



***April Meeting – Ken Mettler – Native Orchids***  
***Thursday, April 19, 2012***  
***8:00 p.m., Franklin Park Conservatory Classrooms***  
***7:30 to 8:00 p.m. Beginner's Corner***

## Going Native...with Orchids That Is

Our April speaker is someone very familiar to all of you or at least he should be if you are a member of the society and have not been in hibernation for the last ten years. Ken Mettler, our Judging Chair, Beginner's Corner guru, Show table judge and host of the Hocking Hills native orchid walk, will be speaking on, ...drum roll please, native orchids. Ken has a wealth of knowledge regarding native orchid species and shares it in a very informative and entertaining way.



Cyp Reginae

Ken has been growing orchids for many years and has progressed to judging but I think his first love, orchid love at any rate, is native species and hybrids. If you have paid attention to the show table over the years, the vast majority, if not all of the native orchids exhibited belong to Ken. Unfortunately we will have to find someone else to judge the show table. While Ken is a multi-talented guy, I don't think he has judging while speaking nailed down.

Ken will not be bringing plants for sale, so we will have a member plant sale. Bring all of those extra divisions, seedlings and accursed plants that will just not grow for you and find them a new home. Bring your wallets and an appetite for something or somethings new, you will, of course, have to find something to fill all those empty places for the plants you sell, or maybe you will see something you just have to have. 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.

**Bill Cavanaugh**

## President's Message

So what did you think? In my opinion, that was a first class orchid show you staged on March 31 – April 1. Small but sincere. We only had two vendors in attendance (because we were scheduled against the Palm Sunday show in Michigan), but you know what? They brought a fine variety of plants, satisfying to both the general public and the serious hobbyist. And just to make doubly sure the public didn't leave empty handed, due to the limited number of vendors, we also procured a supply of plants to supplement what the vendors brought. Apparently a good move as the vendors had, by their own account, a great weekend, and we sold out. Good all the way around.

The show wouldn't have been possible without the hard work (and heavy lifting) supplied by our members. Starting Thursday evening, **Scott Bever** and **Rich Wagener** were already at work retrieving the metal frames and draperies from storage and trucking them to the conservatory. The next day Scott (who practically moved in for the duration) along with such regular volunteers as **Larry Samson**, **Naila Caruso**, **John Geslak**, **Tom Stinson**, **Bill Cavanaugh** and **Screll Jones** were on site to set up and drape the frames, cover the tables and aid the exhibitors and vendors who began arriving around noon. Screll set up the COOS exhibit with assistance from Naila (and entered an exhibit of her own, too). **Tom Bell-Games** managed the plant registration duties and label preparations. And the hospitality room came into being thanks to **Eileen Ansley**, **Dottie Burchfield**, **Sue Allison**, and **Sandra Stohr**. And before all this occurred, **Dave** and **Edna Markely** had worked tirelessly on the paperwork and other preparations and invitations needed for the show. And Naila visited numerous online media and community bulletin boards posting notices of our show. And Tom B fired off postcard reminders to our mailing list of previous attendees.



*Dendrobium Hawaiian Heart*

Saturday morning **Ken Mettler** chaired the judging effort and **MJ Brennan** arrived to photograph both the show and its plants in general plus any AOS awards that would be granted for publication in Awards Quarterly. (There were two such.) **Nancy Wagener** ran plant sales both days on behalf of the society and was assisted by Larry Samson and Bill. Opposite that sales table a number of our members ran the membership/information table. Among them were Naila, Sue, **Elly Campbell** and **Rochelle Vennari**. Meanwhile Eileen and Sandra operated their cookie decorating table, entertaining the younger visitors and raising money. **Tom and Pat Stinson**, **Scott Bever**, **Lew Beman**, **Katrina Heap**, **Naila Caruso**, and **Lori Baldwin** did the clerking on Saturday morning and we thank them for filling a critical need in any show.

The Greater Cincinnati OS entered a knockout exhibit, garnering 10 Best of Class trophies, the AOS Show Trophy, and several sponsored trophies. Our congratulations to them. We also had exhibits from the Miami Valley OS and the West Shore OS. And individual exhibits from the Stinsons, Screll and two from **Tennis Maynard**.

Tear down went smoothly on Sunday after the show and I, for one, was a little sorry to see it over with. But just a little.

