



October Meeting –Pepe Portillo on The Orchids of Southern Peru
Thursday October 17, 2013
8:00 p.m., Franklin Park Conservatory Classrooms
7:30 to 8:00 p.m. Beginner's Corner

The Orchids of Southern Peru, an odyssey of sorts.

Our October speaker will be Jose (Pepe) Portilla. Many of you may be familiar with him as the president of Ecuagenera, a major purveyor of orchids in Ecuador. Pepe will be speaking to us about the orchids of southern Peru.



Bulbo odoratissimum

We are fortunate to have Pepe as he is also speaking at the Fall MidAmerican Orchid Congress meeting in Dayton this weekend. He will have plants available and is widely noted as an excellent speaker so come and here him and bring your wallets to get that plant that is calling your name.

We will be gathering for our usual pre-meeting greet and eat at Alladin's restaurant on East Main in Bexley.

All are welcome to join us.

Bill Cavanaugh

The origin of Ecuagenera dates back to the 50s when the Salesian Father Angel Andreetta, came to the area in canton Gualaquiza Bomboiza in Ecuador. It was a place favored by the abundance of gold deposits and some species of orchids. Andreetta began to research and collect some of the species orchids, becoming the pioneer of this activity in the region. Orchids that were the result of this effort made it possible for Ecuador to participate in a World of Orchids exhibition held in Colombia in 1968.

These efforts eventually introduced Mario and Jose Portilla to the world of orchids. They also led to the founding, in 1992, of Ecuagenera, a company that is dedicated to the preservation and marketing of orchid plants.

President's Message

If I were where you are instead of where I am, I'd be spending every day I could at the Dawes Arboretum soaking up the autumn scenery. I've been exploring the geography here generally by putting the address of a different winery into my TomTom and then setting sail as I may be directed. That has taken me deep into the Hill Country. As I watch the landscape zoom by at Texas speeds I can tell you that to a first approximation, every green plant here is either a prickly pear cactus or a live oak tree. You may drive by Lynd's Farm and note the apple trees growing close together. That's sort of how the live oaks look here. Only the live oaks are evergreen. I won't be enjoying the natural palette you have.

We have elections this month. I wanted to say something about them. You know, thank the slate for agreeing to take care of us for the next two years. Thank the current board for their service over the past two years.

Let us get introspective for a moment. Ask yourself what is it we do because what we do is what we are. Individually we grow orchids, mostly because we can't refrain from growing orchids. Collectively we gather together in meetings ten times a year at which we listen to invited speakers who increase our knowledge about all things orchid. And paramount to everything else, we stage orchid shows at which we exhibit our orchids to edify ourselves, each other, and the general public. In the course of these three activities we make friends, we socialize and we indulge in other aspects of our hobby such as conservation and hybridization.



Den anosmum

The new board will surely continue to guide us along this path. But some things may change. Maybe not limestone bluffs, road runners, and agaves. But something. A renewed emphasis on increasing membership, for one. More outreach. Much more outreach. To our sister societies by exhibiting at their shows, to the public at the state fair, at the FPC's "Orchid Sunday" and other venues, and to the visitors at our own shows. So many people buy orchids at our shows and don't realize that they need a support group when they do that ... that's where we come in. So help the new board along. Each of our lives has been enriched by our interest in orchids and participation in our orchid society. Reach out. For my part I've already recruited our first member from Texas.

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 October 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)**. If you 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 November 10, December 8, 2013 and January 12, 2014.

