

Central Ohio Orchid Society
Reporter



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April 2016

May Meeting

Steven Frowine - on Fragrant Orchids

**Thursday, May 19th at Franklin Park Conservatory
Beginner's Corner 7:30pm – Meeting starts at 8pm**

Fabulous Fragrant Orchids

Only one experience is more breathtaking than seeing a gorgeous orchid in bloom and that is smelling a fragrant gorgeous orchid in bloom! Ask the insect pollinators who depend on fragrance rather than beauty to lead them to the right flower. Yet, orchid growers have traditionally paid more attention to flower size, substance, color, and shape than to scent!

Steve wrote the first and only popular book on the subject (*Fragrant Orchids*, Timber Press 2005). His presentation shows exquisite images many of them and description including cultivation information along with detailed notes on the plant's fragrance and intensity, which can range from elegant and sophisticated to downright nasty, from fruity and spicy to medicinal and fishy, from light and fresh to heavy and overwhelming.

This program is both informative and entertaining for experienced or beginning orchidist.

Our speaker, Steve Frowine is a self-proclaimed "plant nerd." Ever since he was a kid he's loved plants. "I started helping my neighbor, 'Miz' Connell weed her garden when I was a youngster," says Steve. "I've had my nose in plants ever since." His dad, a successful lawyer in Portsmouth, Ohio, wasn't sure that horticulture was a field his son should study. To test him, he got young Steve a job at a local florist, instructing the owner to "pay him a Pepsi a day and work him hard." It backfired. Steve loved the job so much he was bent on studying horticulture in college and making it his career. His fixation with orchids started in junior high school when his dad brought one back as a present from Florida. Now Steve resides in Ajijic, Mexico where he grows a wide range of orchids outdoors. Usually Steve has little patience for plants that don't bloom, but not so with orchids. "I've been growing a division of a lady slipper orchid (*Paphiopedilum Langley Pride* 'Burlingame' HCC/AOS) for 26 years. It finally bloomed for the first time this winter," he says. Now that's obsession!

Mr. Horticulture ~ Steve's resume reads like a list of the top organizations and companies in the U.S. horticultural world. He has worked at the Missouri Botanical Garden, National Tropical Botanical Garden in Hawaii, Cleveland Botanical Garden, Pittsburgh Civic Garden Center, W. Atlee Burpee, White Flower Farm, Etera, International Garden Products, and Dutch Gardens. He's written articles for most major gardening magazines and has been on the boards of the Garden Writers Association (GWA), National Gardening Association (NGA), and American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta (AABGA) and on the Visiting Committee of Longwood Gardens. Steve has written four orchid books, *Orchids for Dummies* published by Wiley and *Fragrant Orchids*, *Miniature Orchids*, and *Moth Orchids*, the *Complete Guide to Phalaenopsis*, by Timber Press. Through all these changes and years in horticulture, one area that has remained constant is

Steve's love of growing orchids. Now, the passion for orchids has caught on with amateur and professional gardeners alike.

- ✓ Folks, Steve will be bringing some books for sale but won't have plants, which means, we'll be having another Members' Plant sale evening.
- ✓ The Pre-Meeting, "Meet and Greet" will be at the Rusty Bucket located at 2158 E. Main St at 6pm. All are welcome!

President's Message



- ❖ Visitors and New Members - I'm very excited to say we had 11 visitors at our last meeting and 7 of them joined our society! A warm welcome to our newest members: Jennifer Sonnenberg, Beth Crowe, Miriam Utter, Amy Stanley, Jinney Becher, Melissa Lee & Sam Darnall. Our other visitors were Rick, Jose, P.W., Keenan, and Charlene. I hope they'll visit again.
- ❖ Our re-potting and orchid division workshop was a big hit. I don't think I've ever heard such a noisy orchid society meeting. People seemed to be having a lot of fun. Thanks to Tom Bell-Games and Justin Pepperney for organizing the event. Justin showed us how to re-pot orchids and sterilize tools. Ken Mettler talked about orchid viruses and testing. Katrina Heap, Edna Markley, and others did hands-on demonstrations of orchid dividing and re-potting at their tables. Rosina Bell-Games brought in coconut bark medium that Jim Harper had donated. Jessica Johnson and others helped with clean-up. Thanks to all who pitched-in.
- ❖ The silent auction raised \$287.00 thanks to Gary and Deb Walker. Gary had been helping Jerry Elliot, a former COOS member, care for his orchids since Thanksgiving of last year. When Jerry passed away, his family generously donated his orchid collection to our society to be used as a fund-raiser. Gary did an inventory of the plants. He and Deb transported them to our meeting. They organized and ran the silent auction. It was a big success.
- ❖ Hospitality - Please help support our meetings by offering to bring in snacks for our hospitality table. There is a red binder set out on the table for people to sign-up. We'd like to have three people bring in treats for each meeting. It can be healthy things like fruit slices, vegetable trays, meat cold cuts, or cheese chunks, or goodies like cookies, brownies, cupcakes or other pastry treats - really anything that you'd like to share. If you can bring something please call Sandra and Terry Stohr at 614.261.9978 or E-mail them at tstohr@hotmail.com.

