



MEETING AGENDA

2:30 Orchids 101

3:00 Meeting Begins

4:15 Break

4:30 Business Meeting

5:00 Adjourn

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NEXT MEETING IS AUGUST 7 SPEAKER: CARLOS FIGHETTI

Development of Taiwan Orchid Breeding

Carlos Fighetti has been involved in orchids for more than 30 years. He has served on the Board of the American Orchid Society. He was a member of the AOS's Affiliated Society Committee; a member of the Information Committee; and currently serves as a member of the Library and Archives Committee.



Phalaenopsis bellina (P. violacea Borneo type), a beautiful and fragrant species native to Borneo, illustrates the allure of this popular and widely grown genus.

He is the past President and a current Trustee of the Greater New York Orchid Society, where he also served for eight years as show Chair of the prestigious New York International Orchid Show. In addition, he is a Trustee of the Ramapo Orchid Society and others. Carlos was the founding president and is a current director of the International Phalaenopsis Alliance.

An accredited AOS Judge, he has amongst his judging experiences two World Orchid Conferences, and many other international shows. He has lectured about orchids all over the USA and Canada.

Carlos lives in Guaynabo, Puerto Rico, where he grows approximately 1,200 orchid plants. He grows a mixed collection, although "I now have quite a few species." His plants have received more than 90 awards from the AOS

for horticultural, flower quality and cultural merits, including three FCCs. He has also received many other awards for exhibits at orchid shows around the country.

Professionally, Carlos retired as a Senior Research Associate of the Engineering School at Columbia University, where he was the Director of a well-known research laboratory working on nuclear reactor safety.

With that professional background, it should come as no surprise that Carlos feels that "the success of any organization lies in the ability to keep up with the times and embrace modern technology. The AOS, through its leadership and committees, is always looking for effective ways to stay in the forefront and be able to offer members the latest and best information on orchids. As long as we do this, we will continue to grow as an organization."

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Judy Cook

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PRESIDENT Judy Cook

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GNTOS WEBMASTER Manuel Aybar

PAST PRESIDENT Jim Williams



Happy Summer!!!

We appear to be having an all time record heat wave!!! Hope you are keeping your plants well hydrated, since our humidity is also pretty low. The turnout for the auction was wonderful and I suspect we helped our balance quite a bit. Of course the big thing was the fun, which is always a big part of things.

Carlos Fighetti will be our speaker for August and I have no doubt you will really enjoy him. Unfortunately I will be on call, but Manny will be there to run things.

Be sure you are working on grooming your plants for the upcoming fall shows, especially the National show in San Antonio - it should be a great show and a great time of year to visit a really fun city.

Regards Judy



Plant considered at Judging Center: Phal. Imp's Sparks 'OK'



Plant considered at Judging Center: **Phal. Violacea**

DALLAS JUDGING CENTER

Nancy Cropp

GNTOS FINANCIAL REPORT

Kathy Halverson



Paph. Winter Coat 'Orchid Konnection Too' AOS Dallas Judging Center July 9, 2011

15 plants entered for consideration, one award given:

Paph. Winter Coat 'Orchid Konnection Too' (wenshanense x godefroyae) HCC 76 points owner: Orchid Konnection, Dallas Financial Report: June 2011 Dated: 6-1-11 thru 6-30-11

Beginning Balance:	\$ 6831.95	
	Income	Expenses
Dues	.\$10.00	
Hospitality	–	
Raffle	.\$79.00	
Rent	–	
Snoopers	.\$68.00	.\$ 61.20
Speakers Fee		.\$ 100.00
/Hotel, Lunch		.\$ 139.90
/Air Fare, Travel	.\$30.82	
Miscellaneous	–	
SWROGA Dues	–	
Auction	–	
Plant Table	–	
Yr. End Awards .	–	
GNTOS Exhibit	–	
Library	–	
Audit Check	–	
Website	–	
Spring 2011 Show	.\$.150.00	
Subtotals:	.\$.337.82	.\$ 301.10

Ending Balance: \$ 6868.67

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2011 CALENDAR

Ellen Safley

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GREATER NORTH TEXAS ORCHID SOCIETY

Manuel Aybar 2330 Saharah Drive Garland, TX

SOCIETY HISTORY

The GNTOS was formed in 1954 as a result of the joining of the Dallas Orchid Society and the North Texas Orchid Society. The new organization was formed as a nucleus for a larger an 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



Sept. – Bill Hill www.orchidislandorchids.com

Oct. – Greg Butler from Oak Hill Gardens (not confirmed)

Nov. – Carson Whitlow will talk on blue cats www.c-we.com/cyp. haven/whitlow.htm

Dec. – Auction

Jan. – Fred Clarke

Free Pots

Jerry Wright gave a bunch of used clay pots for GNTOS members. They will be at the Aug. meeting.

HOW TO STERILIZE USED POTS.

Scrub the pots with water and a stiff brush to remove as much dirt and stain as possible. Place the pots in a very clean 5 gal. bucket and add aprox. 1 cup of bleach. Then fill with water so pots are submerged. Leave pots in the bleach solution for 2 hours. Remove and rinse thoroughly with water. Dispose of the used solution down the sink or toilet (not the storm drain) so it won't enter the water supply. If you need to do more pots, mix up a new batch of the bleach solution.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

GNTOS Membership Dues are paid yearly by January 31, in order for your name to be listed in the Yearbook. Dues are prorated after that date.

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

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

New Member	Renewing Member
Name (#1):	
Name (#2):	
City:	
State/Zip:	
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Phone:	
E-mail (#1):	
E-mail (#2):	
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