



## ***February Meeting – The Debatable Epidendrums***

Thursday, February 15, 2007

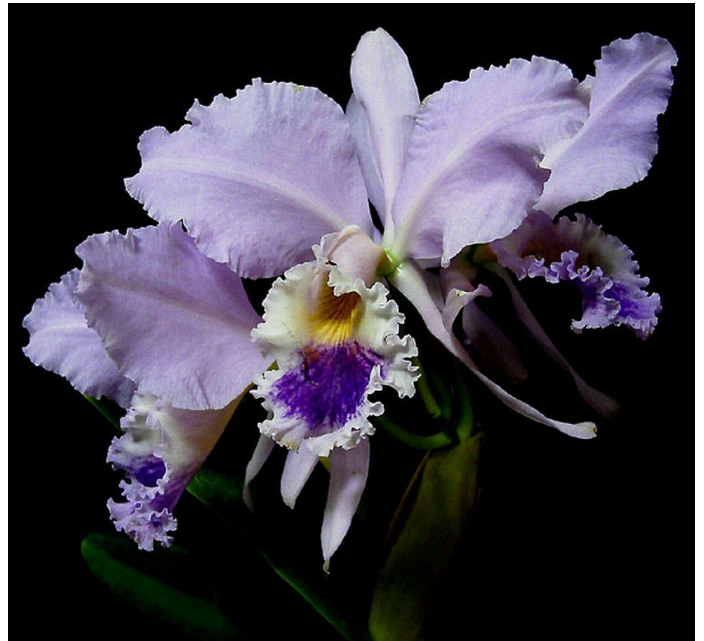
7:30 p.m., Franklin Park Conservatory Classrooms

7:30 – 8:00p.m., Beginners' Corner

## **Euchile? Encyclia? Anacheilum? What???????????**

Few orchid groups have been through more recent taxonomic revision and confusion than the non-reed-stem Epidendrums. Fortunately, we'll have it straight from the source – the co-author with Carl Withner of the seventh book in the 'Cattleya and Their Relatives' series, 'The Debatable Epidendrums'. Dr. Patricia Harding will join us this month and help us get a handle on these difficult to classify but commonly grown plants. In fact, we had one of these in our November plant giveaway, *Encyclia radiata*. Come and find out what you should really be calling it!

Dr. Harding is coming to us all the way from Oregon, and is an AOS judge in addition to being a retired physician. She has returned to her roots (no pun intended) since her retirement, returning to the field of her original undergraduate degree, botany. She will be speaking at the April MAOC. She will also be speaking at next years World Orchid Congress on the same subject we are going to hear, but we get her first.



*C. Labiata var. coerulea*

As our speaker won't be bringing plants to sell, we will have a members plant sale table - so clean up those extra divisions and bring them in, along with your wallet!

Join us for our "meet-and-greet" dinner with Dr. Harding at the Old Bag of Nails restaurant at 6PM; all members welcome.

**Tennis Maynard**

## President's Message

It was very gratifying to see the huge turnout at the January meeting. **Tennis Maynard** has promised to keep the stars of the orchid world beating paths to our doors so that you will too.

And Tennis also announced that we are turning our display table and our away shows into a contest. We've pretty much settled on most of the parameters of the contest for 2007. See elsewhere in this newsletter for the applicable rules. There are still some loose ends to tie up, such as the prizes to be given the winners at the November potluck and how many winners there will be, but those details will be worked out soon enough. **Wei-Yi Chen** has agreed to run the contest and manage the logistics and we thank Wei for that.

Our focus is on the Spring Show coming up the last weekend of March. **Tom Bell-Games** will talk about the participation we need from all of you to duplicate the excellent show we staged in 2006. And we are also looking at the upcoming away shows. **Naila Caruso** set an ambitious schedule for us and fulfilled it in 2006.

But she needs help this year to keep up the pace. Those of you who want the total immersion experience in our hobby need to know about orchid shows from the inside and get to know the people from our sister societies that make the shows happen. This is a critical activity for which we need your participation. **Nancy Wagener** has decided that the Home & Garden Show is still too pricey to attract our participation, but she is committing us to some other outreach events and she'll discuss them at the February meeting.

