

# GREATER NORTH TEXAS

This months meeting is Jan. 8

#### **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 JANUARY 8 SPEAKER: MARGUERITE WEBB

### Minature Warm Growing Ordnids



Marguerite Webb began her orchid growing career in the mid-1970's when she took a job at J&L Or-

chids

Easton CT. In 1979 she and her two partners
Cordelia Head and Lucinda Winn purchased
J&L, and they have been propagating and selling, and teaching about orchids ever since.

Marguerite has become an authority on certain New
World genera such as masdevallia and dracula, writing and lecturing about them and other aspects of orchid growing. She has

traveled to places like South Africa, New
Zealand and Japan to speak at orchid
conferences and seminars, as well as
lecturing at many World Orchid
Conferences including

Miami in 2008. She is a frequent contributor to orchid publications such as The Orchid Digest and Orchids, writing about the orchids she loves.

She's taking preorders for January and

is offering a 10% discount on those pre-orders which also means no shipping since she will hand deliver the plants to us at the meeting.

#### **OFFICERS**

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GNTOS WEBMASTER Manuel Aybar

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A new year is coming! And along with it, you've voted in a new list of officers. We'll be trying our best to serve you well this year. Kevin Fox is Vice President (and incidentally the show chairman for our AOS show coming up later in the fall), and Barb McNamee is our new Treasurer. A special thank-you to David Hines for being willing to

step up and take Jane Thayer's place on the ballot for Secretary. Jane, even though you had to step aside for family reasons, we appreciate your willingness to serve!

GNTOS auctions sure are lively – and our last one was no exception! Jerry Brandenburg kept things going as usual as our auctioneer and it seemed like everyone had a good time. The auction is a fun way to get some new orchids and to find out who's the most competitive in our group! And the good news is, if you had to miss this auction, there's another one coming up this summer.

Our January speaker is coming from Connecticut – Marguerite Webb, co-owner of J & L Orchids. She'll be speaking on growing miniature orchids and will be bringing some for sale. She is offering a 10% discount on pre-orders, so take a look at the website www.jlorchids.com and see what's growing! I noticed there are some Care Sheets listed under the Information tab on J & L's home page, so you can take a look there to get some growing tips.

If you'd like to see some really nice orchids, try coming to the Dallas Judging Center, meeting at the Pavilion of the Texas A&M Extension Center at 17360 Coit Rd, Dallas. It's the same location we used for our 2011 Spring show. The training/judging occurs every 2nd Saturday of each month. The session starts with training for judging at 11am, lunch provided at noon, AOS judging after the meal, and then a raffle. The judges are a very welcoming group of people – they really enjoy teaching even those of us who aren't training to be judges! I learn a lot listening to them, and there are some really beautifully grown orchids to see each time.

One final reminder – remember that orchid society meeting is the second Sunday in January (the 8th) since Northaven Gardens will be closed January 1.

See you in 2012! Lorna





#### **DALLAS JUDGING CENTER**

Nancy Cropp

## GNTOS FINANCIAL REPORT

Kathy Halverson

AOS Dallas Judging Center Dec. 10, 2011

Six plants submitted for consideration, two awards given:

Paph. Lefty Kei 'Orchid Konnection Too' (William Ambler #2 x sanderianum) AM 84 points

owner: Orchid Konnection, Dallas

Paph. (unregistered) 'Orchid Konnection Too' (Faan Kruger x Lady Isabel)

AM 81 points

owner: Orchid Konnection, Dallas

Financial Report: Sept. 2011 Dated: 9-1-11 thru 9-30-11 Beginning Balance: . . . . . . . . . \$ 7255.22

	Income	Expenses	
Dues			
Hospitality			
Raffle			
Rent: 3 months, North Haven			
Gardens:		\$	150.00
Snoopers	\$29.00	\$	26.00
Speakers meals/hotel – Bill Hill		\$	91.10
Miscellaneous			
SWROGA Dues			
Auction			
Plant Table			
GNTOS Exhibit			
Library			
Audit Check			
Subtotals:	\$29.00	\$	267.10
Ending Balance:	\$ 7017.12		

# GREATER NORTH TEXAS ORCHID SOCIETY

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#### **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

#### **ORCHID TIP**

If you notice poor root development in your plants this is usually caused by trace element deficiency. Giving trace elements, in the recommended amounts, can solve the problem. You may add trace elements in small amounts to your potting mix or purchase a fertilizer mix containing trace elements. People who normally water their plants with ultrapure water that is free of trace elements (RO, distilled, rain, etc) will be more likely to have this problem.

GNTOS membership dues are paid yearly by January 31, in order for you to be listed in the published Yearbook.

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

Please mail completed form with payment to:
Barbara McNamee
909 Sleepy Hollow Drive
Garland, TX 75043

Make check payable to GNTOS.

New Member Renewing Member
Name (#1):
Name (#2):
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City:
State/Zip:
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