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A NEWSLETTER OF THE **GRFATFR** NORTH TEXAS ORCHID SOCIETY

We will not be having our normal GNTOS meeting on January 2nd.

You probably already know the reason. On New Years Eve there are always a few orchids that take it tooooo far and nobody wants to deal with them so soon after. Most orchids are fine but some, usually the ones with AOS awards, just don't know when to stop. They are all acting superior, and all "look at me, I got an award and you didn't, and then it just gets crazy. Next thing you know one of them unlocks the fertilizer cabinet and they break out the high nitrogen stuff and they all overindulge.

But when you check on them the next day they are just sitting there. Quiet. Too quiet. But you know what they did. And they know you know. You can almost hear the snickering.

And don't even try to ask which one is responsible because they won't ever point a leaf at each other.

But I don't need to tell you. You've got orchids and I'm sure this happens to you as well.

Anyway, no meeting on Jan 2. Some orchids just have to spoil it for the rest of us.

PLANT TABLE JUDGING RESULTS

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Plant Table Judging results for 2020 & 2021 combined:

- 8 meetings with 166 plants entered, plus 1 show
- 23 members brought plants and 374 total points were accrued
- 8 members judged, with 5 doing it multiple times
- 20 points Dave Gould & Shane Stewart
- 21 points Gerry Darver
- 22 points Manny Aybar
- 25 points George Bogard & Charles Hess
- Third Place 35 points Karl Varian winning \$50
- Second Place 46 points Judy Cook winning \$75
- First Place 47 points Mike Beber winning \$100

Congratulations to the winners! Bring your blooming plants in 2022!



Orchid Conservation Alliance

Conserving Orchids by Conserving Orchid Habitat

The OCA conserves orchids by funding habitat preservation. Since inception in 2005 we have helped with the purchase of over 3000 acres of orchid habitat, protecting hundreds of orchid species in Brazil, Ecuador and Colombia. Many species of rare birds, trees, frogs, mammals also find refuge in these reserves.









Dracula gigas (L), D. trigonopetala (R)

Dracula Reserve, Ecuador

Dracula lemurella (L), Lepanthes escifera (R) La Selva de Ventanas Reserve, Colombia

We hope you will join us in promoting this important work. We invite you to become a member of the OCA, to make a donation, to take a trip with us to see Orchids in the Wild®, and to purchase merchandise through our website. Since we have no paid staff, all proceeds support orchid conservation. The OCA is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation.

For more information: www.orchidconservationalliance.org

AOS DALLAS JUDGING CENTER

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AOS Dallas Judging Center Dec. 11, 2021

Five plants entered for consideration, two awards given:

Rlc. Lady Wakasugi 'Ginza Beauty'

(Summer Lady x Amy Wakasugi) AM 80 points exhibitor: Cesar Uchima, Cedar Hill

Phrag. Les Varines 'Dalton James'

(sargentianum x kovachii) HCC 78 points exhibitor: George Bogard, Rockwall

Jim Diffily was voted for elevation from Associate to Accredited Judge and this will be approved at the Spring AOS meeting. Congratulations!

NEW LOCATION

The Dallas Judging Center meets on the second Saturday of every month. The next meeting is on Dec., 11th at the Carver Center located at 222 Carver St., Garland, TX 75040.

Presentation start at 11 am. Judging at 1 pm. Visitors are always welcome.





WEAKLY

Orchids grown by Charles Hess



Onc. Sherry Baby





Bulbophyllum medusae



Dendrobium bigibbum var compacta