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VIRGINIA ORCHID SOCIETY

MAY 15, 2005 MEETING

MEETING : 2:00 P.M.

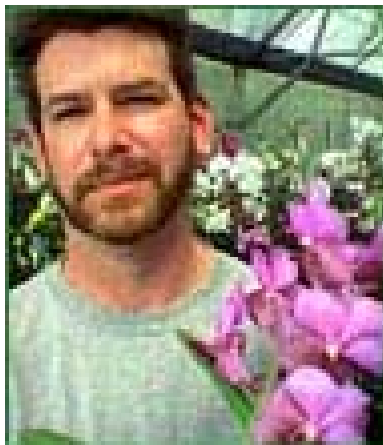
PLACE: SCIENCE MUSEUM OF VIRGINIA

**PROGRAM: ERICH MICHEL,
HOOSIER ORCHIDS**

Erich Michel to Speak

Due to circumstances beyond his control, William Rhodehamel was unable to come to Virginia to speak on "Basic Masdevallia Culture and Favorite Species" as was previously announced. At press time, Rhodehamel thought that Hoosier Orchids would most likely send Erich Michel in his stead. Although Erich's topic is not yet known, it probably will be one of the following:

- "Catasetinae and Their Culture" covers the common genera in this fascinating group such as *Catasetum*, *Cynoches* and *Mormodes*, a few uncommon genera, and some intergeneric hybrids.
- "The True *Encyclias*" is an overview of this misunderstood genus and its culture.
- "Gorgeous *Gongoras*" is an exhaustive treatment of this fascinating genus.
- "The Subtribe *Stanhopeinae* and its Culture" is an overview of the major components of the genera *Stanhopea*, *Coryanthes* and *Gongora*, as well as some minor genera.
- "Tropical Terrestrial Orchids and Their Culture" is a fascinating discussion of these rarely grown jewels.
- "Seed Propagation of Orchid Species" is a detailed discussion of orchid seed propagation covering the full procedure from pollination to deflasking.



Erich started growing orchids when his brother gave him a plant in 1987, and he has been growing orchids ever since. In the spring of 1991, he joined Hoosier Orchids as Laboratory Director, having studied Biochemistry and Microbiology at Indiana University. Erich is an accredited AOS judge, has presented at two World Orchid Congresses, as well as many groups around the country on his specialty of laboratory technique and his favorite groups of orchids. Erich has great interest in all aspects of the propagation of orchid species, and handles the laboratory and research programs for Hoosier Orchids. Along with William Rhodehamel, he has published the most comprehensive and extensive listing ever compiled of green capsule harvest times. Other research has included media formulations in relation to growth rates; virus and its effect on plantlet growth; the germination of terrestrial orchid species from Europe, South Africa, Australia, and the United States; experimental hybridization using new subtribe combinations in the *Catasetinae*; *Tetrazolium* Red Stain testing for living tissue using oxidation; the determination of seed-coat thickness and consequential sterilization requirements; and pollination mechanisms; phylogenetic relationships.

— Jim Creech

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Mini-Culture Lesson

Fran Seiden grows her orchids in a Promix-perlite mixture. She will describe her culture methods for various orchids.

We are still looking for feedback on presentations useful for the membership. Contact me at mlfine@vcu.edu or 784-0304.

– Michael L. Fine

Message From the President

THANK YOU

As I reflect on words to include in my final presidential message, several things come to mind. These past two years have been challenging, but there are many bright spots.

