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The Naples Orchid Society is a non-profit organization, devoted to the promotion of, interest in, and the appreciation of orchids and the preservation of our native orchids. It is also our aim to disseminate information pertaining to their culture and hybridization.

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**Come to our  
May  
Meeting  
Thursday  
May 5th, 2011  
At the  
Moorings  
Presbyterian  
Church**

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**Flower Registration  
6:30 p.m.  
Flower Judging  
7:10 p.m.  
Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
Program 7:45 p.m.**

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**Our speaker will be  
Dr. Dick Phippen  
The topic:  
“Ladies of the Night,  
Kids and Grandkids”**

*We will also have our  
annual Members Plant  
Sale – information  
inside.*

**MAY 2011  
NEWSLETTER**



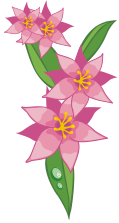
**Upcoming Events**

**May 5th, NOS  
Meeting in the gym**

**Tampa Bay Orchid Society  
Show,  
May 6 – 8  
Egypt Shrine Center  
4050 Dana Shores Dr.  
Tampa, FL  
Contact: Patty Cartwright  
[pjcartwright@earthlink.net](mailto:pjcartwright@earthlink.net)**

**Redlands International  
Orchid Festival  
May 13 - 15  
Redlands Fruit & Spice Park  
Homestead, FL  
Contact: Bill Peters  
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**Deadline for entries in the  
Newsletter is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the  
month, 3 pm.  
[Kwmehm@comcast.net](mailto:Kwmehm@comcast.net)**



**President's Message**  
**From Nancy Ginocchio**  
[NancyGinocchio@comcast.net](mailto:NancyGinocchio@comcast.net)

The Naples Orchid Society 2011 show is over. The after-glow is warm and sunny. I would like to thank all the 80 plus volunteers we had for making the show such a success. If I have missed your name it is totally accidental and I am sorry. Thanks goes to Ada May Fearon, Alice Thorne, Ann Rellas, Barbara Crist, Bertha Chinn, Beth Matheus, Bill Overton, Bob Printz, Carol Stencil, Carolyn Blakemore, Charlette Roman, Corrie & Jack van Caulil, Cynthia Carlson, Cynthia Williams, Kathy Akenson, David Orr, Deborah Gallagher, Diana Lee, Dick Pippen, Donald Miller, Eileen Davison, Elaine Gates, Elaine Hampton, Elaine Johnson, Eunice Walker, Marilyn Platt, Micky Doyle, Monique Hobt, Nancy Hennel, Nancy Wilson, Nanette Boerner, Nicole Ginic, Norm Dolder, Pat Rogers, Patrece Rimmel, Peggy Cabe, Ralph Brand, Roberta Ury, Ros and Gary Whitmore, Sue Magrane, Sue Roehl, Susan Doyle, Suzanne Fundingsland, Ted Moore, Tim Doyle, Tony Collinson, Twyla Leigh, Wes Robinson, Gayle Dorio, Jan Kadet, Jim Connell, Joan Nell Sdiglitz, Joy Corritore, Joye Kent, Joylette & Kenny Davis, Judy Herb, Karen Johnson, Kathleen Edwards, Kim Pendleton, Kit & LaRaw Maran, Kris Morton, Lanelle Bishop, Laura Stacell, Leah Ray, Linda Wood, Lola Moore, Lorraine Thomas, Maria Davis, Marilyn Moser, & Frank Ginocchio.

The society would also like to thank Judy & Dave White of Jade Orchids for their generous donation of trophies. In addition, a thank you to the member who donated an iPad, Abbey Carpet and Floor for donating a beautiful oriental rug, and Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club for donating 2 nights and 2 rounds of golf.

Last but not least our sponsors, Driftwood Garden Center, A. Vernon Allen Builders, Inc, Wynn's Market, Naples Media Group and The Print Shop. The show had about 1800 visitors and about 25 society members exhibiting their orchids. We welcomed about 33 new members. It is too early to know the financial report yet but early numbers indicate that it was very successful.

I am sure everyone is enjoying all the new growth on our orchids which signals the northward flight of the snowbirds!! Time to relax and enjoy! I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup>.



