



Newsletter of the Kansas Orchid Society

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Meeting Schedule, 2008

October 19, 2008 -Meeting at Botanica,
2:00 p.m. Program. Flasks and compots,
presented by Sarah Pratt.

October 31 – November 2 - KOS Orchid
Show—Botanica—Wichita. (Show info on
KOS website.)

November 16, 2008 – No Meeting.

December 7, 2008 - Christmas Party &
Orchid Bingo—1:00 pm, Botanica – Wichita,
KS

Deadline for KOS Newsletter Articles

Submit your articles for the KOS Newsletter
by **Nov 21** to ksanborn@prairieorchids.com

New Members!

New members, upon
attending their second KOS meeting,
will receive a FREE orchid plant.

To receive the plant, call
Sarah Pratt at (316)772-0321 or
email svcsjp@pixius.net to let her
know you will be attending your
second meeting and she will bring
the plant for you.

President's Palaver

Hello KOS Members,

Do we suppose this weather will continue through January?
Karlene and I picked the last of our tomatoes and peppers this week and
set out pansies to provide some color in the flower beds when winter
arrives.

KOS has a number of activities on the calendar for the next couple
of months. First on the list is the Fall Orchid Show. I am sure you will be
sending your registration forms within the next few days so I can get your
exhibit into the database and Bryon can draw up the layout for staging the
show. Keep in mind, (1) there is an exhibit class for you even if you only
have one plant to exhibit, (2) you can team up with someone to put in an
exhibit, (3) someone can take charge and set up an exhibit for KOS with
many, or a few, members exhibiting their plants (Oklahoma City Orchid
Society has registered an exhibit).

Second, Sarah Pratt will provide the program on October 19. She
has a fine group of flasks for members to open and compot during her
hands-on presentation. When we did our survey earlier this year, this was
the number one topic that you wanted—so this is the month for your
wishes to come true. Sarah would enjoy having a big crowd.

Third, a reminder that the regular November meeting has been
canceled.

Fourth, the slate of nominees for KOS 2009 officers has been
submitted by Max Thompson, Nominations Chair (see list below).
Additional nominations can be made from the floor prior to the election
during the December 7 meeting and Christmas Party.

And last, Kathy Ethridge would like to kick off the 2009
Membership Drive in November. Membership dues cover January-
December each year. So look for Kathy at the membership booth during
the Fall Show.

Hope to see everyone at the meeting!

Mark A. Sanborn, KOS President

Nominations for the 2009 Board:

President--Mark Sanborn
VP--Bryon Rinke
Secretary--Joann Grubb
Membership--Sarah Pratt
Treasurer--Kathy Ethridge

Board Position 1--Donna Chance
Board Position 2--Matt Thompson

Flasks and Compots (Community Pots)

This month the society will explore the beginning stages of the orchid growing process. As you know, orchids are seeded and germinated in the laboratory under sterile conditions. After a period of up to a year or more, the seedlings are unflasked and placed into community pots for their first exposure to the real world. After another period, the larger seedlings go from the compot to their first private pots. While the lab and sterile conditions are a specialized skill, growing from flasks or compots is available to all.....and gives a chance to get LOTS of plants for a small investment.

However, this month, you will get a chance to get lots of plants for NO investment.

The Society has purchased a number of flasks and compots to be unflasked and repotted at the October meeting. Everyone will get a chance to participate in the process and take home some of these babies to love and nurture. There are a wide variety of types to be handled so you can take home the things you know you can grow or be bold and try something new. KOS is providing the plants, pots, a wide variety of potting media and labels. Please bring plastic buckets or some other container for water and potting media, some newspaper to facilitate clean-up, styrofoam 'peanuts' (if you can find some) and your enthusiasm. We are going to make a glorious mess, have a grand time and best of all, go home with lots of orchids!

See you soon.

Sarah Pratt

Upcoming Orchid Shows

Kansas Orchid Society. Oct 31-Nov 2.
Botanica, The Wichita Gardens, 701 N
Amidon St, Wichita, KS 67203

Red River Orchid Society. Nov 7-9.
Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel, 401
Broad St., Wichita Falls, TX

Minutes, September 20, 2008

The meeting was held at the Sedgwick County Extension center. President Mark Sanborn called the meeting to order and welcomed all.

