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**Triad Orchid Society
meets the second
Sunday of each
month at the
Greensboro Council
of Garden Clubs
Building on the
campus of the
Natural Science
Center
4301 Lawndale Dr.
Greensboro, NC
27455
at 1:00 PM**

June 12, 2016 Meeting

Speaker: Mark Reinke, "Honey, I Shrunk the Or-Kids"

Mark's program is a study in the history and development of our modern miniature and compact cattleyas. In addition to great photos and an interesting story line, it covers the best cultural practices for the various breeding lines that have descended from particular species that influence how to best grow them. The story will continue with what the future of compact and miniature cattleyas will look like, with examples of what Marble Branch Farms has already created and has in the works to be released soon.

June's speaker will be Mark Reinke of Marble Branch Farms. Mark Reinke had a passion for plants from the time he was a child growing up in a small town outside of Chicago. When his family moved to Florida in the 1960's he got his first orchid plant as back bulbs while helping out a neighborhood lady who had a large orchid and bromeliad collection. Since then, orchids have always been one of his major interests.

In 2004, he and his partner Gary Collier sold their business in Atlanta and moved to the Blue Ridge Escarpment area of South Carolina to grow plants full time under the business name Marble Branch Farms. They constructed a large greenhouse and seed laboratory so they could focus on creating new orchid hybrids, concentrating especially on miniature and compact cattleya types, with an emphasis on new and unusual breeding lines. They now have a thriving online business and are challenged to produce plants quickly enough to keep up with demand. In addition to orchids, Marble Branch Farms currently raises hybrid daylilies and carnivorous plants, and produces honey. Mark is active in the Western North Carolina Orchid Society and has served as President of the Atlanta Orchid Society twice.

Mark will be accepting preorders for plants from Marble Branch Farms.
Please send all preorders to Mark by Wednesday, June 8th.

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Show Table Awards - May 13, 2016:

Judges : Janette & James Harris

	Name
<p style="text-align: center;">Cattleya Species</p> <p>1 -- Epi. atroniceum 2 -- NA 3 -- NA</p>	<p>1. Dorcas Brogdon 2. 3.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Small Cattleya Alliance</p> <p>1 -- NA 2 -- NA 3 -- NA</p>	<p>1. 2. 3.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Large Cattleya Alliance</p> <p>1 -- C. Shenandoah 2 -- C. coerulea 3 -- NA</p>	<p>1. Dorcas Brogdon 2. Don Richman 3.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Phalaenopsis</p> <p>1 -- Phal. cornu-cervi 'Red Damlong' 2 -- Phal. equestris 3 -- Phal. Charm Sun</p>	<p>1. Dorcas Brogdon 2. Will Bottoms 3. Don Richman</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Paphiopedilum</p> <p>1 -- NA 2 -- NA 3 -- NA</p>	<p>1. 2. 3.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Phragmipedium</p> <p>1 -- Phrag. Red Lightning 2 -- NA 3 -- NA</p>	<p>1. Dorcas Brogdon 2. 3.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Dendrobium</p> <p>1 -- Den. Spring Frolic 2 -- NA 3 -- NA</p>	<p>1. Dorcas Brogdon 2. 3.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Oncidium</p> <p>1 -- NA 2 -- NA 3 -- NA</p>	<p>1. 2. 3.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Vandaceous</p> <p>1 -- NA 2 -- NA 3 -- NA</p>	<p>1. 2. 3.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Cymbidium</p> <p>1 -- NA 2 -- NA 3 -- NA</p>	<p>1. 2. 3.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Miscellaneous</p> <p>1 -- Zygostates alleniana 2 -- Stelis argentata 3 -- Microterangis hildebrandtii</p>	<p>1. Gay Sharpe 2. Dorcas Brogdon 3. Will Bottoms</p>
<p>Best Species -- Epi. atroniceum Best Specimen -- C. Shenandoah Best Flower -- C. Shenandoah</p>	<p>Best Species -- Dorcas Brogdon Best Specimen -- Dorcas Brogdon Best Flower -- Dorcas Brogdon</p>