



Newsletter of the Kansas Orchid Society

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Meeting Schedule, 2008

June 15, 2008 – 1:00 p.m. Tom Nasser, Carolina Orchids - “**Bulbophyllums**” (Will sell Orchids also) Botanica – Wichita, KS

July 20, 2008 – Mark & Karlene Sanborn--Greenhouse Tour--El Dorado, KS

August 17, 2008 - KOS Picnic at the Ethridge's Lease or Home (Details later)

September 21, 2008 –TBA

October 19, 2008 -TBA

October 31 – November 2 - KOS Orchid Show—Botanica--Wichita

November 16, 2008 – May cancel because of Orchid Show in November.

December 7, 2008 - Christmas Party & Orchid Bingo--Botanica – Wichita, KS

Deadline for KOS Newsletter Articles

Submit your articles for the KOS Newsletter by **July 9** to ksanborn@prairieorchids.com

President's Palaver

Hello KOS members,

Hope everyone has completed their spring potting and is ready for summer. Our greenhouse is shining with Masdevallia, Cattleya, and Bulbophyllum blooms. Speaking of Bulbophyllums, you still have time to pre-order from Tom Nasser of Carolina Orchids. Of course, he will bring a selection for you to choose from at our meeting, but if you have a special plant in mind it would be best to give him a call and place your order. In addition to Bulbs, he has a wide variety of Paphs, Phrags, and various species.

The year is passing rapidly and we need to begin work on our fall show. The show date has received AOS approval and the remaining paperwork is being prepared. We all know what comes next—volunteers will be needed—so when asked, be ready to step up and help make our show a success.

Please share Orchid News with our members by sending your articles and pictures to Karlene Sanborn. She always needs material for the Newsletter.

Mark A. Sanborn, KOS President

June Meeting, 1:00 p.m.

Just a reminder: The June meeting will **begin at 1:00 p.m.** in order to accommodate our guest speaker, Tom Nasser's travel arrangements. In addition, Botanica has asked the Society to meet (this month only) in the Fireside Room at Botanica (after entering the front door, turn right and go down to the end of the hallway).

Bryon Rinke, Vice President & Program Chair

White Orchid Silver Set

Below is a picture of the White Orchid Silver Set (circa post 1950) that is being raffled at the next SWROGA Show to be held in Wichita Falls, TX. The drawing will be on Saturday night, November 8th. The tickets are \$5.00 each or six (6) for \$25.00. YOU NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN. The set will be shipped to the winner at no additional charge.

One-half of the proceeds will go to the Red River Orchid Society for hosting the show; the other half will go into the SWROGA operating fund. You can purchase tickets from Karlene Sanborn. The winner will be notified by telephone, if not present at the time of the drawing, and will also be published on the SWROGA website at <http://www.swroga.org>.

Hope to see you in Texas in November.

Thank you very much for your continued support of the orchid community,



Carolyn McCabe
SWROGA Treasurer

April 20, 2008, Meeting Minutes

The meeting at Botanica was called to order by Mark Sanborn, President. Guests introduced themselves and he welcomed everyone.

Richard Vanderlip made a motion to accept the minutes as printed. The motion was seconded by Max Thompson and it carried.

Kathy Ethridge presented her Treasurer's report. Sarah Pratt made a motion to accept the report, which was seconded by Fred Winter and it carried. Kathy will have new membership directories out soon. She also reported that the cyp population at Roaring River, where she and Bill like to visit, is doing well. Kathy wanted to thank Gloria Bonwell, Debbie Hahn, Heather Steed and JoAnne Grubb for hosting the Garden Council Tour house at 4768 Portwest Ct. This supports Botanica where we have most of our meetings.

Max Thompson reported that 17 plants were entered at Great Plains Judging Center and three CBR's were awarded.

Members were reminded that Tom Nassar of Carolina Orchids (.com) will be speaking on Bulbophyllums and will have plants for sale at our next meeting. If you go to his web site you can select plants for Tom to bring with him to the meeting. Please contact Karlene Sanborn if you want to buy a chance to win a beautiful set of orchid dinnerware that SWROGA will offer at their fall meeting.

Members enjoyed refreshments while bidding on plants offered at the auction. We were fortunate our favorite auctioneer, Richard Vanderlip, assisted by Max Thompson and Mark Sanborn, ran our auction with a generous selection of genera in all sizes. There were many plants so everyone should have obtained something they wanted. Congratulations to KOS on another on another successful event.

Respectfully submitted by
Joanne Grubb, Rec. Secretary

AOS CORNER

Melba and Jim Butler, AOS Representatives

Orchid Trivia: "Despite the enormous variety found among the approximately 25,000 species and more than 105,000 manmade hybrids, all of the members of the orchid family are related to each other by their flowers. The five main characteristics common to orchid flowers are: 1) zygomorphy; 2) the column; 3) the rostellum; 4) two or more pollinia, and 5) the labellum (lip). Ref: "Ultimate Orchid" by Thomas J. Sheehan; 2001; DK Publishing, Inc., p. 10.

