

Central Ohio Orchid Society Reporter



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November 2014

November Meeting Annual Awards Banquet & Social Gathering Franklin Park Conservatory Thursday, November 20th, 2014 – 6pm

No speaker this month folks...but there will be food, conversation, food, awards, food, hopefully lots of pretty orchids to look at, food, and a whole lot of fun! Oh, and did I mention food? That's right...it's time for our pot luck dinner and social hour(s)! And, it's time...drum roll please...to find out who has won the grower's contest this year.

Being my first year of doing the newsletter...and that fact that I am likely the world's worst procrastinator...I am completely unprepared to put anything even slightly poetic in this section. Even if I were prepared, I doubt it would be anywhere near as eloquent as what Bill has done in all the previous years. Maybe next year I will be able to be more entertaining but for now...just the facts from me folks.

And the facts are...we'll be meeting in our normal room downstairs and things should get rolling around 6pm. Bring along those blooming plants for the show table, whip up your specialty dish fo sharing, and everyone be sure to bring an appetite. If history has taught me anything...there is always a LOT of wonderful food at our November meetings.





Fall

Fall is upon us and it's always a time for reflection.

We look back on a year that's starting to wind down, and hurry to complete tasks before winter sets in. And we go over our lists from last January and try to see how we've done and what we can still accomplish before the year is out. With renewed vigor we turn to our assigned tasks.

And orchids. Those who have had them outside watch the weather forecasts carefully to know when to bring them in. In Ohio, that's a crapshoot, as it seems clear no-one in the forecasting business has any clue whatsoever about the weather today let alone tomorrow or next week.

Furnaces are turned on, greenhouses sealed against the winter, or room made for plants in the living room, dining room, or wherever they can be squeezed in. And the long dreary wait for spring begins.

This is a very good time to take stock of your orchids. What needs to be done? Are there plants with special problems that need attention? A little more reporting before the season ends?

Bugs? Rot? Overgrown plants? As the opportunity to be active outdoors disappears, that is an opportunity to turn the gaze inward to the orchids which missed you while you were away boating, biking, hiking, vacationing.

And so, planning for spring begins now. Dormant orchids, or those about to become so, will need less care. They are an ideal choice for those without a greenhouse and limited ability to grow indoors. No muss, no fuss. Bring them in and when dormant you don't have to water them or care for them at all. Harbingers of spring, they will appear again when it's time to start thinking of putting things outdoors again.

For those with greenhouses, it's time to tidy up for a winter sealed against the elements, prevent mold and rot, make arrangements for humidity and heat. Indoor growers with grow rooms need to make adjustments for the season as well, and those who grow without such also need to make room in their lives for the added time and space the plants will now require.

And, make a plan for carrying those bloomers out into the cold for shows and meetings. Don't just carry your plant 100 yards through a parking lot in the 5-degree weather. Have a plan, don't wing it. I have black plastic 'bulb crates' into which I place specially cut and arranged cardboard boxing which will protect the plants. As tall as will fit into my car, and wide enough for numerous plants. And very large plastic garbage bags to go over them to seal against cold when transporting them. Have a plan. Be ready. Then when meeting/show day comes, you won't have to run around and worry about freezing your plants off!

Tennis Maynard



Folks, we still need volunteers for the MAOC!

I'm posting the below again because there are still plenty of slots to fill. Look over the listing and figure out a couple (or more!) areas where you can help out and email Tennis (jaymay55@gmail.com) as soon as you can. It's only a week away!

I'll have a current listing later this week and will be sending that out but you don't need to wait...if you know you can help w/something...let us know.

<><< Pre-Show >>>> We need bakers to bake the orchid cookies. See Eileen Ansley at our October meeting to sign up!

<><<< Thursday Nov.6 >>>>>>>

5PM-10PM retrieval and set-up of stanchion exhibit backdrops and tables. Lifting involved, though not heavy. We'll need about 6 healthy, strong people for this, and at least one decent sized pickup truck or van or a couple of SUVs that can fit a 48-inch wide tabletop in them.

MAOC registration table 10AM-5PM ~ Need two people at all times, all day or shorter shifts as needed. Meet our fascinating registrants and get them started on their weekend! Make new friends!!

<u>Hospitality Room</u> One person at all times, spotted by a second whenever possible. All day or shorter shifts as needed. Enjoy being the grand lady/gentleman hosting our guests as they refresh and snack. Make new friends!!

Set-Up floaters

Help vendors/exhibitors unload, get settled, set up, etc. At least two people all day. Make new friends!!

Clerks for Ribbon Judging

5PM-7PM. 6-12 people. Learn the wiles and ways of judging orchids!



Judges Breakfast. At least two people. Hospitality room. 6:30-7:30AM

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<u>COOS info table. 10AM-5PM</u>. At least one person at all times, **all day or shorter shifts as needed**. Meet all kinds of people coming by in the conservatory, answer questions, and get us some NEW MEMBERS!!! Make new friends!!

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<u>Tear-Down. 5PM-10PM</u> At least 2 floaters to help vendors/exhibitors tear down and get their things out of FPC. Tear-down stanchions and exhibit tables once the exhibits are removed. Lifting involved, though not heavy. About 6 healthy strong people for this, and at least one decent sized pickup truck or van or a couple of SUVs that can fit a 48-inch wide tabletop in them.

Folks...I said it last month...I'll say it again...we need EVERYONE'S help to make it all work so, please, everyone pitch in where you can and let's make this an awesome MAOC weekend.

