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G R E A T E R N O R T H T E X A S *Orchid Society*

MEETING AGENDA

- 2:30
Orchids 101
- 3:00
Meeting Begins
- 4:15
Break
- 4:30
Business Meeting
- 5:00
Adjourn

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SEPTEMBER MEETING SPEAKERS: JIM WILLIAMS AND JUDY COOK

GNTOS 2009 Fall Show and Sale

On October 9th 10th and 11th GNTOS is putting on an Orchid Show and we will need everyone to volunteer to help make it a success. We will be explaining more about what will happen and what everyone can do to help out in the next few meetings but here is a brief explanation of what we need so you can begin to think about how you can help. We have three areas that need volunteers:

Set Up and Tear Down

We will need volunteers all day Friday to help exhibitors and vendors move in, load and unload their plants, transport them to the vending area, help with the GNTOS exhibit and help tear it all down and clean up at the end of the show. We have broken it down into two hour time slots so no one has to spend all day there unless you sign up for it. The timeslots are as follows: Fri 9am-11am, Fri 11am-1pm, Fri 1pm-3pm, Fri 3pm-5pm & Sun 4pm-5pm.

Please notice that on Sunday we have one hour to take the whole show apart and get it packed up and out the door before North Haven closes at 5. We will need a lot of people on Sunday from 4pm-5pm.

Host

We need people to smile and walk around the show and answer visitors questions, remember, you know more about orchids than most visitors. You will also walk round vendor's area and ask vendors if you can help with anything like watching their table while they take a quick break. And you will ensure visitors don't touch or take plants from the exhibits. We also have this divided into two hour timeslots.

Food

We will have a hospitality room with food and snacks set aside for the vendors, exhibitors, judges and volunteers. We will need food for all three days so even if you can't make it to the event and walk around you can send cookies or snacks.

Visit the web site and click on the GNTOS 2009 Show and get all of the details and sign up there. Everyone can find something that they can do to make this event a success.

ORCHIDS 101**Q&A SESSION**

Bring your questions and we will try to get you answers. Hope to see you there, at 2:30 in the greenhouse.



We are coming in the home stretch of our show, and it will require all members' assistance to have a successful show.

Manny Aybar, Show Chair, is organizing all the volunteer efforts. The website has a form for how you want to serve.

Our October meeting will mostly be dedicated to show preparation. The program will consist of showing how to prepare and enter plants in the show. Many final details will also

be wrapped up. Please make it a priority to be there on October 4.

In other news, Gene Cawfield is putting together an order from the Wild Orchid Farm for terrestrial orchids that you can plant in the garden. You may contact him at (214)357-7511 if you'd like to participate in this order.

And if we have any budding orchid breeders, several members have seed pods hanging on their plants. Lorna Kissling (214)494-8930 has a Bulbo. Daisy Chain. I have a couple of pods on a Cattleytonio. And Gene Cawfield has a pod on a Cymbidium. If you'd like to try your hand at raising orchids from seed, call one or all. I have a Brassovola nodosa that produces so many pods, I just pinch them off.

I did have a pod of Cym. pendulum self-sow in a pot of Onc. altissimum. I had to repot the plant to extricate the 5 or so cymbidium seedlings, which I potted up and all are doing well. It might be worth a program sometime to see what is entailed in growing orchids from seed – I mean, more than just by accident!

NEWSLETTER

Members are encouraged to submit articles, information, or suggestions for publication in our newsletter. Send submissions to the editor via email at: david@gouldcreative.com

SOME TIPS TO GET PLANTS READY FOR THE ORCHID SHOW

- Check plants for little critters and eliminate them if found.
- Clean leaves of spots. A good cleaner is a weak solution of milk and a cotton ball.
- When bringing plants to show, secure flower spikes well so they don't break in transit.
- Be sure to have the plant correctly labeled so tags can be made with ease.

GNTOS MEETING, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2009



Blue Ribbon – Dendrochilam
magnum – Judy Cook



Red Ribbon & Peoples Choice–
Trichoglottis brachiata – Manny Aybar



White ribbon – C. chocolate drop
x slc anzac – Manny Aybar



Species – Encyclia radiata
– Judy Cook



Species – Rhynchosyilis coelestis
– Barb McNamara



Species – Phal. hieroglyphica
– Charles Hess

There were 51 people in attendance.

PRESENTATION There was a very interesting presentation on International Orchid Shows by John Stubbings.

