



Monthly Meetings

Fourth Tuesday each month at 6:30 p.m.
Bethlehem Lutheran Church
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June 2006 Newsletter

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Next Meeting

We will meet on June 27th at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church at 6:30 pm. The evening's program is on fertilizers by Bob Ellis of B&B orchids. Website: www.bnborchids.com Phone: 360-452-6764 Hope to see you there!

Last Meeting

The Last meeting was held on May 25th at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church. The evening's program was on the Maxillaria and their tribe by Dave Morris from Clackamas Orchids. 503-651-3438 or www.clackamas-orchids.com. Thank you Dave and Darlene for the program!

TOS July Picnic

The TOS Picnic and Auction will be held on July 22nd at 12:00. Judy Houle will be hosting the event at her home. Bring a pot luck item and any orchids you wish to donate to the auction. The auction money goes to help with the club expenses. Hope to see you there!

AOS Judging Center

The AOS's local judging center is located at the South End Neighborhood Center. 7802 S. L St., Tacoma WA. The Center provides opportunities to have plants judged monthly. Center activities are open to interested observers. Meeting dates, times and places can be found in the *Orchids* magazine or online at www.orchidweb.org/aos click on judging and then judging centers. Contact is Diana Dunn at 360-293-5054 or dpdunn@fidalgo.net.

Next Judging Center Date:
July 16th at 1:00 pm

Upcoming Events

July 7th-9th, 2006

SBOE Orchid Fair

Earl Warren Showgrounds
Friday & Saturday: 9am to 5pm
Sunday: 10am to 4pm
www.sborchid.com

July 29th, 2006

Washington Native Orchid Society

Field Trip to Hurricane Ridge
See Melissa Rathbun for more info

August 26th, 2006: 12pm

Washington Native Orchid Society

Presentation on Native Orchid Conference
See Melissa Rathbun for more info

November 4th-5th, 2006

Santa Barbara Orchid Estate

Annual Fall Open House

www.sborchid.com

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Northwest Orchid Society Show and Sale

Seattle Center, Olympic Room

Northwest of Key Arena

Show and Tell Winners



Hybrid Winner: Fred Shelton with his
Lycaste Aromatica x Lycaste Cruenta

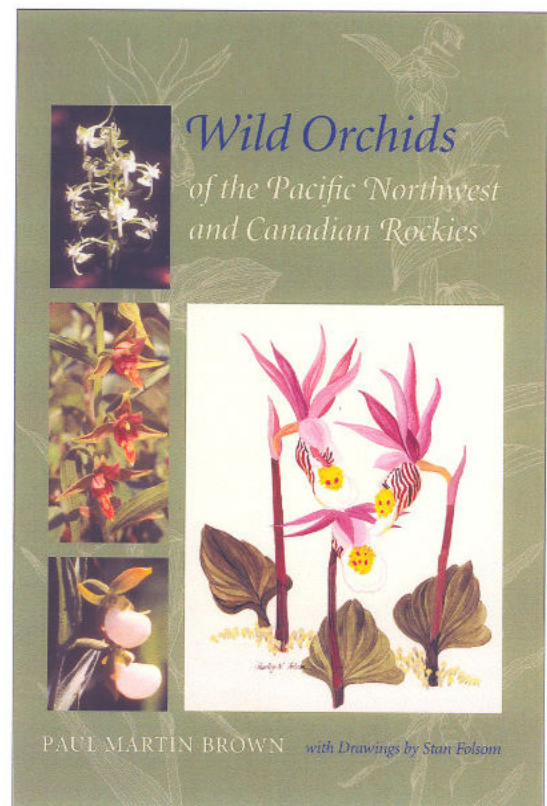


Species Winner: Melissa Rathbun with her
Dactylorrhiza purpurella 'Inverness'

Native Orchid Book

Native Orchid Expert and author Paul Martin Brown continues his successful series on the wild orchid of North America with *Wild Orchids of the Pacific Northwest and the Canadian Rockies*. As Brown's other guides, all information is presented in a simple, straightforward style and with ample illustration so that proper identification is a snap. Geographical coverage includes: Oregon, Washington, British Columbia, Alaska, Idaho, western Montana and western Alberta. Detailed areas include the Cascades and the Olympic Peninsula of Washington State.

This book can be purchased by emailing Paul Martin Brown at NAORCHID@aol.com or by placing an order at amazon.com. \$29.95+ s/h.



Washington Orchids
Corallorhiza maculata
var. ozettensis

Corallorhiza maculata var. ozettensis or Ozette Coralroot was described in Washington State in 2001. In Washington State, this orchid grows in moist, foggy, shady forests on the northwest coastline of the Pacific Ocean on the Olympic Peninsula. All the communities have been found 300 meters from the Pacific Ocean in Clallam County. The flowers are consistently non-spotted. The lip is narrow and white in color.

If you see this orchid please get a GPS location and report the sighting to the Washington State Natural Heritage Program at 360-902-1710 or www.dnr.wa.gov/nhp

If you have more information about this orchid please email Melissa at melissa@tacwa.com

Height: 7 to 22 inches tall
Flower Size: 0.75 cm
Blooms: June to July



Drawings from Wild Orchids of the Pacific Northwest and Canadian Rockies



Dried Specimen from Oregon State University
Sorry, No other photos available!

TACOMA ORCHID SOCIETY
MINUTES
BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
May 23, 2006

The regular meeting of the Tacoma Orchid Society was called to order by President Dick Gersib at 7:00 pm. Two guests were welcomed and introduced.

Treasurer Arlys Bosselman was ill, so her husband Walt gave the current treasurer's balance for her as \$5,049.50.

Corrections to the April minutes were made: The found TOS books were sent to Ron from the east coast, not Iris. The donated books were given, one each by Muriel Hill and Iris Martin.

Dick announced that the annual July Picnic will be held at Judy Houle's home on Saturday, July 22 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. There will be a sign-up sheet for food at the June meeting. TOS will furnish fried chicken.

The Christmas party will be here at the church as it was last year. Committees will be needed.

An outreach committee needs to be formed. Some members are active in this at present, and a coordinator needs to be designated for those TOS members who are willing to take the "orchid story" to groups wishing information on how to successfully grow and flower them.

Ron Bollick mentioned that the now disbanded species group was going to place an order with Tecson.

Darlene Cupp has volunteered to coordinate our display at the Western Washington Fair.

The Flower and Garden Show at Point Defiance Park was mentioned. It is \$100. for a booth, and admission to the show is \$20. No action was taken.

Darlene has volunteered to be chair for our January show at Windmill Gardens since our long-time chairman, Barbara Inman has moved away from the area. Contact her to sign up for what you would like to do to assist. This year there will be an orchid art show in conjunction with the flower show, and should create a lot of new interest.

Ron Wray, our librarian, gave an overview of a new book purchased for our library that has arrived: Orchid Species Culture, oncidium/odontoglossum Alliance by Margaret L. Baker and Charles O. Baker.

Judy Houle reviewed two books by David Banks, Floras Orchids and Orchid Growers Companion. She knows Mr. Banks, and the books should be interesting reading.

The meeting was adjourned to Show and Tell. Please see this report in the newsletter.

Following this, we were very pleased to hear Dave Morris of Clackamas Orchids in Oregon, present a slide show on Maxillarias and Related Species.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bonnie Anderson, Secretary.