Bryon Rinke made a motion to accept the minutes as printed. Max Thompson seconded the motion and it carried.

Karlene Sanborn reported that plans are complete for the coming show. Items are still needed for the silent auction, proceeds to KOS. There was a signup sheet for bringing food. Questions, concerns, contact Karlene or co-chair Sarah Pratt.

See Bryon Rinke about any Brazil orders or a sale item list he can e-mail. He also reported a thank you letter was received for the contribution toward conservation efforts in Ecuador and opened the door for a possible member trip there if there is sufficient interest.

The program was presented by Karlene Sanborn on "Designing and Setting Up Orchid Exhibits". There were slides of the good, the bad and the ugly and additional information from Max Thompson, Bryon Rinke, Sarah Pratt and others who have participated in shows. There was also practice in filling out entry tags. If you have a plant to enter you can e-mail any of the above members to find out the parentage. Just please do it ahead of time.

Sarah Pratt brought plants that needed new homes. She also suggested that members bring a bucket and a large plastic container to the next meeting for deflasking. That should be fun.

And all members took home a copy of the Show Schedule.

Respectfully submitted by
JoAnne Grubb, Rec. Secretary

Featured Orchid



Angraecum leonis 'Bryon'
AM/AOS

Grown by **Bryon Rinke**, photo by **Karl Siegler**.

This attractive species can be found in the warm forests of the Comoro Islands and Madagascar. The plants have interesting curved leaves which are compressed laterally and overlap at the base of their short stem. Inflorescences may bear several large white flowers with a large lip and a curved spur. Mature plant height 6-10"; warm-intermediate temperatures; nice fragrance.

References:

Alrich, P. & Higgins, W. (2008) *Illustrated Dictionary of Orchid Genera*.

Hillerman, Fred. (1992) *A Culture Manual for Angraecoid Orchid Growers*, (2nd ed.).

Pridgeon, Alec. (1999) *The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Orchids*.

**Great Plains Judging Center
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
September 20, 2008**

1. No Award	Lockhartia oerstedii 'Memoria Berneice Miller' (Species from Costa Rica)	B. Rinke
2. Scored/NA	Cynorchis gibbosa (Species from Madagascar)	B. Rinke
3. AM 80 Pts.	Angraecum leonis 'Bryon' (Species from Madagascar)	B. Rinke
4. Scored/NA	Pleurothallis (Acuminatia) obovata (Species from Argentina)	B. Rinke
5. No Award	Octomeria grandiflora (Species from Ecuador)	B. Rinke
6. HCC 76 Pts.	Restrepia falkenbergii 'Bryon' (Species from Colombia)	B. Rinke
7. No Award	Restrepia mohrii (Species from Peru)	B. Rinke
8. No Award	Paphiopedilum Princess Bianka (Bianka 'Statuesque' x henryanum)	M. Thompson
9. No Award	Vanda (Wirat x Doctor Anek)	K. Siegler
10. No Award	Pecteilis susannae (Species from Malaysia)	D. Lyon
11. No Award	Zygonisia Cynosure 'Blue Boy'(Aganisia cyanea x Zygopetalum Skippy Ku)	S. Pratt

Team 1: Plants 1-5, 10

*Ray Gabaldon
Billie Kramer
Lowell McCabe
Tom Larkin
Maurine Gebetsberger
Gary Blankenbiller (Prob)
Danny Lyon (Prob)
Karlene Sanborn (Student)

Team 2: Plant 6-11, 2, 4

*Mark Stroube
John Kramer
Carolyn McCabe
Bryon K. Rinke
Karl Seigler
Pam Norberg (Prob)
Sarah Pratt (Student)
Matt Thompson (Clerk)

