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## JANUARY EVENTS

**The Monthly Meeting:  
Gene Crocker from Carter & Holmes Orchids  
Topic: Cattleya breeding  
8:00 Monday, January 8 at the Atlanta Botanical Garden**

Gene Crocker is currently Vice President of Carter and Holmes Orchids, a position he has held for the past 20 years. He is responsible for the general orchid production, including the hybridizing program that was started in the early 1950's by the late Bill Carter. He also writes catalogues and advertisements, and does the photography. Gene was a hobby grower for thirty years before coming to Carter and Holmes, which gives him insight into what the hobbyist is looking for. Gene travels extensively on behalf of Carter and Holmes. He is interested in all genera of orchids, although cattleyas are his favorites. He made his first cattleya hybrid in 1961, and has already gone through three generations of orchid hybrids at Carter and Holmes. His 'orchid claim to fame,' however, may be the fact that he coined the term 'mericlone' in 1964.



*Encyclia chacaoensis*

**Pre-Orders:** "Although I will bring with me some plants for sale at the meeting at catalog or web site prices, we will also offer a **25% discount** on pre-orders from our catalog or web site. (Call 800-873-7086 to request a catalog if you do not have one – our latest one was printed in August, 2006) We recommend pre-payment for these orders, which will be delivered at the orchid society meeting. We prefer prepayment using a charge card so we can adjust for sold out items and only charge for the plants delivered. Our web site, [www.carterandholmes.com](http://www.carterandholmes.com) contains all of the items available in our catalogs. Please e-mail directly to me if you have questions at [gene@carterandholmes.com](mailto:gene@carterandholmes.com) or call me at 800-873-7086. Anyone may take your order as long as you specify the society name. Orders should be received by January 5<sup>th</sup>." -Gene Crocker

### Important Information About Ribbon Judging

Starting with our January meeting, the board is asking members who bring plants for ribbon judging to have them in place and ready at Day Hall by 7:50 pm. This will allow our judges to begin their job by 7:55 pm and our meeting to begin promptly at 8:00 pm. We will be working hard in 2007 to make sure that meetings begin on time and conclude promptly at 10:00 pm. We thank all the members in advance for their cooperation!

### Dues are Due

Dues (\$30 single, \$45 household) for the calendar year 2007 are due. Your membership dues continue to bring you a monthly newsletter and underwrite the cost of speakers and programs presented throughout the year. Prompt payment helps us determine our budget for the year. Dues can be mailed or paid directly to Reba Herzfeld at the January meeting.

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## Atlanta Orchid Society Dec. 9, 2006 Board Meeting Notes

- Attending Board Members: Barbara Dampog, Mikie Emerson, Richard Hallberg, Reba Herzfeld, Danny Lentz, David Mellard, Sondra Nierenberg, Don Reinhard, Mark Reinke. Attending visitors: Evan Dessasau, Bob Grzesik, Margie Kersey, Carl Quattlebaum, Jeff Whitfield, Jeffrey Wolf.
- Don Reinhard joined the board as a director to complete the rest of Rob Rinn's term.
- We will need to find someone to handle hospitality at the meetings next year. Thanks to Terry Glover for handling this often thankless task in 2006.
- Jeffrey Wolf will be the new librarian. Thanks to Mikie Emerson for her work as librarian.
- David Mellard will take over the announcement of ribbon judging winners.
- At the 2007 Southeastern Flower Show we will do a set of demonstrations every half hour from 4:00-8:00 on Wednesday during the show. Mark Reinke and Don Reinhard offered to help with the demos, other volunteers are welcome.
- Richard Hallberg and Mark Reinke will work on creating lists of procedures for the various offices.
- The November show was discussed. David Mellard reported financial details of the show. Mikie Emerson reported that the sales table for the Andean Orchid Conference raised \$1638.
- Margie Kersey led a discussion of ideas for publicizing next year's fall show.
- There was a discussion of how we deal with new members.
- Participation in the 2008 World Orchid Conference was briefly discussed, this will be discussed again at the next board meeting.
- Donations for the year were approved. The recipients and amounts were:
  - Atlanta AOS Judging Center : \$500
  - American Orchid Society : \$100
  - Jay Pfahl (orchidspecies.com web site) : \$100
  - International Phalaenopsis Alliance : \$200
- An audit of the society finances for 2006 will be conducted by Frank Decaminada and Richard Hallberg.

