# CHAOS Charlottesville Orchid Society

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### December 2014 Newsletter

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President's Message

This is my final President's message to CHAOS members as we end the year 2014. I want to wish all members a very Happy Holiday Season with friends and family and we look forward to the New Year with great hope and expectations of new challenges and accomplishments for CHAOS under the newly elected Board. As previously announced, at the November meeting members elected Melanie Murguia as our new President for 2015, Jim Nemer as our new Treasurer, and Alba Shank as our new Secretary. Congratulations to all three and also to the rest of the Board who are staying on for another year of service. The newly elected CHAOS Board is listed below. I want to take a moment to thank Dudley Miller who has done yeoman service as our Treasurer these last 3 years, as well as Daria Kiselica as our Secretary. It was an honor to serve with them and personally know of their dedication to our local society by the hours they spent helping to make this local society one of the top orchid societies in Virginia. Thanks also to all members who have contributed to help CHAOS over the past year. It certainly has made my job easier so I thank you.

On Sunday December 14 we will be having our annual Holiday Social for members and significant others at the home of Paula Berardi starting from 3PM to 5PM. Paula has kindly offered her home for this annual event for which we are most grateful. It will be a potluck affair so please bring a hot or cold dish to share with members. A good rule of thumb is food for about 8-10 people. We encourage folks to bring orchid centerpieces and/or corsages for which there will be points given. There also will be a display table so if you have orchids in bloom, please bring them along to gain points toward the 2015 competition. Jeff will be handing out award certificates to those winners of the 2014 orchid competition as well. Directions to Paula's home will be sent separately from this newsletter at Paula's request so please look forward to that from the Orchid Society gmail account shortly. Check with other CHAOS members to see if carpooling can be utilized.

#### **CHAOS Board Members for 2015**

Melanie Murguia, President Jeff Morris, 1st Vice President Neale Merriman, 2nd Vice President Jim Nemer, Treasurer Brenda Steigman, Program Director Alba Shank, Secretary

Other:

Robyn Voytilla, Newsletter Editor Larry Eicher, AOS Liaison/Webmaster? (volunteers welcome) CJ Besanson, Publicity Stella Erickson, Photographer

One final word: Please note that any of the above members can always use help. If you would like to be a member on any of these committees, please feel free to volunteer. We can't do all the work alone; your assistance would be most welcome. Thanks.

Larry Eicher

# 2014-15 Meeting Information

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Ϋ́,		CHAOS Holiday Social Home of Paula Berardi Members bring pot luck and a table
	Dec 14, 2014	decoration or corsage including orchids.
	3:00 - 5:00 pm	Members can bring plants to sell.
	Jan 11, 2015	Round Table Discussion
	Feb 8, 2015	<b>Art Chadwick</b> "The 14 First Ladies"

Location:	Our Lady of Peace Retirement Community 751 Hillsdale Drive, Charlottesville, VA 22901
Time:	1:00 pm (Setup - 12:00 pm) We will have to clean up and be out of the room by no

#### No food will be permitted at this venue. Drinks for refreshments will be permitted

later than 3:30 pm.

We will still need to solicit volunteers to bring drinks only for refreshments. This change will make for an easier and faster cleanup.

October Show Table Results

#### Novice

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#### Hobby 1

- **1st** Pam Van Brunt, Paph gratrixianum
- 2nd Pam Van Brunt, Odcdm Burgundian
- 3rd Pam Van Brunt, Den Mini Snowflake

#### Hobby 2

- **1st** Melanie Murguia, Phal Unknown
- 2nd Leon Blumreich, Phrag Don Wimber
- **3rd** Melanie Murguia, Epc Lime Sherbert

Thanks to Jeff Morris for the Show Table Results!

