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17th Annual Spring Orchid Show



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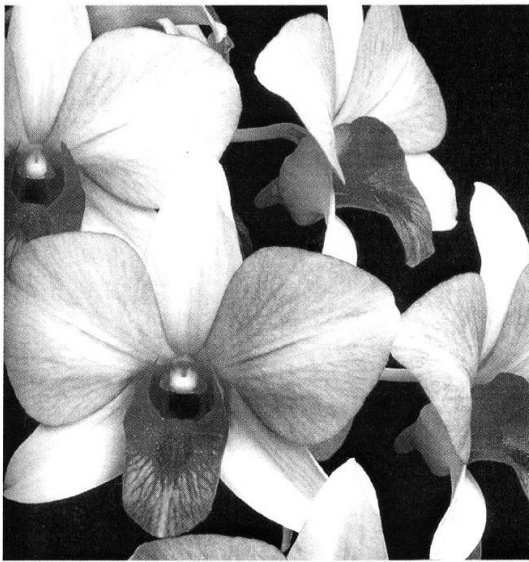
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Those new to orchid growing are often daunted by the reputation that the plants are finicky and difficult to grow. While it is true that some varieties are demanding of specific environmental conditions, many types will grow quite well under conditions suitable for African violets. *Phalaenopsis* and *Paphiopedilums*, in particular, are well-suited to artificial light culture, as are certain varieties of the “mini-Cattleyas”. A sunny windowsill will suffice nicely for those requiring moderate light levels. Some types, however, require very high light levels and are not generally suitable for in-home culture, but will do well for those lucky enough to have a greenhouse. Many indoor growers move their plants outside for the summer to take advantage of the buoyant air and light levels that only sunshine can adequately provide.

Orchids do require humid air to thrive, but 40-60% relative humidity is generally sufficient, so you need not turn your home into a steaming jungle. Setting plants over – not in – gravel-filled trays holding excess water or misting the plants with a sprayer can help to offset low humidity. And because epiphytes are air plants, good air circulation is essential to plant health. A small fan in the growing area will provide sufficient air movement to keep your plants happy.

Just as different families of orchids differ in light requirements, the proper temperature range is crucial to blooming. Broadly speaking, orchids are classified as either cool, intermediate, or warm growers, depending upon the heritage of the plant. A species found natively in the hot jungles of the Amazon River basin will naturally prefer a warmer climate than one at home in the high altitudes of the Andes mountains. By crossing species from different climates, however, hybrids are created which are less demanding of specific environmental conditions than are the parent plants. This “hybrid vigor” makes hybrids – rather than species – generally better choices for the beginner. There are a few species, however, which are exceptionally forgiving and make excellent beginner’s plants.

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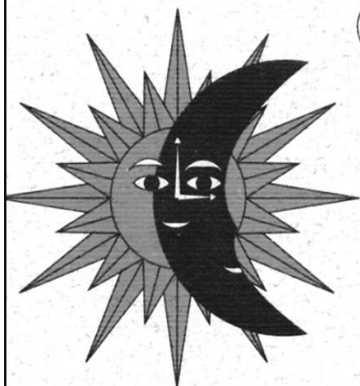
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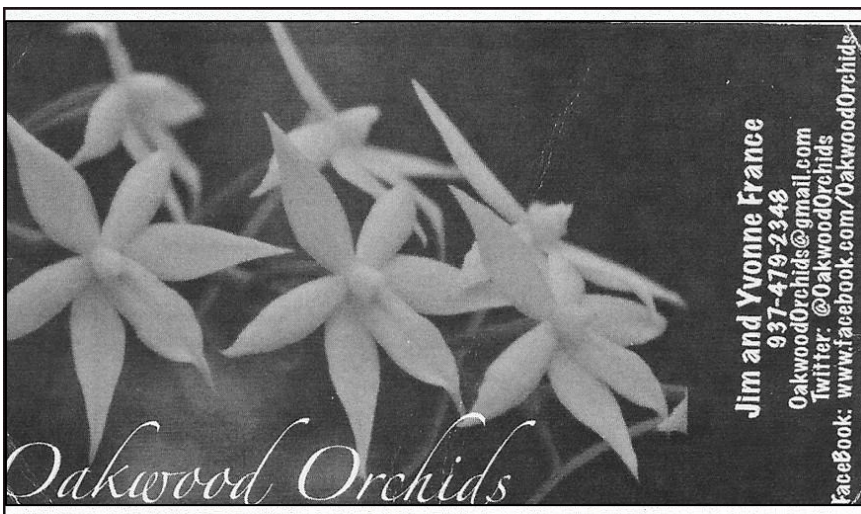
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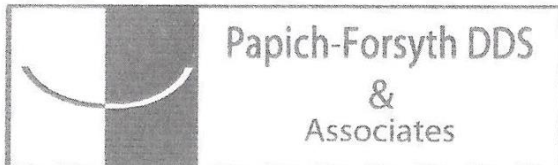
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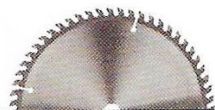
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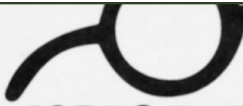
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- Jan 8 "Preparing Plants for Show" &
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- Feb 12 "Preparing Plants for Show" &
"Phragmipedium Culture" with Darlene Thompson
- Mar 12 "Orchid Roundtable"
Orchid Q&A & Show Wrap Up
- Apr 9 "Good Roots Grow Good Orchids" with Dave Miller
- May 14 "Enjoying Encyclia and Epidendrum Orchids" with Edgar Stehli
- Jun 11 Summer Picnic / 1st Member Plant Auction
- Jul 9 "Orchid Roundtable" & Orchid Q&A
plus Orchid Bingo
- Aug 13 TBD
- Sep 10 2nd Member Plant Auction
- Oct 8 TBD
- Nov 12 Holiday banquet / Elections
- Dec 10 no meeting