-danny lentz

### Breeding Study Group

There has been some interest in forming an informal study group to explore orchid genetics and the reproduction of desirable species through selective breeding. There have been other groups of its type in the past where we made crosses to make improved hybrids and reproduce species. This is welcomed and encouraged. We can also explore culture of lesser known species or plants that have a reputation for being difficult to grow. Members of the study group are expected to actively participate and present their experiences in these areas to the group. If you think this may be something of interest to you please contact: Jeff Whitfield at 770-634-6153 or [Jeffers@TheAtlantaOrchidCO.com](mailto:Jeffers@TheAtlantaOrchidCO.com)

## Events Out and About

### January

**Monday, 1/8 Atlanta Orchid Society monthly meeting**, ABG, Day Hall, 8 p.m. Gene Crocker from Carter and Holmes will talk about their Cattleya hybridizing. [www.carterandholmes.com](http://www.carterandholmes.com)

Saturday, 1/13 American Orchid Society monthly judging, Atlanta Judging Center, 2 pm, ABG basement workshop. If entering plants, please arrive before 1:30 pm to allow time for research and paperwork.

Saturday, 1/27 AtIOS Board Meeting. If you have any suggestions or subjects you would like discussed, please contact an officer or director.

1/27-1/28 Miami Int'l Orchid Festival

### February

#### **Southeastern Flower Show**

Plant Entry: 2/5 (Monday)

Show Open: 2/7-2/11(Wed.-Sun.)

For more information contact Danny Lentz or Roy Harrow.

2/9-2/12 South Carolina Orchid Society Show. West Columbia, SC

Saturday, 2/10 American Orchid Society monthly judging, Atlanta Judging Center, 2 pm, ABG basement workshop.

**Monday, 2/12 Atlanta Orchid Society monthly meeting**, ABG, Day Hall, 8 p.m. Dennis D'Alesandro of Gypsy Glen Orchids will speak on orchids of Ecuador. [www.gypsyglenorchids.com](http://www.gypsyglenorchids.com)

2/23-3/4 Japan Grand Prix Orchid Show

**Saturday, 2/24 Greengrowers at Mountain View Orchids** in Greenville, SC

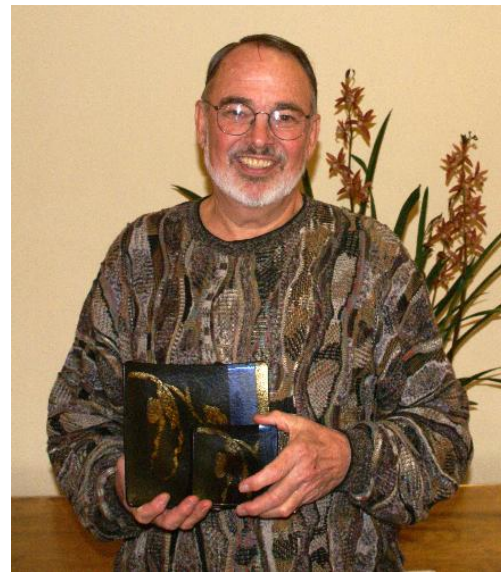
2/28-3/4 North Carolina Piedmont Orchid Society Show. Charlotte, NC

## Minutes of the December 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting

- The Atlanta Orchid Society Meeting was brought to order by President Richard Hallberg.
- We need a volunteer for Hospitality Chair, who would organize the refreshment break and clearing/cleaning the refreshment area after the break. Our thanks go to Terry Glover who served as Hospitality Chair for 2006. We need people to bring refreshments to the meetings, and to supplement our budget for refreshments we will have a donation plate so that people can occasionally donate a dollar to help out.
- The 2007 officers and trustees were sworn into office.
- Don't forget to pay your 2007 dues as early as possible to Reba Herzfeld.
- David Mellard will begin announcing show table winners at the meetings.
- Outgoing President Richard Hallberg was given a gift for his work during the past year.
- The meeting was adjourned and another successful, entertaining Christmas Party began!