For a lot of the volunteers a bit of orchid fatigue had set in. And reasonably so.

Which is a point I'd like to amplify on a little bit. There is a fixed amount of work needed to stage an orchid show. It doesn't vary by much with respect to the size of the orchid society hosting the show. Whatever our current size is ... 60 to 80 members? ... we have to do just as much work to have an orchid show as a society with 200 to 300 members. The difference is that we have fewer people to divvy up the tasks among. This is why when we beat the drums for volunteers to help out we really need a sizable response from the members. We can only do these things if you are personally generous with your time.

At the May board meeting we'll be holding "show in review." If you have observations you'd like presented please direct them to a board member of your choice, copy to me to put on the agenda.

Oh, and mark **April 6 -7, 2013** on your calendars. :-)

**Tom Franczak**

Our membership year is January to December. If you joined the society and you paid your dues in November or December of 2011, you are covered for 2012 as well. For all of the rest of us, it is time to begin the renewal process. You can pay your dues at the April meeting, or you can send a check to our membership chair. (made payable to "Central Ohio Orchid Society") **Rich Wagener (2739 Clime Road, Columbus, Ohio 43223)**. 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 \$15.00 for Individuals and \$20.00 per household.

Dates for Orchid Judging at the Cincinnati Center: Civic Garden Center of Greater Cincinnati, 2715 Reading Road, Cincinnati. Registration of Plants at 12:00, Judging starts at 1:00. Dates are May 13, June 10, and July 8, 2012...

## Welcome New Members

We had a show. We passed out more than a couple of membership apps and we had several folks jump right into the fire at the show and join us. I just don't know who they are...yet. An oversight I will fix before the next issue and greet them properly. In the meantime, if you see new faces at the next meeting, please greet them and make them feel welcome. In the meantime, invite an orchid friend to join. Remember, if we aren't growin', we're dyin'.

### **2012/2013 COOS Officers - Terms of Office are from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013**

President:	Tom Franczak		614-868-5636
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Lori Baldwin	2015	740-246-4713
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Don Weber	2013	614-846-7712
Nancy Wagener	Immediate Past President	614-276-8890



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## Notes from the March Meeting.

Here are the March showtable results. It was a very nice spring show table with fifty-one plants to gander at. I am always amazed and pleased at the variety and quality and I know I have said that countless times but it remains true. Great job of growing beautiful orchids folks.

Ken Mettler and Screll Jones did the judging and did well. Where the judges 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. Would you please **print** your name and the name of the plant clearly! It is really hard if someone has to guess at the name of the plant or of the exhibitor. It makes life a little easier if you include all of the info in an easily readable form. Thanks. Props to Katrina Heap who broke the Tennis Maynard spell for the plant of the month, *Epi centropetalum*. Very nice Katrina.

### Plant of the Month

Katrina Heap *Epi centropetalum*

### Cattleya species small

Katrina Heap	<i>Epi centropetalum</i>	POM	1 <sup>st</sup>
Katrina Heap	<i>Scaphyglottis graminifolia</i>		2 <sup>nd</sup>

### Cattleya species Large

Tennis Maynard	<i>C intermedia v. coerulea</i>		1 <sup>st</sup>
Tennis Maynard	<i>L jongheana</i>		2 <sup>nd</sup>
Tennis Maynard	<i>L anceps v Veitchiana 'Fort Caroline'</i>		3 <sup>rd</sup>

Cattleya Hybrid

Tennis Maynard	<i>Lc Drumbeat 'Heritage'</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tom Stinson	<i>C walkeriana 'Pendentive' x C intermedia 'Aquinii'</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Katrina Heap	<i>Collierara Snow Ballet</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

Phragmipedium

Tom Stinson	<i>Phrag Jason Fischer</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tom Stinson	<i>Phrag Dominicanum 'Gloria Ann' AM/AOS</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Bill Cavanaugh	<i>Phrag Don Wimber</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Tennis Maynard	<i>Phrag Magdelene Rose 4N x Walter Schomburg 4N</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

Paphiopedilum Hybrids

Tennis Maynard	<i>Paph Fumi's Delight</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Screll Jones	<i>Paph chamberianum x henryanum</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>

Paphiopedilum Species

Tennis Maynard	<i>Paph gratixianum</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Screll Jones	<i>Paph lowii x sib</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>