Thanks to **Jon Young** for preparing our membership cards for 2007. If you paid your dues at the January meeting then you have one. If not, please send them to Jon today and pick up your membership card at the February meeting. See you at the meeting. J



*Paph. Philippinense*

**Tom Franczak**

That time of year is upon us again. Remember, with the new year comes the membership renewal season. Our membership year is January to December. Please renew your membership in the Central Ohio Orchid Society TODAY. Please send your check (made payable to "Central Ohio Orchid Society" to our membership chair, Jon Young (1752 Marsdale Avenue, Columbus, OH 43223), OR bring your check to the January meeting. Please support the society by renewing as soon as possible. The dues are \$15.00 for Individuals and \$20.00 per household. If you just joined us at the November Mini-show, your dues are paid for 2007. We won't remind you until January 2008 and thank you for your early participation.

## Ye Olde Orchid Glossary

**Epiphytic**- Term used to describe any plant that grows above the ground and attaches to something else for support; nutrients are not taken from the supporting host but are derived instead from rain, air, and available debris.

**Equitant**- In orchids, having all the leaves arranged flat in one plane; specifically refers to a type of *Oncidium*.

**Eye**- The incipient bud of a vegetative growth, particularly in sympodial orchids.

**FCC**- Highest flower-quality award given by the American Orchid Society for plants scoring 89.5-100 award points. An FCC can also be bestowed by the Royal Horticultural Society (FCC/RHS), which, in fact, originated the award.

**Flask**- A clear container used for the laboratory germination of orchid seeds or for growing other laboratory micro propagated orchid seedlings.

**Flask-grown**- Term used to describe an orchid grown via micro propagation techniques such as mericlone or stem propagation, and therefore a clone of some original specific plant, rather than from seed.

**Flat**- Shallow tray or box in which numerous very small seedlings are grown.

**Floriferous**- Term used to describe a plant that flowers freely.

**Flower spike**- A common term for any of the various types of the more properly termed flower inflorescence, whether bearing a solitary bloom at the tip of a single stalk or in racemes or panicles of many flowers.

**Foot candle**- A measure of light useful in determining intensity of light for growing orchids; the illumination produced by a candle at a distance of one foot.

### AWAY SHOW BULLETIN

Naila Caruso, our Away Show Chair, has set an ambitious spring show schedule in and around Ohio. Below is a listing of shows that she contacted regarding our participation. As noted last month, she can't do them all because of her work commitments and other personal issues. The shows highlighted in red are the shows that Naila will be able to make. The shows in black are those that are looking for volunteers, to set up a show, to tear down a show, to do an away show entirely, or all of the above. Akron, Ann Arbor and Pittsburgh are among the shows that will require volunteers. Remember going to other shows as a society plays a significant role in getting other societies to return the compliment by attending and enhancing our show(s). As we build toward MAOC 2009 here in Columbus, this is a consideration that should hold in high regard. So, step to the head of the line folks and let Naila know when and where you can help.

February 17 – 18, 2007	Miami Valley Orchid Society Show, Cox Arboretum and Gardens, West Carrollton, Ohio.
February 24 –25, 2007	Greater Lansing Orchid Society Show, MSU Plant and Soil Science Conservatory, East Lansing Mi.
March 3-4	Greater Akron Orchid Society Show, Donzells Flower and Garden Center, Akron, Oh.
March 10-11	West Shore Orchid Society Show, Strongsville Recreation Center, Strongsville, OH.
March 17-18	Ann Arbor Orchid Society Show, Matthaei Botanical Gardens, Ann Arbor, MI
March 24-25	Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania Show, Phipps Garden Center, Pittsburgh, PA.
March 24-25	Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society Show, Krohn Conservatory, Cincinnati, OH.

## Annual Contest – Rules and Scoring

Below, you will find the rules and scoring system for our newly initiated annual growing contest. Rev up those grow lights, reposition those windowsill pots, break out the fertilizer and employ all of those neat little growing tricks you have learned over the years. Let the games begin.

