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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.**

October 21: Show discussion.

Repotting : After all matters pertaining to our upcoming show are discussed, any member is welcome to bring a plant they need to re-pot. Please limit to one plant and bring it's new pot with you. The Society will have potting media available (or you can bring your own) and most excellent assistance to help get your plant into it's new quarters.

November 2 – 4 Fall Show, see page 5 for schedule

December 2 (tentative) Christmas party & Orchid Bingo

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.

President's Palaver

I hope everyone has their orchids bedded down for the winter. Seems like it is a might early this year. We have been running our phalaenopsis on the cool side to stimulate budding. That said, we have a lot of spikes coming on already. I hope everyone is getting their orchids groomed for the show. Make sure you have the flowers staked so they don't interfere with one another. It doesn't look like we will have a lot for the show in November but you never know until the day you start to pull plants to put in. This show will be another table top so you can exhibit one plant or twenty. Your one plant may be the one that wins one of the trophies. We will need help setting up the tables etc. on Friday November 2. If you have time, plan on helping out.

I'll see you all on Sunday.

Max C. Thompson
President

<http://www.kansasorchidsociety.org>

Also visit our Facebook Page

On a personal note: If you would like to recycle your wine corks or packing peanuts, just bring them to any KOS meeting. Sarah Pratt

Kansas Orchid Society

Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2018

The meeting was held at Botanica and called to order by President Max Thompson at 2 pm. Vice President Donna Nelson was accompanied by her son who was visiting

Minutes: Minutes from the August Meeting were published in the Newsletter. Richard Vanderlip moved that minutes be accepted as published, the motion was seconded by Bryon Rinke and the motion passed by voice vote of the membership present.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Ethridge discussed our current financial position and filed the Treasurer's Report for audit.

Committee Chair Reports:

Garden Council, Kathy Ethridge: General discussion of current activities of the Garden Council

Bryon Rinke: Great Plains Judging Center Report. See page #5

Announcements

- SWROGA Fall Members Meeting is September 21-22 in Shreveport.
- The KC Mid America meeting is October 27-28. They have a large orchid show with vendors from almost everywhere, including overseas. Ecuagenera Orchids from Ecuador will be there and will bring plants you may want if you pre-order. See their web site.
- Bryon Rinke reminded members that a 2019 late spring/early summer trip to Ecuador is still in the works and anyone interested needs to keep this in mind. More information forthcoming.

New Business

- A proposal was made to donate \$500.00 to Botanica to support the refurbishment of the Joyland Carousel. After discussion, a motion to do so was made by Sarah Pratt, seconded by Nan Porter and passed by voice vote of the members. Kathy Ethridge, as treasurer is directed to make this donation in the name of the Kansas Orchid Society.
- Posters for the Fall Show have been printed and were available to distribution to various garden centers around town. Members were encouraged to pick up a packet and get the news out.
- An article about our show is being published in 'Active Aging'.

Meeting adjourned 2:20.

Program: Guest Speaker Gary Meyer: *Dracuphilia, a Gothic Tale*. A most interesting and informative talk on a most fascinating group of orchids.

Followed by refreshments, Show and Tell and plant raffle.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Pratt, filling in for Wanita Wright, Secretary

Newsletter Articles

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

Upcoming AOS Webinars

Go to www.aos.org to register



Greenhouse Chat (Open to all)

Ron McHatton, Thursday, October 18, 2018
Join Dr. Ron McHatton, AOS Chief Science Officer, as he answers your questions about all things orchids. Please send your questions to Sandra Svoboda at greenhousechat@aos.org by October 15th. Please include pictures.

Great Plains Judging Center: September judging

Bryon Rinke impressed the judges with his beautiful *Habenaria*; garnering two flower quality awards and a Certificate of Cultural Merit.



Habenaria dentata 'M & B' HCC 78 pts.

Seven concolor white flowers and ten buds on one 38-cm, erect inflorescence; dorsal sepal hooded; lateral sepals flat, unevenly elliptical, oblique attachment; petals enclosed within dorsal sepal; lip obdeltoid, trilobed, midlobe linear with longitudinal ridge, sidelobes dentate apically, 4.2-cm spur green distal three-fourths; reproductive parts complex; ovary green, ridged longitudinally, 0.3cm wide by 2.5cm long; substance light; texture matte.



Habenaria medusae 'Bryon Rinke' AM 84 pts

One hundred thirty-six flowers and 40 buds well arranged and displayed on eight upright inflorescences up to 61cm; dorsal sepal and petals green; dorsal sepal hooded; lateral sepals white, blushed green, rolled anteriorly; petals enveloped underneath dorsal sepal; lip white, trilobed, spreading lateral lobes divided into nearly linear fringe-like lobules, midlobe linear, brown basally; spur 0.2cm wide by 4.0cm long, white proximal two-thirds, green distal one-third; complex reproductive parts white, spotted brown on superior and inferior tips; ovary 0.3cm wide by 3.2cm long, green, ribbed longitudinally; substance delicate; texture glossy, side lobes matte; species from Borneo; grower also received a CCM,



AOS Corner

Dillon-Peterson Essay Contest Deadline is November 30, 2018!

Time to sharpen up those pencils and put on your thinking caps! The deadline is fast approaching for the annual Gordon W. Dillon - Richard C. Peterson Memorial Essay Contest. Don't wait until the last minute. The contest is open to all persons except employees of the American Orchid Society and their immediate families. **You do not need to be an AOS member.**

The winner receives a cash prize and a certificate suitable for framing. The contest was established in 1985 by the AOS Northeast Judging Center to honor the memory of two former editors of the AOS Bulletin (now Orchids). Gordon Dillon served as editor from 1943 through 1968 and again from 1970 through 1973. Richard Peterson's name first appeared on the masthead of the AOS Bulletin in April 1971 as associate editor. In 1973, he was named editor and, upon Dillon's retirement in 1977, he became the executive director, retaining his position of editor through 1984.