Dendrobium

Scott Bever	<i>Den anosmum x sib</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Scott Bever	<i>Den thyriflourm</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Scott Bever	<i>Den Golden Aya</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Elly Campbell	<i>Den Pam Tajima</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

Phalaenopsis species

Dave and Edna Markley	<i>Phal stuartiana 'Sogo' HCC/AOS</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
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Phalaenopsis White

Tom Stinson	<i>Phal Norm's Best x Cygnus</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Ed Davis	<i>Phal Gloria Cloud</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Screll Jones	<i>Phal New Kochidian-Yukimail x Tinny White</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

Phalaenopsis Yellow

Tom Stinson	<i>Phal Brother Lawrence x Malibu Harbinger</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Bill Cavanaugh	<i>Phal Golden Treasure</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bill Cavanaugh	<i>Phal Baldan's Kaleidoscope 'Golden Treasure' x self</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

Phalaenopsis Purple

Tom Stinson	<i>Phal (Winter Dawn x Roseheart x Tranquil Seas) x Malibu Bistro</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Wauneta Kerr	<i>Phal Intermedia</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Tom Stinson	<i>Phal Brother Purple 'Brother' x H P Norton</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

Masdevallia

Screll Jones	<i>Masd princes</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tennis Maynard	<i>Masd Yma Sumac</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Tom Stinson	<i>Masd Mem Rick Rood</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Tom Stinson	<i>Masd Marty Stoyal 'Laurie Jeanne'</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

Trichopilia

Tennis Maynard	<i>Trichopilia Charles</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tennis Maynard	<i>Trichopilia Margarita</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>

Vandaceous

Tom Bell-Games	<i>Ascocentrum christensenianum</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Screll Jones	<i>Sarco Fitzhart '7 69' x Hartmanii 'Red Snow'</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>

Bulbophyllum

Katrina Heap	<i>Bulbophyllum falcatum</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tennis Maynard	<i>Bulbophyllum echinolabium</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>

Other

Naila Caruso	<i>Coelosyne 'Unchained Melody'</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Naila Caruso	<i>Cym Mighty Remus 'Vintage'</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Screll Jones	<i>Fdk Afterdark</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Screll Jones	<i>Baptistania echinata</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Chase Leibold	<i>Coelogyne florida</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

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.

## 2012 COOS Calendar

April 19	Meeting – Ken Mettler – Native Orchids
May 17	Meeting – Steven Frowine – Fragrant Orchids
June 21	Meeting – Alexa Noel – Tolumnia's
July 15*	Picnic – Not set for Franklin Park Conservatory grounds - <b>Tentative</b>
September 20	Meeting – Speaker to be determined
October 18	Meeting – Speaker to be determined
<b>November 3-4</b>	<b>Mini-show</b>
November 15	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

January 10	July 10
March 6 **	September 11
May 8	November 13

\* Tentative picnic date

\*\*Date changed from March 13



**Blc Green Dawn**



**Bulbo affine**

## The Redlands Orchid Festival

### Sheer unadulterated madness !!!

At least that's what it seems like at first. The annual Redlands Orchid Festival, in Homestead Florida, will be absolute heaven for orchid growers. With over 50 vendors, many from outside the US, it is an enormous orchid sale. Oh, there's also a small judged show, but I was so excited the first year by all the thousands and thousands of orchids for sale that I missed that part altogether! Do check it out if you go, though. There you'll see encyclias with hundreds of growths and thousands of flowers, odd cattleyas, vandas, bulbophyllums, and other plants with many many blooms; all the plants grown in FL are HUGE!

Redlands is essentially a large park taken over and filled with tables and tables and tables of orchids for sale, many of which are unavailable elsewhere in the US. It is a rare opportunity to shop international collections as well as pick in person from amongst the offerings of many, many US vendors as well. Lots of things in bloom to showcase the rest, and all kinds of things you've never seen or heard of before - but simply MUST have!

May 18-19-20 this year, it is the one time of the year I can be guaranteed to get off my duff and travel. To say nothing of then being in Florida for the rest of whatever length trip you take.

