



# 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each  
month, **unless noted differently.**

**December 8:** Christmas Party &  
Orchid Bingo, Senior Center, 160  
Karla, Haysville, Kansas  
**We eat at 1:00!!!!**

### 2019 Meetings

Jan. 19: AOS Webinar: How to Grow  
Bulbophyllums  
Feb. 16: TBA  
March 15: Viurses and virus testing  
April 19: Greenhouse Tour Southwestern  
College, Winfield  
May 17: Orchid Auction  
June 21: KOS Picnic  
July 21: TBA  
August 18: TBA  
Sept. 20: *Plants we have grown and  
Killed*, Richard and Elizabeth Vanderlip  
(tentative)  
Oct 18: TBA  
Nov. TBA  
Dec - Christmas Dinner and Orchid Bingo

## President's Palaver

Are you ready for some bingo? It's that time of year again. I hope everyone had a thankful Thanksgiving and ready to start the Christmas holidays. My phalaenopsis and cattleyas are starting to spike and bloom. There hasn't been much in bloom so I'm excited for the new season. I hope everyone has a few blooming orchids to get them through these gloomy days.

On a sad note, two of our members passed away recently, JoAnne Grubb who was a long time life member and Dorothy Peterson from Lindsborg who used to come with me. We will miss them both.

I'm looking forward to seeing everybody in Haysville at the Christmas party and orchid bingo.

See you soon,  
Donna Nelson, president

## Please Welcome these new members

- Judith Anderson (and husband)
- Steve DeLong
- Kimberly and Tom Harris
- Leslie Cain
- Tram Gleason
- Lareina Waldorf

<http://www.kansasorchidsociety.org>

Also visit our Facebook Page



Time to Party!!!!

# Kansas Orchid Society Christmas Party And Orchid Bingo

When: We will eat @ 1:00 pm

Where: Haysville Senior Center, 160 Karla, Haysville, Kansas. Good maps found @google maps

What to bring: Turkey will be provided.....please bring a side dish of some sort; appetizer, salad, dessert, casserole, etc. Wine is allowed so BYOB if desired.

Entertainment: Orchid Bingo. Be prepared for fun and frolicking!

# Kansas Orchid Society

## Meeting Minutes

### October 20, 2019

The meeting was held at Botanica, & called to order by President Donna Nelson at 2 pm.  
Two new members attended – Tram Gleason & Steve DeLong.

**Minutes:** Max Thompson moved to accept the minutes as published in the last newsletter. Nan Porter 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.

#### **Committee Chair Reports:**

- Garden Council, Kathy Ethridge—Botanica is in process of deciding a place in the Chinese garden suitable for the Norman Worminski statue. Pat McKernan planted 6000 mums, 12,000 pansies.
- GPJC/JC meeting, Bryon Rinke: -- Great Plains skipped the usual judging in Oct; plants were judged at the November orchid show.

#### **Old Business**

- The Kansas Orchid Show is November 2 & 3<sup>rd</sup>. Max Thompson made a motion to make a \$500 donation to Botanica for use of the Garden Room for the orchid show weekend. Richard Vanderlip seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- The Extension Office has agreed to provide space for the SWROGA 2012 event, if SWROGA agrees to have their annual event in Wichita.

#### **New Business**

The Christmas party will be at the Haysville Senior Center, 160 East Karla Ave, Haysville. We are allowed to bring wine to accompany the dinner, if desired. We will eat promptly at 1 pm.

Meeting adjourned 2:30 pm.

Program: SWOGA video was shown, followed by "Ask the Experts", Refreshments, Show & Tell, and Plant Raffle.

