



NEXT ORCHID SOCIETY MEETING: Thursday, February 19, 2004

Beginners' Corner 7:30 p.m. with Ken and Dawn Mettler, in the Library
Regular Meeting 8:00 p.m. Franklin Park Conservatory classrooms



Phalaenopsis (Brother Fancy x Joey) 'Tainan'



Dick Wells of Hilltop Orchids to speak at February Meeting.

Our speaker this month is Dick Wells of Hilltop Orchids (Cloverdale, IN). We're happy we could snare him at the peak of the *Phalaenopsis* season because Hilltop is pretty well known for its Phals. Dick will give a roll-up –your-sleeves talk about orchid growing, including but not limited to phal culture. If you know Hilltop's inventory by heart and want him to bring you something particular, you can send Dick an e at rwells@ccrtc.com.

Please note, effective this month and hereafter: if Tom Franczak can get our

Dtps. Ever Spring Prince 'Pretty Cat' speaker to arrive by late afternoon, we'll feed them dinner at a reasonably close restaurant before the meeting starts. And by "we", Tom means anyone who would like to attend. Just send Tom Franczak an "e" a few days in advance (Terpsichore@dataflo.net) in case reservations are required and he'll reply

with the restaurant and time. If you join the dinner, we ask that you help chip in for the cost of our guest's meal.

HOSPITALITY ~ Hospitality at the January meeting was kindly provided by Tennis Maynard, Hollis Humphries, and Pat Stinson. Janelle Szczepanski, Cathy Willis, and Dorothy Burchfield have all offered to bring something for our treat table at the February Meeting – Thank You!



Phalaenopsis Sogo Grape



Phalaenopsis cornu-cervi var. alba

(Photograph of *Phalaenopsis cornu-cervi* courtesy of Jay Pfahl's web site Orchid Species Photo Encyclopedia at: www.orchidspecies.com; all other photographs courtesy of Matt Pedersen at: www.cichildrecipe.com/orchids/index.asp. Also check out Matt's web address at: SlipperOrchid.com)

Interested in receiving the newsletter by e-mail? This reduces the cost to the society for sending out our newsletter, you will receive the newsletter sooner, and you get to see the photographs in high resolution color. The newsletter is sent out as a .pdf file (typically well under 1,000 KB). This enables you to open the file, regardless of your operating system. If you would like to receive this newsletter by e-mail, please contact the newsletter editor: tbellgames@burnip.com

Welcome to our newest members:

- Babett & Jim Feibel
- Jermey Fryman
- Michael Henn & Lorraine Mulichak
- Gwen Holland
- Amy Mestemaker
- Beckey Mitchell
- Ted Urbanik

Please take a minute during one of the upcoming meetings to welcome these new members to our society.

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME !

Please renew your membership in the Central Ohio Orchid Society **TODAY**. Send your check (made payable to "Central Ohio Orchid Society") to our **new membership chair, Tom James (865 Francis Avenue, Columbus, OH 43209)**, OR bring your check to the next meeting. Please support the society by renewing as soon as possible. Please note, all memberships not renewed by March 1 will be dropped from the newsletter mailing list.

Notes from the January Meeting

For those that missed it, the January Meeting included a wonderful slide presentation by Leo Schordje, a grower from the Chicago area. Among Leo's noted accomplishments is his breeding of *Phragmipedium* Andean Fire – quite a nice achievement in the development of dark red *Phragmipedium* hybrids. Leo discussed current trends in *Phragmipedium* breeding (which is still in its infancy when compared with other genera) and the culture required by these wonderful plants. Leo brought a nice selection of plants from his collection for sale. Although it was a cold night, we had a terrific turnout and even a nice number of well bloomed plants. Among those of note from the show table were the following (others were awarded, but we don't have all of the tags from the show table and some of the tags were not marked with an award):

Cattleya Alliance

Matina Ross	Bc Maikai 'Mayum' (sp?)	2 nd
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Oncidium Alliance

