

THE HOUSTON HAPPENINGS

The Monthly Newsletter of the Houston Orchid Society, Houston, Texas

Speaker Spotlight

By Don Ghiz, First Vice-President



Dr. Glenn Lehr will be speaking, in July, on the subject of "Japanese Orchids." His presentation will include discussion of Japanese orchids and orchid shows and a visual tour of the people, cities, and culture of Japan.

Biography

Dr. Lehr spent ten years as a captain in the United States Air Force before enrolling in the University of Michigan's Dental School, in 1968. To pay for his education, he worked on his farm in Manchester, Michigan. He retired from dentistry, in 1992, and started growing orchids as a hobby.

In 1997, Dr. Lehr started a commercial orchid nursery, New World Orchids, with an emphasis on the orchids of Ecuador, Colombia, and Costa Rica. While living in Costa Rica for 12 years, he got to know the various orchids and growers there. He also had a greenhouse in Banos, Ecuador, until Mount Tungurahua erupted!

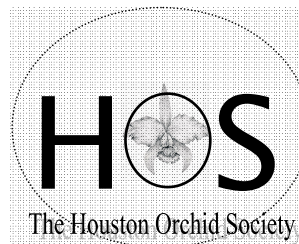
Dr. Lehr and his wife, Maria, currently live in Manchester, Michigan, a small farming community west of Ann Arbor. Dr. Lehr is one of the founding members of the Ann Arbor Orchid Society and has served on its Board and as its President for several years. He has sold orchids at many orchid shows and has given talks to orchid societies throughout the U.S., Canada, England, and Japan. He has participated as a vendor and judge in the Grand Prix International Orchid Festival, in Tokyo, Japan, for nine years and the World Orchid Festival, in Japan, for seven years.

After attending a few of the Japanese shows, Dr. Lehr decided to try bringing some of the Japanese orchids to the U.S., as most were compact, fragrant, and highly desirable. Except for the most common varieties, many of the native Japanese orchids were once unobtainable outside of Japan. His nursery now has more than 100 varieties of *Neofinetia falcata*, 50 varieties of *Dendrobium moniliforme*, and several forms of *Sedirea japonica*, *Cymbidium* species, and others.

To learn more about Dr. Lehr's orchids, you can visit his commercial website at www.newworldorchids.com. He will bring plants to sell at the meeting, so please support his trip, and come prepared to buy!

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The Houston Orchid Society was established in 1945 and is a recipient of the AOS Distinguished Affiliated Societies Service Award.



Three Popular Maxillaria

By Susan Taylor, HOS Hospitality Chair / Orchids Editor, *Bellaonline*

The Maxillaria (max-il-LAR-ee-a) genus is composed of approximately 600-650 species, all of which are found in South and Central America and the Caribbean as epiphytes, lithophytes, and occasional terrestrials. They can be found from sea level to over 3,000 meter elevations in the Andes Mountains. Many of the species are large plants and are not known for having large or showy flowers -- the flowers rarely extend past the grass-like foliage of the plants themselves. Some plants of the genus have highly fragrant flowers in a range of scents from coconut to vanilla, and these are the ones that are prized by growers. The best known in cultivation is *Maxillaria tenuifolia*, also known as the Coconut Orchid for its amazing coconut fragrance. Two additional species grown in cultivation are *Maxillaria rufescens* and *Maxillaria variabilis*, considered easy to grow and tolerant of a wide range of temperatures.

Maxillaria tenuifolia is an attractive plant with branching leaves and flowers held just below the highest arch of the leaves. It has egg-shaped pseudobulbs and produces single flowers on a five-inch or thirteen-centimeter inflorescence.

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President's Post

By Laurie C. Skov, President

What do we owe?

We usually ask this question when we are thinking of money or bills, but consider this as a good general question for turning your thoughts outward. We could ask the question with respect to acquaintances, family, our Society, and yes, even our plants. We certainly owe it to our plants to understand and provide for their needs as they are totally dependent upon us as their sole caretakers. We owe them a lot.

Learn your plants' needs by reading, sharing experiences with other growers, attending meetings and lectures, and observing and "listening" to your plants. Yes, orchids will even talk to us, but we need to learn their language. What are they telling us when we look at the color and texture of their leaves, their roots, or those tiny white spots?

It's the hottest time of the year. I can almost hear your plants calling for an added fan and one more misting! Only you can answer this call. In return for understanding and care, your plants will provide great satisfaction!