Some of the successes were:

- The Beginner/Refresher Education Class. Organized by an ad hoc committee chaired by Bayne Hawkins and Barbara Noe, there were three very successful classes. Each class provided three hours of education for 123 attendees. For each class, an owner of one of the local orchid nurseries provided valuable growing information, allowed discussion and afforded the attendees an opportunity to purchase plants. In addition, there were orchid doctor sessions where member plants that were struggling were examined, diagnosed, and remedies suggested.
- The Mini Culture Corner. Organized by Mike Fine, these were continuations of the education segment held at the monthly meeting. This was an informative time with an opportunity for the members to give culture, growing and other tips to the rest of the membership.
- There has been an increase in the number of new members: VOS will end the year with 37 new members and a total membership of 161.
- The expanded introduction of new members at the monthly meetings has helped to introduce us to the interests of our new members.
- The new “Focus on Members” section of the newsletter has helped us to be reintroduced to our fellow members.
- Despite concerns about the budget projecting a deficit, VOS will conclude the year with a surplus largely due to two successful auctions that raised \$ 3,746.61 after expenses. As of April 24, after expenses, VOS has \$4,890.21 in checking and two CD’s valued at \$13,960.46; VOS have assets totaling \$18,850.67 that are in addition to and separate from the Spencer Endowment.
- VOS made donations of can goods to the Central Virginia Food Bank.



I would very much like to extend my appreciation and thanks to each member of the board for the “thousand plus” hours that were spent in volunteering their time and expertise to pull this organization together and make it a better place for all: Officers – Jim Creech, Charles Gardner, Sue Akin, Barbi Partlow, Valli LaNeve; Committee Chairman: Wanda Andrako, Joe Mathias, Barbara Noe, Steve Partlow, Barbara Sims, Bill Akin, and Terry Farmer, and Web Master: Drew Lambeth. To the members who assisted and served on the various committees and ad hoc committees throughout the past two years, your diligence and perseverance helped make the many activities a success and extended this organization further into the Greater Richmond Community.

To the future 2005-2006 officers I wish all the best, hopefully others can move this organization forward through its continuing difficult times.

In closing, my final words are to remind all that the existence of this organization is for the celebration of that which is represented by one little word – ORCHIDS!

Best Wishes,
Kathy Walker
President, Virginia Orchid Society

Focus on Members

Meet

Paul Maben

Is there an anecdote about yourself that you think would interest the other members?

When our triplets were six months old, we took a trip to Parkside Orchids, which is close to my parents home in Philadelphia. The owners were so surprised by the kids that they took a picture and included them in their online newsletter with the title "Three keiki's visit the nursery."



How long have you been a member of VOS? What benefit do you enjoy most?

My wife and I have been members since 11/04. Because of the kids, only one of us is able to attend the meetings at a

time. I'm a bit more of an orchid nut than my wife, so she doesn't mind me going right now and filling her in on the details. I have enjoyed the auctions the most so far because there have been some nice plants available at a reasonable cost. There was a real "buzz" at the auction last month and people were very competitive.

When and what first made orchids of interest to you?

My wife and I ran a restaurant in Lewisburg, WV in 1998 and a friend brought in orchids every few weeks to display for the customers. We started to become interested in them because they were so oddly shaped and different. Not long after we were given our first *phalaenopsis* which we have managed to keep alive and it still blooms.

What is your favorite orchid and why?

My wife's favorite are Catts because they are elegant and have a good balance between foliage and flowers. I like *neofinetia falcata* because I like its growth habit and fragrance.

Committee Messages

Membership Desk

In April, the raffle brought in \$39; thanks to all that donated, and congrats to all the winners.



I am only looking for raffle prizes. Mature or blooming plant, books, pot or supplies. Please bring them to the meeting and give your donations to either Chris Wilkerson or Valerie Thacker at the raffle desk. They will fill out an in kind donation form so that it can be deducted from your taxes. I thank you for your support. The raffle is one of the fund raising events for the Society.

REMINDER PICK UP YOUR ROSTERS. THEY WILL ALSO BE AT THE RAFFLE DESK.

– Valli LaNeve

Hospitality

Both members of our hospitality committee have been injured and are unable to do any lifting. They will need a few members to assist them with setup and cleanup. At the upcoming May meeting, the society will provide the meat entree. Members are asked to bring a side dish: salads, fruit, vegetable, or relish trays, or desserts. Also please remember to use the many trash containers available in the meeting room for your empty cups, cans, plates and other items no longer needed by you.

