



## ***March Meeting – The Bollea Alliance***

Thursday, March 16, 2006

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

7:30 – 8:00p.m., Beginners' Corner

## ***Fans of the fans...***

Our speaker for the March 16th meeting will be speaking on the Bollea alliance, a lovely and under appreciated group of plants. These include the genera ***Bollea, Chondrorhyncha, Cochleanthes, Huntleya, Kefersteinia, Pescatorea, Chaubardia, Chaubardiella, and Stenia***. Sometimes known as the 'fan orchids', they have a unique morphology and stunning flowers quite distinct from many other orchids. The passion and romance of these lurid, tropical beauties is often overlooked in orchid literature, due to the fact they are not as commonly grown and seen. That has been changing the last few years and we are very fortunate to have an AOS judge and acclaimed orchid grower and speaker **Dr. Arthur Katz** to reveal to us the mysteries of these beauties. He will be bringing some plants of this group for sale, so those of you who haven't yet started your collection of these - take note: here's your chance. Bring your cash and checkbooks!



*Pescatorea Coronation*

And of course don't forget to join us at the Old Bag of Nails restaurant for a pre-meeting nosh at 6:00 or so with our speaker and whoever else the cat drug in.

## ***Tennis Maynard***

### **President's Message.**

What makes for a successful orchid show? The answer depends in large part on who is asked that question. The Conservatory, the vendors and the Publicity Chair will tally attendance. The Show Chair and the Volunteer Coordinator will gauge how smooth the operation was. The Membership Chair will count the number of newbies recruited. The Treasurer will, well, you know. The general public will be gratified if there are lots of showy and colorful catts and phals and the vendors will more than satisfy that need. But the orchid

growers ... us ... those of us on the inside of the hobby ... we need a stronger medicine. We're there in the hopes of being blown away by the seldom seen, the never seen and the omigod have you ever seen? Many a veteran of annual orchid shows reckon them by a single plant or a couple of plants seen at such a show. To this day, the only thing I recall about a certain show ten years ago was a yellow *Habenaria rhodocheila*. No other memory of that show remains. No other memory need remain. That plant said it all.

Your plants are what we, the orchid insiders so to speak, are there to see. I fully expect they are going to make this show a success by the yardstick *we* use. (But let's hope the Treasurer is happy, too.)

So we're all focused on the show ... our party ... later this month. We want you there, (and wearing your COOS badge). And we want you to volunteer to help with hosting our show. Especially the various setup activities. That's where you'll meet and interact with orchid people from other societies and get to know the vendors. Make it your goal to make one new friend from among our guests. Then help Naila setup an away show ... I'll bet you see your new friend there.

And we want your plants at our show too. Your best plants. On the Wednesday before the show, make your final cuts. This goes, that stays. On the Show Preparations page on our website you'll find links to all the information you need to register your plants for inclusion in the COOS society exhibit. Fill out the registration spreadsheet and email it to Tom Bell-Games. If that process proves too complicated, just bring your plants in on Friday afternoon and register them in person.

In the meantime, let's not overlook what promises to be a wonderful meeting this month. You're going to hear about an alliance of very showy orchids, one that has never been in the limelight but really should be. And don't forget to bring a friend to the meeting! See you there.



**Tom Franczak**

We are now into March and are faced with that age-old problem, how do you get your members to pay their dues? With the new year came the membership renewal season. Our membership year is January to December. If you joined the society and you paid your dues in November or December of last year, you are covered for this year as well. If you have paid your dues already, bless you. If you have not paid your dues as yet, please renew your membership in the Central Ohio Orchid Society **TODAY**. Jon Young compiles a membership directory and provides a copy to each member, very nicely done I might add. However, he can't wait until July to start the project, it is after all, a 2006 membership directory. 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 next meeting, OR pay your dues at the Spring Show on March 25 or 26. The deadline is March 31. After that we will still gladly take your dues, but you won't be in the membership directory. Also make sure that Jon has your correct information. You know, address, phone, e-mail address, all that stuff. Please support the society by renewing as soon as possible. The dues are \$15.00 for Individuals and \$20.00 per household.

## AWAY SHOW BULLETIN

By the time you read this, Naila Caruso, our Away Show Chair, will have been to the Miami Valley and Lansing shows and will be winding up to head to Cincinnati. We did well at Miami Valley and Lansing. A list of ribbons won is buried deeper in the newsletter.

