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A NEWSLETTER OF
THE GREATER NORTH
TEXAS ORCHID SOCIETY

MEETING AT:
NORTH HAVEN GARDENS
7700 NORTHAVEN RD,
DALLAS, TX 75230,
2:30, MAR 6

Getting Started with Kitchen Flasking

GROWING ORCHIDS FROM SEED, BY DUSTIN MILLER



Growing orchids from seed can feel like an impossible process, but it's more like making jam or homebrewing beer – a series of steps that take a bit of time, commitment, the right tools and an interest. In this talk he will cover a high-level view of the process that he follows, what tools you might want to get started, and more casually, why you might be interested in growing orchids from seed yourself.

Dustin is a Canadian plant hobbyist who has been growing orchids and rare plants for over 10 years; he more recently started growing orchids from seed in 2018, which has helped shift his approach to orchid culture and care.

His professional background is in software design and marketing, and his blog, herebutnot.com is where his work experience and hobby align.

PRESIDENTS LETTER

Karl Varian

Well father winter decided to exert his influence in February, and consequently our meeting became a Zoom only meeting. On the bright side because of Zoom we were able to have a VERY successful meeting with over 20 attendees. I am looking forward to meeting those who want to attend in person on March 6th and virtually meet those that wish to attend virtually by way of Zoom.

At last months meeting we agreed to support an out-reach / membership drive at the Dallas Home & Garden Show. Contact David Gould if interested in spreading the word about how rewarding growing orchids is to you and your family.

For those having specific questions about orchids, Lorna Kissling and Charlie Hess will be hosting Orchids 101 at 2:00 pm in the greenhouse. For people needing carts to bring items to the meeting, we have been asked to bring them to the meeting room through the south door, NOT through the café.



In addition to our talk on "Getting Started with Kitchen Flasking & Growing Orchids from Seed" by Dustin Miller (he grows everything in his apartment), Charlie Hess will provide us with some information on the GNTOS sponsorship of the Calopogon barbatus Orchid Gami.

We are presently in the midst of pulling together everything that is needed for a GNTOS orchid show together THIS year. Progress information will be shared at the March meeting.

I personally have been busy cleaning pots, continued LOTs of repotting, and enjoying the blooming rewards of my hard work. Looking forward to 'seeing' everyone at 2:30 pm, March 6th at North Haven Gardens or on-line.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Carol Varian

Zoom Meeting – GNTOS
February 12, 2022

1. Karl welcomes everyone and asks them to think about which month they would like to bring meeting treats. 21 People linked in via Zoom.
2. 101st year of AOS
3. Mesquite Elks Lodge will be visited as well as facilities in North Haven Gardens for future site of our upcoming orchid show.
4. Charlie Hess has asked the society to sponsor Orchid Gami. We will vote on it next meeting.
5. We will look into joining the Texas Orchid Circuit for 2023.
6. Bark source for bulk purchases to be considered, contact Linda Horton for any additional bags that might be available.
7. Increased community outreach with liaison to Plano Garden Club discussed.
8. Tim Brown introduced speaker Keri Raven Raymond who gave a talk titled "Demystifying New Zealand Moss Growing."
9. Karl and David Gould spoke about beginning community outreach at the Mar. 4-6th Dallas Home and Garden Show.
10. Next meeting's topic will be about Flasking and Growing Orchids from seeds.

Please remember to pay your dues for the year. GNTOS membership dues are paid yearly

- \$30.00 – New or Renewing Member (individual)
- \$15.00 – Additional Member (each additional person in same household)

Please bring a check or cash to our next meeting on March 6th meeting or mail: name, address, email and phone # with your payment to:
Barb MacNamee, Treasurer
909 Sleepy Hollow Drive
Garland, TX 75043

Make check payable to GNTOS.



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	Charles Hess
<i>Plant Table</i>	Nancy Cropp
<i>Publicity</i>	Karl Varian
<i>Refreshments</i>	TBD
<i>Show Chair</i>	Karl Varian
<i>Snooper's Table</i>	Betty Ekholm
<i>SWROGA Rep</i>	Charles Hess
<i>Yearbook</i>	David Gould

AOS DALLAS JUDGING CENTER

Nancy Cropp

AOS Dallas Judging Center
Feb. 12, 2022

Five plants entered, one plant awarded:

Den. (unnamed) 'Buckboard'
(Roy Tokunaga x Little Atro)
HCC 77 points
exhibitor: Karl Varian, Plano

NEW LOCATION

Bring your plants for judging, come for the training session at 11 am, judging at 1 pm. Learn about being in the AOS judging program. The Dallas Judging Center meets on the second Saturday of every month.

The next meeting is on March, 12th at the Carver Center located at 222 Carver St., Garland, TX 75040.

Visitors are always welcome.



Dallas Home and Garden Show Sign-up

We need people to help out with our booth from March 4th – 6th at Dallas Market Hall, 2200 N. Stemmons Fwy, Dallas, TX 75207. We would like at least one person per time slot. Two would be better.

All you have to do is be there and answer questions for anyone who seems interested in orchids and might want to join our society. Our membership suffered during the pandemic so this is a way to try and find new members.

A lot of people come to these shows to get their plant and gardening questions answered so there are already plant people there. Some of them might not be aware that there is a group dedicated solely to orchids so let's let them know.

* This time slot will conflict with our March meeting. If someone wants to volunteer to be here that would be great. However, it is alright to leave our booth empty, but we can't take it down until after 5pm. So we will go back after the meeting.

Please email me to let me know when you can help out: youngdavegould@gmail.com

SET-UP FRIDAY 1-2

FRIDAY 2-4 Karl Varian

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FRIDAY 4-7 Judy Cook

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SATURDAY 10-1 Linda Horton

SATURDAY 10-1 Emily Quinn

SATURDAY 1-4 Tim Brown

SATURDAY 1-4 Mae Lorfing

SATURDAY 4-7 David Gould

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SUNDAY 11-2

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TAKE-DOWN SUNDAY-5

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Orchids grown by
Gerry Darver

