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August Meeting/Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Barb Ford, President. The meeting was held at the Kiwanis Center in Akron, Ohio on Monday August 10, 2009 at 6.45pm. The minutes were recorded by Dave Miller, Secretary.

General Business.

Barb Ford opened the meeting by greeting the members and guests. There were 31 members and one guest, Laura Avens, in attendance. Paul Bujak, our Treasurer, had no report this evening. Cathy Green, Program Director, could not attend due to car problems. The agenda for tonight's meeting is a member plant sale. The sale was pulled forward on the calendar due to conflicts with meeting speaker schedules.

Wayne Roberts, Roberts Flower Supply, also brought a number of beautiful orchids from his store for purchase by the attendees.

As newsletter editor I addressed the meeting to explain some problems occurring getting the newsletter to everyone using either e-mail or regular mail. As I had to individually load everyone's e-mail and addresses into a new computer recently a few errors occurred resulting in some people not receiving their newsletters in July. Some people apparently cannot open Microsoft Word format on their computers and others simply cannot open the e-mails for a variety of reasons. Several options

was discussed including having the e-mails sent in Adobe. If anyone thinks this would solve their problem Frank Skalak has offered to convert the newsletter to Adobe Acrobat and we could compile a list of members who would like to receive their newsletter in this format. Please contact me if you are interested in this.

Also, anyone can call me in the evening to discuss a problem they are having as the solution is often very simple and the problem easily rectified. If e-mail is not an option anyone can receive their newsletter in the regular mail. Keeping this to a minimum however is beneficial both from a time factor for me and from a financial perspective for the GAOS. Having said this, only one e-mail actually returned to me as a result of an incorrect address and I believe this was corrected. However, as I stated at the meeting, I cannot address a problem if I don't know it exists. Please call.



Show Table

BARB FORD

- Cattleya Wendy Patterson (1)
- Epidendrum oersted (3)
- Phal. Maya-mar 'Vera' x mariae (6)
- Brassocattleya 'Jiminy Cricket' (7)

JACKIE MUSTER

- Encyclia flava (4) – seen below
- Cattleya bicolor 'Dark Form' x Cattleya leopoldii alba (5)

DAVE MILLER

- Bulbophyllum lobbii (2)



August Program

The program in August was supposed to be a member plant sale and a discussion on plant diseases/problems. However, due to some mix-up there were only a few plants for sale. As usual 75% of the profit went to the seller and 25% went to the GAOS.

Next Meeting

Portage Lakes Kiwanis Club

Mon. Sept.14 at 6.45pm

September Program

Cathy Green will give a presentation on the different shows and greenhouses she has visited. There will be discussions about these places and what they specialize in.