For me, my personal experience of Redlands is this: Up at 5:15AM to get ready to travel, pulling out a bit before 6AM, hitting the McDonald's drive-thru on the corner for breakfast in Ft. Lauderdale where I stay with an old friend, then the 90 - minute drive down as the sun comes gloriously up over the ocean and Florida, then arriving and sitting down on the walk up to the gate, an hour before opening and usually first or second in line. A line that, by the time the gate opens in the Fruit and Spice Park (saw a jackfruit there the size of a watermelon hanging from a tree!), is over 200-300 people long. Then the mad rush to be the first to see (and grab) the best Vanda and the best everything else. Then, a couple of hours of running non-stop and impulse buying (they called me 'the flash' that first couple of years because they could never get a focused pic of me as I was [literally] running so fast between tents). See a plant you like? Pick it up! Quick! Or it'll be gone.

Then I start methodically collecting the many preorders I have waiting for me at various international vendors' tents. Balancing a Vanda hanging over my back with four-foot long roots and six, seven, or eight shopping bags full of orchids, some in bloom, some bareroot, some potted, I dodge the large carts and wagons those who didn't have to fly to get there pull along with their dozens and hundreds of purchased plants, try to hold up the map of vendors, the list of preorders, the list of plants to look for, and weave my way amongst the throng of orchid nuts. I say hi to the many orchid friends I run into, some originally from the internet, others from various orchid gatherings, occasionally stopping to try to balance everything and take a quick pic of a bloom I'm afraid won't make it through the trip back, or some flowers not for sale I want to remember to search for later. I shift the load of plants and bags occasionally, trying not to knock off flowers or break growths, and give one or the other more tired hand a rest. Finally, at 1PM or so, exhausted and frightened by just exactly how much I've spent, I make my way sadly out the gate, looking back over my shoulder at all the plants I DIDN'T buy, and head for the car and lunch with one or another of my orchid friends there for the sale.



Vanda strapped to my back



The view over the dashboard en route to the park.

With any luck, one of the many, many, roadside produce stands will have my Ataulfo mangos, the smaller, all-yellow kind, kidney-shaped and sweet as pure sugar. I'll gleefully buy more than I can possibly eat during my stay, and make my way to lunch.

Later, having arrived back at my temporary abode, I will take out all the purchases as I sip ice-cold margaritas, and lay them all out to admire and catalog.

I'll list the plants from each vendor and the prices, and then begin the process of preparing them for shipping. Since 9/11, I no longer take them on the plane back (no checked bags for me!!). I send them USPS priority mail Saturday morning, and they usually arrive in Columbus Monday or Tuesday. Taking care to provide moisture for those which require it, I carefully unpot, unwrap, rewrap and pack them all in newspaper and box them up in the smallest size box I can squeeze them into. After that, except for a swing by the post office, the rest of my stay is a blur of sun, pool, margaritas, and food. Finally I board the plane home with a heavy sigh and begin the wait for next year's Redlands, making up a new list in my head of things I will NEED to buy then.

You should go. It is unlike anything you've ever experienced; a veritable sea of orchids, orchids everywhere. And not everyone has to run through it like I do. Many people take the whole day (there is a food vendor area, too) and relax and enjoy the park setting. Some folks even go more than one day. And of course there are plenty of orchid vendors in the Homestead area to visit, too!



Last year's 40+ plants

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There is a small entrance fee, \$5 or \$10, but there is also a raffle with the prize usually being either a collection of orchids or gift certificates to orchid vendors. The weather is usually wonderful there in May, maybe getting up to eighty degrees, but breezy. Check out the website for the Festival, <http://www.redlandorchidfestival.org> , and preorder plants to be brought in for you. The time to plan is NOW. Join me and Screll and do the Redlands dash!

**Tennis Maynard**

## On the Road ...

Armed with a new TomTom GPS gadget, off we went to Krohn's Conservatory on March 16 to set up an exhibit for COOS in the Greater Cincinnati OS's spring show. It was a real good show and our exhibit (your plants) was a worthy addition. We earned our share of ribbons, capped by **Tennis Maynard's** *Cattleya intermedia coerulea* winning a Best of Class trophy along with a second memorial trophy.

Tear down and the return trip on Sunday was another story. Coming down 71 we encountered the Weather. We waited out some hail under an overpass and when it turned to rain, off we went again. And caught up to the hail. Which pounded us. **Bill Cavanaugh** was with me and he described it as being inside a popcorn maker. We actually had to shout to each other to be heard over the racket made by the hail. Like dimples? Wait'll you see my car. But the plants were safe.