### Point scoring

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<i>Award</i>	<i>At monthly meetings</i>	<i>At an away show</i>
1 <sup>st</sup>	10	20
2 <sup>nd</sup>	5	10
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3	5
no ribbon	1	2
Plant of the Month	20	
Best of Class		20
Other Special		20

### Rules

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1. Plants must be free of obvious disease or pests. Plants seen to be harboring mealybugs, scale, etc., will be disqualified and isolated.
2. The flowers should be the result of your growing skills, not those of a vendor or previous owner. Accordingly, we ask that you only claim points for plants you have been growing for at least 6 months.
3. If you submit plants for a COOS exhibit at an away orchid show, the away show chair will report entries and ribbons to the contest coordinator. If you submit plants in your own or any other exhibit at an away orchid show, you must report the entries and ribbons to the contest coordinator.
4. The contest year is January 1 through October 31.
5. You are a “beginner” for contest purposes until either your name has appeared in the membership directory for current year – 2 or prior, or, you have finished in the top 3 of an annual contest. Basically, we want to assure that you have 2 full years of eligibility as a “beginner.” For example, in 2007, you are a “beginner” if your name is not in the membership directory for 2005 or prior, even if it appears in the 2006 directory.
6. To qualify for any award in the annual contest, a minimum of 20 points is required.

These will be the rules for the 2007 contest. We’ll see how it goes and whether it needs to be adjusted in 2008. Grow your plants to perfection --- and grow LOTS of them --- and you’ll be at the top of the list regardless of how the contest evolves.

**2006/2007 COOS Officers - Terms of Office are from January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2007**

President:	Tom Franczak		614-868-5636
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President:	Tennis Maynard	Program Chair	614-252-5710
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President:	Tom Bell-Games	Home Show Chair	614-487-1623
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President:	Naila Caruso	Away Show Chair	614-868-5861
Secretary:	Nancy Heath	Recorder	614-294-6722
Assistant Secretary:	Bill Cavanaugh	Newsletter Editor	614-878-1745
Treasurer:	Dawn Mettler	Collect/Disburse Monies	740-380-3023
Assistant Treasurer:	Jon Young	Membership Chair	614-272-5256

**COOS Trustees – Terms of Office Expire December 31<sup>st</sup> of the Year Shown.**

Jim Harper	2009	614-965-1921
Screll Jones	2009	614-864-7924
Ken Mettler	2007	740-380-3023
Nancy Wagener	2007	614-276-8890
Tom Lochner	Immediate Past President	614-487-8197



Rhyncholaelia Digbyana Yoko HCC/AOS



Prosthechea baculus

## Welcome New Members

Welcome to Dallas Ingram and Ashleigh Seigneur; Rita and Sam Schaadt; James Hirshberg and Sarah Newlin and Dennis Eifel. Also a warm welcome to Russ Vernon and Anita Martin who have returned to the fold. These are our most recent additions to the Central Ohio chapter of the society of orchid addicts.

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. February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13.



**Paph. Maudiae coloratum** and **Paph. Maudiae Magnificum**  
**More fun with Paphs and another reason they are so interesting.**

## **It's Showtime ....**

OK, we didn't make a show in January but February is a lock so this piece will return next month after we have really, actually been to a show.

## Community Outreach

Greetings my wonderful, considerate and tremendous fellow orchid enthusiasts...yes your outreach chairperson wants something! I want you! Rather, I want your precious time. This spring is building to be a very hectic time for COOS. We will need everyone working together for our spring show at the end of March. And then, on April 2,3 & 4 (Monday-Wednesday) I will need volunteers to attend the statewide convention of the Garden Clubs of Ohio at the old Southern Hotel in downtown Columbus. I have been asked to speak at this convention on orchids as plants in the home and garden, and COOS will have a table in the vendor room to sell orchids and ourselves. Obviously I will need volunteers for those three days. I know that this is asking a lot, since it is directly after our spring show. The up side is this is a gardening convention and we will be talking with "our kind of people"! This is a real opportunity to make a few bucks for the society and, as important, interact with the general public. If you are interested, let's talk at the February meeting.

Also, to bring you up-to-date on The Dispatch Charities Home and Garden Show, COOS will not be attending for several reasons. The fee for the society to have a booth there was prohibitive. We would have to sell a huge amount of orchids just to break even. And frankly, I was concerned about our society members volunteering to work at the fairgrounds for 10 days. So, regrettably, we will let this show pass.

Keep yourselves and your orchids warm and I'll see you at the February meeting.

