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EASTERN IOWA ORCHID SOCIETY

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A small group of people with a big love of growing orchids.

YES THEY WILL BLOOM!

Pictured here is *Cattleya* (previously *Laelia*, *Sophranitis*, *Hoffmannseggia*) *colnagoi* which is a rupicolous species that likes to grow on rocks in Brazil. The first one I brought back to bloom . Note, one lonely mealy bug likes it as well!
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Hello everyone; I hope you all had a very merry Christmas. For those of you who don't celebrate Christmas, I hope you had a happy holiday of your choice, and I hope you all have a happy and safe New Year. Although, you may well be done celebrating the new year by the time the newsletter gets out, since I am somewhat late in getting this written. My tardiness is not entirely due to procrastination this time; I get to blame at least part of it on the fact that I have been without a computer since before Thanksgiving, when my old one died. I can now say that I am able to get by without a computer, but it does make some things more difficult. Going to the library a couple of times a week to use one of their computers means I spend most of my time there deleting garbage emails, and didn't have much time for things I would like to have gotten done. It didn't help that I was told I could expect to see my new computer arrive at my door by December 12th, and it didn't arrive until yesterday, the 28th.

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Calendar of Events

No January EIOS meeting	
Minnesota Winter Carnival Show at Como Conservatory	1/28-29/2017
February EIOS meeting Note New day of week and new place Andy will present paper on Masdevalia	2/2/2017
Madison ORCHID Quest Show and Sale at Olbrecht Botanical Center	2/4-5/2017
Batavia Orchid Show at DuPage County Fairgrounds Wheaton, IL	2/18-19/2017



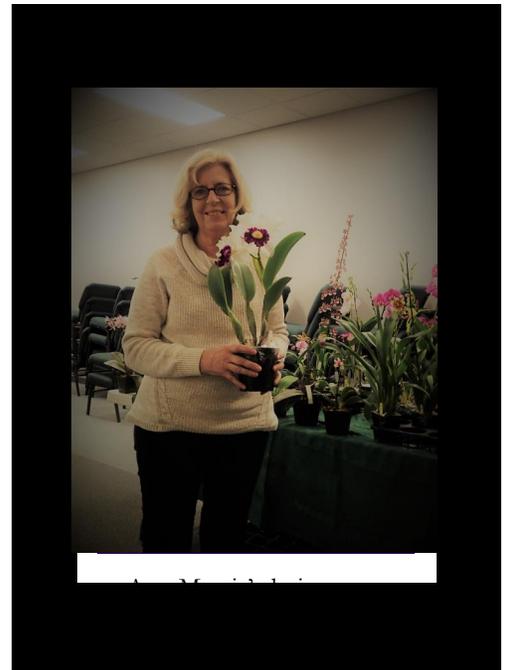
You Pick 'em!

Our holiday party was a great way to start the month of December and enclosed are a few 'candid' shots of members choosing their gift plant.



WHICH ONE DO I CHOOSE, WHICH ONE DO I CHOOSE?

OH, I HOPE SHE DOESN'T TAKE THAT ONE!



Vintage 'pictures' on left and thanks to Cathy Wilcox our Treasurer and keeper of the name tags and raffle tickets. Right!



Sleuthing an Award!

“Just the facts, Ma’am Just the facts,” said Sgt. Friday (Anyone remember Dragnet?) OK!

1– Andy and I take a beautiful *Bulbophyllum* of Marcia Whitmore’s to December monthly judging.

2– Judging team awarded the flowers an AM/AOS 82 points.

3– Plant name on tag was *Bulb.* Hot Lips and parents listed as *Bulb. pingtungensis* x Elizabeth Ann ‘Buckleberry’

4– **CONFLICT:** Royal Hort. Society (RHS) has hybrid registered as *Bulb. wightii* x Elizabeth Ann. Judges refuse to finalize award till name of hybrid is either confirmed

5– Sgt. ‘Dusty’ send to investigate!

6– Hybrid registered in 2006 by Marilyn LeDoux from St Louis but she says she registered as *pingtungensis* ‘Memoria Kokie Millard’ CBR 1994 CCM 2001/AOS x Eliz. Ann and has papers to prove it!

7– Marcia bought plant from Marilyn and name tag with plant tends to confirm her story.

8– *Bulb. wightii* and *pingtungensis* are similar species of the *Cirrhopetalum* group and perhaps RHS considered them the same?

9– Publications (which are what determines botanical species names) do not list synonyms for either species linked to each other per RHS and Orchid Wiz. data bases.

10– **PLOT THICKENS:** (time for a commercial) Another award exists for *Bulb.* Hot Lips ‘Amanda’ in Nov. of 2012 with *wightii* as one of parents. Exhibitor was Michael Saar.

11– M LeDoux sold Michael the plant from the same batch as she sold to Marcia with *pingtungensis* as one parent. RHS registration confirms her as originator of the cross.

12– **RESOLUTION:** Since we have a direct line of evidence of hybrid to originator, the name for the plant is INDEED ***Bulb. Hot Lips ‘Timberlane’*** AM/AOS with parents *pingtungensis* x Elizabeth Ann. Congrats to Marcia for a well grown plant! **BUT**

13– **OUTSTANDING ISSUES:** Was LeDoux’s *pingtungense* identified correctly? Has anyone really made a cross *wightii* x Eliz. Ann? Should RHS amend their registration of the hybrid using *pingtungensis*? Does anyone care?

DUM ta DUM DUM - Theme song and credits!

