



January Meeting - Leo Schordje- Ever-Blooming Orchids

Thursday, February 20, 2014

Meeting starts 8:00 p.m. @ Franklin Park Conservatory

Beginner's Corner 7:30-8pm

A Bloom For All Seasons...

We all grow orchids for the magnificence in the bloom that fills our rooms with color and beauty. The problem is, orchids are seasonal, spring and fall and ne'er the twain shall meet. But is this actually so? Forsooth, methinks there is an error in the ways of your thought. You can always have orchids in flower, even in a small, well not three orchids small, but even in a small collection. Learn how to maximize your space and your flower count from this month's speaker, Leo Schordje, who will be speaking on the topic Ever-blooming Orchids.

Many of you know Leo as he is a somewhat regular speaker for our society. He is an under-lights grower in Chicago, so his knowledge on building an Ever-blooming collection will benefit us all, especially our light shelf and windowsill growers. Come and hear about how you can select and grow orchids specifically chosen to provide you with an opportunity to always have something in bloom.

Leo has been growing orchids since shortly after the dawn of time, well, perhaps not that long, but longer than either of us cares to contemplate. He began in high school and has just never stopped. As many of you know, he has his own orchid business. His webpage can be found at <http://www.schordje.com>. Leo is an excellent speaker and is quite entertaining. He is known for enjoyment of the moment and has spoken at orchid gatherings all over the country. Rumor has it he has even spoken in Alaska. Tough crowd there.

Leo will be bringing plants for sale, so bring your wallets. He can't bring pre-orders this time but I am sure if you like/must have/are dying to possess something on his website, and you let him know, it will be yours, for a reasonable price of course plus shipping. We will be having our usual meet-and-greet pre-meeting dinner with the speaker this month at Aladdin's on East Main Street at 6PM. All members are welcome, even encouraged, to come and join us. Bill Cavanaugh



President's Message

Dibs!!

That heady rush....being the first....feeling your pulse race.....watching them pull the treasures out of their packed boxes....getting the jump on everyone else, grabbing that one special plant...the whoop of joy as your rooting around brings to light that long-desired find....

Yes, there is something to that....having first shot at the vendors' plants. Well, there is a way to do that....step up and sign up....to do an away show!!

We need volunteers to put in our displays and take them down at orchid shows this season at our nearby sister societies' shows.

Incentive? Well, for COOS, it's getting our name out there, but more importantly, getting THEM to come display at OUR show. How many times have you spotted a plant in an exhibit at our show that delighted you? That was something new you'd never seen before/?That made you instantly add it to your 'must-have' list? That made your heart go pitty-pat???

Well, imagine what it's like to see all the bloomed treasures of everybody else at away shows? Different things bloom at different times, so some you'll never see at our show - but might at THEIRS!!

And incentive for the volunteers? Why, that first crack at the vendors' plants, plus getting to meet and otherwise hobnob with other orchidophiles elsewhere, get growing tips, share stories, or just make new friends. Orchidists are some of the friendliest people around!

It's easy. And fun! Learn a new skill and maybe find a new passion! All you have to do is get some blooming plants from your fellow COOS members, stick them in your car and drive to Dayton, Ann Arbor, Indianapolis or other nearby exotic locale, and set up an exhibit. Or, conversely, go on Sunday and tear it down, when the vendors are having fire sales on all their plants so you'll be there when the prices hit rock bottom!

Nervous? Not sure if you can do it? You said that about riding a bike, about swimming. And how easy they seem now! So, too, with putting in exhibits - and there are plenty of experienced COOS members willing to coach you and teach you - just ask!

Sign up today! Ken Mettler, our Away Show Chair, has all the details, dates, etc. Tell him you want your chance at the fun!!

Don't be shy....

Tennis Maynard



Our membership year is January to December. If you joined the society and you paid your dues in November or December of 2013, you are covered for 2014 as well. For all of the rest of us, it's that time again. You can pay your dues at the next meeting, or you can send a check to our membership chair. (made payable to "Central Ohio Orchid Society") **Tom Bell-Games (1615 Andover rd., Columbus, OH 43212)**. If you have not renewed yet, please support the society by renewing as soon as possible. Your contribution enhances the society and what it is able to do for you. The dues are \$20.00 for Individuals and \$25.00 per household.