~ Dave Markley, President

Meeting Show Table Results

April show table results: Folks, I'm missing the entry for 2nd in the Phals. I'm not sure what happened to the slip that night...but it didn't make it home with me. Whoever won 2nd that night, please let me know who you are so I can update my listings and make sure you get the points you've earned. Also, please include the name of the plant, please. Just email me the info or let me know at the next meeting. Sorry for the goof, guys.
katrina heap

Cattleya species

Dave and Edna Markley	C skinneri v Delicata 'Herian' - Plant of the month	1st
Katrina Heap	C walkeriana (Miranda x Estrella De Collina HCC/AOS)	2nd
Tennis Maynard	L sincorana	3rd
Katrina Heap	Encyclia bractescens	3rd

Cattleya hybrids

Dave and Edna Markley	Iwga Apple Blossom	1st
Tennis Maynard	Iwga Apple Blossom x Blc Bouton Star	2nd
Terry and Sandra Stohr	Slc Jewel Box 'Scheherazade' x C skinneri	3rd

Oncidium

Gary and Deb Walker	Aliceara Pacific Nova 'Pacific Heights'	1st
Dennis Eifel	Tolumnia Genting Orange	2nd
Gary and Deb Walker	Wils Aloha Sparks 'Pele's Glow'	3rd

Paphiopedilum

Justin Pepperney	Paph philippinense	1st
Dave and Edna Markley	Paph Hsinying Citron '#7' x Pat Rowland 'Platinum Dragon'	2nd
Dave and Edna Markley	Paph Vanda M Pearman	3rd

Phalaenopsis

Terry and Sandra Stohr	Phal hybrid	1st
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Gary and Deb Walker	Phal hybrid - yellow	3rd

Others

Katrina Heap	Dendrobium pendulum	1st
Katrina Heap	Dendrobium schuetzei	2nd
Dave and Edna Markley	Zglm Luisendorf 'Rhein Clown'	3rd

2016 Calendar



Upcoming General Meetings:

5/19	Steven Frowine	Mexican Orchids
6/16	Jim Rose of Cal Orchids	Topic - TBD
July	COOS Picnic - date and locations TBD	
Aug	No Meeting	
9/15	Wayne Roberts	Topic - TBD
10/20	Holger Perner of Hengduan Biotech in China	Topic - TBD
11/17	Annual Potluck and Awards Dinner	
Dec	No Meeting	

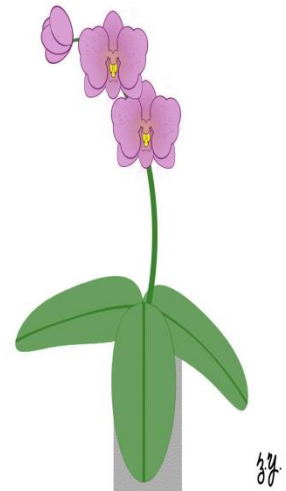
Upcoming Board Meetings:

2nd Tues of Odd Months @ 7pm
 May 10, July 12, Sept 13, and Nov 15

2016/2017 COOS Board Members

Term of Officers – January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017

President:	Dave Markley
1st VP / Program Chair	Justin Pepperney
2nd VP/ Home Show Chair	Acting - Dave Markley
3rd VP / Away Show Chair	Ken Mettler
Secretary	Suzanne Cavazos
Asst Secretary/Newsletter	Katrina Heap
Treasurer	Edna Markley
Asst Treasurer/Membership Chair	Tom Bell-Games
Immediate Past President	Tennis Maynard



COOS Trustees

Term of Office Expires December 31st of year shown

Elly Campbell	2017
Don Weber	2017
Bill Cavanaugh	2017
Susan Allison	2017



Hospitality

Friendly reminder folks...as Dave already mentioned, we need volunteers for hospitality.

May – Scott Bever and Amy Stanley – we need one more volunteer.

June – Brenda Vannoy has volunteered – we need 2 more.

September - Sakinah Salahu-Din has volunteered – we need 2 more here too.

October is wide open!

Please, pick a month and help make this job easier on Terry and Sandra. You can email them at tlstohr@hotmail.com or just get your name on the list at the next meeting. It would be greatly appreciated.



Upcoming Orchid Buying Events!

**Windswept in Time Orchids
Kim & Edgar Stehli**

8066 Skyline Drive
Broadview Heights, Ohio 44147
(440) 838-5757 — Call first for an appt.

2016 OPEN HOUSE EVENTS

SPRING - May 28 & 29 (Sat. & Sun.) 11am - 5pm
FALL - Nov. 5 & 6 (Sat. & Sun.) 11am - 5pm

Roberts Flower Supply

2016 30th anniversary OPEN HOUSE

12390 Root Rd. Columbia Station OH 440-236-5571

Our greenhouse/grounds will be open for public viewing
May 28th & 29th, from 10 am to 5 pm all days.

Not possible? Call ahead to come at your convenience May 25- June 5.

See our face book page for other deals through the summer
We will have specials on tropical plants as well as native cyripediums in pot as usual.
SEE YOU THERE!

10% off potting supplies for orchid society members with this flyer.

WSOS, GCOS, GAOS, OSWP, OSNWPA, 3 RiversOS, COOS, MVOS, MOS, Ann Arbor OS and Cincinnati OS! And any other society we may have omitted!

Wear an orchid shirt, hat, dress, pants or shorts, & get a free gift!