



March Meeting – Ken Mettler – Orchid Showing and Judging 101
Thursday, March 21, 2013
8:00 p.m., Franklin Park Conservatory Classrooms
7:30 to 8:00 p.m. Beginner's Corner

Do it yourself...with a little help, Orchid Showing and Judging 101

Our March speaker is a reprise of our February speaker with a new topic. 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, Orchid Showing and Judging 101. Ken has an ambitious agenda as he wants to cover ribbon judging, AOS judging, preparing and entering plants in a show, and building an exhibit. That's a lot of information, hence OSAJ 101. 102 may be just around the corner...or several corners.



Bulbo affine

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.

Bill Cavanaugh

President's Message.

As we count down to our annual show, I am confident that our members will rise to the occasion and provide the assistance needed as volunteer workers to make the show a success. You always do. But just to help **Dave Markley** sleep at night, tell him you'll be there to help with setup, teardown and everything in-between: clerking, registration, hospitality, information table, exhibitor assistance, society display, and buying armloads of orchids from our vendors.

And when you paid your 2013 dues you should have received this year's membership card which fits comfortably in a holder. I'd appreciate it if you would wear your card when you're wandering about the Conservatory during the show. It tells members of the public that you're someone who can be approached with questions about the plants and the show.



Liparis lilifolia

It's been on my mind that the 2010 society election was a difficult one in that the nominating committee came down to the wire in assembling a slate of officers and directors. I don't want us to go through that stress again so for the election scheduled for October this year I've appointed a nominating committee to begin work now recruiting members to serve the society for terms beginning in 2014. **Edna Markley** will chair the committee and be assisted by **Bill Cavanaugh** and **Katrina Heap**. Please don't be shy. If you are able to help keep the society functioning, tell one of the committee members. And if you're approached by Bill or Katrina, remember it's not polite to say no to them. In the case of Edna, it's dangerous. :) And because when all the shows are over, next year remains.

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 March 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)**. We have many members who have not renewed yet, 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 April 14, May 12, and June 9, 2013...

Welcome New Members

Oops, the pulse has skipped a beat, or I have, and if I have missed any new members I will honor them next month. In the meantime, let's recruit a bunch of new members this month so I need three paragraphs for this section next month. Invite an orchid friend to join, invite a stranger who is interested, intrigued, or in love with orchids to join us. We have to grow to be good.

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

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| President: | Tom Franczak | | 614-868-5636 |
| 1 st Vice President: | Katrina Heap | Program Chair | 614-471-4618 |
| 2 nd Vice President: | Dave Markley | Home Show Chair | 614-471-5437 |
| 3 rd Vice President: | Screll Jones | Away Show Chair | 614-864-7924 |
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| Assistant Treasurer: | Rich Wagener | Membership Chair | 614-276-8890 |

COOS Trustees – Terms of Office Expire December 31st of the Year Shown.

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| Lori Baldwin | 2015 | 740-246-4713 |
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| Jim Harper | 2013 | 614-965-1921 |
| Don Weber | 2013 | 614-846-7712 |
| Nancy Wagener | Immediate Past President | 614-276-8890 |



Phal Blue July 4th x Amazing Grace



Trichopilia oicophylax

Spring Show

Our annual Spring show and plant sale is fast approaching. The show will be held at the Franklin Park Conservatory. The schedule is as follows:

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| Thursday, April 4 | 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. | Preliminary Set-up (tables, chairs, back drops for exhibits) |
| Friday, April 5 | 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. | Show set-up Plant registration |
| Saturday, April 6 | 8 a.m. – 10 a.m. | Ribbon judging |
| | 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. | AOS judging |
| | 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Show open to the public |
| | 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. | Judges' Luncheon |
| Sunday, April 7 | 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Show open to the public |
| | 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. | Show teardown |

As of this moment, we still have a great need for volunteers, particularly clerks. We need some additional hospitality volunteers and a variety of others. See Show Chair Dave Markley to add your name to the activity(ies) that best suit you. Below is a listing of where we need volunteers:

Set-up Thursday evening – This is very easy and just involves setting up tables, chairs, and backdrops for the exhibits. Easy work and it goes very quickly.

