

# *WEST SHORE ORCHID SOCIETY*

## *APRIL 2012*

NEXT MEETING      Wednesday, April 18, 2012

TIME                      6:00 p.m.              Conversation: WSOS will provide drinks for the meetings.

                                 6:30 p.m.              Edgar Stehli will talk a little about what to look for when shopping for your next orchid. We will also spend a little time explaining how to register a plant for exhibition, see below.

                                 7:00 p.m.              Program: Eric Sauer will be our guest speaker this meeting talking about Maxillarias. Eric has been growing orchids for over 20 years and has had River Valley Orchids in Centerville Ohio for well over 10 years. He was heavily infected by the incurable orchid fever while studying Landscape Architecture at Ball State University at the Wheeler Orchid Collection. Eric has traveled extensively including a trip to Ecuador to see many orchids in their native habitats. Eric has been blessed with over 60 awards from the American Orchid Society and enjoys growing and breeding plants in the greenhouse. Eric is a registered landscape architect and practices as a principal of Cypripedium Landscape Architecture Studios a full service landscape architecture and planning firm in Dayton and Worthington, Ohio. He will be bringing what plants he has available for sale. Check out his website at [www.rvorchids.com](http://www.rvorchids.com)

PLACE                      North Olmsted Community Cabin, 28114 Lorain Road, North Olmsted

### **PROGRAM**

SHOW TABLE              Our show table contest started off with a fantastic display of orchids. April will be the second show table of the New Year and the competition has just started, so bring in your plants for judging. The results from the judging are listed below. If there are any errors, please let me know and adjustments will be made.

#### **FEBRUARY SHOW TABLE WINNERS**

GREENHOUSE Professional	First	Coel Unchained Melody Alba	Wayne Roberts
	Second	Bulb grandiflora	Wayne Roberts
	Third	Robiquetia Cerina	Edgar Stehli
GREENHOUSE Amateur	First	Odcdm Irish Mist 'Wintergreen'	John Rini
	Second	Cll Dimisoguchi Cloud Cover	John Rini
	Third	Oeoniella polystachys	John Rini
WINDOWSILL & UNDER LIGHTS	First	Den aggregatum	Jim Thompson
	Second	Psychopsis Kelihi	Jim Thompson
	Third	Epidendrum 5B	Pam Everett
FEWER THAN 20 PLANTS	First	Phal Tau Chiang Balm	Barb Brandon
	Second	Phalaenopsis "Amnesia"	Anita Vergilii
	Third	No Entry	

BEST SPECIES	Cyclopogen Lindleyanus	Edgar Stehli
BEST MINATURE	Phal Equestris	Martha Bell

### SHOW TABLE STANDINGS FOR 2012

STANDINGS FOR 2012	Greenhouse: Pro	Points
	Wayne Roberts	16
	Edgar Stehli	12
	<b>Greenhouse: Am</b>	
	John Rini	20
	<b>Under Lights/Windows:</b>	
	Jim Thompson	16
	Martha Bell	8
	Pam Everett	4
	<b>Less Than 20 Plants:</b>	
	Barbara Brandon	10
	Anita Vergilii	6

Thank you to all who brought in their blooming plants for our members to enjoy. We had 30 plants on the show table and at this time of year we should see a lot more. Bring in those blooming plants for the April meeting.

We are looking to teach our members how to register their plants to enter into any of the shows we attend each year. When we have 62 plants which need to be registered as we did at this years show in Strongsville, it takes some time to complete just the registration portion of the display set up. To try and speed the process up, we will start to register our plants displayed on the show table at each meeting. We will have all the materials needed to register a plant as though it will be entered into our show. Members will be available to help anyone in need. In return, everyone entering a plant on the show table will receive 1 point into the annual contest. So even if your plant does not take 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>, you will receive something for bringing in your plant(s). Hopefully, this will make the show table contest a little more competitive while teaching everyone a little bit about orchid show registration and judging.

