



Newsletter of the Kansas Orchid Society

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KOS Meeting Schedule

All meetings are held at Botanica in the Lotus Room Green Growers topics start at 1:30 and the business meeting at 2:00 pm, on the 3rd Sunday of each month **unless noted differently.**

Presentations

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May 19: Orchid Auction

June 16: KOS Picnic hosted by the Ethridges
July 21: Ecuador trip - Bryon Rinke
Aug 18: TBA
Sept 15: TBA
Oct 20: TBA
Nov 1 – 3: (Tentative) Fall Show
Dec. 8th Christmas party and Orchid Bingo @ Haysville Senior Center

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 this finds all well, warm, and dry. I'm sure we're all ready for the rain to end. Hopefully no one had to endure flooded homes. I was able to get a new roof, which I needed, because of hail. Somehow the greenhouse escaped damage, however the shade cloth has a few holes.

On a brighter note: get ready for the annual orchid auction this month. Please bring any orchids you would like to recycle or donate to the cause.

Thank you to Max and Bryon for hosting last month. Their greenhouses did not disappoint nor did their refreshments.

Have you been on our facebook page this month? Please post pictures of your orchids or comment on others.

If you have a suggestion for a program please let Greg know.

Looking forward to seeing everyone the 19th.

President, Donna Nelson

Green Growers Topics: May 19th @ 1:30
How to talk Orchid: Some basic
pronunciation and hints on how to
sound like an expert!!!

Kansas Orchid Society

Minutes

April 2019

The meeting was held at Southwestern College, Winfield, KS, & called to order by President Donna Nelson at 2 pm.

Two guests, Swadma & Brian joined us.

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

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Ethridge discussed our current financial position and filed the Treasurer's Report for audit. Net profit on our booth at the Outdoor Living Show was approximately \$1100.

Committee Chair Reports:

- Membership & GPJC, Max Thompson: no report.
- Garden Council, Kathy Ethridge, Botanica is hosting our auction May 19th.
- GPJC/JC meeting, Bryon Rinke: Tulsa Orchid Show showed 160 plants, 13 were pulled for judging; 4 were awarded. Great Plains judged 8 plants, 4 were awarded.

Old Business

- We discussed hosting the SWROGA orchid show April 12, 2020, Easter weekend at the Extension Service. Wanita Wright made a motion to host SWOGA next April. Susan Tompkins seconded the motion. We voted unanimously to host SWOGA next Spring.
- Susie Sutton discussed the Facebook site and asked that we all become members of the KOS site. She asked that we post pictures frequently (monthly at least) as new postings are the stuff that creates interest.
- Greg Tompkins stated that the web site should be up-to-date and asked that we look at the KOS web site and send him any information that can be added/corrected.

Meeting adjourned 2:20pm.

Program: Brian Rinke presented "Leptotes Species & Hybrids", followed by refreshments, and Show & Tell.

Respectfully submitted,
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

A message from Sussie Sutton, our Facebook Editor

Have you joined our Facebook page? If you're on Facebook and haven't, please join us, Kansas Orchid Society. You can view and even reply to posts without joining, but to post comments or share pictures of your beautiful flowers, you need to join (sorry, just a FB thing about groups); but just click on Join and I'll approve within a day or so and then you're on. For those who have joined, I need your help; we need more activity. A stagnant FB page doesn't evoke excitement and it won't have repeat visitors.

I have a request for the rest of the year - Would those who have already joined pick one week a month and sometime during that week find something to post on the KOS FB page? For those who have not joined, but are on FB, would you please join and do the same? Also, as you see activity increase please invite friends who enjoy orchids and orchid people from other areas. The FB page is one-way people may learn about our group and if they see an active, interesting page it may encourage them to come visit us in person.

Upcoming Webinars by the American Orchid Society:

It's easy to find the scheduled webinars and to register on the AOS website. You'll find the link under the All About Orchids tab. If you check there, you will find any webinars that have been scheduled.

How to Grow Habenarias with Jim Heilig, PhD

Thursday, April 18th, 2019 @ 8:30-9:30 EDT

Members only

Join Jim Heilig, PhD, AOS Accredited Judge, and a specialist in growing tricky Habenarias. Learn how to be successful in growing these beautiful orchids as Jim discusses how to culture these exotic deciduous terrestrials.

