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Newsletter of the
Triangle Orchid Society

Associated with
Sarah P. Duke Gardens

Monday, December 8, 2014 Holiday Party

What a wonderful and eventful year we have had! Now is the time to enjoy our annual holiday party with your friends at the Triangle Orchid Society. Please join us at the meeting on Monday, that will start at 6:30 pm, an hour earlier than the usual start time. We ask that you bring a covered dish to share.

Our holiday auction of orchids will take the place of a speaker **for the evening's event. We have a wonderful selection of orchids** from Carmela in Hawaii for the auction. We will need volunteers to help set up for the auction.

*Bring a covered dish for the buffet table.
Bring your blooming orchids for the show tables.
Bring your best holiday spirit and enjoy the party!*

Triangle Orchid Society Meeting Agenda

Pre meeting set up
5:30-6:30 Set Up Show Table
Set up food tables
Decorations

Meeting begins:
6:30-7:00 Dinner
7:00-7:15 Business Meeting
7:15-7:30 Presidents Message
7:30-7:40 Break, Auction Sign In
7:40-8:40 Auction
8:40-9:30 Show Table, Show Table
Awards Raffle
9:30 P.M. Meeting Adjourns

Membership Dues

In 2015 the dues will increase. Pay your dues this month and renew at the old rates.

A membership form is emailed with this newsletter.

\$20 per year, single

\$26 per year, 2 people living at same address

Please remit to:

Anne Williams, TOS Treas.
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The Triangle Orchid Society meets at the Sarah P. Duke Gardens, Durham, NC The Second Monday of the Month at 7:30 PM

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**TRIANGLE ORCHID SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES
GENERAL MEETING, NOVEMBER 10, 2014**

The November 10, 2014 membership meeting of the Triangle Orchid Society was called to order at 7:30pm by Nancy Harvey, the TOS President. Four guests were present. Approximately 45 people attended the meeting. Anne Williams, and Sarah Patterson were recognized for covering the Welcome Table and selling raffle tickets. Everyone was encouraged to purchase raffle tickets. (Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.00.) Members receive a free ticket for each plant they bring for the show table (maximum of 3 free tickets).

All members were reminded to volunteer for the many activities that need support including the raffle and welcome table. Also volunteers are needed for the potluck dinner at the beginning of the December TOS meeting.

The membership elected trustees and officers for 2015.

Officers elected by unanimous vote are:

Nancy Harvey.....President
Sidney Cox.....Vice President
Anne Williams.....Treasurer
Louanne and Chrissy Shea.....Secretaries

Trustees elected for a 3 year term by unanimous vote are:

Steven McAllister.....2017
Sarah Patterson.....2017

The 2015 TOS Calendars were sold for the first time at this meeting. Orders were strong so more calendars were ordered.

The presentation for this meeting was "Cattleya Collecting in the 21th Century". The presenter was David Off of Waldor Orchids in New Jersey.



Paul Feaver and Lee Allgood discussed the orchids on the show tables this month. The Jack Webster Award Plants were:

Greenhouse Awards were:

1st Place: *Bulbophyllum* Elizabeth Ann "Buckleberry", grown by Nancy Harvey

2nd Place: *Stanhopea wardii*, grown by Bob Meyer

3rd Place: *Spiranthes odorata* 'Chadds Ford', grown by Paul Welty

The Non-Greenhouse awards were:

1st Place: *Masdevallia minuta*, grown by Charles Walker

2nd Place: *Cattleya* (*Sophranitis*) *cernua*, grown by Kelly Nipp

3rd Place: *Dendrobium subuliferum*, grown by Charles Walker

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30. Meeting notes submitted by Sidney Cox, TOS Secretary.

DONATIONS TO TRIANGLE ORCHID SOCIETY

We should all remember that Triangle Orchid Society is a 501-C3 organization and donations are tax deductible to the extent provided by law. At the end of the year, please remember us and consider making a donation. We hope we provide real value to all of us who love orchids and a donation, in any amount, is a great way to express your gratitude.

WE NEED A NEW COMPUTER

If you have a laptop computer that you are replacing, consider donating your old one to Triangle Orchid Society (it is probably not as old as ours!) .

David Off

Collecting Cattleyas in the 21st Century

David presented a fine program around the topic of building a *Cattleya* collection in the 21st century. Of primary interest to any collector is their appreciation of the flower. All else aside, we collect and care for *Cattleyas* because we really enjoy the flowers. Beyond the personal attraction of a flower we like, there are three main criteria for what makes a *Cattleya* collectible. The first is age: when was the particular plant hybridized or named. The second is rarity: if there are few living examples of a plant, it will be collectible. The third is historical value. He went on to elaborate within these criteria.

Age: David listed a set of *Cattleya* that could be a part of collection due to their age. These included *C. gigas* (*warscewiczii*) (1904); *L. tenebrosa* 'Walton Grange' (1983); *C. labiata* 'Cooksoniae' (1895); *C. trianae* 'A.C.Burrage' (1939); *C. trianae* 'President' (1949); *C. shroderae* 'Hercules' AM/AOS (1925). David explained that there are extant two varieties of this last *Cattleya* both with different size flowers.