NEXT EPISODE: Julian Shaw from RHS notes in her records that the parent *pingtungense* ‘Memoria Kokie Millard’ was identified by them as *wightii* and that is why it was registered as such. Ron McHutton from AOS reviewed award photos of the 1994 CBR and says “That is wightii!” Lois Cinert (our Chicago Judging Center Chair) says “No wonder people go cross-eyed with taxonomy & registrations. The respected reference book by Emly Siegrist shows the photo identification of pingtungense as the same CBR photo of LeDoux’s that is actually *wightii*!”

Sergeant Dusty says “This is way above my pay grade!”

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Bulb. pingtungensis ‘Mem. Kokie Millard’ CBR,CCM/AOs above **CROSSED WITH** *Bulb.* Elizabeth Ann right. To make *Bulb.* Hot Lips.

AOS award photos.

Eastern Iowa Orchid Society Annual Meeting 2016

Held at Shueyville United Methodist Church, Shueyville, Iowa during the December EIOS Holiday gathering Dec. 1st. 2016

Called to order by Bill Page, President, Dec. 1, 2016, Time 8PM.

Club Officers: Bill Page, President; Jim Quaintance, Vice President and Web Master; Michael Hampton, Secretary and Newsletter Editor; Cathy Wilcox, Treasurer; Laynez Ackermann, AOS Representative; Nile Dusdieker, MAOC representative; Bill Snyder, registered agent in charge of filing nonprofit forms. Club currently has 36 members: quorum was present. Bill thanked everyone for all their participation in club activities throughout the year and asked that Nile Dusdieker preside over motions portion of the meeting. Our club is a non-profit organization (501c3) with a major emphasis on education of members and the public about orchids. Fund raising activities go to meet that purpose. Major activities of the club include co-sponsoring the annual orchid show at Noelridge Greenhouse in Cedar Rapids; Local orchid displays at Easter and Mother's Day Noelridge Showcases and Master Gardener's Fair; participation in regional orchid shows throughout the Midwest; and eight monthly meetings with educational programs and occasional guest speakers. Guest speakers may be paid an honorarium and travel expenses if they are not club members. Activities (minutes) of the club are recorded in the monthly newsletter. A preliminary Treasurers report was given by Cathy Wilcox (the final year end will be published in the Feb. newsletter.)

MOTION: (S Neff, A Coghill) **To approve the activities of the club and specifically the actions of the officers of the club for 2016 including Treasurer's report and Secretary's documentation in the newsletter. Motion carried unanimously.**

All club activities are provided by members on a purely volunteer basis. This includes meeting preparation, refreshments, representing the club at regional orchid shows and orchid judging events, orchid field trips and arranging speakers and educational programs.

MOTION: (B Englert, A Coghill) **The club shall provide documentation of receipt of donated volunteer services upon request and states that no goods or services were received by the donors from the club. Motion carried unanimously.**

At times the club needs to purchase items for club activities such as holiday food, gift plants, and support items like ribbons and awards for our show. These items may be purchased and paid for by individual members at the direction of the officers with bills submitted to club treasurer for reimbursement.

MOTION: (M Hampton, S Appleby) **The club has a policy to reimburse individual members for purchase of items specifically designated by the officers for general club use. Motion carried unanimously**

OTHER BZ: Next year's orchid show will be Oct 21-22, 2017 and we will again setup a small display and be selling donated orchids to raise funds for our fall show at the Easter and Mother's Day Noelridge Showcases. The club plans to exhibit at several orchid shows throughout the Mid-west this year.

SPECIAL THANKS: BILL PAGE - his term at President will end in June - those interested in running for the Presidency of the club please contact any of the officers of the club.

Thanks to Michael Hampton newsletter editor and Jim Quaintance our web master

Thanks to Cathy Wilcox Treasurer

Thanks to all who helped with our orchid shows and meeting functions including providing food.

Special Thanks to Doc Robert Bannister for donating so many plants for our various functions.

No other old or new business items were brought forth and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Submitted: BILL PAGE/NILE DUSDIEKER

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Back to orchid stuff; I think that is what this newsletter is supposed to be about. If you missed the party, too bad. It was a wonderful, very highly semi-successful party. The semi part was owing to the fact that some of the chickens were apparently out celebrating the fact that they were not going to get eaten at our party. I was eventually able to run them down, and put an end to their celebrating. Aside from the chicken fiasco, I think we had a great party, with much delicious food, and I think a good time was had by all. We gave away some really nice orchids to the members in attendance, and I believe after the giving was done, we sold every one of the remaining orchids. Less for the raffle table next meeting, but more money for the club. Remember that next meeting will not be until the first Thursday in February, when we hope the worst of the winter's cold is behind us, but unfortunately, most of the winter's snow will probably still be ahead of us. Also remember that before the next meeting, we have an orchid show on our schedule. The Minnesota show will be the weekend of January 28, so get those beautiful blooms ready for a trip to the frozen North. Meanwhile, stay warm and well, and I hope to see you all in February.

Bill Page

Hosts for Upcoming Meeting

Call Bill Page if you would like to Volunteer

Directions to the First United Methodist Church in Shueyville, Iowa

This is half way between Cedar Rapids and Iowa City, The church is located 1 mile EAST of Exit 10 (Swisher-Shueyville) off Interstate 380. Our meetings begin with a social time at 6:30 pm; followed by the official meeting and program at 7:00 pm. Meetings are free and open to anyone interested in orchids! Our club displays orchids at regional orchid shows and participates in American Orchid Society orchid judging. Meeting programs include beginning orchid growing, discussion about various types of orchids and orchid conservation, plus an auction and holiday party just for fun. Enjoy our website, easterniowaorchidsociety.org, read our newsletters, attend our Fall Orchid Show in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and come join us at our next meeting!