Host/Hostess – This involves walking around and helping out where ever needed; giving vendors a break if they need it; answering questions; and keeping an eye on the exhibits to be sure no one walks off with plants or disturbs the displays. Ideally, we should have two people around at all times.

Hospitality – We provide food and beverages for the hard-working judges, clerks, and vendors. Everyone in the society should try to bring in covered dishes. We will use this to feed the judges for the Judges' Luncheon on Saturday. In addition to bringing in food, both days, we also will need people to help tend the hospitality room.

Set-up Friday day or evening – This is where we can use a few more people. We will be helping exhibitors (societies and vendors) bring in their plants; help direct them to their display and sales areas; and provide general assistance to help get the show set-up.

We're not done yet....

Plant Registration – We will once again be using electronic registration of plants. This is a vast improvement over what used to be a painstakingly long process. This now goes extremely quickly barring computer glitches and we generate uniform tags for inclusion in the displays. The program also prints out the entire show with all plants entered, so each of the judges and clerks can have a complete list. Plant registration occurs Friday afternoon and early evening.

Clerking – This is a great opportunity to learn more about how orchids are judged. Each group of judges will be teamed with a group of clerks to assist in ribbon judging. Ideally, we should have 3 or 4 clerks per team. There will be a head clerk (typically someone who is more experienced and has clerked before), a ribbon clerk (to get judges to sign the ribbons and to place the ribbons with the awarded plants) and a spotter (to work ahead of the judging team, spotting the next plants to be judged).

Teardown Sunday Evening – We will need to help the exhibitors collect their things and clean-up after the show. The Franklin Park Conservatory very kindly provides the venue for our show – we need to return the space to its original condition at the end of the show.

As you can see, there are any number of ways you might help make this a successful event. We will have more sign-up sheets at the March meeting, prior to the show. If you haven't volunteered before, please consider helping out – it's a lot of fun.

Hope to see you there!

Notes from the February Meeting.

Here are the results of the February showtable. The show table displayed twenty-nine beautiful plants, another really good showing for a winter month and the plants shown were, as always, exceptional. Great February show table and a large thank you to all of you who bring and share your blooms.

Screll Jones 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 Tennis Maynard for the plant of the month, an exceptional orchid, Fredclarkeara After Dark. Black as night and really awesome.

February

Plant of the Month

Tennis Maynard

Fredclarkeara After Dark 'SVO Black Pearl'

Cattleya

Tennis Maynard

Lc Drumbeat 'Heritage'

1st

Tennis Maynard

Lc Meadow Gold 'Lines'

2nd

Larry Samson

Pot Dick Smith 'Aloha Spirit'

3rd

Laelia

Tennis Maynard

Laelia praestans

1st

Tennis Maynard

Laelia anceps v veitchiana 'Ft Caroline'

2nd

Masdevallia

Tom Stinson

Masd Tiger Bay

1st

Tom Stinson

Masd Redwing 'Harford' AM/AOS

2nd

Tom Stinson

Masd coccinea var Alba 'Green Tree' AM/AOS

3rd

Paphiopedilum Hybrid

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|----------------|---|-----------------|
| Tom Stinson | <i>Paph Luna Moth (Gossamer x Limelight Glow)</i> | 1 st |
| Tom, Stinson | <i>Paph Anger Hair</i> | 2 nd |
| Tennis Maynard | <i>Paph Novelty x Personality.</i> | 3 rd |

Paphiopedilum Species

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|----------------|---|-----------------|
| Tennis Maynard | <i>Paph armeniacum</i> | 1 st |
| Tom Stinson | <i>Paph lowii x Sib var album</i> | 2 nd |
| Tom Stinson | <i>Paph lowii x Sib (Red Glory x Wild Thing) f</i> | 3 rd |

Phalaenopsis

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| Tom Stinson | <i>Phal (Brother Purple x H.P. Norton)</i> | 1 st |
| Tom Stinson | <i>Phal Little Ducky</i> | 2 nd |
| David Nesbit | <i>Phal Baldan's Kaleidoscope</i> | 3 rd |

