

Charlottesville Orchid Society

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April 2019 Newsletter

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NEXT MEETING:

Sunday 4/14/2019

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

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

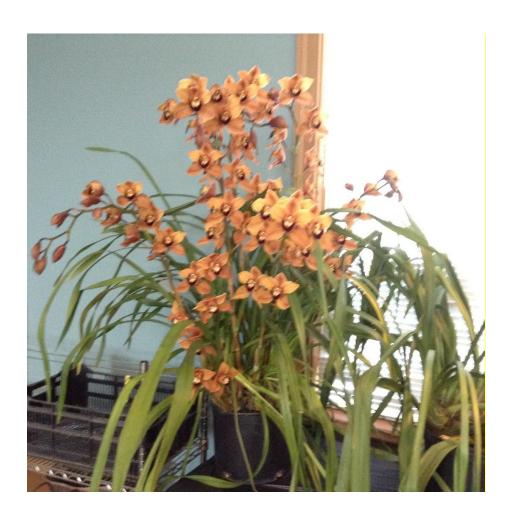
ACTING PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Spring has sprung and the weather has tipped to the warmer days. For those of us that move orchids outside for the summer remember the average last frost date for our area is April 15th, but we have been known to have frost as late as the first week of May. The late spring cattleyas are blooming and soon many of the formerly classified Laelias will be coming into season. Now they are pretty much all considered to be cattleyas. The spectacular cattleya purpuratas will be coming into bloom later in May.

We are fortunate to have Joe Gray as our speaker this coming meeting. Joe has successfully grown cypripediums and is willing to impart some wisdom to those of us that have not grown them and those of us that tried unsuccessfully.

I look forward to seeing everybody

Jeff







SPEAKER INFORMATION:

Our speaker this month will be our own Joe Gray. He will be speaking about how to grow Cypripedium. Joe has been growing them outside for 25 years. He is particularly interested in conservation of orchid species. He retired from Iowa State University in 2016 and moved to Virginia to be warmer and closer to relatives.

Joe will not have plants for sale, so members may bring plants to sell, with CHAOS to receive a portion of any proceeds.





SHOW TABLE RESULTS

1Hobby Jim Nemer Phal unknown 1rst

1Hobby Jim Nemer Phal unknown 2nd

2Hobby George & Fay Tyler Phal unknown 1rst

2Hobby George & Fay Tyler Phal unknown 2nd

2Hobby Leon Blumreich Sarco sceptroda 2nd

2Hobby Leon Blumreich Phrag Eric Young 'Rocket Fire' 3rd

2Hobby George & Fay Tyler Lc el Cerrito 3rd

2Hobby Leon Blumreich Epc Rene Marques 'Flame Thrower' HCC/AOS HM

2Hobby George & Fay Tyler Lc Rojo HM

3Hobby Pam Van Brunt Masd Lollipop 1rst

3Hobby Alba Shank Den unknown 2nd

3Hobby Pam Van Brunt Rstrp nittiorhyncha 3rd

3Hobby Frank Grau Lc Chit Chat 'Tangerine' HCC/AOS HM

4Super Hobby Dudley Miller Den nobile 1rst

4Super Hobby Dudley Miller Cym unknown mini 2nd

4Super Hobby Brenda Steigman Phal unknown 3rd

5Professional Jeff Morris Den Fire Wings 1rst

5Professional Lee & Neale Merriman Den pierardii 2nd

5Professional Lee & Neale Merriman Lpts pohitinocli 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.



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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!