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Sandy Phillips



Outgoing president Richard Hallberg received a nice set of plates from Nature Glassworks.

## Welcome to our New Member:

Joe Stickney - Atlanta

## Member Announcements

*If you have any news you would like to share with the society please send me a short announcement.*  
-danny

Do you have any ideas for newsletter articles? Any questions you would like answered? Information you'd like to share with the rest of our members? Suggestions for the Collector's Item column? Let me know. I always need ideas and content for the newsletter. -danny

## 2007 Southeastern Flower Show (Feb. 7-11)

Danny Lentz

As many of you know, the Southeastern Flower Show has a special exhibit for orchids with most of the entries coming from the Atlanta Orchid Society and the South Metro Orchid Society. **People who enter orchids in the Horticulture Division get a non-transferable single-day free admission to the show.** We also have several opportunities for volunteering at the show to help promote orchid growing and our society. Volunteers get free admission on the day they are working at the show. Please read the information below if you plan to enter plants or would like to volunteer at the show. You also will hear more about this at the January society meeting. The web site for the Show is [www.flowershow.org](http://www.flowershow.org). We need as many people as possible to bring plants for the display. If you won't be able to get down to the World Congress Center that Monday, contact me in advance and maybe we can work out a way to get your plants to the show. If you haven't exhibited before, we encourage you to bring some plants this year.



*The orchid display at last year's Flower Show.*

**Volunteering** We will be needing volunteers to help promote orchid growing and our society at the show. Volunteers get free admission to the show on the day they are volunteering. If you have time to help out, here are some of the things we'll be doing:

1. Entering plants and setting up the display on Monday, Feb. 5. I'll need a few people to help with this.
2. On Wednesday Feb. 7 they are going to have a "Gardener to Gardener" night from 4:00-8:00 where the different plant societies can each get a table and do short (10-15 minutes) demonstrations every half-hour. I've got a couple people that have offered to help with this, but since we will be doing about 8 of the demos it wouldn't hurt to have a little more help. We could also use ideas for what to talk about.
3. During the show we need people to stand by the orchid display to answer questions, encourage people to try growing orchids, and let them know about our society. We generally ask for a three hour commitment. Show hours are 10-8 Wed-Sat, 10-6 Sun.
4. We will probably try to get a few time slots at the plant societies booth again this year. This area doesn't get anywhere near the amount of traffic that the people standing by the display will see, but it's still a good opportunity to promote our society. For anyone not able to stand for long periods of time this may be a good alternative to answering questions at the exhibit. If anyone is interested in answering questions at the booth please let me know soon so I can request specific time slots.

Sign up sheets will be at the January orchid society meeting. If you would like to volunteer and cannot come to the meeting, please contact Danny Lentz or Roy Harrow. All volunteers must sign up by January 19. Volunteers are given free entry to the show but not free parking. If you prefer not to drive you can take MARTA to the station for Phillips Arena, GWCC and the Georgia Dome.

**Entering Plants** You can pre-enter your orchids up to February 2 or you can enter them at the show on Monday, February 5.

**Please pre-enter your plants.** If you pre-enter your plants it will help speed things up tremendously on Feb. 5 when you bring your plants to the show. It allows me to check and update the plant names in advance. Checking the names from home is much easier for me than trying to do it at the GWCC! To start the pre-entry process you don't need to know the exact plants you will be bringing yet. By Friday, February 2 go to the flower show web site and create entries for the approximate number of plants you will be bringing. Once you have created the entries, you will still be able to edit them until noon on Saturday Feb. 3. It would be very helpful if you could go through your plants by Saturday and decide which ones you will actually bring, then get those entries updated on the web site. **If you enter your plants on the web site, you can print a copy of the summary page for each entry instead of writing out the two index cards!**

**Online Pre-Entry** Go to the flower show web site at [www.flowershow.org](http://www.flowershow.org) and click on “Enter a Horticultural Exhibit” from the menu at the top.

