



# Delaware Orchid Society

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May 2012

**General Meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 2012**

**Speaker: Mary Jo Gilsdorf**

**Topic: "Los Orquideos Locos: Those Crazy Orchid People in Costa Rica"**

Due to a recent cancellation of our previously scheduled speaker, our own Mary Jo Gilsdorf will present "Los Orquideos Locos: Those Crazy Orchid People in Costa Rica" – an orchidea-cous adventure in horticultural Disneyworld. Mary Jo traveled to Costa Rica over the holidays this past December and January with ten other intrepid travelers who were all orchid enthusiasts. They began the trip in Orchid Mecca – Lankester Gardens and wound their way through several stops in the central volcanic valley, then to the Monteverde Cloud Forest and finally to the Pacific Coast seeing a great variety of orchids (and other flora and fauna) along the way.

Mary Jo Gilsdorf is an accredited AOS Judge and active in the local orchid community where she is a member of several societies. Mary Jo began growing orchids in her teens in Puerto Rico and took up the hobby again in earnest about twelve years ago. She grows a variety of genera in her greenhouse and has received a number of AOS flower quality and cultural awards. During the day, she is in-house counsel to a major regional construction management company.



Join fellow DOS members  
for dinner before the meeting at

**Hollywood Diner**  
**(Concord & Murphy Roads)**

at 5:30– 5:45 p.m.

If you would like to join us, confirm  
your attendance with Lynn Fuller (302-  
438-7699 or [mlfuller@comcast.net](mailto:mlfuller@comcast.net))

## THE DELAWARE ORCHID SOCIETY

### Officers

Scott Cunningham, President  
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### Board of Directors

Olivia Landis  
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### Committee Chairs

Program	Mary Jo Gilsdorf Mali Rao
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Activities	Olivia Landis Adrian Ross
AOS Rep	Lynn Fuller



**Delaware Orchid Society Meetings are held the second Tuesday each month (except June, July and August) at Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, 1006 Wilson Road, Wilmington, Delaware at 7 PM. Visitors are always welcome. June is our annual banquet held at another location (TBD) and July and August is our summer recess.**



**Check out our website!**

[www.delawareorchidsociety.com](http://www.delawareorchidsociety.com)

Doors open: 7:00 p.m.  
Social/Judging 7:30 – 8:00 p.m.  
Business Meeting: 8:00 – 8:15 p.m.  
Speaker: 8:15 – 9:00 p.m.  
Show Table/Raffle/Door Prizes: 9:00

## **DOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **MAY 5 ORCHID SEMINAR & REPOTTING CLINIC**

PLACE: DELAWARE SEED AND GARDEN SUPPLY  
TIME: 10:00 AM—NOON

### **MAY 8 DOS GENERAL MEETING**

PLACE: EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
TIME: 7:00 PM

Speaker: Mary Jo Gilsdorf

Topic: “Los Orquideos Locos: Those Crazy Orchid People in Costa Rica”

### **JUNE 12- DOS BANQUET**

PLACE: GREENVILLE COUNTRY CLUB

Speaker: David Off, Waldor Orchids

Topic: “The Orchid History of New Jersey”

### **JULY AND AUGUST - GENERAL MEETING BREAK**

### **SEPTEMBER 10 - DOS GENERAL MEETING**

PLACE: EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Speaker: Alan Koch, Gold Country Orchids

### **SEPTEMBER 15 ORCHID SEMINAR & REPOTTING CLINIC**

PLACE: DELAWARE SEED AND GARDEN SUPPLY

TIME: 10:00 AM—NOON

### **DECEMBER 1 ORCHID SEMINAR & REPOTTING CLINIC**

PLACE: DELAWARE SEED AND GARDEN SUPPLY

TIME: 10:00 AM—NOON

If you are interested in checking out one of our library books or periodicals, contact Vicki Gawiak directly. Vicki may be reached by phone at: 302-475-2663, or by email [duchgyp@verizon.net](mailto:duchgyp@verizon.net). A searchable document listing of the Library Collection may be found on our website under Resources.