Register now using this link:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5601506362333121795>

WHAT ARE WEBINARS? Webinars are an Internet conference where you can hear the speaker and view his presentation, ask questions, and hear interactions from other members of the audience. You can join either on your computer or by phone. You can join from anywhere, via your Mac, PC or even your mobile device. Audio is included, so attendees can phone in or use VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol). You will need a microphone for your computer to use VoIP.

WANT TO LEARN, BUT CAN'T MAKE THE DATE? The live webinars will be recorded and posted on the AOS website, where you will find a link allowing you to view the webinars at your convenience.

The American Orchid Society Guide to Orchids and their Culture

By Mary E. Gerritson and Ron Parsons

50 % DISCOUNT for 90 DAYS on BULK PURCHASE

This 245- page book, beautifully illustrated with over 450 color photographs, covers a myriad of topics on orchid culture. Topics include specific information on popular orchid groups, repotting, orchid mounting, growing orchids semi-hydroponically, as well as a section on common orchid pests and diseases.

For the next 90 days only, we will be offering a 50% discount off the \$24.95 retail price on bulk purchases of one or more sealed boxes, which contain 24 books each.

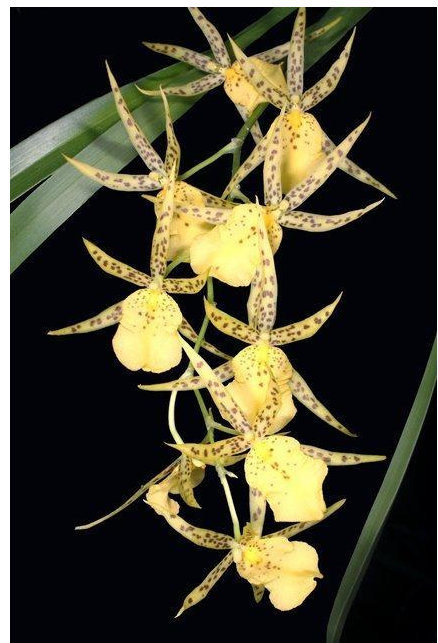
The book can be purchased individually online at the AOS web store or in bulk by calling AOS offices at (305) 740-2010. (Staff is available from 9:00AM to 5:30PM EDT, Monday through Friday.)

Editors note: Let's discuss a volume buy during May's upcoming meeting.



Howeara Lava Burst

Rumor has it that these orchids may be on the auction table.



Brassidium Nittany Gold

Awards from Tulsa and Oklahoma Shows



Sarcocylus Kulnura Whomping 'Bryon'
HCC 78 pts.
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke



Pleurothallis (Acronia) gargantua
'Timbucktoo'
AM 86 pts.
Exhibitor: Sarah Pratt

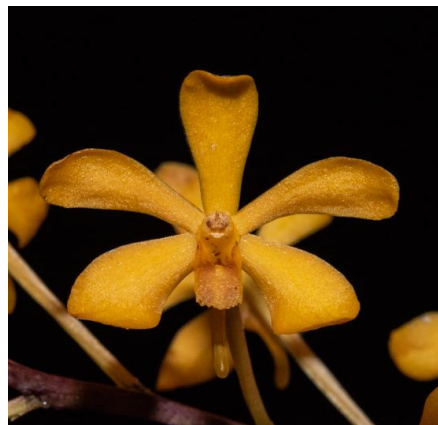
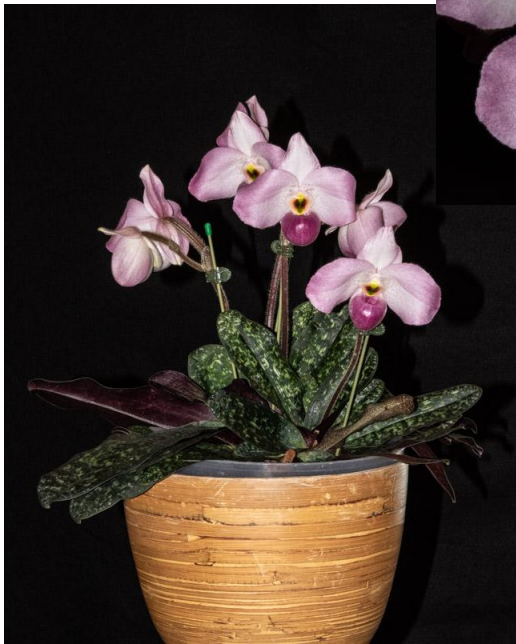