Hope to see you at the August Workshop.

Recap: June 2006

Speaker: Dr. Yin-Tung Wang, Texas A&M University

Topic: Temperature Effects on Phalaenopsis Flowering

If you were not able to attend the June HOS meeting, or if you did attend the meeting and want to learn more about what you heard, you're in luck -- Dr. Wang and co-authors have written a series of articles on this topic which are available for download at: http://www.greenhousegrower.com/grower_tools/orchids01.html (or go to www.greenhousegrower.com; click on "Grower Tools," scroll down to "Tropicals/Orchids," and click on "The Orchid Grower"). The articles are posted there as .pdf documents (the third "C" article specifically discusses light and temperature effects on Phalaenopsis growing). Dr. Wang also has a number of culture articles posted on the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research & Extension Center's website: <http://primera.tamu.edu/orchids/articles.htm>.

Plant Table Winners:

Hybrid: Lc. Cuiseag 'Manka En,' Owners/Growers: Denny and Renee Haase

Species: Laelia tenebrosa, Owner/Grower: John Jamerlan

Denny and Renee Haase and John Jamerlan are the Plant Table winners for June 2006. Thanks to Denny, Renee, and John and to all who contributed to the June Plant Table for our enjoyment!

Winners' Tips

from June 2006 HOS Plant Table Winners, Denny Haase and John Jamerlan



Hybrid Winner: Lc. Cuiseag 'Manka En,' by Denny Haase



This plant is a division of the parent that I have had for 12 years. It has an HCC/AOC award. The cross was made in 1975 by the Rod McLellan Co. and has been around for awhile. Believe it or not, it is half *C. luteola*, which is a small species plant. The other parent is Lc. Ann Follis, which it resembles. The cross grows faster than the Ann Follis and tends to be more "crawly" due to the *luteola*. All three plants (parents and cross) bloom at this time of year.

We grow Cattleyas in sphagnum moss/sponge rock mixtures. They like constant fertilizer, usually 150 to 200 ppm Nitrogen and bright light -- around 5000 foot candles.

Species Winner: Laelia tenebrosa, by John Jamerlan



This plant came from Andy's Orchids, and I've had it for about six years. As far as I can remember, it has always bloomed with these larger and more colorful flowers than most of the other *L. tenebrosas* that I have seen, so I think that these qualities are from the plant's heredity rather than my growing conditions.

This *Laelia tenebrosa* loves the heat and relatively more moist conditions than the Cattleyas that survive my shadehouse, and it tends to bloom more readily even when the light intensity is not ideal for Cattleyas. I grow it in mostly coarse bark which drains well and allows the plant to survive my tendency to over water it. It tends to get scale, especially during the very busy months of late spring when I can't keep a close eye on the plants, so I try to spray Malathion or Orthene on two consecutive weekends during these months.

This plant goes into dormancy during most of winter and for about a week right after it blooms during summer, so I cut back on the feeding and watering during these periods. Otherwise, I stick to the feeding regimen of once every other watering from October to December and February to April and feeding every watering from April to September. I alternate fertilizer mixes, as I do with my other plants (30-10-10 during growth during summer, acidified 20-20-20 during spring, and supplement with Epsom salt once a month, STEM once a month, and Superthrive once a month).

In Memory Of...

By Dolores Fields

Ruth Swearingen, 89, passed away on May 29, 2006. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob Swearingen. Ruth and Bob were well-known in the orchid community for growing specimen orchid plants and bromeliads. They shared their love of growing plants with everyone who came into their presence.

Ruth and Bob were lifetime members of the American Orchid Society and the Houston Orchid Society. Sympathy expressions may be sent to their family at 23614 Hickory Drive, Porter, Texas 77365.

Houston Judging Center

By Margaret Putman

HJC Judging Results June 24, 2006

There were 20 plants entered for judging with 15 nominated and 2 awards:

1. *Doritaenopsis Little Blue Bird Olympia* (Dtps. Kenneth Schubert x Dor. *pulcherrimia*) AM 80 points, owned by Bill Tippit, Friendswood, TX
2. *Epidendrum Thomas Fennell Epijim* (Epi. Orchid Jungle x Epi. *plicatum*) HCC 77 points, owned by James Jeansonne, Baton Rouge, LA

There were 16 Accredited Judges and 5 Student Judges present with a total of 29 persons attending.

