



Membership Meeting

Tuesday, April 26, 2016
Doors open 6:00 PM
Socializing & Setup 6:00 PM
Meeting 7:00 – 9:00 PM

LOCATION

St. Luke Lutheran Church
6835 SW 46th Ave.
Portland, OR 97219

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Visits to the Greenhouses of Four POS Members

Moderator: Lewis Krey

This past month I took my camera on visits to the greenhouses of Terry Thompson , Charles and Susan Wilson, Clayton Moore and Judy Barrick, all respected growers who have received many American Orchid Society flower quality and culture awards. Their greenhouses are of a variety of styles and technical sophistication; two were completed in 2015 and two were built in the last millenium. And the orchids grown inside varied from greenhouse to greenhouse.

At each site I took pictures to illustrate our discussions about how and why these growers control their orchids' environments. We covered a range of culturally-significant topics including heating/cooling, humidity control, ventillation, and feeding. At the meeting each of these growers will use these pictures to introduce you to their greenhouse and to discuss the “hows and whys” for their set-ups. This is a unique opportunity to learn about growing orchids in Northwest Oregon.

Important Note: The Portland Orchid Society monthly membership meeting is routinely held on the fourth Tuesday of each month. The last Tuesday of the month may or may not be the same at the fourth Tuesday.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Here we are half way thru April and, finally, we have some beautiful weather. Over the last few days my greenhouse hit the 90's, so it's time to put the shade cloth on the greenhouse to prevent the plants from getting too warm or burning.

I would like to say "Thank you" to Bob Hamilton & John Leathers for taking the time to speak to our group at our March meeting. Their presentation on Hawk Hill Orchids was enjoyed by all.

Earlier this month, we put in a society display at the Cherry City show and had a great time. Our society was given the trophy award for "Best Visiting Society Display". I want to thank Terry & Barbara Aitkens, Annette Rogers, Daniel O'Donnell, Judy & Brad Barrick, Carol Wade, Jan Anderson, Terry Thompson, Robin & Perry Richardson for bringing plants for the display and all of their help over the weekend.

Our April meeting will be here soon and I look forward to seeing the presentation that Lewis Krey has prepared for us after visiting 4 of our members' greenhouses and interviewing them on their growing techniques.

I hope to see everyone at the meeting.

Susan

VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Certainly everyone in attendance at the March meeting enjoyed John Leathers and Bob Hamilton's program on a history and growing of the cool growing orchids. There were some grand plants for sale too.

We have now put on the shade cloth on the sunroom and have begun seriously watering the Catasetums, as they are shooting up new growths. Spring is in full swing!

Congratulations to Terry Thompson on his recent AOS awards, an HCC (Highly Commended Certificate), scoring 79 points on his *Masdevallia lucernula* 'Cosmos', at the Cherry City Orchid Show AND a CCM (Certificate of Cultural Merit) of 83 points at the monthly judging in Keizer on *Masdevallia caudata* 'Cosmos.' I really want to encourage members to bring your orchids to the monthly judging on the first Sunday of each month. We're so lucky to have this satellite center so close to us. It's a great chance to see different orchids, hopefully to learn some new things, and to possibly win a nationally recognized award. Kudos to Terry and Kathleen!

I look forward to seeing you for our monthly orchid fellowship on the 26th. Lewis Krey will give an interesting program photographically comparing several of our members growing situations – and the members will be on hand to explain and answer questions! You don't want to miss it!

Happy Growing!

Susan Wilson

SILENT AUCTION NEWS

No Fooling !!! There will be several surprise at April's Silent Auction Table.

Be sure to stop by and check out the "specials."

Charles Wilson

DISPLAY TABLE & ORCHID SALES

All members of the Portland Orchid Society are encouraged to bring their favorite current blooming orchids to the monthly membership meetings to display on the Show Table. Please note your identity as well as the orchid's identity on a legible paper or note card next to your orchids.

Members may also bring orchids and orchid supplies they wish to sell to the monthly meetings. The plants must be disease free, legibly labeled and priced. It is your responsibility to collect payments for your plants. Also, please keep the area clean and only sell and purchase plants before the meeting or at the break.

The Portland Orchid Society is affiliated with the American Orchid Society (AOS) and the Orchid Digest Corporation (ODC). These are both highly regarded organizations. If you are not already a member or you just need to renew your annual dues or subscription.....

Right now would be a great time to do that!

