



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.**

**September 18: KOS
Picnic @ the Pratt
residence/greenhouse
We will eat @1:00 pm**

Oct 16: Fall Show preparation
Oct 29: Fall Show and Sale
Dec 4: Christmas dinner & Orchid Bingo
Hayesville 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'd like to thank Bryon for last month's program on *Cattleya cernua*. Great program about an orchid that has been hybridized so many different ways. Gives us all lots of possibilities for things to try in the future. So many different orchids for all of us to try to grow and for most of us so little space to grow them in. After a program like Bryon gave us I want to try them all.

This month is the picnic at Sarah's. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone, plus the great food everyone brings and her wonderful greenhouse full of orchids to tempt us all. It's been hot lately but the meeting being later in September should make great outdoor picnic weather. See you all on the 21st .

Greg Tompkins, President

Kansas Orchid Society Meeting Minutes August 21, 2022

The meeting was called to order at Botanica by President Greg Tompkins at 2:00 pm.

No guests or new members attended.

Minutes: Max Thompson moved to accept the minutes as published in the last newsletter. Bryon Rink seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Ethridge presented the Treasurer's Report which was filed for audit. Committee Chair Reports:

Garden Council, Kathy Ethridge:

- Marty Miller is retiring on August 26 after 15 years at Botanica.
- The Norman Warminski memorial statue donated several years ago will be placed in the Chinese Garden.
- Botanica events include Steve Trevino, Blooms, Brews & Bloody Marys, World Cleanup Day,
- Symphony on the Grand Lawn. Check Botanica Website for details.
- The John C. Pair Horticultural Center held its first Open House in many years and it was well attended.
- Wichita Public Library is holding gardening classes Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Great Plains Judging Center, Bryon Rinke:

August judging had 12 plants presented for judging and six were awarded. Judges from other areas took part using Zoom and it was very successful. If any members would like to become an AOS judge please let Max know. Visitors are always welcome at judging.

Old Business

- The date of our fall show will be Saturday, October 29 with set-up on Friday October 28
- September meeting will be our picnic at Sarah Pratt's residence. Greenhouse opens at 12:00 and meal at 1:00. Please bring a side dish, meat (ham and brisket) will be provided.

Program

Bryon Rinke presented our program "Cattleya cernua, the Species and the Hybrids"
It was followed by refreshments, show and tell and the plant raffle.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Tompkins, 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**



Bulbophyllum Bechinolina 'My Oh Mea' HCC 78 pts.
Exhibitors: Max Thompson and Bryon Rinke



Agrostophyllum planicaule
'Bryon' CBR
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke



Trichocentrum Comete
'Bryon' AM 83 pts
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke



Pectabeneria
Western Tanager 'A' HCC 79
Exhibitors: Max Thompson
and Bryon Rinke



Bulbophyllum Walnut Valley Star
'Max & Bryon' AM 84
Exhibitors: Max Thompson
and Bryon Rinke



Paphiopedilum Laura's Sixtieth
'Slipper Zone Wayne' AM 82
Exhibitor: Graham Wood, Lehua Orchids



KOS Summer Picnic

Hosted by Sarah Pratt
10003 S. Hertzler R.
Sedgwick, Kansas 67135

Sunday, September 18 @1:00 pm

The meat will be provided by the KOS (Brisket and Ham) as well as plates, lots of napkins, silverware and cups. Ice tea, coffee and cold water will be available, if you want to drink soda or pop, BYO.

Please bring a salad, vegetable or side dish of your choice to share, **as well as lawn chairs** (unless you want to sit on the ground!).

Sarah is making cheesecake.....leave room for dessert.

Directions: Are attached in a separate document. Please note, you cannot go north on 135th from Highway 96 and go through Bentley.....the bridge is closed. You must come north on either I-135 or Ridge Road and go through Sedgwick!

The greenhouse opens at 11:30.....lots to see, most everything is for sale and there are some great bargains available! Rumor has it that there may be door prizes.

We will eat promptly at 1:00!!!!

There will be a short business meeting, as well as
'Show & Tell' as usual.

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.

Orchid definitions

PANICLE –

A branched raceme in which each branch has more than one flower. A spike is a raceme, but the flowers develop directly from the stem & are not borne on pedicels. Ex: a raceme is like the main trunk of a tree and the panicles are like the side branches.





Monday, September [19, 2022 8:30 PM EDT](#)



Paphiopedilum venustum - a flower for the ages! -

Join Leslie Ee from Toronto as he presents a look at one of our most endearing flowers. This flower has many awards, all kinds of color variations. Come learn what makes it so much fun to grow. *Member Exclusive Webinar.*



Discover the top vendors in the orchid community and their special offers on all things orchid. If you are an AOS member, you also save 5% from every vendor. Two-Year AOS members also receive over \$600 worth of coupons from the ELITE Marketplace Partners.

This Year's Orchids Magazine Supplement - Hybridizers

Coming up in October!

This year, we have reached out to a variety of hybridizers to tell their story but to also create a roadmap for the next generation of hybridizers so that we may all enjoy wonderful new orchids into the future! This issue delivers stunning photography, hybridizing secrets and much more. It will be published and included with the October issue of Orchids magazine





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