Nancy Wagener

## Notes from the January Meeting.

The show table was spectacloriferous or some such thing. There were enough blooms there to warm the cockles of old Scrooge's heart. Very nice effort by all and much appreciated too I think. Lots of people salivating over the broad array of plants. Really good job folks. Now that you have set such a marvelously high standard, we will expect you to keep it up each month. 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 the other members. The judging was done by Ken Mettler.

### Best of Show

Anita Martin & Russ Vernon                      *Lycaste skinneri var. alba*

### Cattleya Alliance

Naila Caruso	<i>BC Little Mermaid 'Janet'</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Dianna Wears	<i>BC Maikai 'Mayumi'</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Tennis Maynard	<i>BLC. Pamela Hetherington 'Coronation'</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### Cymbidium

Tom & Pat Stinson	<i>Unknown Cymbidium</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Pat Stinson	<i>Cymbidium Lucky Rainbow</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>

### Oncidium Alliance

#### Brassovola Species

Harold Blazier	<i>B. nodosa</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tom Bell-Games	<i>B. cucullata</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>

### Paphiopedilum

Naila Caruso	<i>Paph. Celia Devine 'Wolf Lake'</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Bill & Ruth Cavanaugh	<i>Paph. Macbre</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Jim Fagan	<i>Paph. Emerald</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### Phragmipedium

### Dendrobium

Bill & Ruth Cavanaugh	<i>Dendrobium phalaenopsis unknown</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
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### Vandaceous (including Phalaenopsis)

Tennis Maynard	<i>V. Rasri Gold x Ascda. Kralerlk White</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Jim Fagan	<i>Phalaenopsis Unknown</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Cliff Hynum	<i>Dtps. Taida Firebird</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### Miniatures

Thom Weiland	<i>Masdevallia 'Sunny Angel' x 'Copper Angel'</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tom Bell-Games	<i>Pleurothallis sp.</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Steve Pendleton	<i>Pleurothallis ornate</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### Other

Anita Martin & Russ Vernon	<i>Lycaste skinneri var. alba</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Anita Martin & Russ Vernon	<i>Angraecum sesquipedale</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Anita Martin & Russ Vernon	<i>Odontioda Tiffany x Joe's Drum</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

## Spring MAOC Update

We received the following update from Rosalie Dixler regarding the Spring MAOC that is being hosted by the Illinois Orchid Society.

“Our IOS/MAOC show is scheduled for April 28-29<sup>th</sup> at the Chicago Botanic Gardens in Glencoe, IL., from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day. There will be at least 30 vendors and perhaps two from Peru and Ecuador that have tentatively agreed to attend as well. Demonstrations and lectures will be held in their auditorium during the show and we will also have book sales and other items, a raffle, corsage making – demonstration and sale, and our own special bark sale. There will be a repotting service for a \$5 fee for any size orchid using our own special bark mixture recipe.

But the most exciting part of the show is our featured speaker. Alfredo Manrique, of Centro de Jardineria Manrique, one of the two nurseries in Peru authorized to grow and sell *Phrag kovachii*, has agreed to come. As most of you know, this is the most exciting new species that has been discovered in the past 50 years and seedlings of *Phrag kovachii* are now becoming available for sale in the United States. He will tell us the saga of this new, wonderful flower from one who is deeply involved in its distribution and conservation. Other well know speakers include Patricia Harding, co-author with Carl Withner of one of his *Cattleya* series, *The debatable Epidendrums*. Patricia will speak about *Huntleya* and related genera. Hadley Cash, from Marriott Orchids, who recently published an overview of his Paph breeding program in *Orchid Digest*, will discuss complex hybrids. And Dr. Eric Christenson, noted author and taxonomist, will have two lectures, one on *Maxillaria*, and the other on his work in Peru with David Bennett on a modern inventory of orchids in Peru.

We have blocked hotel rooms with the Renaissance Hotel in Northbrook where various lectures and event will be taking place. There will be an auction, banquet, breakfast, Judges’ forum, and many meetings in conjunction with the show at that hotel. Registration is required is required to attend those events as well as the hotel lectures. Refer to our website at [www.iosoc.com](http://www.iosoc.com) for the schedule and registration forms.”

So, all of you who enjoy a really big show with lots of orchids to spend your money on and speakers galore on a beautiful spring weekend (does it get any better than this?), here is the answer to your prayers. It is certainly a weekend event as it is a six hour drive but if the show can’t captivate you for the full weekend, I would remind you that it is in Chicago. Surely you can find something to amuse yourself there. Now is the time to start planning. The registration forms can be found at the end of the newsletter.