CIOS ORCHID SHOW APR 14-15	<b>The Central Indiana Orchid Society Show.</b> This will be held at the Garfield Park Conservatory, 2505 Conservatory Drive, Indianapolis, IN. Contact Michael Hinshaw, 2065 Norwich Pl., Martinisville, IN. – 765-913-4032 <a href="mailto:mehinshaw@hotmail.com">mehinshaw@hotmail.com</a> The Mid-America Orchid Congress meeting will be held in conjunction with the Central Indiana Orchids Society Show.
IOS SHOW APR 28 - 29	<b>Illinois Orchid Society Show.</b> This will be held at the Chicago Botanic Gardens, 1000 Lake Cook Rd., Glencoe, IL. Contact: Jeanne Becker, 901 sunset Court, Deerfield, IL 60015 – (847) 945-8107 <a href="mailto:beckerjeanne@hotmail.com">beckerjeanne@hotmail.com</a>
CPOS ORCHID SHOW MAY 5 – 6	<b>Central Pennsylvania Orchid Society Show</b> This will be held at Ag Arena, Penn State Campus, State College, PA. Contact: Cathy Riemer, 434 Chestnut St., Bellefonte, PA 16823 – (814) 353-8741
OSNP ORCHID SHOW MAY 12-13	<b>Orchid Society of Northwestern Pennsylvania Show,</b> JMC Arena, 423 West 38 <sup>th</sup> St., Erie, PA. West Shore is looking to set up a display at this show.

OPEN HOUSE  
APR 28 &  
MAY 25 - 27

**Roberts Flower Supply**, 12390 Root Rd., Columbia Station, OH. 44028  
440-236-5571. All days from 10 AM to 4:30 PM. Orchid plants & Supplies.  
Largest private display of native orchids in Ohio. American Cyps – pubescens,  
regina, kentuckiense. Asian Cyps – tibeticum, macranthes, japonicum & other  
hardy orchids. Native orchids for sale. See [www.orchidmix.com](http://www.orchidmix.com) for map and  
additional information.

OPEN HOUSE  
MAY 26 & 27

**Windswept in Time Orchids**, Memorial Day Weekend, Saturday & Sunday, 11 AM  
to 5 PM both days. Kim & Edgar Stehli's greenhouse, 8066 Skyline Drive,  
Broadview Hts. Tel. 440-838-5757. This is just west and north of the Wallings Rd.  
and I-77 interchange.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALANDER

Our membership year is January to December. If you joined West Shore and paid  
your dues in August through December, 2011, or either renewed or joined in 2012,  
you are covered for 2012. For the rest of us, its time to renew and we do hope you  
renew as where else can you see beautiful orchids on our show table, hear speakers  
from around the country and talk to growers who are happy to share their  
knowledge, along with a gift orchid at our December meeting all for the small sum  
of \$15.00. To renew you can pay your dues at the April meeting or send a check  
made out to the West Shore Orchid Society to our treasurer, John Rini, 6490 E.  
Vancey Dr., Brookpark, Ohio 44142.

I would like to welcome the following new members to West Shore, Tracy & Bobby Begley, Diane  
Morris, Bill Cruce, Rebecca Cotterill, Connie Bartin, Joanne Landwehr, Jeannine & Jack Love, Marc  
Rothenberg, Veronika Arinokhina, Jeff & Carol Kopkas, Rick & Rhoda Dillman, Dolores Joyce, Sue  
Ann Danesi, J Franklin, Qiwen Zhang, Rich Baker, Peggy Garnes and Larry & Patricia Krisher.  
Remember if you have a friend interested in growing plants bring them to one of our meetings to show  
them what orchids are all about. We are always looking for new members and this is one way to grow our  
membership which now stands at 86 members for 2012.

West Shore put up displays at the Greater Cleveland Orchid Society Show, the Greater Akron Orchid  
Society Show and of course our show at the Strongsville Rec Center along with the Central Ohio Orchid  
Society Show. We had a number of beautiful plants in our displays and as you can see below, came home  
with a number of ribbons. I would like to thank those members who brought plants and also those  
members that helped with the displays, especially Pat Corbett and Marolyn Smith who have helped with  
all the shows both setting up and tearing down. Remember that these shows give us the chance to show  
off your plants. You can bring 1 plant or 20 plants.

It is still show time and we are looking for plants to display at the Orchid Society of Northwestern  
Pennsylvania Show setting up on Friday 5/11. This is not an AOS judged show, but does have ribbon  
judging. If you have something nice which you would like to show, please contact me to make  
arrangements to get the plants to the show, 330-467-3731, or reply by email to [kieliszekc@ferro.com](mailto:kieliszekc@ferro.com).