** Max C. Thompson presiding over judging **
** Karl Siegler Photographer **

KOS Fall Orchid Show Agenda

Show Theme:	Ghosts, Goblins, & Orchids
Show Location:	Botanica, The Wichita Gardens 701 N Amidon St Wichita, KS 67203
Plant Registration:	Friday, Oct. 31: 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. (no exceptions)
Show Setup:	Friday, Oct. 31: 9:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.
Judges Breakfast	Saturday, Nov. 1, 7:00 a.m.
Clerk's Meeting & Breakfast	Saturday, Nov. 1, 7:00 a.m.
Judging:	Saturday, Nov. 1, 8:00 a.m.
Show & Sales Hours:	Saturday, Nov. 1, 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2, 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Programs	Saturday and Sunday afternoon (to be announced)
Tear down	Sunday, Nov. 2, 4:00 p.m.

Remember, admission and registration is FREE. It would be great to see all our members exhibit at our show. Use the Registration form on the next page to reserve your exhibit space.

Karlene Sanborn & Sarah Pratt, KOS Show Chairs

AOS CORNER

Local Authors Publish Marie Selby Botanical Gardens *Illustrated Dictionary of Orchid Genera*

A must have for orchid lovers

(September 17, 2008 - Sarasota, FL): Peggy Alrich and Wesley Higgins, PhD co-authors of *The Marie Selby Botanical Gardens Illustrated Dictionary of Orchid Genera* are proud to introduce this extraordinary work of 10 years in the making.

This 512 page full-color dictionary is the most comprehensive collection of orchid genera published to date with more than 3,800 names. The dictionary is an invaluable reference that presents the current status of orchid taxonomy and the history of generic names, making it an important reference for botanists, taxonomists, orchid lovers and horticultural specialists. Easy to read and understand, its color-coded, fact-filled pages are complete with color illustrations or line drawings for each genus.

Each genus description includes the author(s) name and publication name, as well as page number and year of publication. Accepted genera include subfamily, tribe, and subtribe placement. The etymologies have been carefully researched and greatly expanded from other listings. Each entry lists the genus' type species or lectotype, the number of species credited to the genus, and the species distribution. Also included is a brief description of the plants and flowers of the genus. Additionally, the dictionary includes an introductory overview of the orchid family by David Benzing, the well-known epiphyte ecologist.

The appendices include a list of the taxonomists along with their birth/death dates and genera authored, a listing of the standardized publication abbreviations used in literature, and a listing of species illustrations used.

Supplementary Material:

A list of book/periodical abbreviations used in the dictionary

A glossary of technical terms used to describe orchids

The International Code of Botanical Nomenclature (ICBN) rules for naming genera (reprinted with permission)

A list of illustrations by species name

A classification of Orchidaceae that accords with the most recent findings from phylogenetic studies

An index of taxonomic authorities

A list of selected reading on Orchidaceae

The dictionary is now available for purchase at Banyan Treasures and The Garden Shop at Marie Selby Botanical Gardens. You can also order online at www.selby.org.

Call (941)366-571, extension 315 for further information. Marie Selby Botanical Gardens is a respected center for research and education as well as a famous orchid showplace.

Susan Taylor
Orchids Editor, BellaOnline.com



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 presents
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 Oct. 31—Nov. 2
 Botanica, The Wichita Gardens

Exhibit Space Reservation Form

Deadline, October 15, 2008

Exhibit Name: _____
 Contact Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone: _____
 e-Mail: _____

Exhibit Space:	check your choice(s)	✓
Tabletop , 6' x 30" (black backdrop provided) Table cover is exhibitor's responsibility		
Floor (size, 6'x 6') (black backdrop and plastic floor covering provided) Table cover is exhibitor's responsibility		
Free-standing (size, 6' x 6', 1 Round table) Table cover is exhibitor's responsibility		
Free-standing (size, 6' x 6') No table. Plastic floor covering provided		
Electrical outlet needed		
Judge (AOS) I will participate in judging (ribbon/AOS)		
Clerk(ribbon judging) I will participate in ribbon judging		

NOTE: Self-contained, approved water features will be allowed. Lights and extension cords are the responsibility of the exhibitor.

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Treasurer	Kathy Ethridge	316-838-1634
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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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