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### About the August Picnic

**August 20, 2011**

12:00 Noon - ?

At the home of Peter and Kelly Maunsell. Please check your email for the address, phone number and map. You can also consult your membership roster or email us for the information.

### Summer Picnic and Plant Swap

We will gather at NOON and start eating around 1 p.m. The main course of burgers and hotdogs will be provided. Please bring salads or other side dishes, including desserts, and drinks.

There is a pool and a hot tub that we all may use. Bring your own bathing suit and towel.

Bring any orchids that you want to sell, trade or give away.

We will not have the traditional Display Table or Raffle.

This will be a fun afternoon of relaxing, eating and orchids. Plus we'll get a tour of Peter's greenhouse. We hope to see everyone there.

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### Orchid Plant Giveaway

Michael A. Corn is no longer an active NWOS member. He had a 2500 plant orchid collection that he's been dispersing. He still has about 400 plants left that he is giving away (FREE). He also has some supplies for sale.

He has a wide variety of plants, both potted and mounted. Most of the potted plants need repotting, but are not junk.

Michael lives in Seattle. Please contact him by phone or email. This information is listed in the email announcing this newsletter and in your Membership Rosters up to 2009.

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## Report from the June Meeting

The meeting started with President Abigail Chang thanking the retiring board members for their service to the society and welcoming the new members.



The Gary Baker Service Award was presented to Mike Foster and Donna Pierce with thanks for all their hard work and dedication to the NWOS this past year. This award is given annually to the person who has contributed the most to the overall goals of the society.

They were selected by the board from nominations made by the general membership.

Mike and Donna were presented with a crystal perpetual trophy engraved with their names.

Many thanks to Joff Morgan for doing the NW Flower and Garden Show. After doing so much work for so long he would like to step down. A discussion followed about whether we do a large exhibit or whether we should take a year off and just have a members exhibit and table in with the vendors. Because we earn a nice amount of money by putting on an exhibit, Joe Griener volunteered to head the exhibit for 2012. The theme is Symphony. One idea that popped up was that we could have an "Orchid-stra".

Members enjoyed a Pot luck dinner.

Many large Phragms got jnew homes with lucky raffle winners.



Andy Wright reviewed the plant table. We had a nice showing.

It was nice for so many people to bring blooming plants for others to see. Many of the plants were exceptional and difficult to grow.

We had two plants in the "rather large" category:



Andy's large purple Vanda

Although it's difficult to see from the angle in this photo, the plant was quite large. Andy says it won't come out of his greenhouse again.

*Dendrobium glomeratum*, George & Cylvia Grantham. Normally a pendant species, they have trained it to an upright form. You can see the full height of this plant in the plant table photo above.



A few of the other plants exhibited were:



2 Phrags and 2 Paphs from Mike Foster and Donna Pierce

Epi, capricornu, Joe Griener, Emerald City Orchids

Known as the Goat-Horned Epidendrum

Found in Ecuador and Peru at elevations of 1700 to 2750 meters.

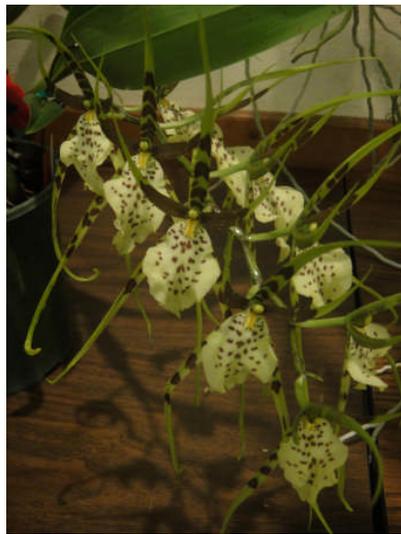




Nanodes medusae, George & Cylvia Grantham

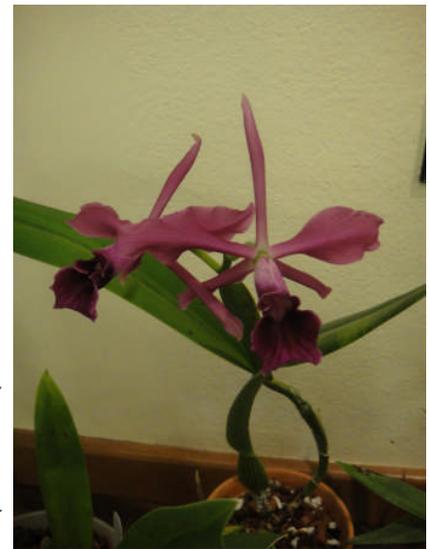
Called the Medusa Epidendrum which refers to the hairy lips with their seeming likeness to snakes and the greek mythology character with snakes for hair.

Found as a medium sized, epiphytic, cool growing orchid in Ecuador in wet montane cloud forests



Brassia Eternal Wind, Michael Cory

(Brassia Bracchiana X Brassia Rex)



Laelia Pacavia, Michael Cory

a cross of 2 Brazilian Laelias:  
purpurata and tenebrosa



Onc. Golden Anniversary and a vinicolor Paph., Diane Drisch

a nice display of  
miniatures from  
Ellen Covey



## Privacy Notice

Several NWOS members involved in the creating of the newsletter and website discussed the fact that the newsletter is published on the web for all to see. To be prudent, we have omitted members' personal contact information.

All paid members in good standing receive a membership roster which contains the information. In addition, it will be placed in the email that goes out to members notifying them that the newsletter is ready. People can also contact us at [nwos\\_news@nwos.org](mailto:nwos_news@nwos.org).

You can also contact us at the above email address to discuss this or bring it up at the next meeting.

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## **\*\*REMINDER: NWOS Membership Dues Notice\*\***

Please contact [Mike Cory](#) for questions about your dues.

The NWOS fiscal year is July 1 through June 30 so unless you joined recently, please complete the [Membership Form](#) and either send it in with your check (payable to NWOS) or pay at the June meeting. Dues are \$25 for one person or \$30 for two people at the same address. If you pay now, your check will not be cashed until July 1. Members who joined at or after the Flower & Garden Show in February are paid through June 2012. Dues are kept low to encourage membership but they cover only a small portion of the society's expenses.

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## Schedule of Upcoming Events

September 12, 2011 - The Annual Orchid Culture Clinic

October 10, 2011 - Norito Hasegawa: Paphiopedalums

November 14, 2011 - Gerardus Staal: Pests & Disease

also in November - the Fall Sale at Swanson's Nursery

December 12, 2011 - Annual Christmas Banquet, Schoenfeld and Northen Trophy contests, and plant giveaway.

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