– Kathy Walker

Bylaws

Thanks to Janet Beehler, Wanda Andrako, Bill Akin and Bayne Hawkins for their work. – Jim Creech

Programs

Although not quite complete, next year's schedule of programs will be:

September – Linda Wilhelm, Woodland Orchids, Topic: TBA

October – Member's Auction

November – William Mathis, Topic: "Gardening with Terrestrial Orchids"

December – Bill Goldner, Woodstream Orchids, Topic: "Orchids of Panama"

January – Howard Ginsberg, Bedford Orchids, Topic: "Golden Peoker - Golden Parent"

February – Allen Black, VOS, Topic: "From Pollination to Flowering"

March – Grower's Auction

April – Not yet scheduled

May – Steve Shifflett, Floradise Orchids, Topic: TBA
– Chuck Gardner

Nominations

Thanks to Mike Fine and Valerie Thacker for all their hard work.

– Janet Beehler

Reminder

Ukrops Golden Gift Certificates will be arriving in the mail or given to you at the store check-out. VOS members may submit them to the President for redemption by Sunday, May 20.

VOS Showtable Results for March 2005

Judges: Joe Mathias (Chair), David Sombach, Jim Culbert, Henry Randolph, Allen Black, Wanda Andrakos, Carol Hollenbeck, Fay Tyler, Charles Gardner, and Michael Fine



Paph. armeniacum
Grown by Jerry Rogers



Brassia Rex 'Christine' AM/AOS
Grown by George & Fay Tyler



V. Sansai Blue
Grown by Michael Mealy

Cattleya Alliance Hybrids – Standard

- Blue – *Blc.* Triumphal Coronation – Michael Fine
- Blue – *Lc.* Orglade's Grand 'Yow Chung Beauty' – Patti St. Clair
- Red – *Blc.* Golden Sands – Michael Fine
- Yellow – *Blc.* Fritz Nicholas 'Spring Dance' – Patti St. Clair

Cattleya Alliance Hybrids– Mini/Compact

- Blue – *Slc.* Jewel Box 'Dark Waters' AM/AOS – Fran Seiden
- Blue – *Lc.* (Trick or Treat x Tiny Trick) – Michael Mealy
- Blue – *Bl.* Debby Sauer 'P#3' – Allen Black
- Red – *Slc.* Jewel Box 'Dark Waters' AM/AOS – Jerry Rogers
- Red – *Lc.* Rosie's Surprise 'Crestview' – Michael Fine
- Yellow – *Lc.* Gold Digger – Michael Fine

Species

- Blue – *Phal. stuartiana* 'Larkin Valley' AM/AOS – Allen Black
- Red – *Paph delatanii* – Allen Black
- Red – *Onc. Variegatum var. lobii* 'Snowflake' – Allen Black
- Yellow – *Paph rothschildianum* – Jerry Rogers

Phalaenopsis Hybrids

- Blue – *P.* Little Mary 'Charming Blossom' – David Sombach
- Blue – *P.* Carmela's Pixie x *Dtps* (Carmela's Pixie x Taisuco Candy Stripe) – Jim Culbert
- Red – *Dtps.* (Taisuco Okay Stripe x Sogo Surry) – Jim Culbert
- Red – *Dtps.* Everspring King 'S J' – Jim Culbert
- Red – *Dtps.* (*P.* Haurjin Diamond x *Dtps.* Linda Pearlstein) – David Sombach
- Red – *P.* Spring Dusk – Michael Mealy
- Yellow – *P.* Fangtastic Don Herman – David Sombach

Paphiopedilum Hybrids

- Blue – *P.* Michael Koopowitz – David Sombach
- Blue – *P.* Bel Royal – David Sombach
- Blue – *P.* Vanguard – Bayne Hawkins
- Red – *P.* Kevin Porter 'Joy Black' – Allen Black
- Red – *P.* Mem. Rex Van Delden – Jerry Rogers
- Yellow – *P.* Summer Ice – Jerry Rogers