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PORTLAND ORCHID SOCIETY 2015 Membership Application

Membership is open to anyone interested in orchids.

Please make check payable to The Portland Orchid Society, and mail to: Portland Orchid Society - Membership Chairperson at P.O. Box 19123 Portland, OR 97280

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NEW MEMBERS CORNER

We would like to welcome the new POS members who joined this past month :

Lianna Webb

We hope that you are enjoying your free plant and have examined your Portland Orchid Society membership packet. Please contact Annette Rogers, Kathleen Thompson or Marian Morton if you have not received your plant or packet.

Portland Orchid Society information can be found on our website www.portlandorchidsociety.org including the Bylaws & Code of Ethics. Remember to check us out on Facebook for more information & p

March and April Northwest AOS Judging Center Reports by Craig Williams

Well it has certainly been a whirlwind couple of months for orchid judging for the members of the Pacific Northwest Judging Centers. At the March meeting of the PNWJC there was one award granted, it was to *Paphiopedilum Sander's Pride* "Jake's Chasus" HCC/AOS owned by Charles and Susan Wilson. It was a very nice Sander's Pride and was very well grown.

In April there were 11 judges present and a couple of visitors as well as our photographer, Ross Leach. There were 3 awards presented. They were *Masdevallia caudate* "Cosmos" CCM/AOS owned by Terry Thompson, *Eulophia guineensis* HCC/AOS owned by Charles and Susan Wilson and an orchid that used to have an HCC that was upgraded to an AM, *Masdevallia ignea* "Red Velvet" AM/AOS owned by David Morris. There were also other plants at judging that were very impressive and the judges hope to see them back on their next blooming.

Remember that you are all invited to our monthly AOS Judging. The judging is at 1:30 PM in Keizer OR at 930 Chemeawa Rd NE, the same building that houses the Keizer Police Dept. We hope to see you in May.



POS encourages its members to support the NW Regional AOS Judging Center on the first Sunday of each month. If enough members are interested, we can carpool to Keizer for the judging.

Please contact a member of the board if you would like to go as a group.

PORTLAND ORCHID SOCIETY UPCOMING EVENTS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2016

May

1st – Northwest AOS Judging

24th – Portland Orchid Society Meeting

June

June 5th – Northwest AOS Judging

June 28th – POS Potluck Dinner and Orchid Auction

July

July 3rd – AOS Northwest Judging

July 26th – Portland Orchid Society Meeting

May POS Meeting

**Bulbophyllums
Charles Wilson**

May 24, 2016

**The May Newsletter will contain a
list of Bulbophyllums that can be
pre-ordered at no mark-up**

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THIS MONTH SPECIAL! ! !

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LET'S SWAP!

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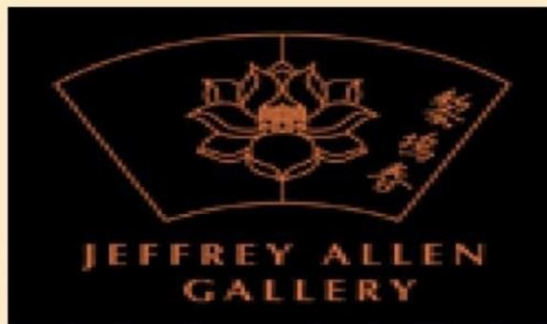
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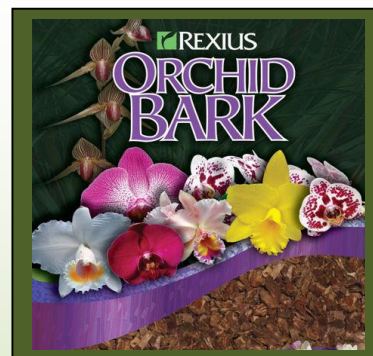
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ORCHID PHOTOGRAPHS WANTED

Most of us who grow orchids love to photograph our accomplishments. The Portland Orchid Society would like to develop an orchid library for the Facebook page and Website.

I encourage members who photograph their orchids to share them with the POS. Any images you do submit for the website should have your name and an orchid identification on a disk or a flash drive. These can be given to Carol Wade or Astrid at the POS meeting, and they will submit them to Terry or Kathleen Thompson.

PHOTO HINT: Place a neutral background (black or grey cloth or board) behind the orchid for an uncluttered contrast for viewing the orchid. If you have any questions or need help, talk to Terry Thompson at the POS meeting. Thanks!

Terry Thompson