Here is an updated list of shows. She has registered COOS to attend the ones with the date highlighted in red.

She is making inquiries for the others. **Again, please keep in mind that she will need plenty of your blooming plants in order to construct exhibits at the various shows. Please call her at home during the week prior to each show if you have blooming plants that she can take and to make arrangements for getting the plants to the drop off. The Cavanaugh home will be a drop off for the West side of Columbus.** This remains a very ambitious schedule so **please consider volunteering to assist on one of the show weekends.** Remember, this also provides ample opportunity to have your prized bloomers judged. We will give an updated list in the newsletter each month as we move further into show season. **Naila also needs green plants, ferns etc. for the displays. Donors are welcome.**

Mar 4,5 - Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society Show, Krohn Conservatory, 1501 Eden Park Dr. Cincinnati, Oh.

Mar 11,12 - West Shore Orchid Society Show, Strongsville Recreation Center, 18100 Royalton Rd. Strongsville, Oh.

Mar 18,19 - Ann Arbor Orchid Society, Mathaeii Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Rd. Ann Arbor, Mi.

April 1-2 - Central Indiana Orchid Society Show. Contact: Russell Vernon, 12661 W SR 32, Yorktown, IN 47396.

April 22-23 - Kentucky Orchid Society Show. Contact: Jim McCulloch, 302 Caroldale Ln., Louisville, KY 40243.

May 6 - 7 - Pennsylvania Orchid Society Show, Ag Arena, Penn State Campus, State College, PA.

May 6-7 - Three Rivers Orchid Society Show, Franke Park Pavilion #1, Fort Wayne, IN.

May 12-14 - Longwood Gardens Orchid Show, Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, PA.



Acacallis hoehnei



Chondrorhyncha pictata



## Outreach Committee

The good news is, that COOS has a community outreach chairperson. The bad news is, she can't write a snappy article like our president can! But I am persistent if not talented, so I will take this opportunity to give you an idea of what I envision for community outreach.



My mission is to make the Columbus community aware of our society so that ultimately we will attract more members. Sounds good, but how do we do this? We need to put ourselves in the public eye more than just three times per year. One way is through speaking engagements for other garden/horticultural groups. My first orchid presentation will be in April. Since I love to talk, I can't wait. We can also announce our existence by setting-up informational displays in our public libraries. COOS will have a display in April in the Grove City library. In May that display will move to the Westland branch. The COOS board members have been delivering great-looking bookmarks with the

dates of our shows to the libraries and to merchants who sell orchids. There is already a possibility of an information table at a local garden store this spring. And looking ahead to next year, I have already sent in the society's application for booth space at the 2007 home and garden show.

Please do not take away the idea that I will be doing this all myself. I welcome help from all. I will be especially interested in your ideas. If you are interested in setting up a display at your local library, or if you know of a community group that would like a presentation, talk to me at a meeting, or via email through my link on our web page. My phone number is also listed in our member directory if you would like to call.

Our biggest and best outreach is our AOS sanctioned show. I encourage everyone to volunteer some of their precious time at our March event. It really is a lot of fun. And I have learned so much about orchids at these shows. I would like to tell you that this is the best part, but I would be lying. The best part is buying new plants!!!! If you would like to volunteer for our show, please use our web page sign-up sheet. See you at the March meeting.

### Nancy Wagener



*Chondrorhyncha hirtzii*



*Pescatorea wallisii*

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

President:	Tom Franczak		614-868-5636
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Jim Harper	2009	614-965-1921
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Ken Mettler	2007	740-380-3023
Nancy Wagener	2007	614-276-8890
Tom Lochner	Immediate Past President	614-487-8197

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. March 12, April 9, May .

## Annual AOS Show – Update

**Set-up Thursday evening, March 23 (setting up display areas)**

**Set-up Friday day and evening, March 24 (setting up displays, helping vendors)**

**Show Saturday, March 25 - Sunday, March 26**

Our big annual show is coming up. The planning is coming together. As of this writing, the following vendors have signed up:

Hilltop Orchids  
 Miranda Orchids [www.mirandaorchids.com](http://www.mirandaorchids.com)  
 Natt's Orchids [www.nattsorchids.com](http://www.nattsorchids.com)  
 Oak Knob Orchids [www.oakknob.com](http://www.oakknob.com)  
 Porter's Orchids [www.portersorchids.com](http://www.portersorchids.com)  
 Summerfield Orchids [www.summerfieldorchids.com](http://www.summerfieldorchids.com)  
 Windswept in Time Orchids

with a tentative: Victorian Orchids  
 and Ed Naber



You might want to check out some of our vendors' web sites and consider ordering something special before they come to town.