Log in to the system. If you have never entered online before then you will need to create your account. If you entered online last year, hopefully you can still remember your username and password. ☺ If you’ve forgotten them, you can email the Flower Show staff (there is a link on the login page) to get your account information. Please make sure you are able to log in to the system well before the pre-entry deadline!

To enter an exhibit, choose the link for “Horticulture 2007” under the “Submit a New Entry” heading on the left side of the page. This will bring up a form to put in your plant information. Choose Class H16 for Orchid entries. *The entire name for your orchid should be entered in the “Genus” field.* Leave the other fields (“Species”, “Variety”, “Common Name”) blank. If you don’t know yet which plants you will be entering just pick the first subclass and enter “TBD” on the genus line. For step 6, Dimensions, you don’t need to put anything. For step 7, Judging Period, pick just the first period. Create as many entries as you think you might need. It doesn’t hurt to create an extra entry.

**Please groom and neatly stake your plants and bring only good quality plants.** Plants will not be passed if they are not in show condition. The show visitors, many of whom grow orchids at home, are expecting to see unusual, well-grown and superior plants. Each plant is displayed as an individual and so needs to look good. Dead, withering, badly damaged, or badly spotted foliage should be removed. If you have any bugs or active fungal/bacterial infections on the plant, please do not bring it to the show. Mineral deposits on leaves should be cleaned off. Some possible solutions for cleaning the leaves are diluted vinegar (1/3 vinegar, 2/3 water), lemon juice, or milk.

Clay pots or terra-cotta, green, or black plastic pots are preferred. Brightly colored pots, decorative pots and baskets are not allowed. Please clean your pots as well as possible. Diluted vinegar is good for removing salt deposits from pots. For badly soiled, chipped or cracked pots and for orchid baskets or pots with a lot of exposed roots, you can put your potted plant inside a larger clean pot and hide the gap between the two pots with Spanish moss, sphagnum moss or bark. Some exceptions will be made for the pots of specimen plants, but try to get them as clean as possible. There will be structures available for exhibiting hanging plants.

**Required Length of Time of Plant Possession** - Plants entered need to have been obtained by the end of our November show.

**Delivery and Entry of Plants** The show will be in Hall C at the Georgia World Congress Center, the same place as last year. Directions can be found in the Exhibitor’s Guide. After you unload your plants you will need to go park in a pay lot before finishing the registration process. There are several lots around GWCC on Northside Drive. You may wish to car pool to reduce parking costs, or arrange for someone else that is going to deliver your plants. You can also take MARTA to the station for Phillips Arena, GWCC and the Georgia Dome.

If you don’t pre-register, then you are required to fill out two 4” x 6” cards for each plant entered. It is best to fill these out at home rather than at the show. See the Southeastern Flower Show Exhibitor’s Guide (p. 22) for specific information to be included on these cards and for an example of a completed card. You can also fill out another card with cultural instructions if you want to.

As far as I know, entry will be similar to last year, which seemed to go pretty well. The entry process will be briefly described at the January meeting.

To get a printed copy of the Exhibitor’s Guide, please contact Danny Lentz ([dblgonora@bellsouth.net](mailto:dblgonora@bellsouth.net), 770-640-0112). I will bring a few copies to the January meeting. You can also get a copy online from the Show web site.



*Paph. Irish Moss ‘Hwei & Sue’  
HCC/AOS was awarded at the 2005  
Flower Show.*

## 2007 Southeastern Flower Show Schedule of Events

Friday, February 2: Deadline for creating early entries of plants. Once the entries are created they can be edited until noon on Saturday, Feb. 3.

Monday, February 5: **Plant entry and display set up** for the Southeastern Flower Show. Plant registration is from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM, at the Georgia World Congress Center, Hall C.

Tuesday, February 6: AOS and ribbon judging of orchids entered in the Southeastern Flower Show.

Wednesday, February 7: **Southeastern Flower Show opens to the public.** Hours are 10-8 Wednesday-Saturday, 10-6 Sunday. If you enter orchids in the Horticulture Division or volunteer, you will receive a one-time free admission to the show. General admission to the show is \$18 for adults.