**Treasurer's Report**

Susan Roehl, Treasurer  
[cat50lady@aol.com](mailto:cat50lady@aol.com)

Net balance from our March 2011 Show is:  
 \$5382.42 donated to "Laces of Love"



AOS Corner  
 Marilyn Moser, AOS Rep.  
[MM3purple@aol.com](mailto:MM3purple@aol.com)

What a great show we had! It was lots of hard work, but well worth the effort. Who doesn't love winning \$50 and a medal!!! This year we had four card table exhibits, 12 containers and a total of 25 orchid arrangements. Members brought 167 individual plants to be judged. What a beautiful display of orchids! We enjoyed a delicious breakfast and lunch on judging day, thanks to Deborah Gallagher and Ted Moore. The weather was perfect. I can't say enough about the vendor displays – so many gorgeous flowers! And the plants they were selling were very enticing. A big thank you to all the volunteers who helped set up, during the show and the clean up. You all did a marvelous job! NOS should be very proud.

**Care & Condolence Cards**

Anne Colgan – recovering from fall.  
 LaRaw Maran – recovering from knee replacement.



**Thank you to our cookie bakers in April:**

Nancy MacCleod, Sheila Demkovich, Roberta Ury, & Joan Miller.

**May cookie bakers:**

Monica Higgins, Eunice Walker, Elaine Gates.

**Thank you to the Plant Table workers:**

Bill Overton, Charlette Roman, & David Orr.

**Thank you to the Raffle Table workers:**

Bertha Chinn, Sook Kim, & Denise Sapia.

**Proceeds from April Raffle Table: \$371**

*ATTENDANCE AT APRIL'S  
MEETING - 115*



**NOTE REGARDING OUR NEXT MEETING:**

Our May meeting will include what has now become an annual member's plant sale. Members will be allowed to bring up to 5 (healthy) orchid plants for sale, with 20% of the profit from the sale going to the NOS. Ralph Brand will be available to assist with forms/tags.

**Minutes of the NOS Monthly Meeting  
April 7, 2011  
Submitted by Cynthia Carlson,  
Secretary**

- President Nancy Ginocchio called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
- Nancy thanked all the volunteers at the Show. There were more than 80 volunteers.
- Nancy thanked the cookie bakers: Joan Miller, Sheila Demkovich, Nancy MacCloud, and Roberta Ury.
- Nancy also thanked the drink providers.
- New directories are available at the membership table.
- Nancy welcomed new members, too numerous to list.
- Nancy thanked the show committee: Norm Dolder, Dick Phippen, Bill Overton and Frank Ginocchio.
- Nancy distributed a number of awards:
  - Kit Kitchen Maran won the "Booby" prize.
  - Ralph Brand received a special Grand Champion Award.
  - Dick Phippen received the "Busy Bee" Award.
- Nancy read the names of all volunteers and distributed a think you award to each one, announcing each name.
- Nancy thanked Kathleen Edwards, our publicity chair.
- Kim Pendelton announced that we have enough orders for NOS shirts to place the order with the manufacturer. If you want one, order it now. They are \$20 and will be delivered at the meeting next month.
- Kris Morton announced that email delivery of the newsletter is still available and comes with lots of beautiful pictures.
- Norm Dolder showed how to re-pot an orchid and supervised all participants in re-potting.
- The meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

## An Orchid Vignette—Digby’s Beaked Laelia, Queen of the Night Ladies



To me the common name, Digby’s Beaked Laelia, certainly does not do justice to this species. *Brassavola digbyana* is truly the Queen of the Lady of the Night orchids. While not a real beauty in terms of color, mostly green and chartreuse, the flowers make up for it in the large, really fringed lip! Also after the sun goes down out comes the most delightful, citreous fragrance. It is really a delightful orchid. Whenever this plant is displayed at our monthly NOS meetings, it is a sure bet for a blue ribbon!