Rarity: David listed several *Cattleya* that are rare and/or hard to find. Some orchids are rare because they are more susceptible to disease or disfiguration; some are rare due to mutation or rare color forms like Blc. Silk Slippers 'Royal Wedding' and Lc. Colorama 'The Clown'. Some may be rare because as the plants get reproduced colors modify like Blc. George King 'Serendipity': the original color is bold, many modern plants may be washed out.

Historical value: Plants that frequently get awarded or are very popular like Blc. Malworth 'Orchidglade', *C. warscewiczii* 'Powhattan', *C. luedemania* 'Arthur Chadwick' and plants from proven breeders like Blc. Bryce Canyon are valued in collections.

David stressed that the best places to get great collectible *Cattleya* is from local growers and breeders, like Orchid Trail and from trading among members of our society. David mentioned that he is a member of a 'traders club' where growers trade and grow certain rare plants for the express purpose of maintaining breeding stock.

Researching older or collectible plants can include using old catalogues like the ones from Jones & Scully and from Stewart Orchids. He also highly recommended some resource books including "American *Cattleyas*" by Courtney Hackney and "Classic *Cattleyas*" by Arthur and A.A. Chadwick. Waldor Orchids is working to 'remake' some of the classic hybrids and some primary hybrids. Watch their website!

David reviewed maintenance and care for your *Cattleyas* and stressed 1) learn what potting methods work best for you, 2) always, always use sterile tools and 3) keep insects, especially chewing insects (which can spread diseases) under control.

David finished this talk with a list of modern Cattleyas which he recommends for the core of a collection. These include: Pot. 'Oconee Circle'; Blc. Hawaiian Progress 'Carmela'; Pot. Twenty First Century 'New Generation' AM/AOS; Blc. Goldenzelle 'Lemon Chiffon'; Blc. Williette Wong; Eplc. Volcano Trick 'NN'; C. loddigesii 'Streeters Choice' FC/AOS; C. maxima alba 'Charito'; Blc. Burdekin Wonder 'Lakeland'; Blc. Doris Allen 'Waldor' AM/AOS and Blc. Big Ben 'Blue Mountain' HCC/AOS.

Notes by Josh Gurlitz



Sarah & David Off

Some Orchids That Flower In The Winter Months

A listing from The American Orchid Society with photographs

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 (Iye-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.



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

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



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

This listing was published by the AOS. Some photos by Greg Allikas. A great benefit of membership in the AOS



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Triangle Orchid Society will be hosting our own orchid show in 2015 with AOS judging, vendors and multiple exhibits; including an exhibit of our own. Please see Harry Gallis to help with this wonderful event. There are so many ways that each member can lend a hand to help make this a great show.

Calendar 2014 -2015	Speaker	Topic
Dec. 8, 2014	Holiday Party	Dinner Auction
Jan. 12, 2015	Harry Gallis	Creating an Exhibit for an AOS show
Feb. 9, 2015	Bob Davidson	Oncidium Alliance

Welcome Table

December	Anne Williams	Bring a covered Dish
January	Anne Williams	

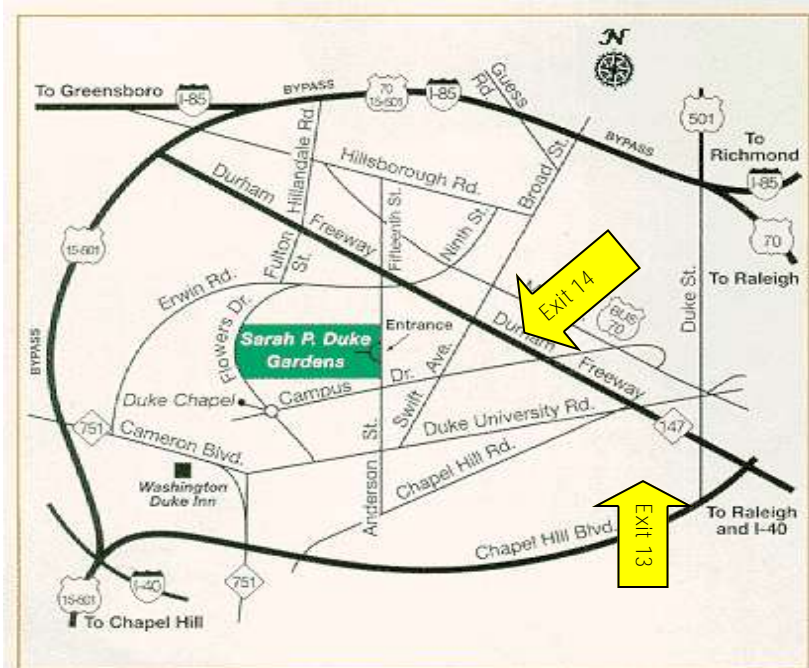


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Calopogon barbatus
(just thinking of summer!)



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The Second Monday of the Month
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Visitors are Welcome!
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From the East. Exit 13 on the Durham Freeway (#147)
Head South on Chapel Hill Rd. Turn right on Anderson St.
The Gardens are on the left.
From the West. Exit 14 on the Durham Freeway (147)
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Turn right on Anderson St. The Gardens are on the left.

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