Robin Morrison	<i>Oncidium</i> [Dancing Ladies] – <i>name questionable</i>	1 st
Tom Stinson	<i>Odontoglossum</i> (?) Ocean Falls 'Sunset Snow' x <i>crispum</i> 'Sunset Crystal'	1 st
Matina Ross	Colmanara Wildcat 'Green Valley'	3 rd

Phalaenopsis

Lori Baldwin	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Everspring King x Brother Danseuse	2 nd
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Cymbidium

Naila Caruso	<i>Cymbidium</i> Sunshine Falls 'Butterball'	1 st
Sue Dervin	<i>Cymbidium</i> Mimi Lucifer	2 nd

Other

Naila Caruso	<i>Miltonia</i> Echo Baby 'Midnight Tears'	1 st
Tom Stinson	[unidentified genus] Point Nepean 'Sunset Jaguar' AM x St Clement 'Mark Daniel'	2 nd

Please try to fill out the show table name cards carefully and leave them at the end of the evening so we can properly acknowledge all.

The 2004 Miami Valley Orchid Society Spring Orchid Show

Please note: the Miami Valley Orchid Society will be hosting their annual Orchid Show the weekend BEFORE our February meeting – **this show will be Feb. 13-15th**. Please give Screll Jones a call TODAY (614.864.7924) to let her know if you have any plants that will be blooming in time for the Miami Valley show. Then plan on going over some time Saturday, February 15th to see a terrific show and check out how your plants fared with those tough judges. The Miami Valley Orchid Society always puts on a great show (last year's snow-out was an anomaly). This year, the MVOS will be having their show at the Cox Arboretum and Gardens, 6733 Springboro Pike. This is just about a mile north of the Dayton Mall. These folks always put on a nice show and this makes a very nice day-trip. See you there! And don't forget to call Screll – she really needs your blooming plants so we can have a nice display.

NEW • New • NEW • New

Frank Lerner, member of the Central Ohio Orchid Society, shares an interest in photography in addition to orchids. He has melded these interests and has made personalized note cards with over 40 different images, for sale. To see what he has available, visit his web site at: <http://www.artoriginalsetc.com>

Also, if you are interested in having a large format photograph of one of your favorite orchids, contact Frank at: Lerneretal@aol.com

A Special Thank You to the Harpers

Last year, Jim and Eloise Harper very generously donated \$2,000 to the Central Ohio Orchid Society. Jim and Eloise asked that this be used specifically for the purpose of expanding our library. In appreciation of their long support of the society, and in recognition of this generous donation, a plaque has been added to the library commemorating the Harpers. We have been busy making good use of this kind donation and have added a nice number of books to the library. We will continue to purchase new books with these funds over the next year or so. The following is a list of some of the titles purchased so far. We will try to include a review of one or two of these in each upcoming newsletter. Also, please make use of this library. Books can be checked out at the monthly meeting. Just check with our librarian, Don Weber at the next meeting. Also, if you have borrowed a book from the library, we ask that you return it at the next meeting so these books will be available to others.

NEW TITLES ADDED TO THE LIBRARY THROUGH THE KIND DONATION OF JIM AND ELOISE HARPER:

Orchid Species Culture. Vol 1: Pescatorea-Pleione – Baker and Baker
Cool Flowering Orchids Throughout the Year – MacDonald
Growing Phalaenopsis At Home - Neal
Vandas: Their Botany, History, and Culture - Motes
North American Native Terrestrial Orchids: Propagation and Production - Allen
The Genus Paphiopedilum: Natural History and Classification, Vol 1 – Braem, Baker, and Baker
The Genus Paphiopedilum: Natural History and Classification, Vol 2 – Braem, Baker, and Baker
The World of Catasetums - Holst
I've Got Spikes! (Cymbidiums) - Guest
Exotic Orchids in Australia: How to Grow Hundreds of Species - Jones
The Odontoglossum Compendium
Growing Orchids Under Lights - Fitch
Intriguing Masdevallias - Kelleher
The Antelope and "Latourea" Dendrobiums - Cribb
Orchids of the High Mountain Atlantic Rain Forest in SE Brazil – Miller and Warren
Orchids from the Brazilian Amazon - Miranda
The Pictorial Encyclopedia of Oncidium - Chase
The Astonishing Stanhopeas: The Upside-Down Orchids - Greer
An Annotated Checklist of the Genus Anguloa - Oakeley
Vol. 1: Tribe Maxillarieae: Subtribes Maxillariinae and Oncidiinae – Atwood and Mora De Retana
Orchids of Guatemala: A Revised Annotated Checklist
Phalaenopsis: A Monograph - Christenson
Bulbophyllums and Their Allies - Siegerist
A Field Guide to the Wild Orchids of Thailand - Vaddhanaphuti
An Annotated Checklist of the Genus Dracula - Hermans
The Genus Cypripedium - Cribb
Orchids and Ecology in Columbia: To the Rescue of Paradise
The Orchids of the Philippines
Orchids of Venezuela: An Illustrated Field Guide – Romero-González