Nancy Heath, Hollis Humphries, and Matina Ross have been working hard on publicity. If you have any ideas or have contacts at the Dispatch or other news media, please get in touch with one of these folks to coordinate our efforts.

Nancy Wagener is rounding up volunteers – so if you would like to help out (its fun), go to our web site (coosinfo.info) and check out our newly automated sign-up sheet. A special thank you to Tom Franczak for getting this together. One area where we can always use help is in clerking. A small group, typically 3 or 4

clerks work with each judging team for ribbon judging. This is a great way to learn how plants are judged. As a clerk, you will be assigned one of the following responsibilities:

1. **Head Clerk** - Responsible for the efficient performance of the judging process. This also includes recording the decisions of the judges, making a record of the awards given, and leading the judges to the next class to consider. When personnel are available this person should be assisted by two (2) additional clerks.
2. **Ribbon Clerk** - Responsible for maintaining the ribbon supply, adding class, entry number and date to each ribbon awarded, obtaining the signatures of the judges, and placing the ribbons in accordance with the awards granted.
3. **Spotter** - Assists in locating exhibits and plants plus any other duties that may be assigned.

(During the show judging, clerks are not to participate in the process unless asked to do so. Most often only judges are to be involved in the deliberations concerning an entry considered for competitive awards. In all cases, clerks are to assist the judges to effect efficiency during the judging process. Further, deliberations, when verbally expressed, must not be repeated nor discussed with others.)

We also need people to help out with hospitality. We provide food for all of our judges, vendors, and volunteers. As we did last year, we will be providing a nice lunch for our judges on Saturday. Please plan on bringing in a few of your favorite gastronomic specialties to keep everyone well fed. We also need folks to help our vendors bring in their plants on Friday afternoon and evening (and help remove them on Sunday), as well as a number of other things – please sign-up for some things on our volunteer sign-up sheet on our web site!

The more people we have helping out, the more fun it is for everyone!

- **Tom Bell-Games**  
*Show Chair*



Chondrorhyncha fimbriata



Bollea coelestris



## Growing Tips - Humidity

Among the aspects of orchid culture that are especially difficult to control is humidity. This is particularly true for those of us that don't have the good fortune of being able to grow our collections in a greenhouse. The necessity to add heat exacerbates the problem during cold weather. Frequent misting helps, but is only a temporary measure. If you only have a few plants, many growers use a tray of moist gravel under the plants to help create a micro-climate around the plants that is a bit more humid.

The two converted aquariums in the photograph to the right go a bit beyond a tray of gravel. These have gravel in the bottom and are filled with about an inch of water. A section of plastic egg crate helps keep plants up out of direct contact with water (which could be a big problem). One of these is fitted with a small "muffin fan" salvaged from an old computer. This helps add needed air movement – critical when humidity is high. Stagnant, humid air is a recipe for fungus and bacterial rot.

After years of struggling with humidity (or lack thereof), I finally bit the bullet and purchased an excellent humidifier. This particular unit is manufactured by Hydrofogger (see [hydrofogger.com](http://hydrofogger.com)). Water is converted into an extremely fine mist which can be directed (as shown) or, with the top piece removed, will send a cloud of fog straight up at a faster rate. Water is fed into the unit using a ¼-inch tube that attaches simply to a fitting on the side of the bottom storage section. For this set-up, I use a 5-gallon plastic pail that is filled with water. The water flows from the 5-gallon pail by gravity to the humidifier. I have heard that using municipal water may result in some mineral deposition in the growing area. Here, I'm using water that is low in dissolved minerals (reverse osmosis system) which eliminates this potential nuisance.