Phragmipedium Hybrids

- Blue – *P.* Wossner Supergrande – Allen Black
- Blue – *P.* China Dragon (BW) – Allen Black
- Yellow – *P.* Super Rubies – Allen Black

Vanda Alliance Hybrids

- Blue – *Ascda.* Meda Arnold x *V.* Faye Bennett – Carol Hollenbeck
- Red – *Ascda.* Meda Arnold x *V.* Faye Bennett – Terry Farmer
- Red – *Ascda.* no name – Terry Farmer
- Yellow – *Vasco.* Fuji White – Carol Hollenbeck

Oncidium Alliance Hybrids

- Blue – *Vuyi.* Linda Isler 'Red' – Patti St. Clair
- Yellow – *Milt.* (Martin Orenstein x Hajime Ono) – Joe Mathias
- Yellow – *Col.* Wildcat 'Doris' AM/AOS – Jim Culbert

Dendrobium Hybrids

- Blue – *D.* Dream Ace – Caitlin Mealy
- Blue – *D.* Second Love 'Tokimeki' – Cassie Wright

Cymbidians

- Blue – *Cym.* Cygnus 'Cajolery' AM/AOS – Barbara and Steve Sims

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VOS Showtable Results for April 2005

Judges: Joe Mathias (Chair), Patti St. Clair, Shirley Shelton, Michael Mealy, Allen Black,
Jim Creech, Charles Gardner, and Michael Fine

Cattleya Alliance Hybrids – Standard

Blue – *Lc.* Enidaki – Ron and Janet Beehler
Blue – *Blc.* Ardmore – Joe Mathias
Blue – *Blc.* Triumphal Coronation 'Seto' – Michael Fine
Red – *Blc.* Malworth Orchidglade FCC/AOS – Michael Mealy
Red – *Slc.* Jewelbox 'Dark Waters' AM/AOS – Michael Fine
Red – *Slc.* Jewelbox 'Scheherazade' AM/AOS – Cassie Wright
Yellow – *Blc.* George King 'Serendipity' AM/AOS – Patti St.Clair

Cattleya Alliance Hybrids – Mini/Compact

Blue – *Blc.* Hwa Yuan Beauty 'Kong' – Royce Woolfolk
Red – *C.* Chocolate Drop x *Slc.* Swizzle – Michael Fine
Red – *Blc.* Hwa Yuan Beauty 'Pearl' HCC/AOS – Chuck Gardner
Yellow – *Slc.* Dixie Jewels 'Suzuki' FCC/AOS – Michael Fine
Yellow – *Pot.* Burana Beauty 'Burana' HCC/AOS – Terry Farmer
Yellow – *Sc.* Royal Beau – Patti St.Clair

Species

Blue – *Paph.* *armeniacum* – Jerry Rogers
Blue – *Paph.* *niveum* – Jerry Rogers
Red – *C.* *intermedia* – Patti St.Clair
Red – *Laelia lobata* – Allen Black

Phalaenopsis Hybrids

Blue – *Dtps.* Taisuco Candy Stripe – Jim Culbert
Red – *P.* Krull's Red – Jim Culbert
Yellow – *Dtps.* Queen Beer 'Mantefon' – Steve Sims

Paphiopedilum Hybrids

Blue – *P.* Formosa Lady – Chuck Gardner
Red – *P.* Delrosi – Jerry Rogers

Phragmipedium Hybrids

Blue – *P.* Living Fire – Allen Black
Red – *P.* Sedenii 'Penn Valley' AM/AOS – Allen Black

Vanda Alliance Hybrids

Blue – *V.* Robert's Delight 'Red' – Jerry Rogers
Blue – *V.* Sansai Blue – Michael Mealy
Red – *V.* Wirat Sky Blue – Michael Mealy
Yellow – *Ascda.* Suksuman Sunlight – Terry Farmer

Oncidium Alliance Hybrids

Blue – *Brassia* Rex 'Christine' AM/AOS – George & Fay Tyler
Red – *Onc.* Makahli 'GoTo' – Michael Fine
Yellow – *Col.* 'Doris' AM/AOS – Joe Mathias