Sunday, February 12: Southeastern Flower Show closes at 6 PM. **Plant removal** takes place from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM. You must pick up your own plants or have made arrangements for someone to pick them up.

## DECEMBER 2006 EXHIBITION TABLE AWARDS with notes by Mark Reinke

### Class I – Cattleya Alliance

Species - **Blue- *Laelia rubescens* – Collier/Reinke** : This Blue Ribbon winning plant is a very high quality clone of *Laelia rubescens*, received as a division off a huge specimen that was prized by its owner. While all but the true alba forms carry the deep purple spot in the throat, this plant has much deeper orchid lavender segments than is typical for the species. It is also more floriferous, robust, and with fuller form, making it possible that it is a tetraploid. *Laelia rubescens* is native to the Pacific slope of Central America and Mexico, where it grows from sea level to about 3,000 feet on exposed tree limbs and rocks in seasonally dry areas. After flowering in late fall, it appreciates a rest with less water and bright light. Good drainage is important, so grow on a mount or in a basket for best results. There is a yellow form, with the same dark purple throat that is sometimes given species status, although this is still debatable. We have obtained seedlings of crosses between two select yellow forms only to have them bloom lavender. We have a new batch of small seedlings from a different source, and will be interested to see how they eventually bloom out. The dark throat is dominant and adds special charm to hybrids such as Bl. Petite Stars (x Bl. Richard Mueller) and Lc. Sylvan Sprite (x Lc. Puppy Love).



*Laelia rubescens*

**Red – *Cattleya percivaliana* frma. *semi-alba* ‘Jewel’ – Collier/Reinke**

**White – *Laelia autumnalis* – Collier/Reinke**

Hybrids - **Blue- *Laelia Canariensis* ‘Golden Glow’ HCC/AOS – Collier/Reinke** : *Laelia Canariensis* is a charming ‘antique’ hybrid originally registered 100 years ago. It is a cross between *Laelia anceps* from Mexico, and *Laelia harpophylla* from Brazil. In the ‘Golden Glow’ clone, the dominance of *L. anceps* for flower form, flower count, and strong upright stems is apparent. Only a hint of the other species is evident in the elongated and somewhat recurved lip, and the pale yellow-apricot color. Although *Laelia Canariensis* possesses many good qualities, only two registered hybrids have been made from it. This may be due to a degree of sterility that seems to be a problem in many *L. anceps* hybrids, cutting short what may otherwise be very promising breeding lines.



*Laelia Canariensis* ‘Golden Glow’

**Red – *Brassavola David Sander* - Harrow**

**White – Slc. Fire Lighter - Glass**

## Class II – Cymbidium Alliance

**Blue – Cymbidium Miss Taipei Unveiled – Gilmore** : Though Marianne Gilmore did not have a tag for this plant, the judges felt certain it was this hybrid registered in the fall of 2001 with the following note from the RHS registrar: “Cym. Miss Taipei Unveiled has been registered after much research by Musia Stag of California. It has been widely available for a long time in the trade under the unregistered name Cym. Meglee ‘Ms. Taipei’.” The parentage is given as Cym. Super Baby x *Cym. sinense*, and this plant clearly shows the influence of the Chinese Cymbidium in its tall ramrod-straight stems, and darkly colored, fairly small flowers. In China, *Cym. sinense* has been in cultivation for at least 2000 years and many forms are grown and admired for flower color, fragrance and their elegant foliage. It is endangered in the wild and protected under the CITES agreements from cross-border trade. According to several members, Cym. Miss Taipei Unveiled can withstand average Atlanta winters with some protection. But careful attention to winter drainage is likely to be important!