## Tom Franczak

### It's Showtime .... Away Show that is....

Here we go! Alas, I am now culturally conditioned to anticipate a Bud Light and all manner of beautiful women at the utterance of those words but no, we are talking orchids. Away show orchids. Away show results. We have them and you are getting them as close to real time as ever happens in this rag. We have Cleveland. Akron, Cincinnati. That makes us current. Stunning I say. And if I keep pounding on the keyboard I will have the show results and a current tally of the growers contest and have them a week, more or less, mas o menos, before the meeting. Either that or I wake up in the morning and find out this was all a dream and I have no idea where the show results reside. Here's hoping I'm awake.

Below are the results I have found at the publishing deadline. If it ain't there this time, it doesn't exist and I will be spending the next week on my taxes so you have it or you don't. No changes from here. Hope the contest points are right. The West Shore show was the Tom and Tennis show, a familiar site and the Akron Show exhibit won the Trophy for Best Society Exhibit and the Trophy for Best Seedling. Congrats and thanks to Tom and Pat Stinson who did both exhibits. We also won a third place for the exhibit in Cincinnati, thanks to Tom Franczak and Leo Schordje, a ringer, for setting that one up.

### Cleveland West Shore Show

1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal (Norm's Best x Cygnus)	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal Baldan's Kaleidoscope 'Golden Treasure' AM/AOS	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal [Anna Hernandez x (Double Delight x Neon Stripe) x Tranquil Seas 'Replay']	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal [(Yolanda Josufa Waver x Jean McPhearson) x Berries 'n Cream]	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal Margarita Lime	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal Timothy Christopher 4N 'Sakura'	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	L sincorana v coerulea	Tennis Maynard
1 <sup>st</sup>	Clowesia Rebecca Northern	Tennis Maynard
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phal Hybrid	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phrag besseae var flavum	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phrag Jason Fischer	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cym Hybrid	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Masd Rick Rood	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wilsonara Pui Chin 'Flying Tiger'	Tennis Maynard
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Trichopilia Becky Unruh	Tennis Maynard
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phal (Golden Gift x Golden Bells) x Orchid World	Tom and Pat Stinson
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Masd Mary Staal 'Louise Jeanne' HCC/AOS	Tom and Pat Stinson

3 <sup>rd</sup>	C trianaei	Tennis Maynard
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Enc vitellina	Tennis Maynard
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trichopilia Charles	Tennis Maynard

### Akron Show

1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal Margarita Lime	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal [Anna Hernandez x (Double Delight x Neon Stripe) x Tranquil Seas 'Replay']	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal (Norm's Best x Cygnus)	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal Hybrid	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal (Golden Gift x Golden Bells) x Orchid World	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Masd veitchiana 'Betty' AM/AOS	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dtps Mount Lip 'DF891'	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phal Timothy Christopher 4N 'Sakura'	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phal [(Winter Dawn x Roseheart) x Tranquil Seas) x Malibu Bistro	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phal Yu Pin Graft	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phal (Golden Gift x Golden Bells) x Orchid World	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Masd Mary Staal 'Louise Jeanne' HCC/AOS	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phrag besseae var flavum	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cym Hybrid	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Paph (Red Glory x Raisin Eyes)	Tom and Pat Stinson
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Paph sanderianum x moquettianum	Tom and Pat Stinson
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phal Baldan's Kaleidoscope 'Golden Treasure' AM/AOS	Tom and Pat Stinson

### Cincinnati Show

1 <sup>st</sup>	C intermedia v coerulea	Best of Class Trophy	Tennis Maynard
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phal Gloria Cloud		Ed Davis
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sarco Fitzhart x hartmanii		Screll Jones
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Collierara Snow Ballet		Katrina Heap
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phal Malibu Madonna 'Tokyo' AM/AOS		Screll Jones
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phal stuartiana 'Sogo' HCC/AOS		Dave and Edna Markley
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Fredclarkiana Afterdark		Screll Jones
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phal (Norm's Best x Cygnus)		Tom Stinson

**Great shows all and lots of awards. Congrats to all who exhibited and to those who were awarded.**

## Annual Growers Contest

We are now at a dead run through the spring blooming and show season and, as expected, there are changes in the points tally. Remember, the race goes to those that grow and show the most orchids, or at least the most awarded orchids. All you need to win is your skill, a little luck, we all know the perfidy of blooming plants...too soon...too late...not at all, but with a little persistence, you can be right up there, or in my case, with a little persistence and a lot of luck. The results below include the November, January, February and March show tables and the Miami Valley, West Shore, Akron and Cincinnati shows. We will add meetings and away shows as they happen...at least that is the plan. In a stunning turn around from previous years, we are actually current at this time of year. That normally happens in November. If you have any disagreements with the totals let me know as soon as possible so that it can be set straight.