The next regular judging will be held **July 15, 2006** at the Jerebeck Center, Room 202, University of St. Thomas, 2000 Mt. Vernon St., Houston, TX. It is requested that all plants be entered before 11:30 a.m. so that they may be properly researched prior to judging.

(*"Three Popular Maxillaria," Continued from Page 1*)

The deep red flowers with a cream lip are approximately two inches or five centimeters across and will perfume the air in a room. A native of Central America, it is a summer bloomer and needs good light, constant moisture, and warm temperatures to flower well.

Maxillaria rufescens is well-known for its bright yellow flowers with a speckling on the lip and a wonderful vanilla fragrance. The flowers are about half an inch, or three to four centimeters across, but this species shows a great deal of variability in flower color and size. One particularly nice thing about the species is that it flowers throughout the year, so you will be able to enjoy the scent at almost any time. The species is found throughout the northern part of South America and in the Caribbean islands growing as an epiphyte in tropical forests. They need good humidity, even moisture, and intermediate light conditions to grow well. Because of their size, these are good plants for a window sill.

AOS Corner

By Melba and Jim Butler

New Partnership

What do the American Orchid Society and amazon.com™ have in common?*

*Answer: *Books!!!*

The American Orchid Society has recently partnered with amazon.com™, for the purpose of offering members and customers great books on orchids, gardens, and horticulture at great prices and with easy access. This partnership allows the AOS to continue offering high-quality, educational publications from their shelves. The AOS will benefit because it will earn a small percentage of the sales proceeds from books ordered through the AOS website using the new "Buy from amazon.com™" link.

Why not browse, and then make your orchid and garden book purchases through the AOS website?!

- Browse the *orchids* book section at this link: <http://www.aos.org/aos/shop/orchidbooks.aspx>; or
- *Garden* books: <http://www.aos.org/aos/shop/gardenbooks.aspx>; or
- *Alphabetical by Title*: <http://www.aos.org/aos/shop/booksalphabetically.aspx>

Affiliated Societies Forum

Check out the Affiliated Societies Forum: <http://www.aos.org/aos/affiliate/AffiliatedSocietiesBulletinBoard.aspx>, and locate one section specifically geared to chats and posts concerning local orchid society activity, featuring newsletter posts and shared ideas. Reading society newsletters is one of the best ways to learn what orchid societies around the country are doing.

Maxillaria variabilis flowers on a short two-inch or five-centimeter inflorescence. The flowers can be yellow and red, dark red, or several variations as can be deduced from the name *variabilis*. This *Maxillaria* will also bloom throughout the year reaching a height of approximately eight inches or 20 centimeters. It has small pseudobulbs topped by a single leaf and flowers profusely when well grown. Good humidity, even moisture, and bright light are important to growing this species well. This species should be grown as an intermediate with a minimum of 58 degrees and maximum of 88 degrees Fahrenheit or 14.5 to 31 degrees Centigrade.

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Maxillaria on the web:

<http://www.geocities.com/RainForest/5278/>

<http://www.mendelu.cz/arboretum/orchids/Maxillaria/Maxillaria.html>



Culture Q&A

HOS Culture Q&A Panel: Ted Baenziger, Jay Balchan, Dolores Fields, Joe Fields, Marvin Gerber, Renee Gerber, Doug Harris, Rick Hepler, Julius Klehm, Nina Rach, and Greg Scott.

Q: As a novice grower of Phalaenopsis orchids, I am in need of some assistance.

I am sustaining (sort of) in my office environment a Phalaenopsis orchid purchased from Kroger this spring. First, we started out with gnats, and now I have seen small white spots on the developing buds. I scraped the white spots off the buds over a week ago, but, now the buds have developed into large buds (ready to open) and only open half way and then die. The remaining buds are large but one of the two is already turning yellow (like I have blasted the buds).

I have not changed what I have been doing as daily maintenance. I mist the orchid(s), daily, in the morning, with just tap water until they have water droplets on the leaves and the top of the medium is damp for humidity purposes (since we are in an air-conditioned environment, stones in trays are not allowed). I have noticed that the building does not provide air conditioning on the weekends. I water one time per month, soaking the plants/medium in tap water with very mild fertilizer (five drops of miracle grow fertilizer per 1/2 gallon water).

