



February Meeting – Ken Mettler - Masdevallias and Draculas
Thursday, February 21, 2013
8:00 p.m., Franklin Park Conservatory Classrooms
7:30 to 8:00 p.m. Beginner's Corner

Cold Customers and Vampirish (yes it's a word because I said so) Orchids.

Our February speaker drew rave reviews when he spoke to us last year on native orchids. And as is ever the case, success breeds imitation or in this case repetition...sort of. 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, Masdevallias and Draculas: The Species, Hybrids, and Culture. Ken has a wealth of knowledge regarding orchid species, comes from being a judge and certified orchid geek, and shares it in a very informative and entertaining way.

As we all know, Ken has been growing orchids for many years, has progressed to judging and regularly judges our show table and always exhibits interesting orchids at the show table. We are pleased to have him speak again. Unfortunately we will have to find someone else to judge the show table. While Ken is a multi-talented guy, I think judging the show table might distract from his presentation.

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 new and/or different. Orchidom abhors a vacuum and of course, you will have to find something to fill all those empty places left by the plants you sell. 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.

Masd. Bella Donna 'Snow Blush' HCC/AOS

Bill Cavanaugh

President's Message.

It's time to get outside and go on a hunt for Spring. Too early? Nope. Spring doesn't wait for you to have free time to visit the **Metro Parks** or the **Dawes Arboretum**. Spring has its own schedule and never says "By your leave." Spring happens whether you pay attention or not and if not, you're going to miss it. And when you do notice it you'll ask when did all this happen and how much has already come and gone?

It's only February, you might say. It hasn't started yet. Maybe not. But when it starts, it goes gangbusters. Before the end of the month the sugar maples are being tapped at the arb and the sap collected to be boiled down within a couple weeks. Sometime between now and the middle of March there will be the first warm rain. Then the salamanders will leave the woods and return to the cypress swamp to mate and leave egg sacs from which their tadpoles will emerge. Already I expect snowdrops in flower and the first green shoots of crocus are now out of the ground in front of my house. I can practically pull up a chair and watch them as they open their purple flowers. The tulips are poking out also. But just whisper that. Don't want the deer to find out.

Indoors my **Ludisia discolor alba** is flowering. It was the tiniest little twig of a plant when I bought it at our spring show last year. But that species grows like a weed. I've found that it prefers a wide, shallow pot which it will quickly fill as it sends runners out of the pot and then back over itself. Eventually the center of the pot will get sour and you'll have to break the plant apart and start the pieces anew in separate pots. Give some to friends. It's like home-grown zucchini or Amish Friendship Bread starter ... you'll run out of friends long before you run out of giveaways. Nevertheless I think I'll add another jewel orchid to my collection at the upcoming spring show.



Mtssa Hani

Speaking of which, search out **Dave Markley** and reassure him that the whole spring show isn't just on his shoulders, that YOU will be there to help with the many things that need doing to pull off another successful show. Because that's what spring means to us. The flora and fauna are busy, busy, busy. Growing, flowering, exhibiting. Starting now and continuing through May when the native orchids of Ohio are in bloom. If you could be involved in just one season a year, it should be spring.

Tom Franczak

Our membership year is January to December. If you joined the society and you paid your dues in November or December of 2012, you are covered for 2013 as well. For all of the rest of us, it is time to begin the renewal process. You can pay your dues at the February 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 \$20.00 for Individuals and \$25.00 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 February 10, March 10 and April 14, 2013...

Welcome New Members

We have a pulse. We have grown by 2 since we last checked. We are pleased to welcome Carol Wood and David Nesbit to the Central Ohio Chapter of Orchid Addicts. Let's grow some more. So, invite an orchid friend to join, invite a stranger who is interested, intrigued, or in love with orchids to join us. . Remember, if we aren't growin', we're dyin'.

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Paph Andrew Bell



Zygo Rhein Moonlight

Notes from the January Meeting.

