clarice and Dennis Dean
Dan Mumau and Mike Lawless
March 6, 2011
Ron Coleman, "A Survey of North
American Native Orchids"
April 3, 2011
NEW MEETING PLACE
EASTER SEALS BUILDING
Ron Parsons
"The Orchids of Crete"
May 1, 2011
Karen Muir
"What Makes a Good Paph"
June 5, 2011
East Side Greenhouse Tour
Ole Borresen
Cathy and Jim Loftfield
Roberta and Fred Schechter
July 10, 2011
Fred Clarke,
"Growing Fabulous Cattleya"
August 7, 2011
Barbecue Mt. Charleston
September 11, 2011
Cathy Loftfield
"A Passion for Orchids"
October 2, 2011
Peter Lin
"The Three A's-
Angraecum, Aeranthes, and
Aerangis"
November 6, 2011
Carol Siegel
"The Sex Life of Orchids"

What fun we had at our January meeting! Part carnival, part rummage sale, our Annual White Elephant Sale was a huge success netting us over \$1400! We had such a good time haggling over the classy clutter that others foolishly discarded. To cries of, "But what is it?" we delightedly carted out more stuff than we carted in. Thank to everyone for the enthusiasm and generosity. A special thanks to John and Bettye Williams for the donation of golf for four to Angel Park. I wrote to a lot of orchid nurseries, and they kindly donated over 80 really gorgeous orchids to us. (We offered to pay the postage.) Norito Hasegawa, owner of Paphanatics and a member of our club, showed up at the meeting with blooming paphs in hand. We were overwhelmed by the generosity of Carmela's Orchids (www.carmelaorchids.net), The Hilo Orchid Farm (www.hiloorchidfarm.com) Repotme (www.repotme.com), Santa Barbara Orchid Estate (www.sborchid.com) Orchids of Los Osos

(www.orchidsdoflosos.com), Zuma Canyon Orchids (www.zumacanyonorchids.com) Fred Clarke and Sunset Valley Orchids (www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com) Parkside Orchids (www.parksideorchids.com), and also our speaker, Jason Fischer of Orchids Limited (www.orchidweb.com). Everyone has been very generous, mentioning how much they value our club. PLEASE SUPPORT THE GENEROUS FOLKS WHO SUPPORT US IN THESE TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES AND TELL THEM THANK YOU WHEN YOU DO ORDER. Thanks to Tony Billitere for the hotel plants. OrchidWiz kindly donated their orchid software to our sale. Many thanks to the Williams for donation of 2 chairs and to Jackie Braverman for the office chair. We are grateful to our White Elephant Captains for helping with the sale- Judy and John Tuthill, Cathy and Jim Loftfield, Myra Glassman, Cathy and Jim Loftfield, Christina de la Cruz. and others. We couldn't do it without you!

WEST-SIDE GREENHOUSE TOUR FEBRUARY 13TH



Well, we can't exactly promise that the greenhouses will look like the one at left, but they are pretty spectacular anyway! Dennis built the Dean greenhouse, and it is very special, including a special desert water wall. Clarice and Dennis Dean grow the most gorgeous orchids, and they will share with you the considerations in building a greenhouse. Dan Mumau and Mike Lawless have an equally lovely set-up that they purchased with mostly hanging plants in clay pots growing in a greenhouse that is recessed into the ground- great for the desert. Dan and Mike will share their secrets for growing spectacular orchids. Dan promises to cook something special for us, too (Did we really have a greenhouse tour just for Dan's food? Well, maybe...) We will go to Clarice's house at 2 pm (she has lots of parking) and then on to Dan for a tour and food.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR GETTING TO GREENHOUSES

Dean address: 2 pm
5540 Santa Margarita
Las Vegas, NV 89118
876-2729

Starting at Rainbow and Sahara intersection going west, make a left turn on Rainbow. Continue going south on Rainbow. You will pass Tropicana, then Hacienda. You will pass Spring Valley Hospital. Just past Spring Valley Hospital, make a left on Santa Margarita. Pull into the parking lot on the right. It is a home on 5 acres set off from everything else.

Mumau/Lawless address: (to follow the Dean tour)
9647 Rainfall Avenue
Las Vegas, Nv 89147
362-5251

Turn right out of Dean house onto Rainbow. Turn left onto Tropicana Avenue. Turn right onto Fort Apache Road. Turn left onto Spring Mountain Road. Turn left onto Oak Lane. Turn right onto Rainfall Avenue
9647 Rainfall is on the left



FROM THE HEART-

Best wishes to Jean Gordon for a wonderful trip to Wales...Get well to Dorothy Billitere on a complete recovery... Glad to hear Roberta Schechter is feeling better... Say a prayer for my mother who had a stroke, please.... Hope Carolyn Jones is on the mend.... Our condolences to Jackie Braverman on the loss of her beloved father... And to anyone else who needs our love and prayers, our hearts are with you.

We will move to our new location on April 3 at the Easter Seals Building, 6200 West Oakey between Torrey Pines and Jones. Our March and April speakers changed months, and our March speaker will now be Ron Coleman with our April speaker Ron Parsons. Always something.

Just in case you have too much money in your pocket and not enough orchids (well, one out of two ain't bad...), there are two worthy shows coming up.

SAN FRANCISCO ORCHID SHOW will be held March 3 to 6th at the Fort Mason Center, San Francisco (www.orchidsanfrancisco.org)

There will be a Gala Benefit on Friday night, dozens of orchid vendors and displays- and in San Francisco. Tell me if you are going.

66th SANTA BARBARA INTERNATIONAL ORCHID SHOW NATURE IN HARMONY will be held on March 11-13 at the Earl Warren Showgrounds (www.sborchidshow.com)

There will be displays of hundreds of different orchid species and named varieties by more than 70 exhibitors from the US and foreign countries. There will be orchids for sale, corsages, supplies, limited-edition antique orchid prints and commemorative items.

We have a Canadian orchid member, Carol Warkentin. She pays dues, sends things to the White Elephant Sale gets our newsletter! So- we are an international club! I thought you might be interested in learning about Carol, and she has kindly sent us a little article and bio. They are attached to the newsletter.

Also, I have attached a marvelous article on "Hobby Greenhouses" from the OAS ORCHIDS magazine from April 2006 by Steve Klitzing, a brilliant writer printed with permission of the AOS. Love you, see you Lord willing, February 13. Love Carol growlove@cox.net