PLANT TABLE WINNERS

For the plant table, 19 plants were judged by Jean Whiting, Jim Williams, and Nancy Cropp. (Winners are pictured on the left.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS and NEWS

GNTOS will help fund a orchid conservation project in Equador through the Orchid Conservation Coalition.

Congratulations to Manny on the new website. And there is a new “Members Only” section.

In the next few weeks, a nomination committee will be appointed to prepare a slate of candidates for 2010. See Jim Williams for more information. e-mail to: president@gntos.org

OCTOBER GNTOS SHOW

You are invited to the GNTOS Show and Sale www.gntos.org/node/35. It will be held at North Haven Gardens on October 9-11.

Thanks to David Gould for preparing the brochures and posters for the show. Nancy Cropp is in charge of clerks for judging and publicity. To volunteer: www.gntos.org/node/45. Kathy Halverson is in charge of hospitality. www.gntos.org/node/29

It is not too late to arrange for individual space at the Show www.gntos.org/node/31

Manny needs volunteers for the show. Use the form on the website to volunteer. www.gntos.org/node/32/ If you are volunteering, Manny wants everyone to “smile” at the show. Five vendors have agreed to sell plants at the Show. www.gntos.org/node/67

Kevin Fox will be in charge of the GNTOS exhibit. He will need plants in bloom early Friday morning. Charles Hess will be contributing 10% of his sales to the society for his art commissions.

The presentation for October will be about preparing plants for a show.

DALLAS JUDGING CENTER

Nancy Cropp

GNTOS FINANCIAL REPORT

Kathy Halverson

Dallas Judging Center
September 12, 2009

One plant entered for consideration,
no awards given.

Financial Report: August 2009
Dated: 8-1-09 thru 8-31-09

Beginning Balance: \$ 8130.57

	Income	Expenses
Dues	\$ 20.00	
Hospitality	-	
Raffle83.00	
Rent (Storage)	-	
Snoopers	105.00	.94.50
Speakers Fee	-	
Speakers Meals etc.76.30
Speakers Travel		*830.43
Miscellaneous:		
Dallas Council of Garden Clubs dues		15.00
Donations	-	
Special Sales	-	
SWROGA Dues	-	
Auction	-	
Plant Table	-	
Yr. End Awards		
GNTOS Exhibit	-	
Library	-	
Audit Check	-	
Website	-	
Fall 2008 Show	1250.00	
AOS		186.30
Subtotals:	\$ 1458.00	\$1126.23
Ending Balance:	\$ 8462.34	

* Note: This amt. to be shared by societies

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Manuel Aybar

October 4th

Jim Williams and Judy Cook

“Plant Grooming and Plant Registration”

November 1st

Fred Clark – from Sunset Valley Orchids

December 6th

Greater North Texas Orchid Auction/Sale

No program, Auction open to the public.

SNOOPERS CORNER

Barbara McNamee & Noemi Quillen

Snoopers Corner is for items that are too large to bring to the snoopers table. Members can give-away or sell items that are orchid or greenhouse related.

You can give away an item free to a good greenhouse, but if you sell an item, GNTOS will receive the regular 10% for handling the deal, on the honor system,

same as the snoopers table.

Members who want to place an ad should contact Barbara McNamee: 972/279-9685. Submit a brief description and a small photograph if necessary. Each entry will run until it sells or for 3 months, whichever comes first.

**GREATER NORTH
TEXAS ORCHID
SOCIETY**

Manuel Aybar
2330 Saharah Drive
Garland, TX

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HISTORY**

The GNTOS was formed in 1954 as a result of the amalgamation of the Dallas Orchid Society and the North Texas Orchid Society. The new organization was formed as a nucleus for a larger and potentially greater Society with an enthusiastic membership. On March 19, 1954, we were issued a charter by the AOS as the Greater North Texas Orchid Society

MEMBERSHIP DUES

2009

GNTOS Membership Dues are paid yearly by January 31, in order for your name to be listed in the published Year Book.

- \$20.00 – New or Renewing Member (individual)
- \$10.00 – Additional Member (each additional person in same household)

Please mail completed form with payment to:
Kathy Halverson
1922 Baylor Drive
Richardson, TX 75081
Make check payable to GNTOS.

New Member Renewing Member

Name (#1): _____

Name (#2): _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

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E-mail (#2): _____