My set-up runs off of a timer. I currently have this set to run for about 30 minutes, three times a day with the last misting set so things are fairly dry before nightfall. Ideally, the control system would be set to turn on based on low humidity (read: more money!). For the time being, a timer seems to be working very well. In a space that is about 170 square feet (with standard ceiling height – roughly 8 feet), a dense cloud of mist forms in about ten minutes. Power is supplied by a standard three-prong outlet. Unfortunately, this system is not cheap – nearly \$500. However, when you consider the value of a sizeable collection of orchids, there comes a point where it makes sense to invest on environmental controls to help maintain the health of your plants. A good addition to this would be automated vents to allow fresh air into the growing area as the humidity is raised.

Less expensive humidifiers use a replaceable wetting filter. These raise humidity at a slower rate and require frequent filter replacement due to a build-up of biological growth on the filters. The cost of these filters eventually adds up to make these systems more expensive.

The ultimate in humidification systems are evaporative coolers and pressurized misting systems. There are actually some very inexpensive misting systems on the market which are made of simple tubing and brass or plastic nozzles that connect to your home plumbing. Installing these in the home could be a problem due to excessive moisture, but these are well suited to greenhouses and outdoors patios. Evaporative coolers can either be stand alone units (similar to an air conditioner) or wall units for greenhouses. Evaporative coolers have large pads made of cardboard or coconut fiber. Water passes over these pads while dry air is forced over the pad with fans. As the dry air picks up humidity, it cools and humidifies the growing area. The hydrofogger mentioned above, also cools the air nicely. Cooling by any of these systems is reduced when the ambient humidity is high – of course this means summer, when we need cooling the most!

- Tom Bell-Games

## Notes from the February Meeting

The February Show Table was abundantly filled with blooms of almost every sort. Thanks to all those who shared their orchids. Those of you who have orchids in bloom throughout the spring season remember our away show chair needs your assistance in putting together worthy displays at the various and numerous shows.

Screll Jones reviewed the show table. Where the judges felt it was warranted, multiple place awards were given. We wish we had all of the awards but in the confusion of grabbing plants for the show, many of the award papers vanished. Our apologies to any we may have missed.

### Cattleya and Related Hybrids

Don Weber	<i>Encyclia Amanda</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Edwina Carreon	<i>Blc. Hawaiian Leopard</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bill & Ruth Cavanaugh	<i>Lc. Trick or Treat x sib</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### Oncidium Alliance

#### Paphiopedilum Green Leaf

Tom Franczak	<i>Paphiopedilum yappianum (jogjae)</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
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#### Paphiopedilum Mottled Leaf

Tom James	<i>Paphiopedilum Maudiae</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Bill & Ruth Cavanaugh	<i>Paphiopedilum Supersuk x Raisin Pie x sib</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bill & Ruth Cavanaugh	<i>Paphiopedilum Macabre</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### Phragmipedium

#### Dendrobium

Tom Stinson	<i>Dendrobium spectabile x sib</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Matina Ross	<i>Dendrobium Chu???????</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Elly Campbell	<i>Dendrobium Moniliforme</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### Phalaenopsis

Larry Samson	<i>Phalaenopsis 'Sea Jewell'</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Bill & Ruth Cavanaugh	<i>Phalaenopsis equestris v alba</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tom Franczak	<i>Phalaenopsis Maki Watanabe x Mary Brooks</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Larry Samson	<i>Phalaenopsis 'Melody'</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Larry Samson	<i>Phalaenopsis 'Golden Peoker B'</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bill & Ruth Cavanaugh	<i>Doritaenopsis New Candy</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bill & Ruth Cavanaugh	<i>Phalaenopsis Zuma Camreal</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Jim Fagan	<i>Phalaenopsis</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Bill & Ruth Cavanaugh	<i>Phalaenopsis Tinny Ace x Mount Beauty</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### Other

Tom Bell-Games	<i>Lemboglossom rossii</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tom Bell-Games	<i>Restrepia condorensis</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tom Bell-Games	<i>Restrepia iris</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Don Weber	<i>Sarcoglottis specioss x Steorrynchus speciosum</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Elly Campbell	<i>Coelogynes</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

## It's Showtime ....

Naila Caruso's traveling circus and transient orchid show has been on the road. COOS was represented at the Miami Valley Orchid Show and at the Greater Lansing Orchid Show and as you are reading this, she is probably setting up shop for the Cincinnati Orchid Show. COOS has been well represented by the generous loan of our members orchids and a number of plants placed at each show. Below is a listing of each show.