A: It is difficult to identify the problem without seeing it, but it might be mealy bug or scale. Or, if your plant is in the line of an air conditioning outlet, that could cause the buds to blast -- but that does not explain the white spots on the buds.
--Marvin Gerber

A: No air conditioning during Houston weekends is not good for orchids. Raise your thermostat up to 80-85, and run it on the weekend. This will not raise your bill that much. The big expense is cooling the office after a hot weekend. For several hours you are removing the heat from furniture and office materials.

Pull your orchid out of its pot and check the roots. Phals like to be repotted. Repot in a fir bark or charcoal mix available at Teas Nursery, Bellaire.

The little gnats sound like fruit flies that like to lay their eggs on sugar laden, ripe fruit. Sweet, honey dew on the Phal buds is probably attracting them. Fruit fly eggs are harmless, small, white, and oblong shaped. Sit a fruit jar out with a small piece of ripe banana to attract the flies. Slip a lid over the top and dispose of them.

Your Phal needs to be watered at least twice a week while in a dry, air-conditioned office. Phals need to dry out after watering, but they should never be allowed to become dry. Find two small pails and fill one with two or more quarts of water. Add 1/4 teaspoon of balanced (20/20/20) fertilizer per each gallon of water. Sit the empty on the bottom, hold the plant over the empty, and pour your fertilizer water

slowly over the medium. Switch buckets and re-pour. Do this many times until the roots have absorbed lots of water.

Every fourth watering, use unfertilized water and flush out the fertilizer salts from the medium. Allow your orchid pot to drain and dry in a sink. Make sure that the pot is positioned so that air can freely move through the bottom holes up through the medium. Never sit the orchid pot in water.

Put a large bucket or trash can under the eave of your building or home and catch rain water. A one-gallon plastic milk jug is good to carry rain water to the office. Rain water is just better than faucet water.

When you change your office florescent lights, use one warm white light and one cool white light in each fixture. Or, a more expensive, but better, solution is to use natural light, or sunlight-equivalent lamps. The full-spectrum sunlight lamps make people feel better when working in offices, and they are only one to two dollars more expensive.

Good growing!!! --Joe Fields

*****Thanks for sending your question this month and to our Panel members for their helpful answers. HOS members may email orchid culture questions to hos.happenings@sbcglobal.net.*

International Orchid Expo

By Nanette George, Editor

The 31st Exposición Internacional De Orquídeas is coming to Colombia, South America on August 29 through September 3, 2006, at the new "Expofuturo" Convention Center in Pereira.

This huge event will feature exhibits, judgments, over 50 sales booths, and an orchid symposium with 40 speakers from around the world lecturing on a variety of topics. There will be a number of exotic field trips available as well, including one to Valle Del Cocora, a national reserve located in the foothills of the central range, "well-known for its vast amounts of orchids and birds."

For complete details on the event, including lecture schedules, airline schedules, hotel information, maps, and tourism articles, visit the show website at <http://suamena.com/expo-2006/Expo-spanish/MAIN.html>.

*****Thanks to Nina Rach for bringing this event to our attention.*

The 2006 Houston Orchid Society Summer Workshop

August 4, and 5, 2006

at the
Jerabeck Athletic Center, Room 202, University of St. Thomas
4000 Mt. Vernon St., Houston, TX 70006 [Montrose area]

Fr. Ted Baenziger Co-Chair (713) 525-3146 ejb@stthom.edu
John Stubbings Co-Chair (832) 693-8140 JStubbings@houston.rr.com

This Workshop will address timely topics and much more in a series of lectures and breakout sessions. Mark your calendar now, and send your registration to attend this extraordinary weekend dedicated to orchids.

Whether you are a novice, intermediate, or advanced grower, here is why the Workshop is a must:

- Learn the future trends in Orchid hybridizing
- Discover how to use science to produce higher quality plants
- Get the answers to all your Orchid culture questions
- Have the opportunity to see and purchase the newest and best in breeding from top commercial vendors

Come and hear the lectures:

- Fred Clarke, owner of Sunset Valley Orchids, will present, “*Cycnoches, Mormodes, and Catasetums: Some Current Trends.*”
- Kathy Creger will present, “Orchid Collecting in Jamaica,” with many illustrations of plants in situ.
- Manuel Aybar will present, “*Cattleyas: Loved and Adored,*” discussing controversial species and the quest for yellow color.