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](mailto:svcsjp@gmail.com)**



# In Memorium: JoAnn Grubb

JoAnne Grubb (Dalke) passed away on November 4, 2019 at the age of 81 after Living Strong and fighting the good fight against cancer. She was born in El Dorado, KS to George and Marguerite (Meyer) Dallke. She graduated from West High School in Wichita and went on to attend Wichita State University where she played clarinet. She leaves behind two daughters, Cheryl Cortez and Kira Shunatona and 5 grandchildren. She lived in Kingman, KS for several years where she worked at the Exxon Plant. She was a tough cookie keeping up with mostly male co-workers and moving heavy bales of twine around. When that became too much, she began her final career focus by working in banking, where she retired from Intrust Bank in Wichita. It was during this time she was able to finally buy her 1st home all on her own and enjoy her hobbies. She always had a green thumb, so much so, she was the Secretary of the Kansas Orchid Society for many years and an avid grower for over 20 years. She was awarded the Orchid Digest Diamond Award of Excellence, for which she was quite proud. She handmade clothing, Halloween costumes, kid's blankets and stuffed friends, and hosted every Easter egg decorating party since her grandchildren were born. She has "crochet cronies" she cared a lot about, as well as belonging to The Crochet Guild and a prayer shawl group. She was always a strong, active person who loved nature. She participated in the Livestrong at the YMCA program where she remained an active alumni member. She contributed more than she realized.

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While we may talk about people being a diamond in the rough, Jo Anne was a well-polished diamond with many facets. She served as Secretary for many years and then as the social person who made sure we were all well-fed at each meeting. She did this for several years until she was no longer able to do it for health reasons. She faithfully attended meetings and when she was no longer able to, the society made her an honorary member so she would continue to receive information on the society which she dearly loved. Her passion was Paphiopedilums and she never saw one she didn't like.

All societies should have someone so dedicated.

Max

JoAnne was secretary of KOS when I started keeping records in 2005. She left that post at the end of 2012. She was always active volunteering for different club activities in other ways until she became ill. JoAnne loved Paphiopedilums. She would say that a slipper was a Maudiae type or a Henryanum type or a Rothschildianum type. I wished that I had her knowledge. When she retired from Intrust Bank, she received Paph. Magic Lantern. She was so proud of that plant. The club awarded JoAnne the coveted Orchid Digest Diamond Award of Excellence in 2012. We will miss her.

Kathy Ethridge

One of the kindest souls I have been privileged to know.. Sarah Pratt



# Thanks to everyone for a great Fall Show and Sale!!

- ❖ Publicity did a great job of promotion, attendance was extremely good
- ❖ About a hundred plants were entered for the judges consideration
- ❖ We obtained a number of new members
- ❖ The sales table was very full (and well manned), sales were great and many plants found new homes

**I hope everyone had a bit of fun with the 'Ugly Orchid' class**

We actually have two winners.

- On the left: non-registered hybrid = Lc. Minerva x C. leopoldii 'Summer Voodoo' grown by Sarah Pratt and awarded by votes of the judges and clerks
- On the right: Myoxanthus congestus 'Bryon' HCC/AOS grown by Bryon Rinke and awarded by vote of the general public



However, if you want to see some really great pictures of the show, our KOS member Don McClane is quite the photographer. Use the link below to see some of his really, really nice photos.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/tancos/>



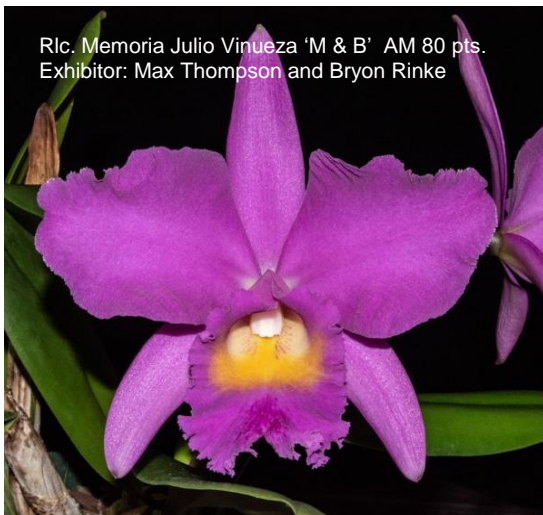
# The Star of the Show

**CCE 93 pts**

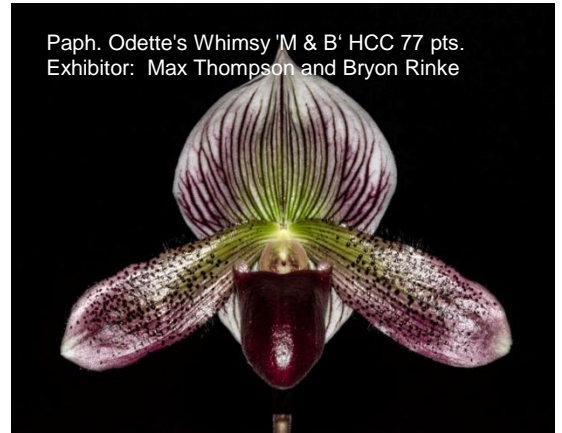
**Aerides Punchinello 'Sierra' AM  
81 Pts**