Dendrobium Hybrids

Blue – *D.* Densiflorum 'Bananas' – Michael Mealy

Cymbidians

No plants entered

Other Miscellaneous Hybrids

Blue – *Promenaea* Meadow Gold 'East Freedom' – Allen Black
Red – *Lycaste* Malibu Canyon – Michael Fine
Yellow – *Lycaste* Eighty Sixth Kiss – Allen Black

Novice (up to 2 years experience)

Red – *Darwinara* Charm x *Vandafinetia* Virgil – Valerie Thacker
Yellow – *Aerides odorata* – Valerie Thacker



Paph. Formosa Lady
Grown by Chuck Gardner



Blc. Triumphal Coronation 'Seto'
Grown by Michael Fine



Paph. *niveum*
Grown by Jerry Rogers

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee consisted of Janet Beehler (chair), Mike Fine and Valerie Thacker. On behalf of the Committee, Janet presented the following nominees for offices of the Virginia Orchid Society for the year 2004-2005 at the April meeting:

PRESIDENT – MICHAEL MEALY
PRESIDENT-ELECT – DAVID SOMBACH
VICE-PRESIDENT – JERRY ROGERS
TREASURER – EMERSON WARDEN
RECORDING SECRETARY – TERRY FARMER
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – KAY PATRICK

The candidates provided the following information about themselves:

PRESIDENT – MICHAEL MEALY

- I've been a member of VOS for 4 or 5 years.
- I've been growing orchids for 6-7 years. I bought my first while visiting a daughter in Florida and like many it has become a pleasant obsession.
- I've served on the board, as V.P., and president of the Optimist Club of Carrollton, MD.
- I'm a retired business owner, president and sales manager of a manufacturers representative sales and marketing organization.

I enjoy my membership in VOS as it offers me the opportunity to broaden my knowledge on growing orchids, to meet fine people and to share in another quality activity with my grand daughters. Who also enjoy their participation and membership.

PRESIDENT-ELECT – DAVID SOMBACH

David Sombach has been a member of the VOS for about 15 years now, and in past years, has worked on several committees. He has being part of the judging forum, had an active role on VOS displays, and other club activities.

David is also a member of the American Orchid Society, the Slipper Alliance, The International Phalaenopsis Society, and has been active at AOS judged events, where he has received a half dozen awards to date, including the prestigious Orchid Digest show trophy.

His work, as a Professional Dog handler, has taken him to many parts of the country, where he has been able to feed his addictions to orchids. Traveling has enabled him to visit many growers, large and small from all parts of the country and in doing so, has fostered many lasting friendships with other growers throughout the U.S. Now, his involvement with the Show dog world has taken a

different track as he is now very involved with animal photography. His orchid collection encompasses orchids from many genera, somewhat eclectic, but his main passions are paphs and mini cats. He has also taken an interest in hybridizing, and has registered several crosses now to date.

VICE-PRESIDENT – JERRY ROGERS

I've been in the society for three years. I have a BS degree in Horticulture from NC State University. After graduating, I worked at NCSU as a Research Technician for four years. Then I came back home to take over the family farm where I currently raise cotton, corn, peanuts, soybeans and wheat. Also I work part time for the Virginia Crop Improvement Association as an inspector certifying crops grown for seed.

Previous involvement in organizations include past Treasurer of the Virginia Peanut Growers Association and a past Zone Governor of the Ruritans. Currently I'm on the VA Farm Bureau Peanut Advisory Board and I'm Secretary for the Surry County Farm Bureau Board of Directors.

TREASURER – EMERSON WARDEN

I graduated from Randolph-Macon College in the summer of 2004 with majors in both Accounting and Economics & Business. From there I took a job as an accountant with Richmond-based Carpenter Company. For some time, from my early childhood spending hours with my dad gardening, to my years in high school through my involvement in the FFA organization and our school's horticulture program I have always enjoyed horticulture. I have always been inspired by what I could possibly grow. I enjoy being away from work, and the relaxation that tinkering in the greenhouse provides me. I have been with VOS for a little over two years now. I enjoy the time that I spend here because it gives me a great chance to talk with many veteran growers, in turn I have been able to pick up on tips that they have learned along their way. I am also involved in other horticultural clubs like the Richmond African Violet Society and the Richmond Bonsai Society.