*B. digbyana* has probably had more influence on hybridization in cultivated orchids than any other. It was used to develop “big-lipped cattleyas.” If you look back into their ancestry probably in over 90% of the “Blcs” the “B” is *B. digbyana*. The rest are mostly hybrids of *B. nodosa*. There are at least 366 registered first generation offspring using *B. digbyana* and a total of—are you ready—14,428 total registered offspring!! While *B. nodosa* has at least 353 first generation offspring its total of registered offspring is only 807. *B. digbyana* definitely wins the breeding race.

*B. digbyana* is a native of southern Mexico, northern Central America and some of the Caribbean islands, and is the national flower of Honduras. Its peak blooming is in

the spring time. Unfortunately it blooms only once year, and each spike produces only one flower that is usually 5 (up to 7) inches across. The flowers last for about three weeks. The leaves and pseudobulbs, together less than a foot tall, are very tough, leathery, and grey in color from the presence of hairs that cover their surfaces. This is an adaptation to growing in dryer areas because the hairs allow the plant to retain water better. Therefore it should not be watered as often as other orchids.

*B. digbyana* has earned 22 awards from the AOS whereas its “cousin” *B. nodosa* has garnered 44. Why the former has earned only half the number of awards when it has been used so much more in hybridizing is a mystery.

Name-wise this orchid has had an interesting history. After the species was sent to Europe, Sr. Edgar St. Vincent Digby, in England, was the first person to “convince the plant to flower” in 1845. After that Lindley, the famous British “orchidologist,” named it *Brassavola digbyana* (in honor of the above mentioned blooming hero) in 1846. The common name, Digby’s Beaked Laelia suggests that early taxonomists, though it was allied with Laelia. Then in 1918 the taxonomist, Rudolph Schlechter, created a new genus for this species, *Rhyncholaelia* (*Rl.*) (which means “beaked Laelia). In the trade” it continued to be called *B. digbyana* because of the potential for rampant confusion. It has only been recently that people have begun using this correct name, *Rhyncholaelia digbyana*. This, of course, does create havoc in the horticultural world because all the “digbyana Blcs” now become “*Rlc.*” However, as I have said for a lot of other orchids, don’t worry about the name, just enjoy the plant, and don’t forget to go out at night and inhale the fragrance!

*Contributed by Dick Phippen*

**Novice:**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Dendrobium lindleyi  
Owner: Tony Collinson

**Other Hybrid:**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Cym. Little Black Sambo  
Owner: Jim Longwell

**Slippers:**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Paphiopedilum glaucophyllum  
Owner: Karen Vatrone  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Paph. Black Eagle  
Owner: Ralph Brand  
3<sup>rd</sup> place: Paph. Madeline 'Napa Valley'  
Owner: Lorraine Thomas

**Oncidium:**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Hwra. Lava Burst 'Puanani'  
Owner: Kit Kitchen-Maran  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Psychopsis papilio 'alba'  
Owner: Lorraine Thomas  
3<sup>rd</sup> place: Onc. Macmex 'Woodlands Bounty'  
Owner: Steve Hall

**Phalaenopsis**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Phal. amabilis x (Taisuco Hilo x Malibu Maiden)  
Owner: Freddie Brantley  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Phal. Ming-Hsing 'Yellow Boy'  
Owner: David Orr  
3<sup>rd</sup> place: Phal. Fureshing Montclair  
Owner: Maria Davis

**Dendrobium**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Den. Roy Tokunaga  
Owner: Barbara Crist

**Large Vanda**

1<sup>st</sup> place: V. Evelyn Behrmann  
Owner: Vince Giunta

**Small Vanda**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Ascda. Fulfords' Gold  
Owner: Kim Pendleton  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: V. Limbo Dancer  
Owner: Freddie Brantley  
3<sup>rd</sup> place: V. Roberts' Delight  
Owner: Maria Davis

**Large Cattleya**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Bl. Beauty Girl 'C. V. Kora'  
Owner: Ralph Brand  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: C. Irene Holguin 'Brown Eyes'  
Owner: Twyla Leigh  
3<sup>rd</sup> place: Guar. guatemalensis  
Owner: Corrie van Caulil

