



CHAOS

Charlottesville Orchid Society

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January 2020 Newsletter

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2019 BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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NEXT MEETING:



Sunday 1/12/2019

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

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

Photos from the December meeting:



ACTING PRESIDENT MESSAGE:

Welcome all! We are going to return to our January round table discussion this year. We initially started the round table in January due to the unpredictability of the weather. This January I am not sure we will need the snow shovel, given the current trend we may need Suntan lotion. We will all share our expertise and knowledge to answer any and all questions anyone has. Additionally please bring any of your orchids that are problem examples you would like collective input on what is going on. This will be our "What is wrong with my Orchid" discussion. Any orchids with obvious pests or diseases please isolate from the show plants. We will keep them on the other side of the room awaiting discussion.

In conjunction with the round table discussion given time we will have an interactive review of some of the resources available on the AOS website. Included will be some of their short instructional videos in areas that the members have interest in.

There will also be some business we would like to address. We need to start putting into motion our membership drive actions. We have had discussions about having orchid classes. It is time to get the ball rolling and assign responsibilities duties to see if we can make this happen.

Upcoming events of note:

1. Paph Forum at the National Arboretum January 25th
2. National Capital Society Orchid Show February 15-17, 2020 Homestead Gardens, 743 W Central Ave, Davidsonville, MD, 21035

Location	Homestead Gardens 743 West Central Avenue Davidsonville, MD 21035
Dates	Exhibit installation on Thursday, 13 February 2020 Ribbon and AOS Judging on Friday, 14 February 2020 Open to the public on Presidents Day weekend Saturday to Monday, 15 to 17 February 2020 Teardown Monday, 17 February 2020

3. Virginia Orchid Society Orchid Show February 21-23, 2020 Strange's Garden Center Richmond

I look forward to seeing everybody on Sunday

Jeff





SHOW TABLE RESULTS

For the Show table everybody received 2 points for every plant brought. Additionally Ribbon points were awarded for the table displays.

1st Place went to Lee & Neale for their wonderful Paph table Display.

2nd Place went to Maria for her tray (with orchids) and graciously loaned orchid.

3rd Place went to Alba with the Phcal Kryptonite arrangement.

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 2:00 to 4:30 PM, with program from 2:30-3:30 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!