Here are the results of the January showtable. The show table displayed thirty beautiful plants, another extraordinary show for a winter month and the plants shown were anywhere from beautiful to extraordinary. Great January show table and a large thank you to all of you who bring and share your delightful blooms.

Ken Mettler and Tennis Maynard did the judging and as usual 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 for the plant of the month, a really well grown and bloomed Brassavola Little Stars. Awesome.

January

Plant of the Month

Katrina Heap *Brassavola Little Stars*

Cattleya

Katrina Heap	<i>Brassavola Little Stars</i> (POM)	1 st
Ken Mettler	<i>Encyvola Phoenix 'Kona' AM/AOS</i>	2 nd
Ken Mettler	<i>Brassavola Little Stars</i>	3 rd

Cymbidium

Ken Mettler	<i>Cymbidium Tranquility</i>	1 st
Bill Cavanaugh	<i>Cymbidium Rincon Fairy 'Hawker Hill'</i>	2 nd
Bill Cavanaugh	<i>Cymbidium Rincon Fairy 'Hawker Hill'</i>	3 rd

Oncidiae

Tennis Maynard	<i>Odontocidium Tiger Night</i>	1 st
Rochelle Vennari	<i>Tolumnia Genting Orange</i>	2 nd
Edna Markley	<i>Oncidium Sweet Sixteen 'Prepossessing'</i>	3 rd

Paphiopedilum Hybrid

Bill Cavanaugh	<i>Paph unknown (In Charm White x ?)</i>	1 st
Edna Markley	<i>Paph Lemonade</i>	2 nd
Edna Markley	<i>Paph spicerianum x villosum</i>	3 rd

Paphiopedilum Species

Tennis Maynard	<i>Paph insigne v sanderianum</i>	1 st
Justin Pepperney	<i>Paph spicerianum</i>	2 nd
Tennis Maynard	<i>Paph insigne v sanderianum 'Gladiator' AM/AOS x self</i>	3 rd

Phragmipedium

Tennis Maynard

Phrag Don Wimber 'Orchid Court'

1st

Other

Katrina Heap

Coelogyne glandulosa

1st

Don Weber

Trichoglottis bataanensis

1st

Tennis Maynard

Zygoneria Adelaide Meadows

2nd

Tennis Maynard

Lycaste fimbriata

2nd

Tennis Maynard

Pleuro restrepioides

3rd

Terry and Sandra Stohr

Phal unknown

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.



Paph Doll's Kobold



Epi ciliare

2013 COOS Calendar

February 21	Meeting – Speaker to Be Determined
March 21	Meeting – Speaker to Be Determined-
April 6/7	Central Ohio Orchid Society Annual Spring Show
April 18	Meeting – Francisco Miranda – Brazilian Cattleyas
May 16	Meeting – Speaker to be determined
June 20	Meeting – Kris Mason – Catasetums
July 21*	Picnic – Not set for Franklin Park Conservatory grounds - Tentative
September 19	Meeting – Speaker to be determined
October 17	Meeting – Speaker to be determined
November 21	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 8	July 9
March 12	September 10
May 14	November 12

* Tentative picnic date



Odbrs Fangtastic



Phrag Demetria

Annual Growers Contest

And they're off. The race is on and to the victor belong the spoils. We won't decide what the spoils are until later in the year but that should not stop you from striving for them. Remember, the race goes to those that grow and show the most orchids, or at least the most awarded orchids. Exhibit your skills. With a little luck, and the cooperation of those ever so unpredictable orchids that we all grow, and dogged persistence, you too can be right up there. The results below include the November and January show table. We will add meetings and away shows as they happen...at least that is the plan. If you have any disagreements with the totals let me know as soon as possible so that it can be set straight. If you are the grower of a plant with no name, my regards to the similarly named song, let me know and I will award you the points, or at least count them as you have already earned them.

