

BUCKS COUNTY ORCHID SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

October, 2011

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BCOS Annual Orchid Auction

October 20, 2011

Churchville Nature Center
501 Churchville Lane
Churchville, PA 18966
Preview - 6:30 p.m.
Auction Begins - 7:00 p.m.



Over 200 plants will be auctioned off.

This is a great opportunity to get plants from our members and various local professional growers at **bargain** prices. Most are mature plants, some of which are in bloom. Come to the premier event of the year for a fun filled evening with spirited bidding, some surprises and orchids, orchids, orchids. Add to your collection at a fraction of the cost of retail. Bring a friend. Free 1 year membership to all non-members attending. Your support at the auction helps provide for speakers throughout the year, other Society activities, as well as our contributions for orchid conservation. For a list of all the plants, check the Society's website around October 13th. www.buckscountyorchidsociety.org Also, please remember to bring a box or bag to take home your purchases.

AOS CORNER

Now that Summer is behind us, let's hope the weather calms down so we can all enjoy the upcoming orchid show season. Some of you are starting to hold their meetings again after a summer hiatus. The AOS has had a busy summer as well. There are new novice culture sheets for most of the more popular orchids. If you are a member of AOS and have not already registered for access to the new website 'Members Only', I hope you do it soon. One major difference in the new website is that it may be translated into a multitude of foreign languages. The translation is done with a drop down menu on the left hand top portion of the site. Also, the site is continually being populated with up-to-date orchid information. In addition, there is a new member's profile where you can renew your membership, change your mailing address or email information and manage your AQ+ subscription. Plus, each month, Ron McHatton produces a fabulous electronic newsletter filled with all kinds of orchid culture information. If you are already an AOS member and not receiving notifications of these monthly newsletters, AOS does not have your email address. To be added to the distribution list, send your email address along with your full name to Terri Rivera at trive-ra@aos.org. Please note: if you are having difficulties signing into the 'Members Only' section, it may be that your prior registration is no longer valid. With the new website, each member must renew their registration. Instructions for doing so are on the home page of AOS.

You will also find a tab on the home page about the Myrtle Head Savanna Conservation Committee project. It is up and running and donations are being made. You can read more about this joint project with Nature Conservancy in the August *Orchids* as well as the website. If you or your society has funds for conservation, please consider this worthwhile project. It certainly deserves all our support and it would be great if AOS could reach its monetary goal soon. If you are unable to make an online donation on the AOS webpage, you may send a contribution by check to AOS. Just make sure to note on the check that it is for the Myrtle Head Savanna Project so you receive proper recognition.

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MINUTES
September 15, 2011**

AOS CORNER [Continued]

All my arrangements for attending the AOS Fall Members' meeting in San Antonio are made. The Alamo Orchid Society has put together a wonderful meeting and I look forward to being there. It runs from October 25 – 30 and has a great line up of speakers and vendors. In addition to Trustee and Committee meetings, the traditional Affiliated Societies breakfast will be held and I hope to see some of you there. Check out the Alamo Orchid Society website at www.alamoorchidsociety.com for registration or more information.

Lynn Fuller, Chair

AOS Affiliated Societies Committee

SHOW TABLE AWARDS September 15, 2011

Greenhouse Growers

Botanicals

1st	Cattleya <i>violacea</i>	Muse	Andy Braun
2nd	Ornithophora <i>radicans</i>		Andy Braun
3rd	Brassavola <i>nodosa</i>	Majus	Andy Braun

Cattleya Alliance

1st	Cattlianthe Loog Tone	Red Chocolate	Allen Applebaum
2nd	Epicatanthe Don Herman	Gold Rush	Allen Applebaum
3rd	Cattleytonia Happy Face	H&R	Allen Applebaum

Cymbidium

1st	Cymbidium Chen's Ruby		Andy Braun
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Dendrobium

1st	Dendrobium Jacquelyn Thomas	Sentinel's Amethyst	Jean Norton
3rd	Dendrobium Fire Coral		John Kuhlman

Miniatures

2nd	Tolumnia Golden Sunset		John Kuhlman
3rd	Dendrobium Ted Dicuphum x Snowfire		Reinhard Naeger

Oncidium Alliance

1st	Oncidium Kaizumic Delight	Green Stone	Andy Braun
2nd	Odontioda Chrys Keigh	Yellow Yellow	Andy Braun
3rd	Beallara Purple Haze	Jimi Hendrix	Jean Norton

Open

1st	Bulbophyllum Jersey		Andy Braun
2nd	Bulbophyllum <i>echinolabium</i>		Andy Braun