### 2007 COOS Calendar

February 15	Meeting – Patricia Harding – The debatable Epidendrums
March 15	Meeting – Clark Riley – Taxonomy
March 31, April 1	Central Ohio Orchid Society Annual Show
April 19	Meeting – Ray Barkalow – Semi-hydroponic orchid growing (tentative)
May 17	Meeting – Manuel Aybar – Orchids of the Dominican Republic
June 21	Meeting (speaker to be determined)
July 15	Picnic, tentatively set for Franklin Park Conservatory grounds
September 20	Meeting (speaker to be determined)
October 18	Meeting (speaker to be determined)
November 3-4	Mini-show
November 15	Potluck Dinner

**Board Meetings.** Board meetings will generally be held the second Tuesday of odd numbered months with the exception of September:

January 9	July 10
March 13	September 18
May 8	November 13



# CENTRAL OHIO ORCHID SOCIETY –ANNUAL ORCHID SHOW

Tom Bell-Games, Show Chair for our annual AOS-sanctioned show has provided the following update on where things stand. The show will be held at the Franklin Park Conservatory on **March 31 – April 1; show set-up will be all day Friday, March 30.**

**Clerks:** We need a good number of clerks to help during ribbon judging. Please contact Tom Bell-Games if you would be interested in helping. He can be reached at: 614-487-1623. If you haven't clerked before, it is very easy and is a great way to learn more about judging. Ribbon judging will last about 2 hours and will start early Saturday morning, March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Additional Help:** In addition to clerks, we still need help with the following activities.

Hospitality – Please plan on bringing a covered dish to help stock our hospitality room which is provided for judges and show volunteers for the weekend.

Publicity / Advertising – If you have ideas about helping to promote the show with the general public, please step up NOW. We need to take care of this as soon as possible.

Set-up – Show set-up will start Thursday evening (March 29) when we will need to set-up stanchions and tables so we are ready for our vendors and exhibitors who will be arriving Friday (March 30<sup>th</sup>). All day Friday, we can use your help in assisting vendors and exhibitors in bringing in their plants. If you can spare an hour or two any time, especially in the early evening, we could really use your help.

Registration – Plant registration will be electronically entered into a software program we are using to generate lists of all plants in the show and to create labels for the plants in the exhibits. If you are interested in learning more about registration, please contact Tom Bell-Games. He will be scheduling a meeting to go over this program sometime in mid-March.

PLANTS! – We definitely need blooming plants. Please plan on bringing your plants to the Conservatory on Friday so we can incorporate them into our society exhibit. Plants should be properly groomed. Please be sure your entries are clean and free of pests and diseases.

Teardown – We will need people to help clean-up after the end of the show on Sunday afternoon. This usually starts around 4:30 to 5:00, depending on show attendance. The more people we have, the faster this goes.

Demonstration/Talks – If we can, we would like to have a few of our more experienced growers available to provide short talks or hands-on demonstration of potting and growing techniques.

General Help, Host/Hostess – We can always use a few folks to help our vendors throughout the show as well as to answer questions of the general public. We will have a Society table where we will have information about joining the Central Ohio Orchid Society and the American Orchid Society, in addition to orchid culture sheets.

**If you are interested in helping out with the show, please call Tom Bell-Games today to volunteer. He can be reached at 614-487-1623 or by e-mail at [tbellgames@burnip.com](mailto:tbellgames@burnip.com).**



[Paph Fairrieanum](#)

[Huntleya wallisii](#)

