



Come and Grow With Us

## September Program

Our speaker for the September meeting is Ron McHatton who is currently the AOS Director of Education and Regional Operations. He has been growing orchids for more than 43 years and has a varied collection of plants representing a wide cross-section of the orchid family. In addition to his professional position, Ron is an accredited American Orchid Society judge and has been volunteering for the AOS for over 25 years. He also has served on the Board of Directors and Executive Committee for many years and its President for three consecutive terms.

His topic will be very interesting, I think, for our members. We told him that growing culture for orchids would be well received. He plans to use the plants on the plant show tables to describe the culture needs of each one. Therefore, we need everyone to bring in your blooming plants for the show table so he has a large variety to describe.

Please join us for 'Dinner with the Speaker' at the Blue Mesa Grill on University Drive.

## Garden Club Council of Fort Worth

On September 17, 2008 at 9:30am, Dr. Dave Creech, professor of Horticulture at Stephen F. Austin State University, will present Shade Exotics to Color Your Landscape in Leonhardt Hall, in the Botanic Garden Center. Dr. Creech follows his lectures with a raffle or auction of 5 to 10 rare and unusual plants. His website is [www.swifthill.com](http://www.swifthill.com), if you would like to see his work. Sales tables by the Greater Fort Worth Herb Society, the North Texas Daylily Society and the Fort Worth Iris Society will be available for your fall shopping! All of our members are welcome and invited to attend these meetings.

**2008 Schedule**  
meetings at 7:00 p.m.

**October 4 & 5th**

Fall Plant Sale

**October 6th**  
Clair Ossian

**November 3rd**

Greg Butler  
will be selling

**December 1st**  
Christmas Party



## The President's Message

The season changes to Fall and so does some of our Society's leadership.

The nominating committee is currently working on the slate of officers as well as board members for the upcoming year.

We want and need your help.

Please contact our nominating committee chairman, Bob Jones and express your interest in serving as an officer. If you have complaints or new ideas, now's the time to become more involved to implement changes. The members who do volunteer all agree that the more you're involved in the Society, the more you'll enjoy being an integral part of the organization.

New people involved will result in more fun creative ideas, fulfilling education and closer friendships for all of us.

Please volunteer by calling today!

New Committee Chairpersons will be named for 2009 as well.

If there is a committee that interests you, please contact Mary Butler at 817/341-1760.

We have a busy schedule for the coming year and will need everyone to participate.

See you at the September meeting!

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and Board  
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## Show and Tell Table

### Hybrid Table

1st Place  
Chris von Kohn

2nd Place  
Lila & Glenn Glass

3rd Place  
LaVada Harlow  
Chris von Kohn

### Species Table

1st Place  
Chris von Kohn

2nd Place  
Merriann Ianford

3rd Place  
Elizabeth McMath

## Affiliations

American Orchid Society  
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Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.

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FWOS Library contact:  
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## Member News

Melvyn Ludwig fell in early July and broke his ankle in several places, requiring surgery and an extended stay in the hospital. We all hope that he mends quickly and be able to come to meetings soon.

Pauline Blyth was hurt recently, while wrestling with a branch. We don't know what rehab she is in but will up dated everyone as soon as we know.

## Fall Sale

Don't forget!! We have a Sale comming up in October and we need your help. Melissa will need help in the Kitchen. So all you great cooks (or great shoppers) start thinking about what to feed us! We also need boxes- lots of boxes. We want to see plants going out the door.

Membership Dues  
as of January 1, 2008:

Single membership  
is \$18.00

Family membership  
is \$27.00

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