



CHAOS

Charlottesville Orchid Society

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March 2019 Newsletter

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2019 BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Acting President and 1st Vice President: Jeffrey Morris

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NEXT MEETING:



Sunday 3/10/2019

Set-up 2:30 PM; program begins at 3:00 PM

1024 Carrington Place, off Rio Road across from Church of Our Savior

ACTING PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Greetings All,

Our March meeting will feature a recorded Webinar from the American Orchid Society. This is the time of year that the cymbidiums great and small are blooming. The Webinar will be on the culture of cymbidiums. Cymbidiums are available in miniature forms now, and can be enjoyed by those with limited space. Even the standards can be grown without a greenhouse, provided there is a cool but not freezing space to keep them in the winter.

Many thanks to all the members that helped with our exhibit during the Virginia Orchid Society Show. It was a wonderful show as always. Our exhibit received the Orchid Digest Award and a cash prize for Best Visiting Societies Exhibit. Congrats go to our Ribbon award winners:
Dudley Miller received a 1st and 2nd place ribbons
Fay & George Tyler received a 2nd place ribbon
Brenda Steigman received a 1st place ribbon
Mark & Judy Bobsin received 2 1st place, 3 2nd place & 2 3rd place ribbons
Pam Van Brunt received 3 1st place, 4 2nd place, 3 3rd place, & 2 HM ribbons as well as a cash prize for the smallest flower in the show.
Jeff Morris received 10 1st place, 9 2nd place, 7 3rd place & 2 HM ribbons as well as Best Cattleya, Best Paphiopedilum, Best Dendrobium, Best Specimen Plant and a cash prize for the largest plant in the show.

Winter is refusing to go quietly this year. This week before the meeting is feeling more like January than March. Since we lost our December and January meetings due to the weather, we will be presenting the 2018 show table awards on Sunday.

Additionally we have a few business items that we will take care of as well.

March is usually a good month for all manner of orchids in bloom. Please bring the wonderful flowering orchids to display on the show table. We will hopefully have time to do some in depth review.

I look forward to seeing you all there.

Jeff Morris





SPEAKER INFORMATION:

No speaker this month...plans for education as outlined in Jeff's note!

ORCHID ORIGAMI DISPLAY:

Thanks to Paula Berardi and Neale Merriman for sharing their beautiful paper origami orchid sculptures with us in February! Purchase of the orchid origami plans support the North American Orchid Conservation Center.





SHOW TABLE RESULTS

1Hobby Lucia Hince Paph Thunder Cat 'Sizzler' HM

2Hobby Fay & George Tyler Bc Maikai 'Louise' 1rst
2Hobby Daria Kiselica Phal unknown 2nd
2Hobby Fay & George Tyler Phal Kuntrarti 'Rarashati' 2nd

3Hobby Pam Van Brunt Paph gratixianum 1rst
3Hobby Pam Van Brunt Paph Fanaticum 2nd
3Hobby Pam Van Brunt Masd towarensis 'Snowbird' 2nd
3Hobby Pam Van Brunt Cym Ming Emperor 3rd
3Hobby Pam Van Brunt Bl Yellow Bird 3rd

4Super Hobby Mark & Judy Bobsin Den nobile 1rst
4Super Hobby Brenda Steigman Slc Coastal Sunrise 1rst
4Super Hobby Dudley Miller Den Minapac 2nd
4Super Hobby Dudley Miller Paph spicerianum 2nd
4Super Hobby Dudley Miller Den nobile 3rd
4Super Hobby Brenda Steigman Din polybulbon 3rd

5Professional Jeff Morris C trianae 'Cashens' FCC/AOS 1rst
5Professional Lee & Neale Merriman Den speciosum var. compactum 2nd
5Professional Jeff Morris Cym (Rincon Fairy x Ayla) 2nd
5Professional Jeff Morris Z (Everspring x Arthur Elle) 3rd

CHAOS Monthly Show Table

As part of each regular meeting of CHAOS, we have an informal show table. The intent is to show off your flowers and plants, and to allow others to enjoy them, too. In the spirit of informality, we have categories related to the number of plants you are growing – we don't want someone just starting to feel like they need to compete with the old pro.

Each meeting three people (usually the person leading the evaluation and the two who are standing nearest) are asked to look over the plants and select what strikes their collective fancy. We often have new people participate – it's a great ice breaker. So, one time the species plant aficionados will pick the tiny no-see-ums, and other times it just that one plant that really grabs your eye, or it's the monster plant with a bazillion blooms. At the end of the meeting the selected plants are briefly discussed and cultural tips for especially challenging plants are noted. By keeping it informal we want to encourage people to bring plants and share what it is that brings us all to an orchid meeting.

See the CHAOS website for a PDF form with four slips can be downloaded for your plants. Or pick up a slip from the folks setting up the table. On the back add any particular culture tips that you used to for growing and blooming your plant.

For all show entries, complete a show table form (plant identification on front, your name on back). After the meeting, leave forms on the table so that results may be tabulated.



Join us for a *CHAOS* meeting!!!

Be our guest at a meeting because you enjoy orchids!

What's in it for you:

- Speakers who address multiple topics of interest about orchids and growing them
- A show table that allows you to see...and smell!...blooming orchids grown by our members, AND discussion by experienced orchid growers about how those orchids grow and thrive
- Networking with friendly and welcoming people who enjoy orchids and plants, and grow them in their own greenhouses or homes
- Frequent options to purchase beautiful orchids to grow yourself
- Raffles in which you may win an orchid plant for as little as \$1.00
- The option of joining our organization as a member

When: Usually the second Sunday of each month, September through June, from 2:30 to 5:00 PM, with program from 3:00-4:00 PM. Check our website (<http://cvilleorchidsociety.com/>) to confirm a date.

Where: 1024 Carrington Place, off of Rio Road East, Charlottesville. Go to the third floor, "Accounting Solutions".

Hope to see you at our next meeting!