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November 2014 Meeting

Barb Ford, President of the Greater Akron Orchid Society, called the November 10, 2014 meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The meeting was held at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Center in Akron, Ohio. Minutes were recorded by Jackie Land, Secretary.

General Business

Barb announced proposed changes to the Society by-laws which will give greater flexibility within the officer positions. The responsibility for new programs will now be shared by the President and Vice-President. This was passed as an amendment of the by-laws. She also announced nominations for the positions of President, Vice-President and Secretary. Dave Miller will be taking over the position of President, Brandon Spannbauer will become the Vice-President and Janet Neyrinck will be the new Secretary as voted by the membership.

The position of Webmaster is still open to any member interested in maintaining the GAOS website. It's not difficult to do and requires only a little time. Interested members should let one of the officers know if you'd like to try your hand at it.

Barb Ford will be filling the position of Trustee for the coming year. Thank you to Barb for her many years of service to the society as President. She has been a wonderful member for over twenty-five years and has been a guiding hand in growing the society into the dynamic group that it is.

Holiday Dinner and Member Plant Distribution

November was the annual Holiday dinner and plant give-away for the members. Ham was served along with hot dishes and desserts. A tasty meal, as usual, was served to 50 members in attendance. Thank you to all who cooked and baked and provided the wonderful dishes. Everyone took home their choice of orchid which ranged from dendrobiums to cattleyas to brassavolas. A lovely selection was in display, making for tough choices, which is, of course, a highlight of the year.

Next Meeting

There was no December meeting which makes the next meeting scheduled for January 12, 2015, at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Center in Akron, Ohio. Preparation for the Spring Show will begin at that time. Dave Miller will present a talk called "**Good Roots Grow Good Orchids**" and Barb Ford will discuss how to prepare plants for the show season.

Dues Are Due

Membership dues for 2015 will become due at the January meeting. Individual dues are \$20 and family dues are \$30. Payment should be made to Frank Skalak, Treasurer. Please consider paying at the January meeting to stay current and get a jump on the new year. Early payment will also help Treasurer Frank keep the Society accounts updated as our show time approaches. Checks should be made out to Greater Akron Orchid Society.

13th GAOS Spring Orchid Show

The Greater Akron Orchid Society will host its annual Spring Orchid Show on March 7 & 8, 2015. The show will be held again at the Donzell's Flower & Garden Center; 937 E. Waterloo Rd, Akron OH 44306. Planning for the show has already begun. A meeting of the Show Committee will be held on Monday, January 5, 2015 at the Waterloo Restaurant on Waterloo Road in Akron at 6:00 pm. GAOS members who would like to take a greater part in putting on the show are encouraged to attend. Show Chairs, Jim and Mary Bell, 330-644-6867, have the latest information about the meeting.

Spring Show Season is Just Ahead

Greater Cleveland Orchid Society Cleveland Botanical Gardens will host the upcoming GCOS show, February 14th & 15th, 2015.

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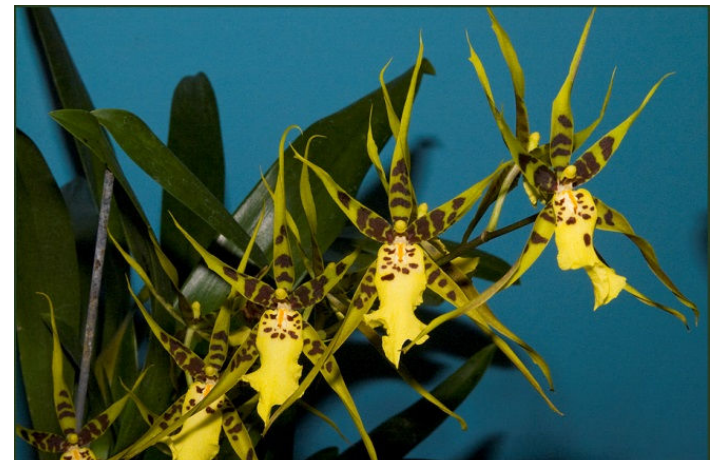
West Shore Orchid Society will hold its spring show on March 14th & 15th, 2015 at the Strongsville Recreation Center, Strongsville, OH



GAOS 2015 Program Calendar

- Jan 12 Barb Ford "Preparing Plants for Show", **
Dave Miller "Good Roots Grow Good Orchids"
- Feb 9 "Preparing Plants for Show, part 2", **
Orchids Question and Answer panel
- Mar 9 Orchid Care and welcome to new members, **
- Apr 13 Steve Frowine "TBD", **
- May 11 Tom Sampliner on "Native Orchids of the Great Lakes", **
- Jun 8 Summer Picnic / 1st Member Plant Auction
- Jul 13 Wayne Roberts, Roberts Flower Supply "TBD", *tentative* **
- Aug 10 Rob Halgren, Little Frog Farm "Orchids Under Lights", **
- Sep 7 John Dunkelberger "Miniature Cymbidiums", **
- Oct 12 2nd Member Plant Auction
- Nov 9 Holiday banquet / Plant Distribution / Elections
- Dec 14 no meeting

** Plants available for purchase



The Gallery

Some of the fine flowers displayed at the
November 2014 meeting.



Dendrobium (Den.) rigidum -
Dave Miller



Darwinara (Dar.) Blue Pacific'
- Darlene Thompson



Laeliocattleya (Lc.) Wrigleyi 'Blue Lagoon' HCC/AOS - Jane Bush



Oncidium (Onc.) Chaculatum -
Paul Bujak



Laeliocattleya (Lc.) C. G. Roebling 'Beachview' AM/AOS - Frank Skalak



Paphiopedilum (Paph.) spicerianum - Dave Miller



Laeliocattleya (Lc.) Hwa Yuan Angel 'Little Beauty' - Jane Bush