RECORDING SECRETARY – TERRY FARMER

Terry did not respond by press time. She was featured in the December 2004 "Focus on Members."

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – KAY PATRICK

I've been with the VOS for a couple of years. I was coordinator for the VOS participation in the Maymont Flower and Garden Show this year. The last five years I have been growing orchids for commercial growers and taking care of some private collections. I am currently updating my education at JTCC, taking Web Programming.

REPORT OF THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE

The Bylaws Committee consisted of Jim Creech (chair), Bill Akin, Wanda Andrako, Janet Beehler and Bayne Hawkins. On behalf of the Committee, Jim presented the proposed amendments to the VOS Bylaws.

The Committee was asked to address the three elements of the motion made at the December monthly meeting. As all three elements relate to meetings, all proposed changes are to Article VI.

First, "That all Board of Directors meetings be open to the general membership, and any member in good standing who wishes to do so." The Committee proposes that a subsection c be added to Section 2 to read:

(c). All Executive Board meetings shall be open to the general membership and to any member in good standing who wishes to attend.

This portion of the motion specifically references Board of Directors meetings. The proposal is made to Section 2 which governs those meetings.

Second, "That no business affecting the society is to be conducted in a closed meeting." The Committee proposes that a Section 3 be added to read:

Section 3. No business affecting VOS shall be conducted in a closed meeting.

This portion of the motion applies to any business affecting VOS. The proposal creates a separate section within the Article governing meetings.

Third, "That the date, time and place of all Board of Directors meetings be listed in the monthly bulletin." The Committee proposes that the second sentence in Section 2 be amended to read:

The time and location of these meetings shall also be noted in the Newsletter.

This portion of the motion applies to publishing notification of upcoming Board meetings. In the Article, the first paragraph requires the President to notify appropriate persons of the time and location of Board meetings, and adds that meeting information may also be included in the Newsletter. The proposal requires that the time and location of Board meetings be published in the Newsletter.

March Showtable Results (continued from page 4)

Other Miscellaneous Hybrids

Blue – *Lycaste* Shoalhaven (FC) – Allen Black

Red – *Lycaste* Malibu Canyon – Michael Fine

Novice (up to 2 years experience)

Blue – *Lc.* Gold Digger 'Orglade's Mandarin' – Emerson Warden

Blue – *Ascda.* Muang Thong – Valerie Thacker

Article VI as Proposed by the Bylaws Committee

ARTICLE VI

MEETINGS

Section 1. The time and location of all meetings shall be noted to the membership in the Newsletter. Twenty members shall constitute a quorum for regular meetings.

Section 2. The time and location of Executive Board meetings shall be noted to the appropriate persons by the President. The time and location of these meetings shall also be noted in the Newsletter.

(a). Nine members shall constitute a quorum for the Executive Board.

(b). The Executive Board shall meet at least once each quarter of the year.

(c). All Executive Board meetings shall be open to the general membership and to any member in good standing who wishes to attend.

Section 3. No business affecting VOS shall be conducted in a closed meeting.

Welcome New Members

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In Memoria

VOS wishes to extend our condolences to Tom Foster and his family on the passing of his mother Mary in March. She was also a VOS member.

May/June Orchid Checklist

Cattleya

- ✓ Check the condition of the potting mix. If the mix is deteriorating, this is the time to repot. Extra care should be taken when repotting summer bloomers; they will be brittle and may be in bud. Stake the lead growth to avoid breakage.
- ✓ Help the plants adjust to the changing light conditions that begin in May by allowing them to build up tolerance to higher light gradually.
- ✓ The plants will also begin to need to be watered more frequently. Although the light and temperature conditions make it more difficult to determine when to water, the plants will begin to need to be watered more frequently. This is especially important for the summer bloomers. However, when in doubt, it is safer to err on the dry side than on the wet.

