



Newsletter of the Kansas Orchid Society

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KOS Meeting Schedule

All meetings are held at Botanica at 2:00 pm, on the 3rd Sunday of each month, **unless noted differently.**

May 14: Cuba in 2017: Richard and Elizabeth Vanderlip
June 18: Peter Linn from Diamond Orchids
July 16: Orchid Auction
August 20: KOS picnic location TBA
Sept 17: Bus trip to Bird's Botanicals in Kansas City
October 15; Program TBA
November 4-5 Fall Orchid Show - Botanica
December 3: Christmas dinner and Orchid Bingo, Civitan Club

Editors note: I fairly regularly get copies of other society's newsletters, and will do my best to attach them to forward them on to our members as well.

Newsletter Articles

If you have articles, please send them on or before the 5th of the month to Sarah Pratt at svcsjp@gmail.com

President's Palaver

My how time flies!!! Seems like I just gave Sarah a speech for last month's newsletter. Bryon and I enjoyed having you in Winfield last month and look forward to seeing you at Botanica on May 21. The well-traveled Vanderlips will be giving a talk on their recent trip to Cuba. I imagine I will feel some nostalgia seeing all the old cars I grew up with as a kid. Yes I can remember that far back.

It is also that time of year when we need to think about repotting orchids. Our phals all need to be revived with new potting media. Our dendrobium patch needs to be torn apart and put back together. They sure can get out of hand. In preparation for repotting, we just received 40 bags of Orchinata bark. The phrags we repotted in it seem to thrive better than any previous media. This bark comes from New Zealand. It is very clean compared to what we are used to with the USA produced bark from California. While it is more expensive, it seems to last much longer without breaking down. Time will tell.

Please don't forget that in June, we have Peter Linn from Diamond Orchids in California coming to speak.

Max C. Thompson
President

NEW MEMBERS

New KOS members receive a free orchid plant when they attend their second meeting. Contact Sarah Pratt at svcsjp@gmail.com and she will try to pick out something special for you.

Kansas Orchid Society Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2017

The meeting was held at Southwestern College, Winfield, KS, & called to order by President Max Thompson at 2:06 pm.

No new members or visitors attended.

Minutes: Richard Vanderlip moved to accept the minutes as published in the last newsletter. Nan Porter seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Ethridge was absent so no Treasurer's Report.

New Business:

Oklahoma City orchid show is May 13th & 14th.

The May meeting is scheduled for May 21st, the third Sunday. The Vanderlips will share their Cuba trip.

Peter Linn, Diamond Orchids will present at the June meeting.

Our 2017 Show will be Nov 4th and 5th.

Meeting adjourned 2:14pm.

Respectfully submitted, Wanita Wright, Secretary

Peter Lin from Diamond Orchids is our speaker next month. Visit his website at www.diamondorchids.com. He offers a 10% discount on all plants pre-ordered for society speaking engagements.

The Plant raffle will return this month!!!!
'Opportunities' are \$1.00 each
\$10.00 gets you eleven 'opportunities'

Upcoming Spring Shows:

- **May 13th & 14th**

- Oklahoma Orchid Society, Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Center, 3400 NW 36th. St. OKC

- **June 10 & 11th**

- Arcadian Orchid Society, Lafayette, Louisiana for more information
www.acadianorchidsociety.org

- **July 7, 8 & 9, 2017**

- The Baton Rouge Orchid Society Show And Sale
vcreehan@bellsouth.net

- **August 4 & 5, 2017**

- Houston Orchid Society 38th Annual Summer Workshop
Contact John Stubbings at JDStubbings@comcast.net



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