*Cymbidium Miss Taipei Unveiled*

## Class III – Dendrobium Alliance : No entries

## Class IV - Epidendrum Alliance

**Blue - Barkeria Jim Balch – Collier/Reinke** : Barkeria is a genus of about 15 species, once included in Epidendrum, and found mostly in Mexico, with some species extending their range as far south as Panama. They typically grow in areas with a pronounced dry period in winter, and have adapted to this lack of water by shedding their foliage, leaving behind only bare stick like pseudobulbs and fat white roots! This cross was made by Dr. Robert Marsh, Ph.D. of Dallas, TX, who has a keen interest in the genus and has produced the greatest number of Barkeria hybrids to date. Fittingly, he honors Jim Balch of White Oak Orchids in Arkansas who was responsible for introducing him to the genus to begin with. This hybrid combines the floriferous, branching nature of *Bark. scandens* with the beautiful lip color and pattern of *Bark. uniflora*. The clone ‘Tamara’ is the only Barkeria ever to be awarded at the Atlanta Judging Center, receiving an HCC of 79 points in December of 2002.



*Barkeria Jim Balch*

## Red - Encyclia randiana – Lentz/Morgan

## Class V – Oncidium Alliance

**Blue – Oncidium Black Beauty ‘Ken’ JC/AOS – Whitfield** : Those who were present for our November meeting will recall that Ron McHatton spoke of the ‘color intensifying’ qualities of *Odontoglossom bictoniense* (syn. *Rhyncostele bictoniensis*) and the white base color for the lip given by *Oncidium leucochilum*. This cross between the two produced a vividly colored hybrid that has received 15 flower quality awards from the AOS to date. The white lip is almost completely overlaid with color from the other parent in this clone, which received a ‘Judges’ Commendation’ award from AOS. The JC award recognizes some outstanding feature of flowers that otherwise cannot be scored for a regular award. In the case of ‘Ken,’ there were only 6 open flowers and 8 buds on the plant exhibited, and this probably held it back from receiving a flower quality award, but the judges were impressed with the vivid contrast of white and dark maroon on the lip.



*Oncidium Black Beauty ‘Ken’*

## Red – Beallara Marfitch ‘Howard’s Dream’ AM/AOS - Glass

**White – Oncidium (*maculata* x *leucochilum*) – Emerson** : This plant was a wild collected natural hybrid between the two oncidium species listed.

## Class VI – Cypripedium Alliance

**Blue – Paph. Hamana Spice - Herzfeld**

**Red – Paph. Angela – Mellard/Marino**

**White – Paph. F.C. Puddle FCC/RHS – Mellard/Marino**

## Class VII – Phalaenopsis Alliance

**Red – Phal. Mary Polliard – Gilmore**



*Paphiopedilum Hamana Spice*

### Class VIII – Vanda Alliance

**Blue – *Plectrelminthus caudatus* – Hartong** : This African species is the only member of its genus, which was separated out from *Angraecum* and *Aerangis* because it has a complex and distinct column and pollinia. The genus name refers to the twisting worm-like nectary, which is a prominent feature of its non-resupinate flowers. All sources recommend warm, bright ‘vanda’ culture with fairly frequent waterings and good humidity, making this orchid a poor candidate for culture inside the home or under lights.

But if you have a greenhouse, the long lasting, unique, fragrant flowers and compact growth habit make it a great addition to your collection.

**Red – *Ascocenda* Yeo Geck Bee ‘Lavender Lady’ AM/AOS - Glass**

**White – *Neostylis* Lou Sneary - Ramborger**



*Phalaenopsis* Mary Polliard

### Class IX – Miscellaneous

**Blue – *Cycnodes* Wine Delight ‘J.E.M.’ FCC/AOS – O’Connell** : Although there are six awarded clones of this hybrid (*Cycnoches lehmanii* x *Mormodes sinuata*) you probably will never see any besides ‘J.E.M.’ FCC/AOS offered for sale. It is perhaps the most widely available FCC awarded orchid there is! In October, our speaker Fred Clarke spoke about the unexpectedly good results of combining *Cycnoches* and *Mormodes*, of which this plant is a prime example. One should note, however, that this orchid has been ‘over cloned’ en masse overseas and shipped back to the US for sale at low prices. Plants that have inferior flowers to the original in both depth of color and size have been the result. It is better to deal with a reliable source rather than purchase at a ‘bargain’ price, to be sure you are getting good genetic material. Amazingly, Cyd. Wine Delight ‘J.E.M.’ FCC/AOS received its score of 91 points on a plant that had only 3 open blooms and 2 buds. Well grown plants will frequently produce two simultaneous spikes of up to a dozen dark and unusually fragrant flowers (think homemade cherry cough syrup!), sometimes followed by two more spikes before winter dormancy.