Featured Orchid Bulbophyllums



Bulbophyllum Melting Point 'Bryon'
(Doris Dukes x longissimum).
Grown and photographed
by **Bryon Rinke**

length to the large species having leaves over a meter long. Flowers of *Bulbophyllum* range in size from millimeter to several centimeters that generally have a hinged column-foot. While the hinged arrangement causes the flowers parts to move in breezes and attract its pollinators, *Bulbophyllum* also use fragrance as an attractant.

Some *Bulbophyllum* are known for their foul fragrances, including the smell of rotted flesh, urine, and dung; while these fragrances may be objectionable to humans, they are attractants to the plants pollinators. Most *Bulbophyllum* flowers do not have objectionable odors and even the ones that do can be forgiven, or tolerated, because their beauty and diversity makes this genus highly desirable to collectors.

References:

Siegerist, E. S. (2001). *Bulbophyllums and their allies: A grower's guide*. Timber Press
Pridgeon, A. (1999). *The illustrated encyclopedia of Orchids*. Timber Press

Plan to attend our June meeting for a unique opportunity to hear a detailed presentation by an expert on *Bulbophyllum* and its allies, Tom Nasser of Carolina Orchids. Tom has agreed to share his knowledge about this diverse genus with us and he will have plants for purchase. The following is an introduction to the genus *Bulbophyllum*.

Bulbophyllum, pronounced bul-bo-FILL-um, is diverse genus containing more than 2000 species divided into over 100 sections and subgenera. The genus is considered pantropical because it is distributed throughout the world's tropical areas. With a concentration in Southeast Asia, primarily New Guinea, the genus also distributes to the tropics of the South and Central Americas.

Bulbophyllum typically grow as epiphytes, sympodial on creeping rhizomes having pseudobulbs that produce one or two leaves. A differentiating factor for *Bulbophyllum* compared to many other genera of Orchid is that the inflorescence originates from the rhizome or the base of the pseudobulb rather than its apex or side.

Bulbophyllum plants range in size from the miniatures having leaves a few millimeters in



Bulbophyllum Frank Smith 'Karlene' CCE/AOS
(lobbii x carunculatum)

Grown by **Mark & Karlene Sanborn**
Photographed by Karl Siegler

Mark Sanborn, KOS President

**Great Plains Judging Center
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
May 17, 2008**

1. CBR	Oncidium citrinum 'Bryon' (Species from Colombia)	B. Rinke
2. No Award	Pleurothallis (Panmorphia) lewisiae (Species from Belize)	B. Rinke
3. No Award	Phalaenopsis Memphis Music 'Bryon' (Music x violacea)	B. Rinke
4. No Award	Doritaenopsis Pixie Star 'M & B'(Phal Joyful x Doritis pulcherrima)	B. Rinke M. Thompson
5. No Award	Pleurothallis (Acianthera) apthosa (Species from Colombia)	R. Gabaldon
6. No Award	Paphiopedilum victoria-mariae x druryi	R. Gabaldon
7. CBR	Epidendrum putumayoense 'Karlene'(Species from Ecuador)	K. Sanborn
8. No Award	Porroglossum meridionale (Species from Peru)	K. Sanborn
9. No Award	Masdevallia (Masdevallia) lamprotyria (Species from Ecuador)	K. Sanborn
10. No Award	Pleurothallis (Muscarella) claviculata (?)(Species from Ecuador)	K. Sanborn
11. CBR	Bulbophyllum inunctum 'MAC'(Species from Borneo)	L. McCabe
12. No Award	Rolfeara Beautiful Morning(Brassophronitis Morning Glory x Sc Bonanza Queen)	S. Pratt
13. No Award	Paphiopedilum Muriel Constance x James Bacon	T/B Larkin
14. No Award	Paphiopedilum Transit Saint (Transvaal x Saint Swithin)	P. Norberg
15. No Award	Paphiopedilum bellatulum (Species from Thailand)	P. Norberg
16. No Award	Paphiopedilum In-Charm Space (In-Charm Greenery x In-Charm White)	P. Norberg
17. No Award	Paphiopedilum primulinum var flavum (Species from Sumatera)	P. Norberg

Team 1: Plants 1, 4-6

*Ray Gabaldon
Carolyn McCabe
John Kramer
Pam Norberg (Prob)
Karlene Sanborn
(Student)

Team 2: Plants 7, 9-12

*Lowell McCabe
Billie Kramer
Karl Siegler
Danny Lyon (Prob)

**Team3: Plants 5, 8, 13-
17**

*Mark Stroube
Bryon K. Rinke
Tom Larkin
Sarah Pratt (Clerk)
Gary Blankenbiller

****Max C. Thompson presiding over judging****

****Karl Siegler, Photographer****

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KOS Board of Directors, 2008

Jill Stackley	2008 (end of term)
Max Thompson	2008 (end of term)
Richard Vanderlip	2009 (end of term)
Karlene Sanborn	2009 (end of term)
Sarah Pratt	2010 (end of term)
Ron Haselhuhn	2010 (end of term)

KOS Garden Council Representative

Kathy Ethridge

Committee Chairpersons

Finance	Bryon Rinke
Program	Bryon Rinke
Nominations	Max Thompson
Hospitality	Rose Meals
Publicity	Kathy Ethridge
Membership	Kathy Ethridge
Native Orchids & Conservation	Ron Haselhuhn

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