**REGIONAL SHOWS:** The following are upcoming shows within a reasonable distance from the central Ohio area:

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| February 17 – 18, 2007 | <p>Miami Valley Orchid Society Show, Cox Arboretum and Gardens, 6733 Springboro Pike, West Carrollton, Ohio. Contact Wes Ullery, 12956 St. Rt. 55, St. Paris, Ohio 43072. (937)308-4740.</p> <p><i>Close to Home. Support your almost local Orchid Society.</i></p>  |
| February 24 –25, 2007  | <p>Greater Lansing Orchid Society Show, MSU Plant and Soil Science Conservatory, Corner Bouge St. and Scenic Road, East Lansing Mi. Contact Pete Porciello, 515 N. Putnam Unit H, Williamstown, Mi. 48895; (517)855-1311; <a href="mailto:pporciello@voyager.net">pporciello@voyager.net</a>.</p> <p><i>Another road trip to the land of the Wolverine, about 4 hours according to mapquest and Naila said it was a very impressive show last year.</i></p>        |
| March 3-4              | <p>Greater Akron Orchid Society Show, Donzells Flower and Garden Center, 937 East Waterloo Rd., Akron, Oh. Contact Cathy Green, 2019 36<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Canton, Ohio 44709; (330) 492-4534; <a href="mailto:orchidlady50@hotmail.com">orchidlady50@hotmail.com</a></p> <p><i>I-71 to I-76 to a bunch of really short turns to Garden Center. Just a smidge over two hours according to google and a nice spring drive to an almost local orchid show.</i></p> |
| March 10-11            | <p>West Shore Orchid Society Show, Strongsville Recreation Center, 18100 Royalton Rd., Strongsville, OH. Contact: Wayne Roberts, 12390 Root Rd., Columbia Station, OH 44028; (440) 236-5571; <a href="mailto:rfs@orchidmix.com">rfs@orchidmix.com</a></p> <p><i>Another smidge over two hour spring drive according to google, (if you trust them). Just head north where you turned east for the Akron show.</i></p>  |
| March 17-18            | <p>Ann Arbor Orchid Society Show, Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd., Ann Arbor, MI Contact; Ann Bommarito/Kevin Griffin, PO Box 3006, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-3006; <a href="mailto:annarboros@yahoo.com">annarboros@yahoo.com</a>.</p> <p><i>If you're a Buckeye fan, you KNOW the directions. Google says it is a three hour trip almost due north.</i></p>  |
| March 24-25            | <p>Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania Show, Phipps Garden Center, 1059 Shady Ave., Pittsburgh, PA. Contact; Nancy Kline, 1118 Bay Hill Dr., Gibsonia, PA 25044; (412) 367-1556; <a href="mailto:nancykline@zoominternet.net">nancykline@zoominternet.net</a>.</p> <p><i>Google says this is a three and one half hour trip to Steeltown but it is all interstate and what says spring more than a little drive in the country.</i></p>                         |

March 24-25	Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society Show, Krohn Conservatory, 1501 Eden Park Dr. Cincinnati, OH. Contact: Steve Helbling, 2489 Erie Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45208; (513) 321-3702; <a href="mailto:orchiddevil@aol.com">orchiddevil@aol.com</a> . Ahhh! A twofer. What more can one ask? With a little planning, you can catch two orchid shows in one weekend...or...just one of your choice. A straight shot down I-71. About an hour and fifty minutes per google.
March 31-April 1	Central Ohio Orchid Society Show, Franklin Park Conservatory, 1777 W. Broad St. Columbus, Ohio. Contact: Tom Bell-Games, 1615 Andover Rd. Columbus, Oh 43212. Support your LOCAL orchid society. You can be there in less than 30 minutes with a few notable exceptions.
April 14-15	Central Indiana Orchid Society Show. Contact: Glen Evans, 8301 Fall Creek Rd., Indianapolis, In. 46256 A trip to the Hoosierland. Just under three hours according to mapquest and darn near straight as the crow flies following I-70.
April 28-29	Illinois Orchid Society Show/MAOC, Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Rd., Glencoe, IL. Contact: Lois Cinert, 595 Sharon Way, Boilingbrook, IL. 60440; (630) 739-1068; <a href="mailto:maoc2007chi@earthlink.net">maoc2007chi@earthlink.net</a> . A flat six hour trip one way, but it's MAOC, it's spring and there will be lots and lots of quality orchids. A great weekend trip.

**Editor's Corner: WOW!** I'm impressed! Really! When I walked into the meeting room in January I was swept up in a buzz I hadn't seen in a while. The place was vibrant. Folks lined up to pay dues, more covering the hospitality table with goodies and I mean covering it. A show table that was impressive to say the least. People visiting with other members and setting up the speaker and that didn't account for a goodly number of people in the beginner's corner room. Maybe it was an escape from the post holiday blues or a pent up desire to see lots of orchids and spend time with other orchid people and old friends. Maybe it was anticipation of our excellent speaker. Maybe it is just the way a vibrant orchid society is supposed to be. Maybe a bit of all of the above, but whatever it was, I hope it stays this way all year.