Welcome New Members

No new members that I am aware of this month. Please remember to make the new members who have recently joined, very welcome at our meetings. Remember folks, 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

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
Secretary:	Dave Markley	Recorder	614-471-5437
Assistant Secretary:	Bill Cavanaugh	Newsletter Editor	614-878-1745
Treasurer	Edna Markley	Collect/Disburse Monies	614-471-5437
Assistant Treasurer:	Rich Wagener	Membership Chair	614-276-8890

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

Lori Baldwin	2015	740-246-4713
Eileen Ansley	2015	614-457-7774
Jim Harper	2013	614-965-1921
Don Weber	2013	614-846-7712
Nancy Wagener	Immediate Past President	614-276-8890

Below is the proposed list of officers for the upcoming term. You will note that we do not yet have a president. We are still efforting that. Nominations from the floor will be entertained for that and for any other positions. A vote to accept the board nominated will be conducted at the November meeting.

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President:	Vacant		
1 st Vice President:	Bill Cavanaugh	Program Chair	614 878-1745
2 nd Vice President	Dave Markley	Home Show Chair	614 471-5437
3 rd Vice President:	Ken Mettler	Away Show Chair	740 380-3509
Secretary:	Justin Pepperney	Recorder	614 000-0000
Assistant Secretary:	Katrina Heap	Newsletter Editor	614 471-4618
Treasurer	Edna Markley	Collect/Disburse Monies	614-471-5437
Assistant Treasurer:	Tom Bell-Games	Membership Chair	614 000-0000

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Tennis Maynard	2017	614 000-0000
Tom Franczak	Immediate Past President	614 000-0000

Away Show Bulletin!

Upcoming Nearby Shows:

Fall Mid America Orchid Congress 2013

Oct 18 – 20, 2013

Dayton Art Institute, 456 Belmonte Park North, Dayton, OH ([map](#))

Contact: Eric Sauer 937-212-0462 eric@rvorchids.com



Dendrobium helix 'pirouett'

Notes from the September Meeting.

Here are the results of the September showtable. The show table displayed thirty-four beautiful plants, a nice collection of late summer blooming plants. The COOS tradition of showing exceptional, interesting and well grown plants is again well served. Very nice September show table. We give a large thank you to all of you who bring and share your blooms.

Ken Mettler, Screll Jones, and Tennis Maynard did the judging and we thank them. 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 Elly Campbell for the plant of the month, *Grammatophyllum scriptum* var *citrinum*, a very well grown and amazingly well bloomed plant. Very nice job Elly.

September

Plant or the Month

Elly Campbell

Grammatophyllum scriptum var citrinum

Cattleya

Katrina Heap

Epidendrum parkinsonianum

1st

Tennis Maynard

C dolosa

2nd

Ken Mettler

Enc hanburyi

3rd

Catasetum

Scott Bever

Morr Millenium Magic 'Witchcraft' AM/AOS

1st

Tennis Maynaard

Ctsm pileatum v imperiale

2nd

Paphiopedilum Species

Tennis Maynard

Paph henryanum

1st

Ken Mettler

Paph helenae

2nd

Justin Pepperney

Paph bellatulum

3rd

Paphiopedilum hybrids

Dave and Edna Markley

Paph Kevin's Wine 'San Carlos' x Raisin Eyes 'Rascal'

1st

Tennis Maynard

Paph Doll's Kobold

2nd

Dave and Edna Markley

Paph primulinum 'Yellow Bird' x dianthum album 'Albino Beauty'

3rd

Oncidiae

Tennis Maynard

Milt spectabilis var moreliana

1st

Tennis Maynard

Cischweinfia dasyandre

2nd

Screll Jones

Psychopsis Mendenhall

3rd

Angraecum

Screll Jones

Ang distichum

1st

Screll Jones

Ang Longiscott 'DC'

2nd

Other

Elly Campbell

Gramatophyllum scriptum var citrinum POM

1st

Tennis Maynard

V Pachora Delight 'Pachora'

2nd

Ken Mettler

Spiranthes cernua

2nd

Tennis Maynard

Habenaria xanthocheila

2nd

Screll Jones

Dracula vampira

3rd

Screll Jones

Phal Yaphon Evergreen 'Yaphon'