## GREATER CLEVELAND SHOW WINNERS

Exhibit  
Allan Lund

Den pendulum x self  
Oncda Hula Halau 'Volcano Queen'  
Milt Hawaiian Punch 'Kalapana'  
Bllra Purple Haze 'Jimi Hendrix'

Red  
Red  
Red  
Red  
Yellow

John Rini	Odcdm Irish Mist 'Wintergreen'	Blue, Best of Class
	Cll Dimisoguchi Cloud Cover	Red
	Cym No Name	Red
	Oeoniella polystachys	Red
	Coel christata	Yellow
Teresa Nemeth	Blc Mem Grant Eichler 'Lennette'	Yellow
	Phal. 'Symphony White'	Blue
	Phal No Name	Blue
Pat Corbett	Blc Maikai 'Mayumi'	Red
	Zygolum Louisendorf 'Rhein Moonlight'	Yellow
Dr. Eren	Howeara Lava Burst	Yellow
	Pleu augusti petala	Blue, Best of Class
	V Kasem's Delight	Red
Rene Doubrava	Acineta beyrodtiana	Yellow
	Ascda No Name	Red
Chester Kieliszek	Lc Puppy Love 'True Beauty'	Blue
	Cym Ricon Fairy	Red
	Phal Little Emperor 'Lee'	Yellow

### GREATER AKRON SHOW WINNERS

Exhibit		Yellow
Allan Lund	Phal. Elegance	Yellow
Marolyn Smith	Encyclia cordigesa	Red
Pat Corbett	Odcdm Wildcat 'Golden Red Star'	Yellow
	Den Betty Goto x Bicentennial	Red
	Den Yellow Song 'Canary'	Yellow
	Den Angel Smile 'Kibi'	Red
	Odcdm Irish Mist 'Wintergreen'	Red
John Rini	Angcm grandelena x Angcm Scottianum	Blue
	Den Genting Fragrance	Blue
	Cll D.L.Misoguchi 'Cloud Cover'	Blue
	Oeoniella polystachys	Blue
	Ascda Banjong's Delight	Yellow
Chester Kieliszek	Pot Husky Boy 'Michael'	Red
	Lc Mildred Rives 'Orchidglade' x	
	Lc Memoria Robert Strait 'Carmela'	Red

### WSOS SHOW WINNERS

Exhibit		Blue, Best of Class
Pat Corbett	Cym Unknown	Blue
	D Taksin Christmas x D Taksin Oberon	Yellow
	Den Unknown	Blue
	Den Angel Smile 'Kibi'	Blue
	Den Yellow Song 'Canary'	Red
Marolyn Smith	Phal schilleriana 'Butterfly'	Yellow
	Paph malpoense	Yellow
Teresa Nemeth	Phal. 'Symphony White'	Yellow
	Phal Unknown	Blue, Best of Class
	Slc Jewel Box 'Dark Waters'	Blue
Bob Galaska	Colmanara Nasai Red	Yellow
	Paph delenatii	Red
Mary Beth Mansour	Phrag Jason Fisher	Red
	Cym Little Black Sambo 'Black Magic'	Blue
Katherine Binder	Paph primulinum purpurascens x Paph delenatii	Blue
	Den griffithianum	Red
	Phal Orchid World	Yellow
	Paph primulinum x Paph Greyi 'Hof'	Blue
	Zga charisma	Blue
John Rini	Ren Marion 'Rodi'	Blue
	Pot Dick Smith 'Paradise'	Blue
	Kir Stephanie Takasaki 'Jared's'	Red
	Vuyl Fall in Love 'Mark's Passion'	Blue
	Oeoniella polystachy's	Red
	Blc Mahina Yahiro 'Mishima'	Blue

	Pleione Confusa 'Golden Gate'	Yellow
Dr Erin	Den palpebrae	Blue
	Bulb wendlandianum	Yellow
	Sarcochilus Yvette	Red
	Mtrm Issakii Nugatu 'Volcano Queen'	Yellow
James Thompson	Phal Unknown	Red
	Sarcochilus hartmanii	Yellow
Chester Kieliszek	Lc Mildred Rives 'Orchidglade' x	
	Lc Memoria Robert Strait 'Carmela'	Red

## CENTRAL OHIO ORCHID SOCIETY SHOW WINNERS

Exhibit		Blue
John Rini	Lyc Koolena White x (	Blue
	Ren Marion 'Rodi'	Blue
	Lyc Leo Maggie x Diane Barret	Yellow
	V Memoria Lyle Swanson	Yellow
Pat Corbett	Cym Little Black Sambo 'Black Magic'	Red
	Dtps (Hsinying Little Voodoo 'Stripe' x Brother	
	Little Hatter)	Yellow
	Pot Blazing Gold 'NN'	Yellow
Marolyn Smith	Pot Fairyland (Hawaii)	Blue & Best of Class
	Milioniopsis Unknown	Blue
Chester Kieliszek	Sedirea japonica	Red
	Phal Jiahos Pink Girl	Yellow