Paphiopedilum

- *Paphiopedilum* Maudiae types (especially *Paphiopedilum fairrieianum*—derived hybrids)
 - ✓ If you have to do something when you first see the emerging spikes, just put the stake in the pot next to the spiking growth; you will be able to see where the spikes are, so you can continue to pay attention to their development. Do not be too anxious to stake because many, if staked too soon, will develop nodding flowers that do not face the observer. It is better to allow the flowers to ripen naturally, then support the spike right below the ovary for best display.

- Multifloral types
 - ✓ Lots of light, water and fertilizer are called for to mature their large growths.
 - ✓ Many will be spiking in the next couple of months, so be on the lookout for the emerging inflorescences. These may benefit from earlier staking than most, as the inflorescences grow so quickly in some cases that they can be quite soft. The best support is right below the ovary of the first flower; this will allow the most natural presentation of the blooms.

Phalaenopsis

- ✓ Except for spiking plants, all phalaenopsis should be ready for potting or already potted. The critical point for potting is when new roots emerge from the base of the plant; this is absolutely the best time to repot a phalaenopsis.
- ✓ Begin regular watering and fertilizing as soon as the flush of new root growth is seen, to make maximum use of the major growing season.
- ✓ Do not allow water to splash between plants. This can be a source of infection for both water-borne pathogens and viral contamination. Phalaenopsis are much more susceptible to virus than was previously thought.

Based on checklist prepared by Ned Nash for the American Orchid Society (<http://www.orchidweb.org/orchids/todo/mayjune.html>)

A New Alan Black Hybrid!

The VOS's Allen Black has registered another of his orchid hybrids.

Doritaenopsis Happy Ending is a hybrid of ***Doritaenopsis Minho Princess*** and ***Doritaenopsis Happy King***. Allen reports that "It is more of a 'main stream' type Phal. I was hoping for a 'tie-dye' type Phal since both of the parents are 'tie-dyes.'"



It has pink flowers with dark pink veining. The throat is yellow with dark pink spotting in. The lip is dark pink and white with yellow spotted with dark pink in the throat of a pure white lip.

All images on this page are by Allen Black.



Event Planning Calendar

May 14 Seagrove Orchid Festival and Region 13 IPA Meeting, Linda, Seagrove Orchids, 3451 Bower Mill Road, Seagrove, NC 27341; (336) 879-6677 (reservations required by May 12). Speakers: H.P. Norton, Pat Brennen, Russ Vernon, and Tim Szafan. Auction and AOS judging.

May 16 National Capital Orchid Society, National Arboretum, 24th at R St., NE Washington DC 20002. Speaker: Marguerite Wood, J & L Orchids.

June 6 National Capital Judging Center, 12:00 p.m., National Arboretum, 24th at R St., NE Washington DC 20002. (Send plants or cut flowers by Friday to: Mary Ann Jarvis, Program Director, U.S. National Arboretum, Washington, DC 20002.)

June 20 National Capital Orchid Society, National Arboretum, 24th at R St., NE Washington DC 20002. Speaker: Harry Phillips, Andy's Orchids.

June 25-26 Woodstream Orchids Open House, 5810 Huntingtown Rd, Huntingtown, MD 20639; (410) 286-2664; www.woodstreamorchids.com.

July 2 National Capital Judging Center, 12:00 p.m., National Arboretum, 24th at R St., NE Washington DC 20002. (Send plants or cut flowers by Friday to: Mary Ann Jarvis, Program Director, U.S. National Arboretum, Washington, DC 20002.)

July 15-17 International Phalaenopsis Show. Contact: Mitch Paroly, 109 Pinewood Dr., Levittown, PA 19054-3611.