## AOS Corner

### ***An Update From the AOS Members' and Trustees' meeting—Wichita, Kansas***

Announcing the election of new Officers for the upcoming 2012-2014 period:

Sandra Tillisch-Svoboda, President  
Tim Brooks, Vice President  
Fred Missbach, Vice President  
Karen McBride, Treasurer  
Max Thompson, Assistant Treasurer  
Jean Hollebhone, Secretary

And the election of the following Trustees for Three-Year Terms Ending in 2015:

Jeanne Buchanan  
Norman Fang  
Mario Ferrusi  
Ron Giles  
John Ingram  
Frank Smith

Biographical information about all the trustees and officers are located on the AOS webpage ([www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org)). In addition to the elections, the various AOS committees and Trustees held their meetings. Throughout the year, I will be writing

about some changes and additions to membership in the AOS that were discussed at these meetings.

During the Town Hall Meeting, the attendees were given an update on the progress of the move to Fairchild Botanic Gardens. The staff is still getting acclimated and are currently in very small temporary space. As some construction is completed at Fairchild, AOS will be able to acquire more office space. In the meantime, most functions are up and running on schedule and most of the needs of the membership are being met.

AOS would like to thank all of you for your patience and understanding during their move to the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden. The new phone and fax numbers have been installed and are: Phone: (305) 740.2010; Fax: (305) 740.2011. They are requesting that the Committee Chair emails should continue to be the first line of contact. A listing of those email addresses are on the website as well.

Lynn Fuller, Chair  
AOS Affiliated Societies Committee

## Future Regional Orchid Events

May 12, 2012: Hardy Native Orchid field trip 8:00 am—5:00 pm (\$30 per person) sponsored by the Continuing Education program at Mt. Cuba. Register at [www.mtcubacenter.org](http://www.mtcubacenter.org)

May 16, 2012: Mid-Atlantic Judging Center, 7:00 pm—10:00 pm. Fairmont Park Horticultural Center, 100 N. Horticultural and Montgomery Drs., Philadelphia; send cut flowers to: Walter Off, Waldor Orchids, 10 East Poplar Ave., Linwood, NJ 08221

May 19—23: Native Orchid Conference annual meeting (number 11) will be held at the University of NC in Wilmington, NC.. Visit [222.nativeorchidconference.org](http://222.nativeorchidconference.org) or email [ncorchid@yahoo.com](mailto:ncorchid@yahoo.com) for more information.

June 8—10: Shore Orchid Festival—Silva Orchids

June 20, 2012: Mid-Atlantic Judging Center, 7:00 pm—10:00 pm. Fairmont Park Horticultural Center, 100 N. Horticultural and Montgomery Drs., Philadelphia; send cut flowers to: Walter Off, Waldor Orchids, 10 East Poplar Ave., Linwood, NJ 08221

APRIL 2012 SHOW TABLE

GREENHOUSE

Masd. Casslope "Best Grown"	Mary Ann Ulmann
Den. Ichnastrum	"
Max. ubatubana	"
Phal. Baldan's Sunset 'Peach'	"
Phal. Sweet Memory	"
Den. Ise 'Pearl'	"
Lc. Aussie Sunset	"
C. Guatemalensis var Alba	"
Epl. parkinsonianum	"
Cym. Dorothy Stockstill 'Forgotten Fruit'	"
Cym. Lady Sarah 'Strawberry Milk'	"
Cym. Sunshine Falls	"
Gongora tricolor	John Rogan
Ren. John Losgar	"
Brsdm. Fly Away	"
Paph. lowii	"
Paph. Mount Low	"
Sic. Hazel Boyd 'Debbie' AM/AOS	"
Paph. Robinianum	"
Pyp. Kalihl	"
Rstp. cuprea	Duane & Judy Erdmann
Tol. Pat Janvrin	"
Paph. Apple-Master	"
Den. densiflorum	Steve Chang
Den. Ioddigesii	"
Arpophyllum gigantean "Best Grown"	Barry Woolf
Phal. Cat's Paw Firebird 'Montclair'	Lynn Fuller

NON-GREENHOUSE

Pyp. Kalihl	Harry Kutch
Phal. Baldan's Kaleidoscope	"
C. Eye Candy 'Sweet Sensation'	"
Phal. Mini Mark 'Holm'	Jim Michaels
Sedirea japonica	"
Paph. Fumf's Delight	Bee & Sol Fenick
Phal. 'Lori Weaver'	Lori Weaver
Den. atrovioaceum	Lynn Fuller
Stelis argentata	Duane & Judy Erdmann
Dresslerara caesarita	"