Orchid Sundays

Once again, the Central Ohio Orchid Society will be volunteering to help with the Franklin Park Conservatory's "Orchid Sundays". The Conservatory is featuring orchids within their collection and in the various growing areas as well as offering special orchid related workshops. In conjunction with this, society members are asked to help by volunteering to "man" a table in the Conservatory Sunday afternoons during the next few months. In the past couple of years, this has been a very successful event. The Conservatory has been very good about putting on great exhibits specifically for this event. Tom Lochner is helping organize our volunteers. We just need a few people to provide general information about our society, hand out AOS culture sheets, and answer general questions about orchids. If you have a bit of free time, please contact Tom to see what time slots remain to be filled. Tom can be reached at: tomloc@aol.com

Annual AOS Show

Matina Ross is chairing the AOS show this year and would like your help. If you would like to volunteer as co-chair, or would like to help with any of the little jobs that go into putting on the show, please contact Matina. The show will be in early June this year so Matina is busy lining up the judges, exhibitors, and vendors now. Please help out the Society and give Matina a call today: Matina Ross, 456 Springs Dr., Columbus, OH 43214; (614) 263-4819.

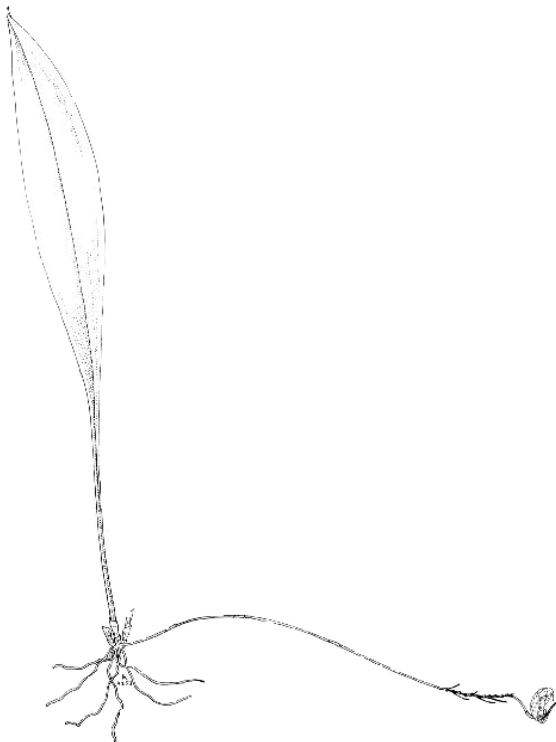
UPCOMING MEETINGS: If you know of a good speaker or have an interest in a particular topic for one of our monthly meetings, please forward your suggestions to Tom Franczak at 614.868.5636

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES: Please contact Tom Bell-Games at: tbellgames@burnip.com if you want to contribute an article to the newsletter or have an announcement to be included in the newsletter.

Regional Shows: The following are upcoming orchid shows within a reasonable distance.

February 13-15 **Miami Valley Orchid Society Show.** Cox Arboretum and Gardens, 6733 Springboro Pike, Dayton, OH. Contact: Lora Thompson, 1005 Beacon Lane, Englewood, OH 45322; (937) 836-1048; mthbarco@earthlink.net

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