



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.**

January 20: 1:30 Board Meeting. All board members to attend!!

Jan 20: All about Orchid, Greg Tompkins

Feb 17: TBA

Mar 17: TBA

April 21: Southwestern College Greenhouse visit

May 19: Orchid Auction

June 16: KOS Picnic hosted by Ethridges

July 21: Ecuador trip - Bryon Rinke

Aug 18: TBA

Sept 15: TBA

Oct 20: TBA

Nov 1 – 3 (Tentative) Fall Show

Dec: 1 (Tentative) Christmas party and Orchid Bingo

President's Palaver

Happy January! Orchid bingo has come and gone and no one was injured. We'll have to wait another long year to play again. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your president for the next two years. Vice-President Greg (Susan) has a great list of programs with a few months available. Let us know your interests.

The holidays are over and time to enjoy my tropical greenhouse full of orchids. Dreams do come true! The Phalaenopsis are in full spike, starting to burst. I have been enjoying my fragrant Cattleyas and prized Angraecum, commonly known as the comet orchid. This is the first year the long spurs haven't dried up as soon as they appeared. I think it's called better watering.

Plan ahead to participate in the Outdoor Living and Landscape Show at Century II, March 1-3. I told the chairperson we would have a display and sale table again and hope I don't have to work the whole show by myself! The Kansas Orchid Society is always better with everyone's suggestions and participation.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone January 20th. Come with suggestions for programs, a snack to share, and anything else you would like to see and make happen.

There will be a board meeting at 1:30 before the meeting.

Donna Nelson, 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.

Newsletter Articles

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

Kansas Orchid Society

Minutes, December 2018

The meeting was held at the Senior Center, Haysville, KS, & called to order by President Max Thompson at 1 pm. No guests or new members attended.

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

Treasurer's Report Not reported at this meeting.

Election of Board Members for 2019.

Nominations presented at the November meeting are:

President:	Donna Nelson:	Board of Directors (2019 thru 2021)
V. President:	Greg Tompkins	Pam Kontowicz
Secretary:	Kathy Ethridge	Nan Porter
Treasurer:	Wanita Wright	

As no additional nominations were made from the floor, Bryon Rinke made a motion we accept nominations as presented and Richard Vanderlip seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Announcements

Trip to Ecuador is planned tentatively for May 23, 2019 to June 3, 2019. Flight costs will run approximately \$1200 for a 9hour flight vs a 17 hr flight at less \$'s. Tour costs are estimated at \$2500 for doubles and \$2100 for a single.

Meeting adjourned 1:06 pm

Program: Christmas dinner and Orchid Bingo! Everyone went home with two orchids – hopefully those they originally chose! There was definitely lots of trading and great fun!

Respectfully submitted, Wanita Wright, Secretary

KOS Officers, 2019

President, Donna Nelson 785-227-5192
Vice President, Greg Tompkins 316-283-1265
Treasurer, Kathy Ethridge 316-838-1634
Secretary, Wanita Wright 316-733-6626
Past President, Max Thompson 620-221-1856

KOS Board of Directors

Roberta (Bobbi) Johnson (end of term 2020)
Bryon Rinke (end of term 2020)
Pam Kontowicz (end of term 2021)
Nan Porter (end of term 2021)
Susan Tompkins (end of term 2019)
Susie Sutton (end of term 2019)

Committee Chairpersons & Representatives

Finance, Kathy Ethridge
Program, Greg Tompkins
Nominations, Sarah Pratt
Hospitality, Rose Meals & Elsie Dalziel
Publicity, Kathy Ethridge
Membership, Max Thompson
Show Chairman, Sarah Pratt
Native Orchids & Conservation, Ron Haselhuhn
KOS Garden Council Rep, Kathy Ethridge
SWROGA Representatives, Mark & Karlene Sanborn
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Membership Renewal Time

KOS membership is based on the calendar year (January—December). The exception would be for new members who sign up during the Fall Show 2017—their membership would cover through December 2019.

Membership entitles you to the monthly KOS Newsletter which keeps you informed of Society activities and other “orchid related” news. Renew now to ensure that you do not miss anything.
Max Thompson, Membership Chair

KOS Membership Renewal Form 2019

Renewal ___ New Membership ___ Information Update ___

Name _____

Spouse/Significant Other Name _____

Address _____

State/Zip code _____

Phone Number (____) _____

E-mail: (must have this to send newsletter!) _____

Individual Membership **\$15.00 per calendar year**

Family Membership **\$20.00 per calendar year**

Life Membership **\$200.00**

I grow my orchids: On the windowsill ___ Under Lights ___ In a greenhouse ___

I am a member of the American Orchid Society ___ Yes ___ No

I heard about the KOS from _____

Make Checks payable to the **Kansas Orchid Society** and send to:

Max Thompson

KOS Membership Chair

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Upcoming Spring Shows (to help you plan your weekends!)

•Feb 2-3: [St. Louis Orchid Society](#)

•At the Missouri Botanical Gardens

•Mar 1-3 [Orchid Society of the Ozarks](#)

•At the Botanical Garden of the Ozarks

•March 23-24 [Omaha Orchid Society](#)

•At the Lauritzen Gardens

American Orchid Society: Greenhouse Chat with Dr. Ron McHatton
Tuesday, January 29th, 2018 @ 8:30 PM – 9:30 PM EST *Open to all*

Please join Dr. Ron McHatton, AOS Chief Science Officer, as he answers your questions about all things orchid. He will discuss a variety of topics on orchid culture based on questions submitted by attendees. Please send your questions and pictures to Sandra Svoboda at greenhousechat@aos.org by Tuesday, January 22nd. Remember to include pictures.

Register now using this link:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8715770793699735042>

Note: After registering, you will receive a confirmation e-mail containing information about joining the seminar.

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.

Orchid of the Month: Coelodgyne cristata

This epiphytic orchid comes from cool, moist areas of the eastern Himalayas and Vietnam. It blooms every spring, before the snow begins to melt.

Five to eight large showy flowers of 3 – 5 inches usually open simultaneously on each inflorescence. and can last up to 4 – 5 weeks if kept dry and cool. The flowers are snow white with a crystalline texture, wavy margins, and reflexed tips. The lip is decorated with 4 – 5 yellow keels and golden yellow blotches. Although no longer popular, the flowers were once used extensively in the cut-flower market. Mine is in bloom as we speak, and if weather permits, may make an appearance at this month's meeting. SJPratt





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