**Upcoming dates for 2014 Orchid Judging at the Cincinnati Center:
Civic Garden Center of Greater Cincinnati, 2715 Reading Road, Cincinnati.**

Registration of Plants starts at 12:00pm & Judging begins at 1:00pm.

Sunday, March 9th

Sunday, April 20th



Welcome New Members

A big WELCOME to Larissa Boiwka and Suzanne Cavazos!! We are really happy that you ladies have opted to join our friendly group of orchid addicts...errrr, ummm...collectors. Welcome aboard!

Remember folks, invite an orchid friend to join, invite a stranger who is interested, intrigued, or in love with orchids to join us. Grow, grow, grow!

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

President:	Tennis Maynard	
1 st Vice President:	Bill Cavanaugh	Program Chair
2 nd Vice President	Dave Markley	Home Show Chair
3 rd Vice President:	Ken Mettler	Away Show Chair
Secretary:	Justin Pepperney	Recorder
Assistant Secretary:	Katrina Heap	Newsletter Editor
Treasurer:	Edna Markley	Collect/Disburse Monies
Assistant Treasurer:	Tom Bell-Games	Membership Chair

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

Lori Baldwin	2015
Eileen Ansley	2015
Jim Harper	2017
Elly Campbell	2017
Tom Franczak	Immediate Past President



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Away Show Bulletin!

Feb 28th-Mar 2nd

Greater Akron Orchid Show, Akron, OH

March 7th – 9th

West Shore Orchid Society, Strongsville, OH. The Stinsons may be available for this one.

March 14th -16th

Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society, Cincinnati, OH.

March 28th -30th

COOS Show.

Folk, we need volunteers to help w/the displays! Talk to Ken, please.



Notes from the January Meeting.

If I'm counting correctly, we had 47 plants on display in January...a great turn out for a cold, wintry night. Thanks to all of you who brought and shared your beauties. The results are listed below. I'm sorry to say (even a little bit embarrassed) that I don't yet have the tally of points for the competition results. Plain and simple...I forgot where to go to find out how to tally everything up. Ahhhhhhhh, gotta love those learning curves. ☺ Sorry guys...but, I promise to have it all figured out, counted and recorded appropriately...by the *next* newsletter.



Tennis and Screll did the judging...and a big thank you to them. Where they thought it appropriate, additional place awards were made. As always, we encourage you to bring your blooming plants to the show table and share your skills and the beauty of your plants with your fellow members.

We continue to need a little assistance from the membership to facilitate the show table results and the contest tally (as soon as I figure out how to do it). I'd greatly appreciate it if you would please **print** your name and the name of the plant clearly. If I have to guess, I will likely make mistakes...and no one wants that. Thank you so much for helping me out w/this.

And now...for the January results.....

Plant of the Month

Justin Pepperney

Paph lowii

Cattleya – Species and Hybrids were combined this month

Tessie Steelman	Slc India Rose Sherwood 'Kilanii'	1 st
Tom Bell-Games	Lc Trick or Treat 'Orange Rock' x Blc Waianae King 'Orchidheights'	1 st
Bill Cavanaugh	C labiate coerulea x C Portia coerulea 'Kodama'	2 nd
Tennis Maynard	C maxima coerulea	3 rd

Oncidiae

Tessie Steelman	Zelglossoda (Zdg)Calico Gem	1 st
Susan Allison	Oncidium Chaculatum	2 nd
Dave and Edna Markley	Bllra Tahoma Glacier 'Green'	3 rd
Ken Mettler	Pyp Mem Bill Carter x Mendenhall	3 rd

Paphiopedilum Species

Justin Pepperney

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Tom Bell-Games
Tennis Maynard

Paph lowii

Paph delenatii var dunkel
Paph sukhakulii
Paph insigne v sanderianum

Plant of the Month

1st
2nd
3rd
3rd

Paphiopedilum Hybrids

Dave and Edna Markley
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Tennis Maynard
Ken Mettler
Dave and Edna Markley
Tennis Maynard

Paph (Makuli-Curtis) Maudiae x Maudiae 'Napa Valley'
Paph Windrush
Paph Sumatra Romance
Paph Garnet Fire x henryanum
Paph unknown
Paph John Smith