Phalaenopsis Lioulin Sparrow 'Taida Little Panda'
HCC 77 pts.
Exhibitor: Jay Simon

Maxthompsonara Bryon Rinke 'Bryon & Max'
AM 80 pts.
Exhibitors: Bryon Rinke and Max Thompson



Paphiopedilum Ho Chi Minh 'Jana Butcher' AM 83 pts, CCE
90 pts.
Exhibitor: Jana Butcher



Vanda Alan Ashe Patterson 'Pottsy's Dink Dink' HCC 76pts.
Exhibitor: Ray and Annette Potts

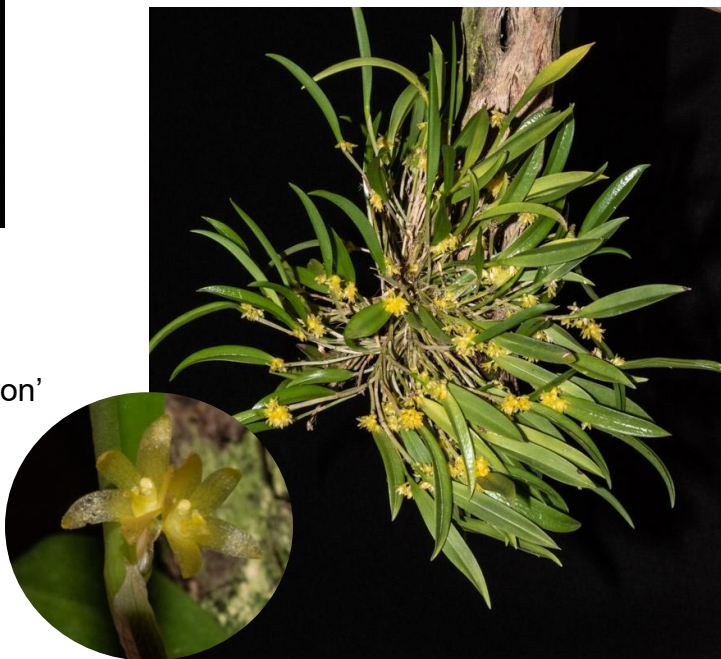


Paphiopedilum Red in Flight
'Reyna's Spring Wings' HCC 77 pts.
Exhibitor: Sarah Waddops



Bulbophyllum taiwanense 'Bryon' AM 80 pts.
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke

Octomeria micrantha 'Bryon'
CCM 85 pts., AM 81 pts.
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke



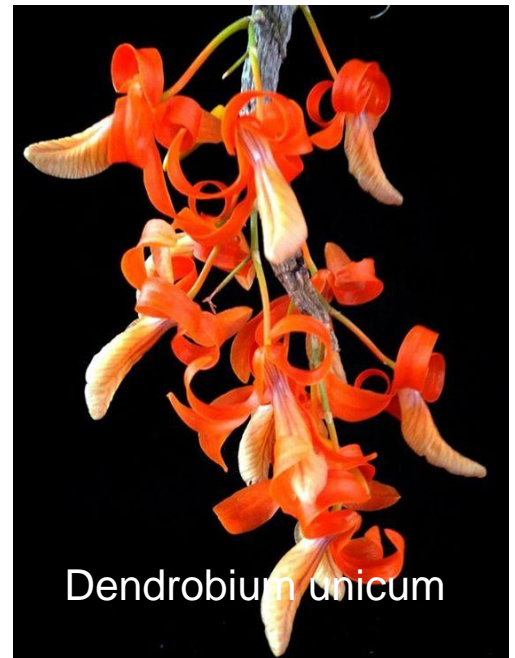
Come prepared for some fun!!!

Annual auction: All plant donations for the auction gratefully accepted, but please do your best to be sure they are pest free!!

Always a great selection of plants for members (and guests) to bid upon.



Miltoniopsis Bert Fields



Dendrobium unicum



Onc. Space Race

A preview of a few of the plants that will be on the auction block to go home with a lucky bidder.



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