Our spring show went very well for the most part and the final numbers are not in yet, but the society again should show a small profit. Attendance was down, but the vendors said that those people attending were buying orchids, so they were happy. We had a very good turnout of members helping with all the various tasks involved with putting on the show as well as bringing in a number of food items and as show co-chair, I would like to thank everyone for all their time and effort. We had more food brought in that ever before and the vendors' thank you for that. Because of the large turnout of members, set up and tear down again went quickly. We also signed up 15 new members to the society. I would like to thank those members especially Teresa Nemeth who worked on the West Shore display which contained 62 plants. There is a lot of work setting up and registering that number of orchids and the display was fabulous thanks in part to Jim Thompson's design. When the judging was done we won Best of Class and fell short again from winning the AOS Trophy which went to Windswept in Time Orchids, but West Shore finished second in the voting. Congratulations to Edgar Stehli for winning the AOS award. There was some pretty tough competition as 322 plants were entered into our show for judging. I would like to apologize to Katherine Binder who lost a petal on her prized Paph *Alice Barrios* during set up before the judging and to Dr. Erin who lost two clay pots that broke as they fell off the top of our display, one hitting Katherine's plant during set up. A thanks also goes out to Chester Gordon and R.J. D'Alessio who were pressed into duty registering all 322 entries!

The following is a little bid of information on Maxillarias, taken from the American Orchid Society website.

**Maxillaria**, epiphytes with a sympodial growth habit, is one of the largest genera of New World orchids. The generic name is derived from the Latin *maxilla* (jawbone) since the lip and column resemble the jaws of insects. Botanists seem to agree that there are two major groups in the genus based on how the pseudobulbs are arranged. One group consists of species with tightly clustered tufts, pseudobulbless according to some (e.g. *M. cucullata*). The other group is made up of species with longer internodes and rhizomes of varying lengths (e.g. *M. tenuifolia*). It remains to be seen if taxonomists continue to regard both of these groups as pieces of a single genus or decide that the genus is a cosmopolitan assemblage and continue to create additional segregate genera. Most species of **Maxillaria** have only one leaf but some species have up to four. The inflorescence is one flowered with some species producing clusters of inflorescences from the base of each individual pseudobulb. Flower size ranges broadly from ½ inch to over 6 inches in diameter. Regardless of the size, all flowers of the different species have 3 sepals, similar

in size, color and triangular shape and two petals, much smaller than the sepals. Some maxillarias are fragrant, such as the popular *M. tenuifolia*, commonly known as the coconut orchid because of its coconut-like fragrance.

Many of the species once considered belonging to *Maxillaria* have been removed to allied genera such as *Lycaste*, *Xylobium*, *Ornithidium*, *Camaridium* and *Pseudomaxillaria*. *Maxillaria* is a genus found mostly in specialty collections although *M. tenuifolia* is more widespread and often found even in beginners' collections because of its beautiful fragrance and ease of growth.

**Number of species:** It is highly probable that *Maxillaria* contains more than one genus. As a result, some authors recognize up to 700 or more species while others recognize far fewer. (8/2007)

**Distribution:** From Florida through the West Indies and Central America to southern Brazil and northern Argentina

## CULTURE

<b>Temperature:</b>	The bulk of the species do very well under intermediate temperatures (55F nights/85F days). Those species from high elevations will require cooler temperatures while those from hot lowlands will require warmer conditions.
<b>Light:</b>	Most species respond well under bright light but no direct sun. Conditions similar to those for cattleyas.
<b>Water-Humidity:</b>	Most species should be watered year round. They should be watered thoroughly and then allowed to nearly dry before watering again. Since the majority of species come from humid or cloud forests, humidity should be maintained at 40-70% year round.
<b>Fertilizer:</b>	Use a dilute, one-quarter to one-half strength orchid fertilizer about twice monthly during the growing season.
<b>Potting:</b>	Many species are intolerant of being disturbed so a well-drained epiphyte potting medium should be chosen. Repotting should take place only when new growth AND new roots are visible.
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