1st
1st
2nd
2nd
3rd
3rd

Cymbidium

Dave and Edna Markley
Bill Cavanaugh
Ken Mettler

Cym unknown
Cym unknown
Cym Nagalex

1st
2nd
3rd

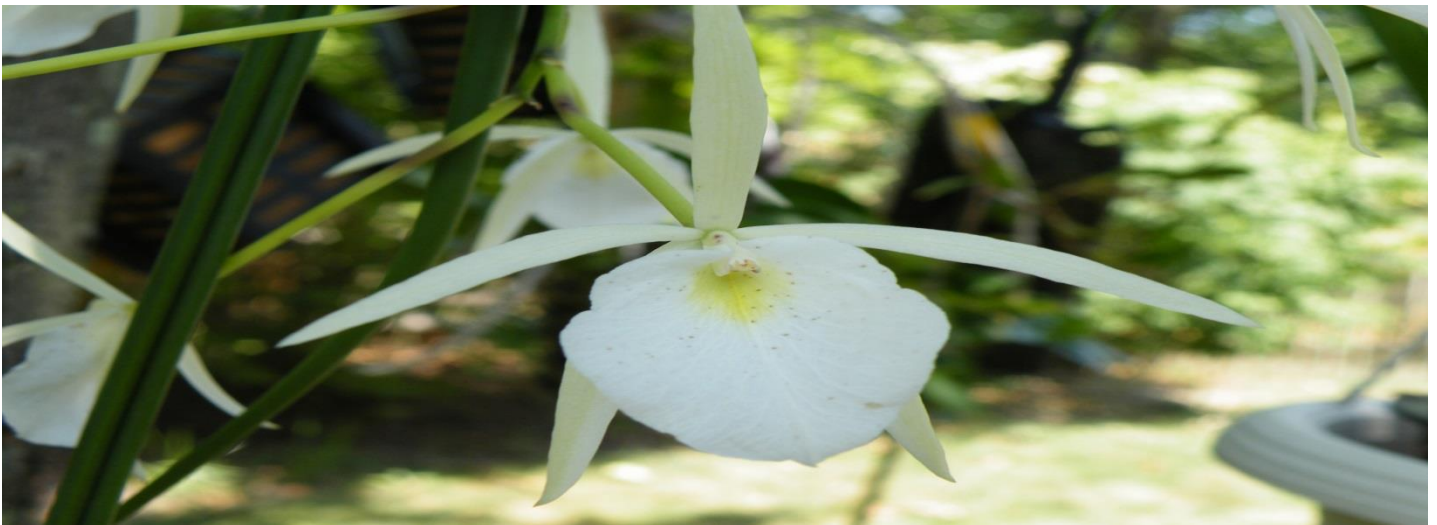
Other –

Tessie Steelman
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Tennis Maynard
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Scott Bever
Justin Pepperney
Don Weber

Lyc Koolena 'Cotton Candy'
Eplc Volcano Trick 'Fireball'
L anceps v veitchiana
Enc vitellina
V Manuvadee x coerulea
Phrag Jason Fischer
Den polysema

1st
1st
1st
2nd
2nd
2nd
3rd

As we have always noted, collecting and posting the winning plant info is sometimes an inexact science. If you think you had a plant that was recognized that we have not mentioned, please let me know.



2014 COOS Calendar (tentative)

February 20	Leo Schordje – Ever-blooming Orchids
March 20	Meeting – Speaker to Be Determined-
March 29/30	Central Ohio Orchid Society Annual Spring Show
April 17	Meeting – Francisco Miranda
May 15	Meeting – Speaker to be determined
June 19	Meeting – Speaker to be determined
July 20*	Picnic – Not set for Franklin Park Conservatory grounds - Tentative
September 18	Meeting – Speaker to be determined
October 16	Meeting – Speaker to be determined
November 20	Awards Banquet and Potluck Dinner

Board Meetings Board meetings will be held the second Tuesday of odd numbered months.
They begin at 7:00 PM

Mar 11

May 14

July 8

Sept 9

Nov 11

* Tentative picnic date



Annual Growers Contest Results for 2014....

TBA next newsletter



Hospitality

Fellow COOS members...please do your best to make Terry and Sandra's job as easy as possible and volunteer to bring something this year. Talk w/Terry and/or Sandra this Thurs and get your name listed for one of the upcoming meetings.

February:

Scott Bever
Screll Jones
Katrina Heap

March:

Tom Bell-Games
Elly Campbell -

We could use one more volunteer folks!

April:

Completely open...step up...get your name listed.

May:

Bill Cavanaugh

We need 2 more!

All other dates are completely open...talk w/Terry and/or Sandra...in person, on the phone, or email...any will work. Thanks guys!