**Small Cattleya**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Epc. Pixie Charm  
Owner: Jim Longwell  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Epy. Serena O'Neill  
Owner: Susan Roehl  
3<sup>rd</sup> place: Epy. Serena O'Neill  
Owner: Marilyn Moser

**Hybrid Special Award:** C. Irene Holguin 'Brown Eyes'

Owner: Twyla Leigh

**Large Species**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Rhyncholaelia digbyana  
Owner: Dick Phippen  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Schomburgkia brysiiana "Mem. Tom Fennell"  
Owner: Twyla Leigh  
3<sup>rd</sup> place: Encyclia cordigera  
Owner: Steve Hall

**Medium Species:**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Dendrobium thyriflorum  
Owner: Maria Davis  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Dendrobium anosmum  
Owner: Wilma Swan  
3<sup>rd</sup> place: Encyclia bractescens  
Owner: Wilma Swan

**Small Species**

1<sup>st</sup> place: Maxillaria tenuifolia  
Owner: Barbara Crist  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Oncidium sphacelatum  
Owner: Steve Hall  
3<sup>rd</sup> place: Aerangis fastuosa  
Owner: Barbara Crist

**Special Species Award:** Dendrobium thyriflorum

Owner: Maria Davis

April NOS Table Awards



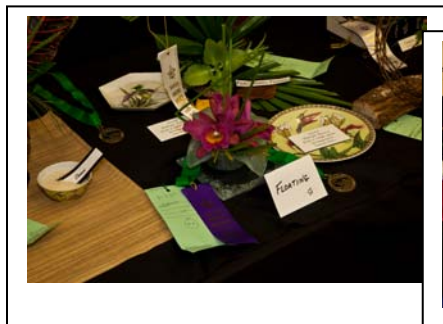
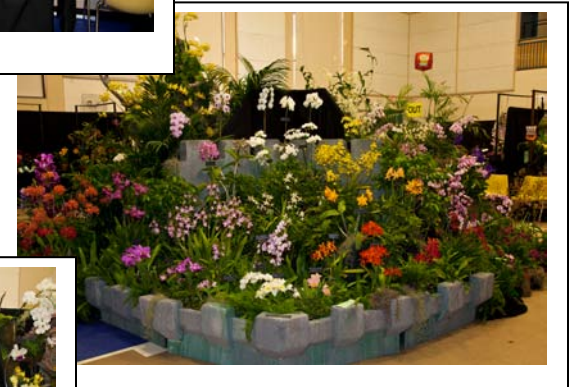
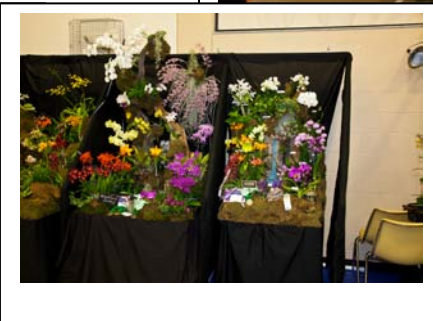
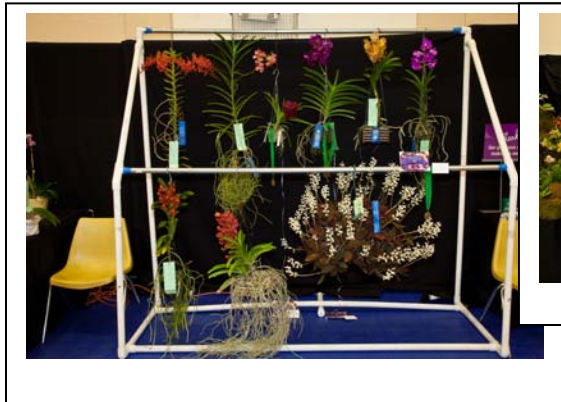
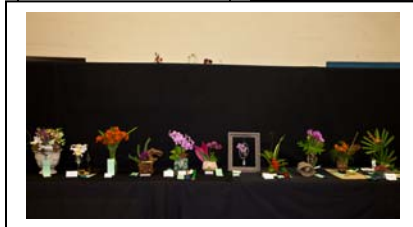
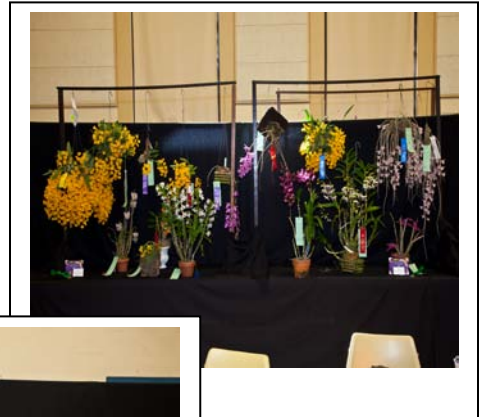
**Hybrid Special Award:**  
*Cattleya Irene Holguin 'Brown Eyes'*  
Owner: Twyla Leigh