July 30-31 Summer Orchid Fest, Parkside Orchids, Ottsville, PA; (610) 847-8039; www.parksideorchids.com

August 6 National Capital Judging Center, 12:00 p.m., National Arboretum, 24th at R St., NE Washington DC 20002. (Send plants or cut flowers by Friday to: Mary Ann Jarvis, Program Director, U.S. National Arboretum, Washington, DC 20002.)

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September 18 VOS monthly meeting, Science Museum of Virginia, 2:00 p.m. 2500 W. Broad St., Richmond, VA. Speaker: Linda Wilhelm, Woodland Orchids.

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- Stay on Rte 4 after 2 splits to the right and immediately turn left (west) on Rte 262
- Go 0.9 miles
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- We are on the right 5810 Huntingtown Road (white house set back 100 yards with big greenhouse in back, driveway is directly across street from Warren Drive)
- Park along driveway, please do not block the road

Door Prize Winner

Donated Item	Donor	Winner
Beginner/Refresher Door Prize		
Phal. Little Emperor 'Lee' AM/AOS	Floradise Orchids	Vincent Guarino
Unknown mini Catt.	VOS	Carmen Turkoff
Unknown mini Catt.	VOS	Buddy Harvie
Paph. Hsinying Alien	Anonymous	Emerson Warden
Paph. Hsinying Alien	Anonymous	Karen Collier
Paph. Maudiae	Anonymous	Valli LaNeve
Unknown Phal.	Anonymous	Don Herrick
Unknown Phal.	Anonymous	Betty Guarino
Phal. Nobby's Army 'Sweetthroat'	Anonymous	Paul Maben
Phal. Brother Goldsmith '20'	Wanda Andrako	Betty Essex
Unknown Phal.	Wanda Andrako	Cheryl Anderson
Burr. Nellie Isler	Anonymous	Janis Ranck
Your First Orchid by Steve Batchelor	VOS	Cheryl Anderson
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Growing Orchids	VOS	Kathy Walker
Growing Orchids	VOS	Carol Hollenbeck
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2 tickets to exhibits	Science Museum of Virginia	Nalda Thung
Jar of Cinnamon	Gourmet Cookies by Valli	Glenna Hasslacher
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Blue Ridge Orchid Society Auction

The Blue Ridge Orchid Society is helping a member who is having health problems to reduce the size of his collection. All plants are blooming size or have previously bloomed; some are of specimen size. All are in 4" pots or larger.

This auction will take place on June 12 at 1:00 p.m., with viewing to begin at noon. It will be at the NEW Roanoke Council of Gardens building at 3640 Colonial Avenue near Tanglewood Mall in Roanoke, VA.

The list of plants include:

- 72 Paph hybrids
- 28 Phrag hybrids
- 20 Paph species
- 8 Dendrobium hybrids
- 5 Phrag species
- 4 Gongora species
- 3 Miltiopsis species
- 2 Cymbidium species
- 2 Stanhopea species
- 2 Maxillaria species
- 1 Cymbidium hybrid
- 1 Miltonia species
- 1 Stanhopea hybrid
- 1 Bollea species

Parkside Orchid Fest 2005

The 2005 Summer Orchid Fest is a two day educational and sales event hosted at Parkside Orchid Nursery. On Saturday, there will be a series of lectures and workshops, and on Sunday there will be a diagnostic clinic. Contact them at (610) 847-8039 or www.parksideorchids.com.

The list of vendors include:

- Brennan's Orchids
- Creative Hydroponic
- Lois Duffin Orchids
- Fishing Creek Orchids
- Floradise Orchids
- Garden Indoors
- Gold Country Orchids
- J&L Orchids
- The Little Greenhouse
- Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies
- Eleanora R. Freeman Orchid Art Prints
- Main Street Orchids
- Mountain Orchids
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- Parkside Orchid Nursery
- Stony Brook Orchids
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Support Our Local Orchid Houses and Suppliers

The Virginia Orchid Society would like to thank these vendors for all the support they have provided throughout this year.

As you think about repotting this spring, remember that **Joe Mathias (540-710-2323)** has a variety of potting mixes, pots and other orchid supplies available at every meeting.



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The VOS Treasurer

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