Plus, your choice of breakout sessions:

- Kathy Creger - Growing Under Lights or On Window Sills
- Manuel Aybar - *Dendrobium phalaenopsis*
- Fred Clarke – *Catasetum* culture
- Nina Rach – Reed Stem *Epidendrums*
- Marvin Gerber – Advanced Nutrition

View a display of some of the newest and best orchids:

You will see a myriad of colors and much more in a display of Orchids. Everyone attending the Workshop is invited to enter plants for AOS judging. Plant entry is on Friday, with judging to take place starting at 6:30 p.m.

Attend the Preview Reception, Friday night, and Silent Auction of Orchid Items:

Attend the Friday evening reception and have the first opportunity to meet our speakers and to purchase plants. Mingle with all the participants in a festive atmosphere with Hors d' Oeuvres and a cash bar. Bid on a variety of Silent Auction items generously donated by local orchid enthusiasts and vendors. Then, enjoy dinner at any of many nearby fine restaurants.

Speakers

Fred Clarke created Sunset Valley Orchids, in 1995, as a natural outgrowth of a hobby he began 25 years earlier. Sunset Valley Orchids is a "Boutique" style nursery where the plant offerings are unique to the breeding lines developed there.

Orchid breeding is Fred's passion. He is currently working in several lines; *Cattleya*, *Paphiopedilum*, *Catasetinae*, *Bulbophyllum*, and hybrids for cool to intermediate growing. Plants are selected on strict criteria of robust growth and ease to flower. The flasking lab produces 1,000 replate flasks annually, representing 100 hybrids. Fred is a probationary American Orchid Society judge for the Pacific South Judging Center. Orchids from Sunset Valley Orchid have received many AOS awards, including four 'First Class Certificates', the highest honor, and as a breeder Fred has received an Award of Quality for the hybrid *Cycnodes* Midnight Magic.

Kathy Creger has been growing and collecting orchids for more than fifteen years. She primarily collects in Jamaica and is thoroughly familiar with the required export/import regulations for collected species. She has won many American Orchid Society awards for those species, primarily *Pleurothalids*. She is currently President of the *Pleurothalid* Alliance. Kathy is a probationary American Orchid Society judge in the Chicago Judging Center.

Kathy is a botanical illustrator and has been published in "Orchids," the magazine of the American Orchid Society, and the Hoosier Orchid Company Catalog. She teaches at the Minnesota School of Botanical Art and is a professional goldsmith.

Manuel Aybar is an Industrial Engineer at Texas Instruments Inc. He is originally from the Dominican Republic (a "grower's paradise," as he describes it). He has been growing orchids for approximately 14 years. The genus that got him started was *Dendrobium* in which he specializes (phalaenopsis-type).

Manuel Aybar is a probationary American Orchid Society judging in the Dallas Judging Center. His current research includes the orchids of the Dominican Republic, for which he has gone in numerous orchid-collecting trips back to his home country. He is affiliated with the Southwest Regional Orchid Growers Association (SWROGA) and serves on SWROGA's publications committee and as webmaster for the association's website. He is a regular lecturer for local orchid societies and visiting speaker for societies around the country.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 2006 Houston Orchid Society Summer Workshop

Friday, August 4, 2006

2:00–5:00 PM	Vendor Set-up	Absolutely <u>NO</u> Sales Before 7:00 PM Preview Party
5:00–6:00 PM	Plant Registration for Judging	
6:00–7:00 PM	AOS Judging	Marvin Gerber Chair
7:00–9:00 PM	Preview Reception & Sales PLUS: Silent Auction	Hors D'oeuvres and Cash Bar
9:00 PM	Dinner on your own	

Saturday, August 5, 2006

8:00–9:00 AM	Registration Open	
8:00–9:00 AM	Sales Open	
9:00–9:10 AM	Welcoming Comments	Laurie Skov, HOS President
9:10–10:00 AM	Fred Clarke – <i>Cycnoches</i>, <i>Mormodes</i>, and <i>Catasetums</i>: Some Current Trends	
10:00–10:10 AM	Morning Break	
10:10–11:00 AM	Break-Out sessions: <i>Choose One</i>	A. Growing Under Lights B. <i>Dendrobium phalaenopsis</i> C. Reed Stem <i>Epidendrum</i>
11:10 AM–Noon	Kathy Creger – Orchid Collecting in Jamaica	
Noon–1:00 PM	Luncheon, Sales, and Silent Auction	
1:10–2:00 PM	Manuel Aybar – Loved and Adored <i>Cattleyas</i>	
2:10–3:00 PM	Break-Out Workshops: <i>Choose One</i>	D. To be announced E. Advanced Nutrition F. <i>Catasetum</i> Culture
3:10–4:00 PM	PANEL Discussion: Fred Clarke, Kathy Creger, Manuel Aybar	
4:00 PM	Wrap-up	