**Special Species Award:**  
*Dendrobium thyrsiflorum*  
Owner: Maria Davis



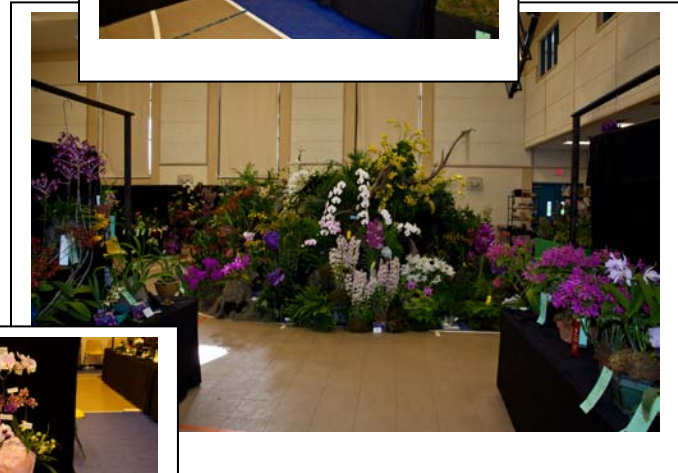
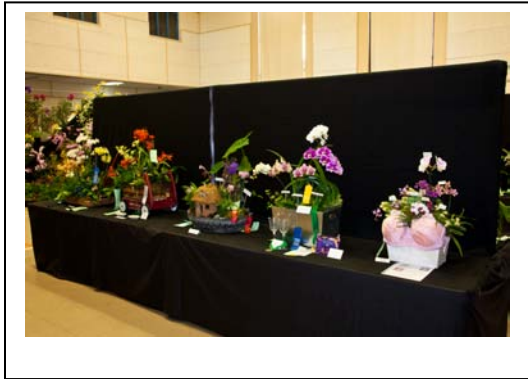
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Thanks to Steve Hall for these wonderful photos.



