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Oregon Judging Site June



We were delighted to welcome 45 people to the judging and our annual auction on June 5 at the Oregon Garden in Silverton, especially those visitors brought by Elsie Flower from the Central Coast Orchid Society in Newport.

Our visitors sat with the judging teams, appreciating the explanations from the judges in charge and looking over the 35 plants entered, as well as the 61 auction

plants and items donated by sixteen generous supporters.

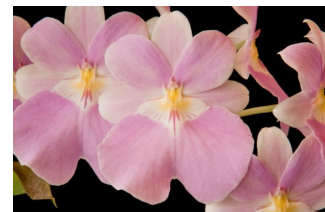


We raised \$1123 and are most grateful to all who helped:

auctioneer Jim Rassman, computer mistress Luanne Rolly, food providers Jerry and Marcia Romick, and the man who makes the award photos look so wonderful, Ross Leach. We especially thank the buyers of all those great orchids.

Judging was busy with 35 plants to examine; 15 were nominated and three awards were given to: Miltoniopsis Joyce Hill 'Cool Spring' HCC/AOS, 79 points, grown by Bergen Todd to

large size with many blooms; Phalaenopsis Golden Night 'Rhea's Rubies' AM/AOS, 80 points, a first award to Cheryl



Beal, hardly golden but very beautiful; and Phragmepedium Fritz Schomburg 'Mick's Gift' AM/AOS, 83 points, brought all the way from southeastern Washington. — Marcia Romick

Phragmepedium Fritz Schomburg 'Mick's Gift' AM/AOS, Mick and Betty Wise; Phalaenopsis Golden Night 'Rhea's Rubies' AM/AOS, Cheryl Beal, Miltoniopsis Joyce Hill 'Cool Spring' HCC/AOS, Bergen Todd Photos Ross Leach

MPOS August Meeting

It's picnic time! Jim Snyder has agreed to host this year, and I'm looking forward to seeing his greenhouses. As many of you know, Jim is quite the well of orchid knowledge - always sharing a tip or offering advice. He grows orchids commercially; I'm assuming to help support his personal collection... After hearing about his operation anecdotally all this time, I'm excited to finally make the drive north.

Jim lives at 351 Broad St. South in Monmouth. Coming north into Monmouth, turn left onto Main St. (the only light in town), three blocks and another left onto Broad St. He is a couple of blocks south of Main. Car-pooling is encouraged, because of the distance. Jim's phone # is (503) 838-4304. He has invited us to show up anytime after 3:00 pm. He also asks those that can to bring extra seating.

As usual, there will be great food, conversation, and a new plant to add to your collection at the end of the night. I'll see y'all up north, Polk county way! — Brian Dahl

CCOS August Meeting

Once again Laurie Nielson has graciously welcomed us to meet at her home for our annual summer potluck. The format will be the same as in the past. All you have to bring is a chair to sit on and a dish to share. If you haven't been there before, her address is 3335 Starview Lane South in Salem. You can get there from the south by coming west on Kuebler and turning right at the end on Viewcrest or by taking River Road south off of South Commercial and turning left up Viewcrest. Starview turns toward the west off of Viewcrest. We should all get there early enough to have everything set up and ready to eat by 6:30. After the food and fellowship there will be a free gift plant for each paid up CCOS family membership. This is always a great time to catch up and enjoy each other's company and find out what has been going on for the past few months. Hope to see you all there! — Mike Ayres

Orchid Judging Site July

It was a dark and stormy night. Well, hardly. It was a perfect summer day complete with clear blue sky and warm sunshine. Although it was the Oregon Garden's Tenth Anniversary and they were having a big 4th of July event, parking spaces were available. Luckily, we weren't judging around the time of the fireworks.



Disa Helmut Meyer
'Genevieve' AM/AOS 83 pts
Photo Ross Leach

One might expect fewer plants on a holiday weekend but there were 31 of them for the nine judges and three pre-students to examine. An unusual variety were presented from a multi-flowered Gongora to variegated Neofinitias. The majority were Disas in many colors and sizes from Wally Orchard. Nine plants were nominated and two spectacular red



Disa Korean Tiger JO AM/AOS 81 pts.
Photo Ross Leach

Disas were awarded. Our photographer, Ross Leach, successfully captured the intense color of the awarded plants. You had to see them in the sun to appreciate the color. — Marcia Romick

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From left.: Paula Hansen, Susan Heuer, Theresa Hill, Bill Jasen and Dave Morris work on one of Wally Orchard's spectacular Disas.
Photo Ross Leach