Other

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| Katrina Heap | <i>Epi centropetalum</i> | 1 st |
| Tennis Maynard | <i>Fredclarkera After Dark 'SVO Black Pearl' POM</i> | 1 st |
| Ken Mettler | <i>Amitostigma lepidum</i> | 1 st |
| Tennis Maynard | <i>Opsistylus Mem Mary Natt Rass</i> | 2 nd |
| Tennis Maynard | <i>Trichopilia suavis</i> | 2 nd |
| Ken Mettler | <i>Cym Eastern Beauty</i> | 2 nd |
| Tennis Maynard | <i>Encyclia vitellina</i> | 3 rd |
| David and Edna Markley | <i>Den Mini Snowflake</i> | 3 rd |
| Tom Stinson | <i>Phrag St Ouen</i> | 3 rd |

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.



Bulbo macranthum



Restrepia brachypus

2013 COOS Calendar

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| March 21 | Meeting – Ken Mettler – Orchid Judging and Showing 101 |
| 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



Cattleya maxima



Masd Purple Finch

From the Boardroom.

At the March 12, 2013 meeting of the COOS Board, member **Edna Markley** made the following motion:

Dottie Burchfield is granted Life Membership in the Central Ohio Orchid Society in recognition of her many years of selfless service to the Society.

The motion received numerous seconds and was unanimously approved by the quorum present.

The membership chair will make the appropriate notation in the Society roster and the whole Society rises to thank Dottie for her contributions to our welfare.

Give Dottie a hug next time you see her.

Tom Franczak, for the Board

Annual Growers Contest

They are coming through the first turn and there are some early leaders. It is a long race though and we have miles to go before we finish. Prizes await the victor and at least a small measure of fame local as it may be. Remember, the race goes to the persistent, those that grow and show the most orchids and garner the most awards. Entertain us with your skills. With a little luck, and the cooperation of those ever so unpredictable orchids that we all grow, you too can be at (or near) the top of the list. The results below include the November, January and February show tables. 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

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| Tennis Maynard | 209 |
| Tom and Pat Stinson | 89 |
| Screll Jones | 25 |
| Don Weber | 10 |
| Dave Sayer | 1 |

AYO (All You Others)

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| Katrina Heap | 50 | Larry Samson | 3 |
| Dave and Edna Markley | 47 | David Nesbit | 3 |
| Ken Mettler | 35 | | |
| Bill Cavanaugh | 24 | | |
| 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.



Cynodes Wine Delight



Iwanara Apple Blossom

Away Show Bulletin!

Upcoming Nearby Shows:

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:

Oops! Old habits are hard to break. Here we are two days before the meeting and here comes the newsletter. Maybe I should average the days before the meeting that I post and we'll show an upward curve. Maybe I should get this out earlier. I will start next month's newsletter the day after the meeting. Don't know if it will help but we'll give it a try.

It is time for the spring show and in case you hadn't noticed, there are not as many of us as there used to be. This means that it is even more important that those of you who can, contribute a little time and effort to the

success of the show. I know that every year we all pull together and somehow pull it off, but remember, if we don't, we look really bad. It will take a contribution from all of us.

Which brings us to a second topic, Dues. I know that I always intend to pay my dues in November or January, and it is usually, as it was this year, March before I get it done. As only twenty-two members have paid their dues as of this writing, I assume that the same happens to you. So this is just a gentle reminder to everyone, if you haven't paid your dues yet, please do so, the society depends on this income to help provide the programs we all enjoy. If you can't remember if you are current, just ask Rich Wagener and I am sure he can let you know.

Bill

Hospitality

We would like to express our thanks to Scott Bever, and the other unknown, at least to me, members who graciously provided us with the refreshments for the February meeting.

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.

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| March | Naila Caruso | April | Pat Stinson |
| March | Bill Cavanaugh | April | Volunteer Needed |
| March | Volunteer Needed | April | Volunteer Needed |
| May | Volunteer Needed | June | Volunteer Needed |
| May | Volunteer Needed | June | Volunteer Needed |
| May | Volunteer Needed | June | 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.

Fredclarkeara After Dark 'SVO Black Pearl'
Plant of the Month January
Grown by Tennis Maynard



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