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Membership Application

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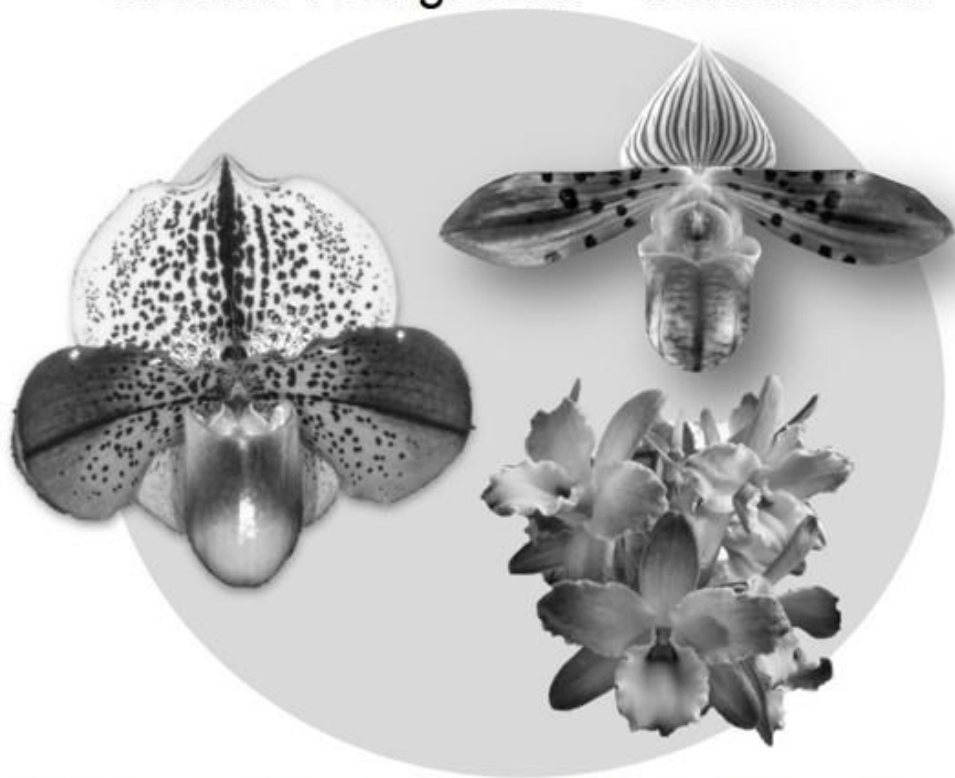


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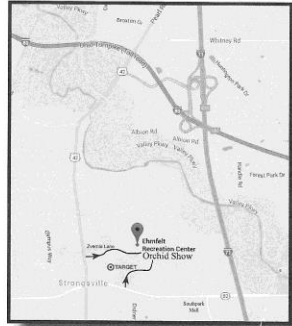
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- 12:30 pm Beginners culture talk: FREE with paid admission
- *1:30 pm Tom Miranda talk on Orchid Conservation: \$10 fee-cash at the door
- *2:45 pm Bill Thoms talk on Bulbos: \$10 fee-cash at the door
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- 4:50 pm Sales area closes

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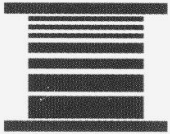
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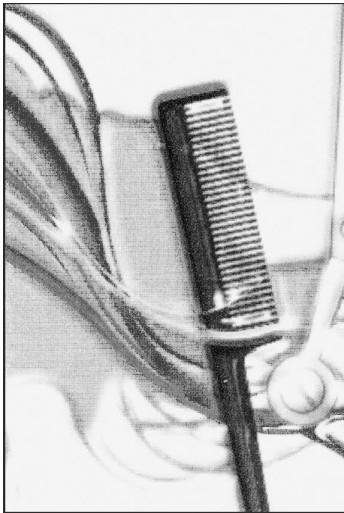
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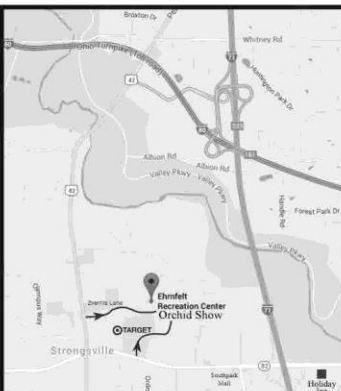
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