Green House Division

Tennis Maynard	116
Tom and Pat Stinson	30
Screll Jones	25
Don Weber	10
Dave Sayer	1

AYO (All You Others)

Dave and Edna Markley	43
Katrina Heap	40
Bill Cavanaugh	24
Ken Mettler	20
Justin Pepperney	13
Terry and Sandra Stohr	7
Rochelle Vennari	6
Ed Davis	3

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



Lc Canhamiana



Ang huntleyoides

Away Show Bulletin!

Upcoming Nearby Shows:

Feb 16 – 17

Greater Cleveland Orchid Society

Cleveland Botanical Garden, 11030 East Blvd., Cleveland, OH ([map](#))
Contact: Cathleen McBride 440-564-6633 tcmcbride@windstream.net

Miami Valley Orchid Society Show

Cox Arboretum, 6733 Springboro Pike, Dayton, OH ([map](#))
Contact: Michele Little 513-423-8937 my3snakes@yahoo.com

Mar 1 – 3

Smokey Mountain Orchid Society Show

West Town Mall, 7600 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN ([map](#))
Contact: Bonnie Armstrong 865-567-2983, 865-828-8055 willywar2@frontiernet.net

Mar 9 – 10

West Shore Orchid Society Show

Strongsville Recreation Center, 18100 Royalton Road, Strongsville, OH ([map](#))
Contact: Chester Kieliszek 330-467-3731 kieliszekc@ferro.com

Mar 23 – 24, 2013

Michigan Orchid Society Palm Sunday Show

United Food & Commercial Workers Bldg., 876 Horace Brown, Madison Heights, MI ([map](#))
Contact: Katherine Slaughter 313-617-6349 kslaughter@ia-llc.com

Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania Show

Phipps Garden Center, 1059 Shady Ave., Pittsburgh, PA ([map](#))
Contact: Carolyn Bolton 412-638-8728 boltoncs@gmail.com

Greater Cincinnati Orchid Show

Krohn Conservatory, 1501 Eden Park Dr., Cincinnati, OH. ([map](#))
Contact: Stan Better 9507 Benchmark Ln., Cincinnati, OH 45242 (513) 745-0014 stanbetter@stanbetter.com

Editor's Corner:

Well, we have some improvement here. I have actually managed to get this thing out six days before the meeting. That is a 300% improvement...over two days before the meeting and progress is progress. Still shooting for getting back to the 5th of the month or so. Aim is still a little low but getting better.

So, we are past the holidays and into the spring show season. Ours will be here all too soon but in the meantime, we have a number of shows within an easy afternoons drive. We can jump in the car and in just a little time, we can be ogling the beautiful blooms at our sister societies shows. And if we can, we should go. Societies all around us, and even us to an extent, are struggling to hold shows and get to away shows. Supporting each other is an integral part of the whole structure. We don't engage in a contact sport here but participation is important. If we are all passive participants, we soon find that there is nothing to passively participate in. You have to be actively engaged in your society and your hobby/avocation to squeeze the maximum enjoyment from the beast. And, while I don't expect to see full contact orchid growing any time soon...it might be interesting. Participate, both here and there. Have fun. I plan on doing just that...until life gets in the way. Oh well, do your best. I will do mine and shoot for 10 days before the meeting next month. May your orchids live long, may you live longer.

Bill

Hospitality

We would like to express our great gratitude and heart felt gastronomic gratitude to all of you who brought the delightful array of dishes, sides and desserts to the Awards Banquet. As is ever the case, much like your orchid growing taste, the variety and quality was superb.

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 the remainder of this year. Remember, if each member brings something to one meeting, you only have to do it once every four or five years. Step to the plate and give Dave and Edna the month you will participate. Thanks.

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.

February	Scott Bever	March	Naila Caruso
February	Volunteer Needed	March	Volunteer Needed
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April	Pat Stinson		
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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.

Brassavola Little Stars - Plant of the Month January
Grown by Katrina Heap



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