Paph & Phrag Alliance

1st	Paphiopedilum Oriental Enchantment x Supersuk		Jean Norton
2nd	Phragmipedium Sergeant Eric		Andy Braun
3rd	Paphiopedilum <i>godefroyae</i> var <i>leucochilum</i>		Allen Applebaum

Phal & Dtps Alliance

1st	Doritaenopsis Taisuco Micky		Jean Norton
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Vanda Alliance

1st	Eurychone <i>rothschildiana</i>		Andy Braun
2nd	Plectrelminthus caudatus		Andy Braun
3rd	Vanda Pachara Delight	Jehoshua	Andy Braun

Windowsill Growers

Cattleya Alliance

1st	Brassaeliocattleya Copper Queen		Thora Williams
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Dendrobium

1st	Dendrobium Unknown		Joe Ruchala
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Masdevallia Alliance

2nd	Masdevallia NDL		David McCullough
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Miniatures

1st	Bulbophyllum <i>laxiflorum</i>		David McCullough
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Oncidium Alliance

1st	Brassia Santa Ynez		Bob and Suzette Gore
2nd	Oncidium NDL		Susan Schneck
3rd	Oncidumnia Carnival Costume		Bettyruth Aisenstein

Open

1st	Stanhopea <i>oculata</i>		Bob and Suzette Gore
1st	Dendrochilum <i>magnum</i>		Bob and Suzette Gore
2nd	Zygopetalum Blue Banks	Hawk Haven	Joe Ruchala

Paph & Phrag Alliance

1st	Phragmepidium Sedenii		Erich Wendel
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Phal & Dtps Alliance

1st	Phalaenopsis Cardinal House		Chris Hermann
2nd	Phalaenopsis Carmela's Wonder x Golden Peoker		Chris Hermann



Phragmepidium Sedenii



Bulbophyllum laxiflorum



Eurychone rothschildiana



Jacquelyn Thomas Sentinel's Amethyst



Phalaenopsis Cardinal House

SOCIETY NOTES

Hospitality Table

Bettyruth Aisenstein, Charlene Schneier and Joyce Rosenberg are coordinating the hospitality table . They would like 2-3 people for each meeting to bring something to drink and a snack goodie. Email Bettyruth if you can help. bettyruth1@comcast.net

Orchid Bark

The Society has orchid bark for sale. Contact Gary Dunbar to order at dragonkin@comcast.net . Med and med/fine are available for \$13 for 1 cubic foot, and \$25 for 2 CF. Gallon bags are \$3.

Pots:

Pots are still available. E-mail Alan at alan.block@bms.com The price can't be beat.

Plant Clinic:

You are encouraged to bring in that sick plant for evaluation by the expert orchid growers in our society. Please, bring the needy plant in a closed plastic bag and we will try to advise you on bringing it back to good health.

Show Table Judging Rules:

The information for submitting plants for the show table is now located on our website. www.buckscountyorchidsociety.org/showtables/STRules.htm

Orchid Pickup At Parkside:

If you may be available to pick up orchids for the show table as needed, please send your name and email address to Dave McCullough at masdevaliafan@hotmail.com

Officers, Other Societies and Vendors:

The list of officers, other societies and vendors is now exclusively available on the BCOS website. www.buckscountyorchidsociety.org/About.htm for officers and www.buckscountyorchidsociety.org/Links.htm for other societies and vendors.

Library:

Contact Allen Applebaum to borrow any item in the BCOS Library at sirapples@comcast.net (See the society's website for a list of books, equipment and videos.) www.buckscountyorchidsociety.org/Library.htm

ORCHID TIP OF THE MONTH

The ideal humidity level to grow a mixed collection of orchids is 50 to 65 %

Thanks to Reinhard Naeger



EDITOR'S NOTE – Contributions to the newsletter will be greatly appreciated. Please submit relevant news, photos, awards or information relating to the Society, its members, the care and culture of orchids to the Editor at kaplrs@comcast.net. I am also looking for your favorite tip on growing orchids, for the new feature, ***Orchid Tip of the Month***. Please submit your copy by the first day of the month

OTHER EVENTS

October 15, 2011, SEPOS Orchid Auction

Preview 9:00 am; Auction 10:00 am
Martha Washington Building at Freedoms Foundation
1601 Valley Forge Road (Route 23), Phoenixville, PA 19460
www.sepos.org

Nov 18, 2011, BCOS meeting 7:30 pm.

Speaker—Bob Sprague, Director of Native Orchid Conference -
- "North American Orchids"



Leslie McHugh, Thora Williams and Joan Kopchick potting seedlings at last month's "potting party."



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A Great Opportunity to get
Quality Plants at Great Prices!

Free 1-year membership to all nonmembers attending!