## Green House Division

Tom and Pat Stinson	611
Tennis Maynard	598
Screll Jones	72

## AYO (All You Others)

Katrina Heap	116	Ed Davis	18
Scott Bever	62	Austin Carter	14
Bill Cavanaugh	56	Tom Bell-Games	10
Dave and Edna Markley	28	Wauneta Kerr	5
Terry and Sandra Stohr	24	Dave Sayer	4
Will Eylar	23	Chase Leibold	4
Ken Mettler	21	Elly Campbell	4
Justin Pepperney	20	Pat Kurz	3
Naila Caruso	20	Tom Franczak	3

Keep growing and showing. Our new champions will be crowned at the November meeting.



*C Labiata coerulea x Portia coerulea*



*Kefersteinia vollesii*

## Away Show Bulletin!

Upcoming Nearby Shows:

The spring show season is fleeing quickly. Only two more shows within reach, unless your reach exceeds 200 miles. :->)). Or where ever you can get to.

**Apr 14 – 15, 2012 Central Indiana Orchid Society Show**

Garfield Park Conservatory, 2505 Conservatory Dr., Indianapolis, IN ([map](#))

Show Contact: Michael Hinshaw 2065 Norwich Pl. Martinisville, IN 46151 765-913-4032

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## Apr 28 – 29, 2012 Illinois Orchid Society Show

Chicago Botanic Gardens, 1000 Lake Cook Rd., Glencoe, IL. ([map](#))

Contact: Jeanne Becker 901 Sunset Court, Deerfield, IL 60015 (847) 945-8107

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### Editor's Corner:

I would just like to take a moment to echo the comments of the president with regards to the show. I always fret about how we will pull the show off because there are so many irons in the fire and this year we had more complications. Out side constraints on our show chair and a previously planned vacation for Dave and Edna. No set up on Thursday night so earlier to work on Friday. Not enough names on the volunteer lists and all of the other incidental worries.

I should know better...I have watched the nebulous cloud tinged with a lining of disaster disapate and coalesce into a marvelous show year after year and this year was no exception. I think moving the vendors back upstairs was absolutely the right call and the vendors heartily agreed. The exhibits varied from really, really good to stunning. The crowds were good, plant sales were very good, and we garnered new members. So many of you contributed in so many ways to make it a great show even if we were a little undersized compared to some past shows. Quality still counts for a lot and all of you, the society, put on a quality show. Thank you for all you did.

Bill.

### Hospitality

We would like to express a heart felt thank you to Katrina Heap and anyone else who provided the goodies at the March meeting. I know I have overlooked some of you or there would not have been the array of goods that were there. Please accept my apology. Let me know if you contributed and I will note it.

And, we would like to offer the usual huge thank you, in advance, to all of you who have signed up to provide snacks and goodies for the upcoming meetings, volunteers are listed below. For the future, as ever, the months with a red **volunteer needed** notice, need a volunteer. I am sure you would make Dave and Edna Markley, our hospitality chairs, breathe easier if they could start getting volunteers for next year.

David and Edna Markley are our mavens of hospitality. So, for those of you who just can't wait to participate, please give the Markley's a call or sign up at the next meeting. Let them know you would like to add your name to the merriment roster.

If you have to cancel try to get a person from the following month to switch or ring David or Edna to change months.

David and Edna Markley can be reached at 614-471-5437 You can also reach them by e-mail at [dmarkley5868@wowway.com](mailto:dmarkley5868@wowway.com).

April	Pat Stinson	May	Volunteer Needed
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June	Volunteer Needed	July	Picnicii
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If you have already volunteered for one of these dates, bless you and I will list your name as soon as I have it, just as a reminder.

Epi centropetalum - Plant of the Month March  
Grown by Katrina Heap



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