The theme for 2018 is: **Bells and Whistles: Ingenuity and the Orchid Grower.**

Orchid growers are famous for devising ways to accommodate their charges on the windowsill, under lights and in the greenhouse. Maintaining tropical plants in a desert climate, cool-growing plants in a tropical climate or warm-growing plants in subarctic conditions all demand ingenuity that you can share with readers of the *ORCHIDS* magazine .

The winning entry (if any) will be published in the June 2019 issue of *ORCHIDS* at the discretion of the editor. The winner of the prize will receive a cash award supported by the dividends and interest on an endowment from the Northeast Judging Region.

CONTEST RULES

- The essay must be an original, unpublished article.
- The contest is open to all persons except employees of the American Orchid Society and their immediate families.
- Submissions must be no more than 5,000 words.
- Manuscripts must be submitted in English and should be submitted electronically as MS Word or compatible word processor file.
- Submissions will be judged without knowledge of the identity of the author. The decision of the judges is final. If no entries meet the expected criteria of excellence, the award will be withheld.
- Artwork is not necessary for entering this competition.

Nonwinning entries will be returned to the contestant if requested. Such entries are eligible for resubmission in subsequent contests. These nonwinning entries will also be considered for publication by the editor of *ORCHIDS* and may be used in *ORCHIDS* or other AOS publications with the written permission of the author. Published entries will not be eligible for consideration in subsequent contests.

Submit all entries to the Dillon/Peterson Memorial Essay Prize:

Ron McHatton

American Orchid Society at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden

PO Box 565477

Miami, FL 33256

Email: rmchatton@aos.org

There will be raffle plants this month: Opportunities can be purchased for \$1.00 each or 11 for \$10.00



Kansas Orchid Society

Fall Tabletop Show Schedule of Activities

Friday, November 2

Plant Registration: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (no exceptions)

Show Setup: 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

Saturday, November 3

7:00 am : Judges Breakfast

8:00 am: Ribbon Judging With AOS Judging To Follow

10:00 am – 4:00 pm: Show Open To Public

Sunday, November 4

10:00 am to 4:00 pm: Show Open To Public

4:00 pm: Tear Down and Clean Up

To All Members: We will need volunteers for

- Setup and transportation of sale plants to show
- KOS Sales table
- Volunteers for clerking
- Hospitality (food donations)
- Membership Table (meet and greet)

Multiple sign up sheets will be available at upcoming meeting. Help make our show a success!!

Please check out the article in the October issue of The Active Age newspaper featuring *Garden ideas for Fall and Beyond*. The article is on page 16. If you don't receive this newspaper, go to their website, theactiveage.com to read the article by Janice Sroufe who is a Sedgwick County Master Gardener.

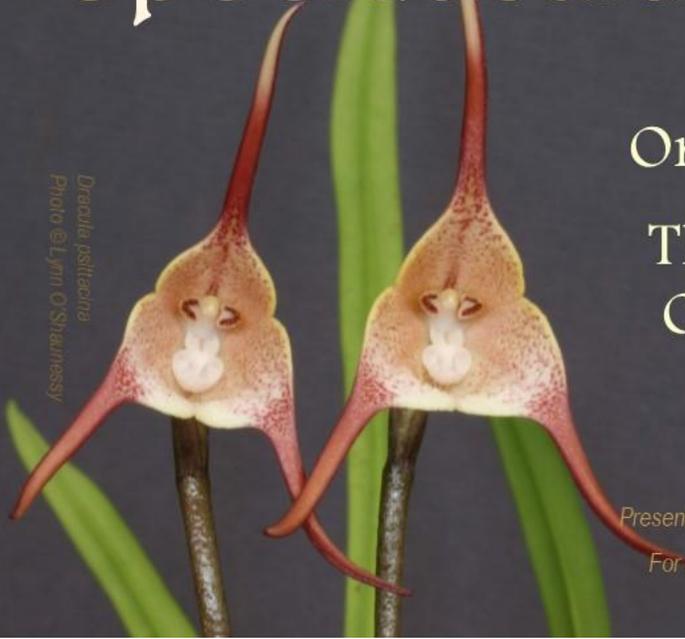
Spooktacular Orchids

Kansas City Orchid Expo & Sale and The Mid-America Orchid Congress

October 26-28, 2018
Hilton Garden Inn
Independence, MO

Presented by The Orchid Society of Greater Kansas City
For more information visit www.kcorchidshow.org

Dracula pastilacea
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Hilton Garden Inn
19677 East Jackson Drive
Independence, MO 64057

No tricks, only treats!

- ◆ Orchid Show Preview Costume Party
- ◆ Banquet catered by **The Hereford House**, Kansas City's quintessential steakhouse since 1957
- ◆ Tour **Bird's Botanicals**, "The Orchid Cave"
Friday 2-3 PM, Saturday 1-2 PM or 3-4 PM

Speakers

Roy Tokunaga

H & R Nurseries, Waimanalo, HI

- ◆ **Flower Boosters**, including culture and nutrition guidelines

Gary Meyer, Ph.D.

Colombian Orchid Imports, San Francisco, CA

- ◆ **Dracuphilia: A Gothic Romance**
- ◆ **Gods and Monsters**, mythology behind names for Dracula species

Larry Zettler, Ph.D.

Illinois College, Jacksonville, IL

- ◆ **The Ghost Orchid Demystified**

For more information visit www.kcorchidshow.org

Hotel Reservations
816-350-3000 / www.hiltongardeninn.com
OSGKC room rate is \$105 + tax



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