Committee Bulletins

Intermediate Group

Chair: Gary Beck (713-729-9307)

The Intermediate Group's June meeting was hosted by John and Sandy Stubbings. The Stubbings have a nice facility and were happy to share their knowledge of orchids. John gave a lecture on orchid pollinating, flasking, and seedling culture and touched on the color rules of orchid flowers. We learned that "A" color orchids should be crossed with other "A" colors, and "B" color orchids should be crossed with other "B" colors. Crossing "A" colors with "B" colors makes purple orchids! We thank the Stubbings for being such gracious hosts for our June meeting.

Newcomers Group

Chair: Holly Huston (hollyhuston@wt.net; 281-265-6787)

The Newcomers' June meeting was held at Bill Tippit's greenhouse, "Olympia Orchids." Although it was raining so hard we could hardly hear each other talk inside the greenhouse, we learned some of Bill's easy tips on growing Phals. The sun eventually did shine, and we enjoyed hundreds of Bill's Phals still in bloom! Thanks Bill!

The next meeting will be held on Sunday, July 16th at 2:00 p.m., at Sheila and Laurie Skov's home. Laurie specializes in growing thousands of orchids outside throughout the year. He will have great tips on how to grow your collection outside in the winter and summer, so please don't miss this meeting! The Skov's backyard reminds me of a tropical forest in Central America, and it is a beautiful and unbelievable site to see. I hope to see everyone there. The Skov's home is located in the Clear Lake area, 15727 Brook Forest Dr., Houston, TX 77059; Ph# 281-286-1471. **Please note: HOS Newcomers meetings are for current HOS MEMBERS ONLY!**

Raffle Table

Chair: Holly Miller (hollymil@earthlink.net)

As I mentioned last month, while at the May HOS show, I purchased enough plants for the raffle table for our next few meetings (through September). We can look forward to plants from the following sources: Kawamoto Orchids, located on the island of Oahu in Hawaii, a family-run business for 59 years; Klong Orchids, out of Bangkok, Thailand, specializing in Vandaceous orchids; Hawaiian Orchid Source, located on Oahu, specializing in Cattleyas; Andy's Orchids, a family-owned nursery in Encinitas, California, specializing in species, and a few from H&R Nurseries, Hawaii. These growers were all quite generous with their discounts, and we have some very nice plants. ****Don't forget your boxtops for Boxtops for Education!!**

Happenings Deadline for August 2006 Issue: July 17, 2006

Please email your articles to hos.happenings@sbcglobal.net. The *Happenings* may be viewed in color online at the HOS website: www.houstonorchidsociety.org. Special thanks to Susan Taylor for serving as proofreader for the *Happenings*!

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Houston Orchid Society *July 2006 Meeting*

Speaker: Dr. Glenn Lehr

Program: "Japanese Orchids"

Date: Thursday, July 6, 2006

Time: 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Place: Houston Garden Center

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www.houstonorchidsociety.org



Calendar of Events 2006

(Updated June 26, 2006)

Date	Event
7/6/06	HOS Monthly Meeting: "Japanese Orchids," by Dr. Glenn Lehr, New World Orchids
8/3/06	HOS Monthly Meeting: "Cattleya mossiae -- Venezuela's National Flower," by Fred Clarke, Sunset Valley Orchids
8/4/06 to 8/5/06	HOS Summer Workshop
9/7/06	HOS Monthly Meeting; Speaker: TBA
9/15/06 to 9/17/06	Galveston Orchid Society Fall Show, Nessler Center, Texas City
10/5/06	HOS Monthly Meeting, "Wild Orchids," by Dr. William Mathis, The Wild Orchid Company
10/20/06 to 10/22/06	SWROGA Show, Heart O' Texas Orchid Society, Austin, TX; 9am-5pm, Saturday; 9am-4pm, Sunday
11/2/06	HOS Monthly Meeting, Speaker: TBA
12/7/06	Annual Holiday Party and HJC Auction

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