## Miami Valley (Dayton)

1 <sup>st</sup>	Dendrobium spectabile	Tom and Pat Stinson
1 <sup>st</sup>	Cym. Sleeping Dream 'Lemon Drop'	Screll Jones
1 <sup>st</sup>	Paph. Maudiae	Tom James
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Stptheglottis	Don Weber
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Paph. glaucophyllum x haynaldianum	Screll Jones
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phalaenopsis Maki Watanabe x Mary Brooks	Tom Franczak
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phalaenopsis 'Melody'	Larry Samson
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phalaenopsis Zuma Camreal	Bill and Ruth Cavanaugh
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Paph. Supersuk x (Raisin Pie x sib)	Bill and Ruth Cavanaugh

## Lansing Michigan

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Oda George McMahon	Tom and Pat Stinson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Catasetum sacatum	Screll Jones
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Cattleya walkeriana x Intermedia acquinii	Tom and Pat Stinson
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Oda Stephen Pacifica x Monte a L'Abbe	Tom and Pat Stinson

Naila said the competition was formidable at both shows, so congratulations to all who ribboned and many thanks to all who sent plants.

## 2006 COOS Calendar

March 16	Arthur Katz – Bollea Alliance
March 25-26	Central Ohio Orchid Society Annual Show
April 20	Meeting (speaker to be determined)
May 18	Larry Sanford - Miltoniopsis
June 3-4	Mini-show
June 15	Meeting (speaker to be determined)
July 23	Picnic, tentatively set for Franklin Park Conservatory grounds
September 28	Meeting (speaker to be determined)
October 19	Meeting (speaker to be determined)
November 4-5	Mini-show
November 16	Potluck Dinner

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

January 10	July 11
March 14	September 19
May 9	November 14

**Editor's Corner.** 'Scuse me. Let me climb up on my stump here for a minute. Members have been asked politely several times by other writers to participate (read volunteer) in the Annual COOS Orchid Show. Now I can't hold a gun to your head and it's probably not politically correct to even mention the thought, but I will encourage you strongly to volunteer. I do so based on my own experience. Ruth and I are fairly new to the world of orchids (two + years) and like many other members of lesser experience, we have, on occasion, felt a little intimidated by the whole process involved in shows and judging. There is, after all, a great deal that we just don't have a clue about, especially when compared to members and growers of longer standing.

Last year we volunteered to help with the set up. It's a bit hectic, a bit confused, a lot of fun and leaves you with a feeling of accomplishment. It isn't hard either, if you have enough bodies to do the work. It would leave two or three people feeling grumpy and abused, but if we have lots of help, it's easy.

I was encouraged to clerk as well. Never done that. Had no idea what was expected of me. Found myself with a number of other people in exactly the same situation. And I had to work with AOS Judges!!! Turns out they are pretty nice people. As expected they are very knowledgeable, and I learned a lot about how orchids are judged. Still have a ton more to learn, but four or five hours with the judges taught more than all of the books I had read to that time. I also found out that they have a sense of humor, can be very proper, can agree almost without talking and can disagree to a degree about which is the best in class and why. Also found out that they use old strawberry containers for compots just like we do. Try it, you'll like it.

OR – volunteer for any of the other areas where the society needs help. It's an opportunity to work with other members and to get to know them. We are a social organization as well and it's good to make new friends among your fellow enthusiasts. You can share your passion and your knowledge with the public. You would be amazed at the questions that practically leap out of people when you ask them if there is anything they would like to know. Don't forget, this is also our best opportunity of the year to recruit new members. If they pay their dues by March 31, Jon will even get them in the new directory. So go to the COOS website at <http://www.coosinfo.info>, click on the link on the left hand side that says show preparation, click the link at the top of the page that says volunteer sign up form and pick what you want to do to help. Send the completed form to Nancy Wagener and we'll see you at the show.