Cherry City Orchid Society State Fair

It would be an understatement to say that preparing for the re-entrance of CCOS into the Oregon State Fair has been an interesting challenge. Your board has been meeting and planning for the event for a number of months now. Ross Leach has taken the lead in directing activities, for which we are all very appreciative. We are currently working on assignments for the many pieces of the puzzle needed to make it all come together. What the end result will be and how it will finally present itself remains to be seen. Rest assured that we will do what we can to have a space that will nicely present orchids to the public. Part of our charter goals are to educate the public about orchids both through information we have available - be it in written form, video, or through hands on presentations of plants and information, and through sharing from the knowledge that we've gained through years of personal experience and education. Thanks to everyone who volunteered to be a part of this year's events - it promises to be another learning experience for all of us. We will all meet different people and have different experiences on the many days of the fair - it will be interesting to compare notes and thoughts after we've come out the other side. Of course we'll be looking for any members possible to bring plants to our booth display - please let a board member know at the potluck if you might have any plants to contribute - it will be much appreciated. I'm thinking if you have an unusual or special orchid that isn't blooming, but have a picture of what the flower looks like, you could put the flower picture with the name on a tag. This might provide something of interest for discussion as the Fair patrons walk by/through our booth. The display will be in the Jackman Long building, which is air conditioned. We plan on having some auxiliary lighting, so we can take good care of our orchids even though they will be away from "home" longer than any of us would like. — Mike Ayres



Photo Mike Ayres

CCOS President's Message

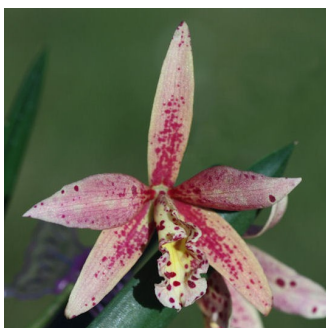
Didn't we have a grand meeting in June with Theresa Hill? She always gives an A-rated talk and this time showed us so many wonderful miltoniopsis hybrids with colors and patterns that I never knew were possible! She was also extremely generous in volunteering to supply gift plants for anyone who became a new member of CCOS

during the Oregon State Fair. A special thanks to Kevin Wescott for supplying plants at our raffle table the past few months. What do you all think about our show & tell table this year so far? Has the scoring of plants made a significant difference in your decision to

bring plants to the meetings or would you all bring them in regardless? Whatever the reason, this has been the best six months of show & tell in the 5 years that I've been a member! Please share your thoughts with someone on the board either via email or verbally when we meet. Here is a little synopsis of what our scoring for the year shows thus far - I have to admit up front that I'm a trivia type person and I find these kinds of details strangely entertaining. :-)

22 members so far have brought in plants to the show & tell table. I know that we are scoring plants slightly higher in some cases than they would most likely be scored by our counterparts in Albany, but regardless - we've had four members bring in at least one plant scoring 8 points, with Jim Snyder setting the pace with seven such plants (wow!) and Ron & Phyllis Wolf bringing in two. When walking down a table filled with plants these specimens cause one to stop and stare - whoa! We need to look at these for awhile! :-)

Jim Snyder is also leading the points accumulation with 218, followed by Mike's 145 and Judy Barrick's 134. Kevin is currently a distant fourth at 62, but he started late and also showed plants without putting tags on them which caused him to miss out on his points! In the six months of 2011 we've had from 24-34 plants brought in for sharing and they've



scored on average anywhere from 4.3 in February to 6.4 in June! Our last meeting group was awesome! — Mike Ayres

MPOS President's Message

It is Picnic time, but when is summer going to arrive? It is going to be the year of the green tomato and the non blooming laelia. I have orchids under 2 layers of shadecloth out back in a little structure I built, but have now added visqueen to keep them from drowning. Should I take a layer of shade cloth off so I can tempt the sun to return? Let's at least hope everyone's lower-light-loving orchids are thriving; there must be a silver lining to all this dreary weather. Regardless of rain or shine, we will be getting together at James Snyder's home (link below) for our annual picnic on August 2nd. It will be a treat for those who have never had the opportunity to see his collection of Cattleyas and other orchids. I had a request from Ella May who is looking for a new home for a plastic garbage bag full of baskets/pots that have been used in the past to cover up orchid pots at the orchid

shows. These baskets have been hidden away at her home, but Barry has found them and they need a new home soon. Give me a call or send an email if you can store them for us. It would be much appreciated. I look forward to seeing everyone at the picnic. Bring a favorite entree, side dish or dessert to share at the potluck, and the club will bring plants to give away to members. It is sure to be a good time. — Gregg Lomnicky



<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=351+South+Broad+Street,+Monmouth,+OR&hl=en&ll=37.0625,-95.677068&sspn=31.784549,68.818359&z=16>

Photos Mike Ayres

Show Dates To Remember:

August 7, 1:00 pm — AOS Judging Oregon Garden Education Building Silverton OR

Sept. 4, 1:00 pm — ASO Judging Oregon Garden Education Building Silverton OR

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Events Calendar

For calendar submissions please contact the editor

August 2, 2011 Tuesday 6:30 pm (can come as early as 3:00)	MPOS - Monthly meeting Potluck at Jim Snyder's	351 Broad St. South Monmouth OR
August 7, 2011 Sunday 1:00 pm	AOS - Monthly Judging	Oregon Garden Education Building Silverton OR
August 9, 2011 Wednesday 6:30 pm	CCOS - Monthly meeting Potluck at Laurie Neilsen's	3335 Starview Lane South Salem, OR
September 4, 2011 Sunday 1:00 pm	ASO - Monthly Judging	Oregon Garden Education Building Silverton OR
September 6, 2011 Tuesday 6:30 pm	MPOS - Monthly Meeting	Church of the Good Samaritan 35th and Harrison Corvallis OR

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