**Blue - *Stelis tirsta* – Lentz/Morgan** : *Stelis* is a large genus in the pleurothallid alliance with as many as 500 species, distributed throughout tropical America. Many species have yet to be officially described. The name means ‘a kind of mistletoe’ in Greek, and refers to the vegetative appearance of the epiphytic plant. The flowers of all species are somewhat similar, with a triangular shape formed by the sepals surrounding a small central structure that include the petals, lip and column. I could not find any references to this beautifully grown example with numerous upright inflorescences that invite closer inspection. However, the plant came from a normally dependable source, so I will let it stand as is.

**Red – *Coelogyne assamica* - Hartong**

**White – *Masdevallia* White Angel – Lentz/Morgan**



*Plectrelminthus caudatus*



*Cycnodes* Wine Delight ‘J.E.M.’



*Stelis tirsta*



### Ribbon Judging Results for 2006

Thanks to everyone who brought plants to our show table in 2006. The large number of plants displayed every month is one of the best teaching tools we could have for the society. We had 38 different ribbon winners in 2006.

Gary Collier and Mark Reinke have now won a ribbon at 36 consecutive meetings.

Name	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Year
Collier / Reinke	33	68	63	52	216
Lentz / Morgan	44	27	18	45	134
Rinn	33	33	37	11	114
Mellard / Marino	30	7	35	20	92
Whitfield	1	35	17	27	80
Hallberg	20	17	19	0	56
Gilmore	0	13	9	25	47
Brinton / Park	17	18	5	0	40
Missbach	13	0	21	5	39
Grzesik	15	10	6	3	34
Hartong	0	4	8	14	26
Frye	14	5	0	0	19
Harrow	10	3	3	3	19
Jacobson	6	8	1	1	16
Wolf	0	10	6	0	16
Kiss	1	8	5	0	14
O'Connell	5	0	3	6	14
Phillips	0	3	6	4	13
Chandler	8	4	0	0	12
Dampog	9	0	3	0	12
Glass, David	3	1	0	7	11
Emerson	0	6	3	1	10
Doucette	0	4	0	5	9
Hansen	3	0	6	0	9
Quattlebaum	5	4	0	0	9
Kessler	0	3	0	5	8
Herzfeld	1	0	0	5	6
Smith/Malaguerra	0	0	0	6	6
Brand	5	0	0	0	5
Dufano	5	0	0	0	5
Frank	0	0	5	0	5
Ramborger	0	0	0	4	4
Smith, Geni	0	4	0	0	4
Weil	0	0	4	0	4
Van Horne	0	0	0	3	3
Daugherty	1	0	0	0	1
Horne	0	0	1	0	1
Nierenberg	0	0	0	1	1

### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Ribbon Judging Results

Name	Oct	Nov	Dec	Qtr 4
Collier / Reinke	20	13	19	52
Lentz / Morgan	21	15	9	45
Whitfield	9	13	5	27
Gilmore	6	11	8	25
Mellard / Marino	11	5	4	20
Hartong		6	8	14
Rinn	11			11
Glass, David			7	7
O'Connell		1	5	6
Smith/Malaguerra		6		6
Doucette	5			5
Herzfeld			5	5
Kessler	5			5
Missbach		5		5
Phillips	3	1		4
Ramborger		3	1	4
Grzesik	3			3
Harrow			3	3
Van Horne	3			3
Emerson			1	1
Jacobson	1			1
Nierenberg		1		1

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## Recent Blooms at the Atlanta Botanical Garden, December 2006



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(top left) *Rhytionanthos* (syn. *Bulbophyllum*) *bootanense*  
 (top right) *Bolusiella talbotii*  
 (middle left) *Peristeria pendula*  
 (bottom left) *Chondrorhyncha chestertonii*  
 (bottom right) *Mormodes speciosa*



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***Maxillaria* sp. (from Belize)**  
**Plant grown by the Atlanta Botanical Garden**

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