Bill Cavanaugh

## MAOC Newsletter

The spring edition of the Mid-America Orchid Congress newsletter, dated February 2006, is now available. MAOC officers announced that they will begin publishing their newsletters quarterly. (Heretofore semi-annually.) This edition and the previous edition, (September, 2005), make it look like they're finally back on track with a quality product. And like other progressive orchid societies, MAOC switched to electronic distribution a year ago. ;-)) You can download your copy using this link:

<http://midamericanorchids.org/Newsletters/MidAmNewsSpring2006.pdf>

Time was, some years ago, that MAOC sponsored an essay contest, (the Mary Lou Dundon Essay Contest), and, most of the time, actually printed winning and runner-up entries. That made their newsletter fairly interesting to the general orchidist. It would be most welcome if they revived that feature.

Tom Franczak

<b>REGIONAL SHOWS:</b> The following are upcoming shows within a reasonable distance from the central Ohio area:	
March 4-5, 2006	Greater Akron Orchid Society Show, Tadmor Shrine Center, 3000 Krebs Dr., Akron, OH. Contact: Cathy Green, 2019 36th St. NW, Canton, OH 44708; (330) 492-4534; <a href="mailto:orchidlady50@hotmail.com">orchidlady50@hotmail.com</a> . Close to home. Support your almost local orchid society. Some can choose Akron, some Cincinnati, where do the relatives live.
March 4-5, 2006	Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society Show, Krohn Conservatory, 1501 Eden Park Dr., Cincinnati, OH. Contact: Patricia June, 5794 Butler Warren Rd., Mason, OH 45040; (513) 398-1332; <a href="mailto:rogerjune@aol.com">rogerjune@aol.com</a> . Same weekend as Akron, about the same distance. Pick one, pick both, you have two days in the weekend.
March 11-12, 2006	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:fs@orchidmix.com">fs@orchidmix.com</a> . Two hours and five minutes on the shores of gitchigumee, er Lake Erie, well.... Almost. A good day or weekend trip to the North Coast.

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Ann Arbor Orchid Society Show. Mathaeii Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Rd, Ann Arbor, Mi. Contact: Ann Bommarito c/o AAOS, PO Box 3006, Ann Arbor, MI 48106. **Buckeye fans can still go here for an orchid show. Orchids look good wherever you are. About 4 hours by land, shorter by air.**

April 1-2, 2006

Central Indiana Orchid Society Show. Glendale Mall, 6101 N. Keystone Ave. Indianapolis, In. Contact: Pegg Bryant 546 E. 900 N. Fortville, In. 46040; (317) 326-7537; [pbnjspread@hotmail.com](mailto:pbnjspread@hotmail.com)  
**About 3 hours and 20 minutes in darn near a straight line on I-70. A shorter drive than many and we (COOS) will be there. Don't you love addresses 546 E. 900 N. Fortville.**

April 22-23, 2006

Kentucky Orchid Society Show. Executive Inn, 978 Phillips Lane, Louisville Ky. Contact: Jim McCulloch, 302 Caroldale Ln., Louisville, KY 40243; (502) 245-5605; [jimlou@aol.com](mailto:jimlou@aol.com)  
**About 3 hours and 40 minutes. Another darn near straight line shot on I-71 this time. And if you have enough bloomers COOS could be there too. Go early, stay late, catch the Kentucky Derby. OK, you gotta stay two weeks to catch that. Good trip though.**

## Lost and Found

Ed Davis reports that he has lost several computer discs containing his copy of the Wildcatt Orchid Program. He last saw them at the November potluck. The missing disks would include Spring 2005 update and September 2005 update with papers of instruction with two sets of invoices for cost of \$34.95 each in their original mailing envelopes: First Class stamped on the envelope with return address of: Wildcatt Database Co. 5614 Valley Road-- Ames, Iowa 90014. These original disks have their identifying labels thereon with title and copywrite information. Please keep an eye out for these items. Check the nooks and crannies If things happen like at my house, you never know what will turn up where, when you least expected it.



Cochleanthes flabelliformis



Cochleanthes Amazonica



## Hospitality

Thanks to Nancy Wagener, Edwina Carreon and Ruth Cavanaugh for the February goodies. 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 and the month they signed for. Coincidentally, the blank spots have no volunteers. See Naila at the meeting 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.

March Dorothy Burchfield  
March Ellie Campbell  
March Chris Bednar

April Tom and Rosina Bell-Games  
April Robin Morrison  
April Pat Stinson

May Norman and Lori Baldwin  
May  
May

June Cathy Willis  
June Ed Davis  
June

July COOS Picnic

August  
August  
August

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