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 dianthum



Phrag Dragon's Light

2013 COOS Calendar

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
 November 12

2014 COOS Calendar (tentative)

January 16, 2013 Meeting – Speaker to be determined
 February 20 Meeting – Speaker to Be Determined
 March 20 Meeting – Speaker to Be Determined-
March 29/30 Central Ohio Orchid Society Annual Spring Show
 April 17 Meeting – Speaker to be determined
 May 15 Meeting – Speaker to be determined
 June 19 Meeting – Speaker to be determined
 July 20* Picnic – Not set for Franklin Park Conservatory grounds - **Tentative**
 September 18 Meeting – Speaker to be determined
 October 16 Meeting – Speaker to be determined
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January 14	July 8
March 11	September 9
May 13	November 11

* Tentative picnic date



Dendrochilum magnum



Dendrochilum uncatum

Annual Growers Contest

Time grows short, in fact, after the MAOC show this weekend, time is up. One more away show, one more show table, and poof, you're a pumpkin. Well, maybe not a pumpkin, but someones will be winners. The away shows will be included in the final tally but we will keep you in suspense, such as it is, just a bit longer. 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. With a little luck, and the cooperation of those ever so unpredictable orchids that we all grow, you could win, relative as that may be. The results below include the November, January, February, March, April, May, June, July and September show tables. If you have any disagreements with the totals let me know as soon as possible so that it can be set straight.

Green House Division

Tennis Maynard	765	Don Weber	28
Tom and Pat Stinson	146	Dave Sayer	2
Screll Jones	143		

AYO (All You Others)

Katrina Heap	141	Dennis Eifel	14
Dave and Edna Markley	117	Terry and Sandra Stohr	10
Ken Mettler	102	Rochelle Vennari	6
Scott Bever	58	Ed Davis	4
Bill Cavanaugh	48	Wauneta Kerr	3
Tessie Steelman	30	Larry Samson	3
Elly Campbell	36	David Nesbit	3
Tom Bell Games	26		
Justin Pepperney	18		

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

Editor's Corner:

Change is coming!! Our society enters a new year with a (somewhat) new set of officers. I know, the names look the same, mostly, but there is new blood. And any organization transitions leadership slowly. There is something to be said for institutional memory and something to be said for new visions. I am sure we have the former, it is my hope that we will have the latter as well. I would remind you that there could be more new blood if more new blood would volunteer, or at least accept a draft.

Change is coming!! Seriously folks, this is my next to last newsletter. I said two years ago that this was my last stint. And it is, as NL editor. Now I have to find speakers. But there is something more important that we need to find. New Members. I am sure that many of you are ready for a change in the NL editor, looking for someone more timely, more connected to the orchid world, just someone different dang it. To be honest, I am looking forward to a change myself, a new role. It is important that all of us have to engage in a new role as well. Recruiter!! The first thing we must recruit is a new president. It is my hope that someone will step forward and volunteer their services. Number two, is new members.

When I joined this society 10/12 years ago, there were around one hundred members. Time marched on. People age and drop out, move, grow disinterested, or whatever. We now have roughly 45/50 members including lifetime honorees. If we are to survive as a society, we must grow closer to that 100 number or beyond. If we don't, well the alternatives are pretty apparent. Take a moment to recruit. We will all meet someone new and interesting and gain the ability to have a social organization as well as an orchid directed organization. Growth is good. Let's do something to make it so.

Bill

Hospitality

We would like to express our thanks to Minda Harris, LaWanda Martin, and Scott Bever and any and all other contributors who graciously provided us with the refreshments for the June 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.

October	Lori Baldwin	November	Awards Banquet
October	Naila Caruso		
October	Elly Campbell		
	Margo Washburn		
January	Volunteer Needed	February	Volunteer Needed
January	Volunteer Needed	February	Volunteer Needed
January	Volunteer Needed	February	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.

Grammatophyllum scriptum var citrinum
Plant of the Month September
Grown by Elly Campbell