*Arpophyllum gigantean*—Best Grown  
Barry Woolf

*Cym. Lady Sara 'Strawberry Milk'*  
Mary Ann Ulmann



# Merci

A big thank you to all who helped at the auction last month! Duane and Judy for registering all the plants and for keeping tabs on bidding, Adrian for setting-up, Hennie for greeting visitors and giving out bidder numbers, Lorie and her hospitality crew for providing delicious snackies (what a cookie selection!), Olivia, Barry and Winnifred for exhibiting and moving the plants around, Scott for comic relief (such is the role of a president!), Lynn and Joel for keeping records straight, Dick for vacuuming at clean-up, John, auctioneer extraordinaire, for keeping the auction lively and entertaining and lastly all who donated and bought plants. Thank you for supporting DOS.

*Marie-Christine Viallet*

## SHORE ORCHID FESTIVAL

Held at Silva Orchids

NOW IN JUNE

Friday, June 8 - Sunday, June 10, 2012 • 10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.

### Guests to include

- Andy's Orchids
- Black Jungle Terrarium Supply
- Brennan Orchids
- Cal-Orchid
- Canaima Orchids
- Fishing Creek
- J&L Orchids
- Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies
- Little Brook Orchids
- Main Street Orchids
- Oakhill Gardens
- Orchid Phile
- Piping Rock
- Seed Engel
- Silva Orchids
- Stony Brook Orchids
- Suwada Orchid Nursery
- Ten Shin Gardens
- Waldor Orchids



Bus & van groups welcome

Easy access from major highways

Free orchid workshops on Saturday & Sunday for beginners & experienced growers  
Food vendors on site • Rain or shine • All activities tented

635 Wayside Rd. • Neptune, NJ • 732-922-2635  
Visit our website for more information [www.silvaorchids.com](http://www.silvaorchids.com)

## Welcome New Members

Elizabeth Del-Vecchio, Chadds Ford, PA

Tod Baseden, Wilmington, DE

Gail Sklar & Howard Cohen, Broomall, PA



Paph. Fumi's Delight—Bee & Sol Fenick



*Phal. Mini Mark 'Holm' -  
Jim Michaels*



*Masd. Cassiope— "Best Grown"  
Mary Ann Ulmann*



*Phal. Cat's Paw Firebird 'Montclair' - Lynn Fuller*



*Pot. Harrison Charisma*

*June Banquet Update*  
*Tuesday, June 12th @ 7:00 pm*

*Join Delaware Orchid Society*  
*at the annual celebration of all things orchids*

Our speaker will be Dave Off from Waldor's discussing the Orchid History of New Jersey. David will provide plants for sale at great prices. There will be door prizes for all.

## *Menu*

Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar (yes, you will have to pay for your own drinks!)

*SPINACH AND ROMAINE SALAD* (Sliced strawberries, bleu cheese, candied walnuts and balsamic vinaigrette with rolls and butter)

***CHOICE OF ONE ENTREE:***

"B" - PETITE FILET, grilled filet of beef, red wine demi glace

"C" - CRAB CAKE - SINGLE, with horseradish-lemon aioli

"S" - PAN SEARED SALMON, with lemon beurre blanc

"V" - VEGETARIAN, Mushroom and Asparagus Pasta  
steamed spring asparagus tips with a selection of locally grown mushrooms  
tossed with egg papardelle pasta, Italian parsley,  
and Belgian endive curls, finished with shaved locatelli cheese

*ACCOMPANIMENTS* (Piped whipped potatoes & sautéed medley of seasonal vegetables )

*DESSERT* - Cake with Coffee or Tea

*Confirm your attendance with menu choice to:*

E-mail ( [jbalogh@udel.edu](mailto:jbalogh@udel.edu)) or let him know at the May meeting

*Cost:* \$37.00/person. (Please bring a check to May meeting or mail to Joel Balogh,  
34 Morgan Hollow Way, Landenberg, PA 19350)