# Naples Orchid Society 2011 Show *Orchid Fantasy*—Show Trophies 25 March

Awards Chairpersons: Beth Mattheus, Nancy Ginocchio

Recorded by Beth Mattheus and Dick Pippen

Name Of Trophy	Title of Exhibit or Name of Orchid	Winner
AOS Show Trophy 1T	Oriental Fantasy	RF Orchids
NOS Show Grand Champion Trophy 2T	Phrag Frank Smith Phrag Kovachii x Phrag Grande	Ralph Brand
Open Class – 1 <sup>st</sup> Place 3T	Oriental Fantasy	RF Orchids
Open Class – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 3T	Suncoast Fantasy	Florida Suncoast Orchids
Open Class – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 3T	Fantasy of Colors	Plantio la Orquidea
Most Artistic Floor Exhibit 5T	Oriental Fantasy	RF Orchids
Hobby Card Table – 1 <sup>st</sup> Place 6T	Woodland Fantasy	Jim Longwell
Hobby Card Table – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6T	Asian Fantasy	Marilyn Moser
Hobby Card Table - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 6T	Journey thru Paradise Island	Lorraine Thomas
Hobby Card Table – 4 <sup>th</sup> Place 6T	Castle Orchid	Susan Roehl
Most Artistic Card Table 7T	Woodland Fantasy	Jim Longwell
Hobby Container–1 <sup>st</sup> Place 8T	Phalaenopsis Phantasy Phile	Kim Pendleton
Hobby Container – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 8T	Dreams of a Teahouse Moon	Elaine Gates
Hobby Container - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 8T	Wagon Train to Fantasy Land	Nancy Ginocchio & Norm Dolder
Hobby Container – 4 <sup>th</sup> Place 8T	Far Easter Fantasy	Marilyn Moser
Hobby Exhibit Show Theme 9T	Dreams of a Teahouse Moon	Elaine Gates
Flower Arrangement-1 <sup>st</sup> Pl./singleflower 10T	Woodland Fantasy	Marilyn Moser
FlowerArrangement-2 <sup>nd</sup> Pl./singleflower 10T	Katie's Dream	Charlette Roman
FlowerArrangement-3 <sup>rd</sup> Pl./singleflower 10T	Twilight Time	Kit Kitchen Maran
FlowerArrangement-4 <sup>th</sup> Pl./singleflower 10T	Fabulous Fantasy	Kathy Akenson
Flower Arrangement-1 <sup>st</sup> Pl./multiflower, 1 plant 11T	Sara's Beach Glass	Elaine Gates
FlowerArrangement-2 <sup>nd</sup> Pl./multiflower, 1 plant 11T	Orange Sherbert	Wes Robinson
FlowerArrangement-3 <sup>rd</sup> Pl./multiflower, 1 plant 11T	Fan...tastic Fantasy	Kathy Akenson
FlowerArrangement-4 <sup>th</sup> Pl./multiflower, 1 plant 11T	Floating	Twyla Leigh
Flower Arrangement-1 <sup>st</sup> Pl./multiflower 12T	To Japan with Sympathy	Kit Kitchen Maran
FlowerArrangement-2 <sup>nd</sup> Pl./multiflower 12T	Feeling Groovy	Wes Robinson
FlowerArrangement-3 <sup>rd</sup> Pl./multiflower, 12T	Whimsical	Kathy Akenson
FlowerArrangement-4 <sup>th</sup> Pl./multiflower 12T	Cascading Fantasy	Kim Pendleton
Outstanding Educational Exhibit 13T	Harry, Repotter of Orchids	Kit Kitchen-Marana
Best Miniature Flower– not Equitant / Slipper -1 <sup>st</sup> Place 14T	Trias Emily Clarkson (Trias. oblongum x Trias pictum )	Jim Longwell
Best Orchid Species – NOS hobby 15T	Phal. schilleriana	Eunice Walker

NAME OF AWARD		NAME OF ORCHID	WINNER
Best Cattleya – NOS hobby	41A	Pot. Hawaiian Prominence ‘America’ (Blc. Hisako Akatsuka x Slc. Wendy’s Red Stone)	Norm Dolder
Eileen Davison Award Best First Bloom Cattleya	42A	Slc. Misty Girl ‘Royal Queen’ x Bc. Goldenzelle ‘Lemon Chiffon’	Ralph Brand
NOS Memorial Award Best Cattleya Alliance Flower –	43A	Brassocattleya Paulae (C. dowiana var. aurea x Brassavola perrinii)	Dick Pippen
Best Mini-Cattleya	44A	Pot. Fairyland	Marilyn Moser
Ralph Brand Award Outstanding Specimen Unifoliate Cattleya	45A	Blc. Burdekins Wonder ‘Lakeland’	Ralph Brand
Tim & Gayle Nance Award Outstanding Specimen Bifoliate Cattleya	46A	C. skinneri ‘Carpenteria’	Norm Dolder
Best Brassavola nodosa hybrid	47A	Bepi. Arubiana (B. nodosa x E. cordigera)	Jim Longwell
Best Encyclia or Epidendrum	48A	Eplc. Jackie Bright	Lorraine Thomas
Best Phalaenopsis type – NOS hobby	70A	Phal. schilleriana	Eunice Walker
Sandy Mikesell Award Best First Bloom Phalaenopsis	71A	Phal. Chinchir x Phal. Krulls Red Hot	Jim Longwell
Best Phalaenopsis Alliance Flower	72A	Phal. Ox Firebird ‘Shilleriana’	Kim Pendleton
Best small Multiflora Phalaenopsis	73A	Phal. Betris	Nancy Ginocchio
Jim Longwell Award Outstanding Phalaenopsis Specimen	74A	P. Amabilis	Jim Longwell
Best Vanda – NOS hobby	87A	V. Thongchai x V. Kasem’s Delight	Nancy Ginocchio
Best Ascocenda – NOS hobby	88A	Ascda. Aroonroj x Ascda. Ana Magdalena Granadino	Marilyn Moser
Best Vandaceous – other– NOS hobby	89A	Trichoglottis bataanensis( = subviolacea)	Elaine Gates
Best Vanda flower	91A	V. Amy Mitchell	RF Orchids
Best Ascocenda – under 3”	92A	V. seeprai x Asdca. Gua Chia Long	Plantio la Orquidea
Best Vandaceous – other	94A	Kgw. Judy Mezey	RF Orchids
Best Dendrobium – NOS hobby	101A	Den. secundum	Marilyn Moser
La Raw and Kit Kitchen Maran Award Best Dendrobium flower	103A	Den tangerium	RF Orchids
Outstanding Specimen Dendrobium	104A	Den. aggregatum	Nancy Ginocchio
Best Oncidium alliance – NOS hobby	114A	Oncidium Sphacetante (Onc. sphacelatum ‘Evelyn’ x Onc. Debutante)	Nancy Ginocchio
Best Equitant Oncidium	116A	Rrm. Flirtation	RF Orchids
Best Oncidium other than Equitant	117A	Oncidium Sphacetante (Onc. sphacelatum ‘Evelyn’ x Onc. Debutante)	Nancy Ginocchio