**Exhibitor: Max Thompson**

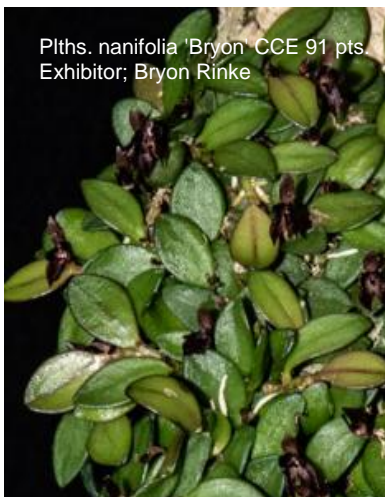
Seven hundred nine flowers and 202 buds on 29 gracefully arched, pendant inflorescences averaging 43cm; extremely large, vigorous, well grown plant 120cm wide and 135cm tall grown on a 20-cm wooden basket; sepals and petals slightly cupped, white, apically shaded fuchsia; lip white, parallel to column, midlobe spotted fuchsia, coalesced solid fuchsia proximally, prominent 0.8-cm by 1.6-cm nectary green; column white dusted pink, anther cap cream-color; substance heavy; texture crystalline; fragrance noted.



Rlc. Memoria Julio Vinuesa 'M & B' AM 80 pts.  
Exhibitor: Max Thompson and Bryon Rinke



Paph. Odette's Whimsy 'M & B' HCC 77 pts.  
Exhibitor: Max Thompson and Bryon Rinke



Plths. nanifolia 'Bryon' CCE 91 pts.  
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke



Phal Forever Young 'M & B' HCC 77 pts.  
Exhibitor: Max Thompson and Bryon Rinke



Cattleya Bryon Rinke 'SVO Yellow Star'  
HCC 76, CCM 83 pts.  
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke

# Membership Renewal Time

Please note that we have a new membership chairman. Ruth Wilson has graciously volunteered to take over from Max. She requests that ALL members completely fill out a form to accompany their 2020 dues and take special care that the e-mail is readable and accurate.

KOS membership is based on the calendar year (January—December). The exception would be for new members who signed up during the last quarter (October, November and December) of 2019. That membership would cover through December 2020.

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.

## KOS Membership Renewal Form 2020

Renewal \_\_\_\_ New Membership \_\_\_\_ Information Update \_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Significant Other Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail: (must have this to send newsletter!)** \_\_\_\_\_

Many of our members have requested that they have access to our membership list. If you DO NOT wish any of your personal information made available to the general KOS membership, please OPT OUT at this time.

☐

No, I do not wish to share the following information \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Membership **\$15.00 per calendar year**      Family Membership **\$20.00 per calendar year**  
Life Membership **\$200.00**

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:

**Ruth Wilson**

**KOS Membership Chair**

**10003 S. Hertzler Rd.**

**Sedgwick, Kansas 67135**

**Also: please note that all new members are invited to the Xmas Party and Orchid Bingo.....a great way to meet with and get to know your fellow members!**





Yes, yes, I know this is not an orchid (it is actually a euphorbia).

However, it is Christmas and Max Thompson always brings in a whole bunch of poinsettias (in red and other colors) for Southwestern College. And once they are sold, the orchids can go back on the benches! (Or at least until it is bedding plant time.) These are available to KOS members at the following prices.

4.5" pots \$5.50  
6.5" pots \$13.00  
8" pots \$25.00  
10" pots \$30.00

He will bring any plants you wish to the Xmas party, but you **MUST** e-mail him with your order. [maxt@cox.net](mailto:maxt@cox.net)





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