#### Hobby 3

- 1st Larry Eicher, Blc Unknown
- 2nd Larry Eicher, Lc Maries Magic 'Yellow Eyes'
- 2nd Larry Eicher, Odcdm Wildcat 'Green Valley D'
- **3rd** George & Fay Tyler, Phal Abby Treasure

#### **Super Hobby**

- 1st Paula Berardi, Bulb medusa
- 2nd Brenda Steigman, V Pachara Delight 'Pachara'
- 3rd Paula Berardi, Paph venustum

#### Professional

- 1st Jeff Morris, C perciviliana 'Xavier' CCE
- 2nd Jeff Morris, Paph gratrixianum
- 3rd Jeff Morris, Rtn Little Fortune
- HM Phrag China Dragon



# Some Orchids That Flower In The Winter Months

The names below are derived from the Latin and Greek languages and can, at first, be daunting to pronounce. It's easier if you remember that, with few exceptions all letters are pronounced. You will often hear names pronounced somewhat differently than indicated below as a result of regional differences. There are also pronunciations that are not technically correct but have found their way into common useage. The common pronunciation, **stan-HOPE-ee-ah** rather than the technically correct **stan-HOPE-ah** for *Stanhopea* is an example. This pronunciation has no doubt evolved because of the "pronounce every letter rule" although that would sound more like **stan-HOPE-AY-ah**.

C= 50F minimum, I = 55F minimum, W = 60-65F minimum Cattleya percivaliana (KAT-lee-ah purr-sih-VAL-ee-an-ah) and many of its hybrids (I) **Coelogyne cristata** (see-loh-GUY-nee KRIS-tah-tah) (C) Laelia superbiens (LAY-lee-ah sue-PURR-bee-enz) [also known as **Schomburgkia superbiens**] Lycaste skinneri (lye-CASS-tee SKIN-er-eye) and many of its hybrids (I) *Trichocentrum cavendishianum* (try-koe-SENT-rum cav-en-DISH-ee-an-um) [also long known as **Oncidium** - Oncidium is pronounced as on-SID-ee-um] (C) **Phaius tankervilleae** (FAY-us tan-ker-VILL-eye) [the Nun's Orchid] (I) Many **Phalaenopsis** (fail-en-NOP-sis) species and their hybrids (W) Angraecum eburneum (W) **Angraecum sesquipedale** (an-GRAY-kum sess-kwih-PED-ah-lee) (W) Brassavola nodosa (bra-SAH-voe-lah NOE-dose-ah) (I) Early flowering **Cymbidium** (sim-BID-ee-um) species and hybrids (C) **Dendrobium nobile** (den-DRO-bee-um NOE-bee-lee) and its hybrids (C winter) **Epidendrum ciliare (I)** Laelia anceps (LAY-lee-ah an-SEPS) (I-C) Many *Masdevallia* (maz-dee-VAHL-ee-ah) species and hybrids (C-I) **Rhynchostylis gigantea** (rink-oh-STY-liss jye-gan-TEE-ah) (W) Cattleya coccinea (KAT-lee-ah COCK-sinn-ee-ah) (C) and many of the miniature cattleyas developed from this species.



## **Some Orchids That Flower In The Winter Months**



*Lycaste skinneri* 'Heatherglen', CCM/AOS Grower: Heather & Glen Alm, Grimsby, Ontario, Canada



*Rhynchostylis gigantea* 'Annie', AM/AOS Grower: Jessie Stanley, League City, Texas



Epidendrum ciliare 'Puddle Jumper: FCC/AOS Grower: Ken & Judy Russ

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# Join us for a CHAOS Meeting !!!

CHAOS invites you to join us as our Guest because you enjoy orchids!

#### What's in it for you:

- Speakers who address multiple topics of interest related to 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 orchids in their own greenhouses or in homes
- Frequent options to purchase beautiful orchids to grow yourself
- A raffle in which you may win an orchid plant for as little as \$1.00
- The option of joining our organization as a member yourself

**When:** Usually the second Sunday of each month, September through June, from 1:00 – 3:30 PM. Check our website (<u>http://</u> <u>cvilleorchidsociety.com/</u>) to confirm a date.

Where: Our Lady of Peace Retirement Community, located at 751 Hillsdale Drive, Charlottesville, VA 22901

Hope to see you at our next meeting !