



# 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.**

January 21:

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

2:00 Regular Meeting Starts

Program: Intergeneric Oncidiums; presented by Sarah Pratt

February 18: TBA

March 18: TBA

April 15: Greenhouse Tour in Winfield

May 20: Plant Auction

June 17: KOS picnic and greenhouse tour. Timbucktoo Orchids, Sedgwick

July 15; Ecuador program, Bryon Rinke

August 19: TBA

September 16; 'Ask the Experts' question and answer session

October 21: -repotting and show discussion

November 1 & 2 (tentative) Fall Show

December 2 (tentative) Christmas party & Orchid Bingo

## President's Palaver

It is a cold and windy day here in Winfield. We had such a beautiful fall and then all hell broke loose. I was rudely awakened on Christmas morning at 3:00 a.m. telling me I had a temperature condition at the greenhouse. I went to the greenhouses and found the south house had decided it needed a little fresh air and was pulling 20F temperatures into the greenhouse. In retrospect, I think this had been going on for several days. I had programmed the sensor the day before about high and low temperature (it was new and I hadn't done it yet). We won't know the complete damage for a while but it is obvious that some things got chilled more than they would like. The Sanborn's saved the day with a spare circuit board they had.

We are kicking off a new year on January 21. We will have a meeting of the board at 1:30 that day to look at the year ahead. We have committed to showing and selling at the Outdoor Garden Show on March 2-4. Last year we made around \$900 so hopefully we can repeat and maybe more. They have agreed to move us so time will tell where we will showing.

I look forward to seeing you all on the 21<sup>st</sup> (weather permitting of course).

Max C. Thompson  
President

### NEW MEMBERS

New KOS members receive a free orchid plant when they attend their second meeting. Contact Sarah Pratt at [svcsjp@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:svcsjp@gmail.com)**

# Kansas Orchid Society Meeting Minutes

## December 3, 2017

The meeting was held at Civitan Community House, & called to order by President Max Thompson at 2 pm.

New members attending were Jean Paul & Stephanie Adams, Anna Archibald & Will Vunderink, Tim & Marquerite Weaver, Toni Jackman, Linda Hogan, Nori Engstrom, Priyantha Perera, Theresa Harrison. WELCOME to each of you!

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

**Treasurer's Report:** Kathy Ethridge presented an abbreviated Treasurer's Report. We covered our costs plus a bit at the Orchid Show in November. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved as presented.

### **Committee Chair Reports:**

Membership & GPJC, Max Thompson: no report.

Garden Council, Kathy Ethridge: no report

### **Old Business**

--none

### **New Business**

Election of Officers – see attached listing of all officers. We voted unanimously to approve the nominations for board members for Roberta (Bobbi) Johnson and Bryon Rinke for 3-year terms and Pam Kontowicz as a replacement for the 2018 year. All other board members have agreed to stay on.

### **Announcements**

none

Meeting adjourned 2:20 pm. Excellent potluck meal and Orchid Bingo immediately followed

Respectfully submitted, Wanita Wright, Secretary

### **KOS Officers, 2018**

President, Max Thompson 620-221-1856  
Vice President, Donna Nelson 785-227-5192  
Treasurer, Kathy Ethridge 316-838-1634  
Secretary, Wanita Wright 316-733-6626  
Past President, Sarah Pratt 316-655-0572

### **KOS Board of Directors**

Roberta (Bobbi) Johnson (end of term 2020)  
Bryon Rinke (end of term 2020)  
Pam Kontowicz (end of term 2018)  
Jill Stackley (end of term 2018)  
Susan Tompkins (end of term 2019)  
Susie Sutton (end of term 2019)

### **Committee Chairpersons & Representatives**

**Finance**, Kathy Ethridge  
**Program**, Donna Nelson  
**Nominations**, Greg Tompkins  
**Hospitality**, Rose Meals  
**Publicity**, Kathy Ethridge  
**Membership**, Max Thompson  
**Native Orchids & Conservation**, Ron Haselhuhn  
**KOS Garden Council Rep**, Kathy Ethridge  
**SWROGA Representatives**, Mark & Karlene  
Sanborn  
**AOS Representative**, Max Thompson  
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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 2018.

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 2018

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**

**1729 E. 11th Ave.**

**Winfield, KS 67156-4007**

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

•Feb 3-4: [St. Louis Orchid Society](#)

•At the Missouri Botanical Gardens

•Mar 3-4 [Orchid Society of the Ozarks](#)

•At the Botanical Garden of the Ozarks

•March 24-25 [Omaha Orchid Society](#)

•At the Lauritzen Gardens



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