2014/2015 COOS Officers - Terms of Office are from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015

President: Tennis Maynard

1st Vice President:Bill CavanaughProgram Chair2nd Vice PresidentDave MarkleyHome Show Chair3rd Vice President:Ken MettlerAway Show Chair

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COOS Trustees – Terms of Office Expire December 31st of the Year Shown

Lori Baldwin 2015 Eileen Ansley 2015 Screll Jones 2017 Elly Campbell 2017

Tom Franczak Immediate Past President

Show Table Results

<u>September</u>

Plant of the Month		
Justin Pepperney	Paph charlesworthii	
Cattleya Species & Hybrids combined		
Tessie Steelman	Eplc Volcano Trick 'Fireball'	1 st
Tessie Steelman	Blc Copper Queen	2 nd
Tennis Maynard	C x Heathii	2 nd
Tennis Maynard	Blc Owen Holmes 'Radiance'	2 nd
Tennis Maynard	Blc Pisgah King	3 rd
Tennis Maynard	C Chocolate Drop 'Kodama'	3 rd
<u>Phalaenopsis</u>		
Screll Jones	Phal Yaphon Evergreen 'Yaphon'	1 st
Screll Jones	Phal Lieulin Sweet 'Sweetheart'	2 nd
Screll Jones	Phal Sin-Yaun Golden Beauty 'Fairy Tale'	3 rd
Oncidiae (species and hybrids combined)		
Tennis Maynard	Miltonia spectablis v moreliana	1 st
Dave & Edna Markley	Tiger Crow 'Golden Girl'	1 st
Scell Jones	Psychopis Mendenhall	2 nd
Dave & Edna Markley	Dendrochilum wenzelii 'Fishing Creek'	3 rd
Dave & Edna Markley	Onc Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'	3 rd
Paphiopedilum Species		
Justin Pepperney	Paph charlesworthii Plant of the Month	1 st
Tennis Maynard	Paph helenae	2 nd
Tennis Maynard	Paph henryanum	3 rd
Paphiopedilum Hybrids		
Tennis Maynard	Paph Transvaal	1st
Justin Pepperney	Paph Jack Tonkin 'Vals Choice' AM/AOS	2 nd
Tennis Maynard	Paph Lady Isabel x malipoense	3 rd
Other –		
Tennis Maynard	Ansellia africana	1 st
Tennis Maynard	Angraecum eburneum	1 st
Tennis Maynard	Habenaria xanthocheila	2 nd
Ken Mettler	Spiranthes cernua	2 nd
Tennis Maynard	Trichopilia Elizabeth Ann	3 rd
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October Show Table

Screll Jones

Tennis Maynard

Plant of the Month **Screll Jones** Habenaria regnieri **Terrestrials-**1st Screll Jones Habenaria regnieri 2nd Katrina Heap Habenaria medusa 3rd Ken Mettler Spiranthes odorata 'Charles Ford' **Cattleya Species-**1st Katrina Heap C araguaiensis 2nd **Tennis Maynard** Leptotes pauloensis 3rd Ken Mettler Sophronitis cernua Cattleya Hybrids-1st Tennis Maynard Blc Pisgah King 'Scott' 2nd Katrina Heap C Calypso 3rd Tessie Steelman Blc Norman's Bay Paphiopedilum Species & Hybrids-1st Tennis Maynard Paph barbigerum v album 2nd Dave & Edna Markley Paph Windrush 3rd Paph Jack Tonkin 'Val's Choice' AM/AOS **Justin Pepperney** Oncidiae (species and hybrids combined) 1st Tennis Maynard Psychopsis Kakihi 'Yellow Bird' 2nd **Tennis Maynard** Milt clowesii 3rd **Tennis Maynard** Aliceara Sunday's Best 'Muffin' Vandaceous-1st Katrina Heap Holcoglossum wangii 2nd Ascda. Suksamran Beauty 'Bubblicious' **Tennis Maynard** 3rd V. Pachara Delight 'Pachara' Tennis Maynard Other-Katrina Heap Ctsm Bella Vista's Sangria 'Jamie's Purple Passion 1st X Ctsm denticulatum 'SVO' AM/AOS 2nd Screll Jones Angraecum 2nd

Phal pulcherima

Bulb tingabarinum

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2014 COOS Calendar

• Nov 20 Annual potluck and awards dinner

Board Meetings Board meetings will be held the second Tuesday of odd numbered months. 7:00-8pm

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Annual Growers Contest Results for 2014

Winners to be revealed at the dinner! ©

Hospitality

Fellow COOS members -- 2015 is just around the corner and that means it's time to sign up for hospitality for the coming year. See Terry and/or Sandra and get your name on the list at the next meeting!

January: February: March:

Screll Jones



International Phalaenopsis Alliance, Region 10 Events

Region 10 will have a meeting on December 6th at New Vision Orchids in Yorktown, Indiana. All IPA members are welcome. We will discuss Phal culture and possibly growing Phals from seed and how to coax them out of flask. There will be a small auction to benefit region 10 activities and IPA in general.

A second meeting and auction is planned for the Greater Lansing Orchid Society show in Michigan. That event is scheduled for March 1, 2:30 to 3:30 PM. The location is Michigan State University, East Lansing. Check their web site for the exact location but I believe it is the Soil Science and Horticulture Greenhouses. Culture and an auction will be the activities.

Both events may include a guest speaker, pending arrangements. Please let Russ know if you plan on attending either meeting, and spread the word to orchid societies in your area. All Phalaenopsis enthusiasts welcome.

Russ Vernon Region 10 Director

Porter's Orchids invites you to our annual Holiday Open House:
Saturday, December 6, 2014
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Porter's Orchids Greenhouse
10968 Royston Road, Grand Ledge, MI

Printable map available on our website: http://portersorchids.com
Or contact us at:
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A light lunch with refreshments, and live music with the Sounds of BS, Tim Statler and Nanette Barker.

Mingle with other orchid hobbyists, and check out our divisions and new hybrids. We hope to see you then!