And speaking of speakers, let's give a tip of the hat to our estimable scheduler of speakers, Tennis Maynard. If you read the blurb from the Illinois Orchid Society regarding the spring MAOC, where the speakers are expected to be more than a notch above average, you saw some familiar names, including Dr. Eric Christenson, our January speaker and Patricia Harding, our February speaker. And you will note that it did not cost you near what it will to hear them speak at MAOC. Nice.

Naila Caruso, our away show chair, and yes this is a test to see if you read the rest of the newsletter, has issued another plea for assistance in getting away show coverage. A point of clarification should be made. We need the help of volunteers to get our orchids displayed at away shows and we ask for the generous donation of your time. We are not also trying to stick you with the bill. The Society budgets a set amount for away show expenses and will reimburse you for gas, meals and rooms if an overnight stay is required. We only ask that you exercise good judgment in your use of society funds and avoid stays at five star hotels and meals at the best steak house in town. Gas, unfortunately, will cost whatever it costs that month and we can't change that. Keep receipts and Dawn Mettler, our treasurer, will reimburse you. Please consider giving Naila a hand on the shows she has indicated she cannot cover.

Lastly, remember the new show table and AOS show contest. Also remember that we will be attending the Miami Valley Society show the weekend of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> right after our meeting, so bring in those plants. We know you have more blooming now than you had in January.

Bill C.

## Hospitality

Our thanks goes to Edna Markley, Tennis Maynard, Susan Allison and anyone else who contributed for all of the delicious snacks that they provided for the January meeting. Also a huge thank you, in advance, to all of those who have signed up to provide snacks and goodies for the upcoming meetings. Below is a list of who has signed up for future dates and the month they signed for. As is ever the case, the blank spots have no volunteers. So all of you volunteers step to the fore and call Naila or sign up at the next meeting to let her 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 Naila to change months.

2007

February	Bill and Ruth Cavanaugh	March	Robin Morrison
February	Screll Jones	March	Cliff Hynum
February	Tom and Rosina Bell-Games	March	Volunteer Needed
April	Chris Bednar	May	Volunteer Needed
April	Dotty Burchfield	May	Volunteer Needed
April	Volunteer Needed	May	Volunteer Needed

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.

## Mid-America Orchid Congress

April 27 – 29, 2007

### Illinois Orchid Society Show and Sale

#### Registration Form

First Registrants Name				Name to Appear on Badge					
Address				City	State	Zip			
Telephone		Fax		e-mail					
Home Orchid Society				MAOC Office or Committee Position					
Judge (Circle Status) AOS ___ Non-AOS _____ Emeritus Senior Accredited Probationary Student Clerk				Do you wish to participate in Ribbon Judging		Yes	No		
				Do You wish to participate in AOS Judging		Yes	No		
Second Registrants Name		Choose	Full registration	Selected events		Name to Appear on Badge			
Address									
Telephone				Fax					
Home Orchid Society				MAOC Office or Committee Position					
Judge (Circle Status) AOS ___ Non-AOS _____ Emeritus Senior Accredited Probationary Student Clerk				Do you wish to participate in Ribbon Judging		Yes	No		
				Do You wish to participate in AOS Judging		Yes	No		
Code	Description			Day	Before 3/1/07	After 3/1/07	Person #1	Person #2	Total
REG	Full Registration includes Show				\$60	\$75			
JL	Judges Luncheon (judges registered before 4/01/07)			Saturday	Included	Included			
JLN	Judges Luncheon (not registered and/or non judge)			Saturday	\$15	\$15			
ASM	Affiliated Societies Breakfast Mid-America Orchid Congress			Sunday	\$18	\$20			
BMC	Banquet –Chicken Oscar			Saturday	\$50	\$55			
BNS	Banquet –Baked New York Strip Loin			Saturday	\$50	\$55			
BHF	Banquet –Herb Crusted Salmon			Saturday	\$50	\$55			
								Total Due	

**Please Note:**

All food reservations must be made or cancelled by 4/1/07.

Mail this form and your check made payable to the **Illinois Orchid Society** to:

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