NAME OF AWARD		NAME OF ORCHID	WINNER
Best Slipper type – NOS hobby	125A	Paph. Vintage Harvest x Paph. Maudiae var. "AWOO"	Ralph Brand
Best First Bloom Slipper	126A	Phrag. Frank Smith Phrag. Kovachii x Phrag. Grande	Ralph Brand
Marcella and Robert Coe Award Best Slipper type Flower	127A	Phrag. Frank Smith Phrag. Kovachii x Phrag. Grande	Ralph Brand
Fred Fuchs Memorial Award Outstanding Orchid Species Specimen Plant	135A	Ludisia discolor "Jewell Orchid"	Corrie Van Caulil
Laban and Jean LeBuff Award – Outstanding Florida Species Flower 1st Place	136A	Epi. cochleatum	La Raw and Kit Kitchen Maran
Laban and Jean LeBuff Award – Outstanding Florida Species Flower 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Ribbon	136A	Encyclia cochleata	David Scott
Laban and Jean LeBuff Award – Outstanding Florida Species Flower 3rd Place Ribbon	136A	Encyclia. tampensis	Jim Longwell

		AOS Awards		
Title of Exhibit or Name of Orchid		Award and Points		Winner
O-1 Floor Exhibit	Oriental Fantasy	Gold Certificate	(90 pts.)	R.F. Orchids
O-1 Floor Exhibit	Oriental Fantasy	Show Trophy	(90 pts.)	R.F. Orchids
O-1 Floor Exhibit	Oriental Fantasy	Artistic Certificate	(90 pts.)	R.F. Orchids
A-3-10(Arrangement)	To Japan with Sympathy	Certificate of Meritorious Arrangement—88-pts.		Kit Kitchen Maran
V. Amy Mitchell	'Crownfox Pink Lady'	FCC/AOS	(90 pts.)	R.F. Orchids
Iwanagaara	Appleblossom 'Eunice'	AM/AOS	(83 pts.)	Eunice Walker
Dtps. Ox	Firebird 'Kim's Luck'	HCC/AOS	(79 pts.)	Kim Pendleton
Den. lindleyi	'Frank's Delight'	HCC/AOS	(79 pts.)	Nancy Ginocchio
Phal He Ying	Pi	HCC/AOS	(79 pts.)	R.F. Orchids
Phal. Patsy Green	'Nancy's Delight'	HCC/AOS	(78 pts.)	Nancy Ginocchio

Total 33 Nominations  
Awards -- 10