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A newsletter for the members of the Maryland Orchid Society

January 2008



## president's message

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday, stayed healthy and appreciated the badly needed rain in December! I am looking forward to the longer days of the new year now and hoping for some sun to warm up and brighten my sunporch...

The December meeting/holiday party was a great success thanks to Barbara Buck and all of you who contributed delicious food for the table (see photos on page 3). We had a handsome show table, Marilyn Lauffer had the new membership rosters available for pick up, Bill Ellis reported on the Auction and there were some nice plants on the auction table.



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If you have not received your new membership roster (in the mail or at the December meeting) please let Marilyn Lauffer know. If you would like to order a blue denim MOS orchid shirt please contact me.

This month we will have a quarterly board meeting/show committee meeting on Thursday, January 10 at 6:30 pm at my house (call for directions) and our monthly meeting on Thursday, January 17. This month's speaker is to be confirmed. Please check the web site ([www.marylandorchids.org](http://www.marylandorchids.org)) for updates.

### Monthly Meeting Maryland Native Plant Society

## Wild Orchids of North America

Tuesday, January 29, 2008, 7:30 p.m.

Join Jesse Harris, renowned nature photographer and MNPS member, for a spectacular presentation on the native orchids of North America. Jesse has traveled throughout the continent in search of wild orchids in their natural habitats and has amassed a stunning collection of photographs, many of which are used in botanical references. Most of Maryland's numerous orchid species will be presented as well, including those that are rare or historically known from the state.

#### Location:

White Oak Library - Large Meeting Room  
11701 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Spring Md 20904

#### Directions:

For DC, Exit the Washington Beltway at New Hampshire Ave (exit 28). Go north about 2 miles. The library is the first building on the right, once you have passed under Route 29, just after the Sears store.

From Baltimore/Columbia south on 29, merge onto MD650 N New Hampshire Ave, first building on the right just after the Sears store.

There will be refreshments and door prizes. Pot luck refreshments are always welcome.

The meeting is open to non-members.  
Meetings take place on the last Tuesday of each month.

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December Show Table Results

Our Wild Holiday Party



8th Winter Orchid Fair

NCOS Paph Forum

# show table > dec. 2007



*Phal.* Hybrid - Suzanne Gaertner

## Novice

1. *Onc.* Twinkle - Laura Sobelman
2. *Phal.* Hybrid - Suzanne Gaertner
3. *Den.* Winter Frost - Sarah Spence



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## Home Grown

1. *Paph.* Oberhausen's Diamant - Val Lowe
2. *Paph. spicerianum* 'St. Albans' AM/AOS - Bill Scharf
3. *Dendrochilum wenzellii* 'Jeff's Red Wheat' CDC/HOS - Mark Robbins



*Paph.* Oberhausen's Diamant - Val Lowe

## Greenhouse Under 200 Square Feet

1. *Paph. spicerianum* - Les Kirkegaard
2. *Onc.* Taiku Marguerite - Lou Vadorsky
3. *Paph. spicerianum* - Craig Taborsky

## Greenhouse Over 200 Square Feet

1. *Vasco.* Pine Rivers - The Adamses
2. *Den.* Bill Takamatsu - Cy Swett

## Cattleya

1. *C. perciviana* 'Summit' FCC/AOS - Craig Taborsky
2. *Lc.* Molly Tyler FCC/AOS - Les Kirkegaard
3. *L.* *anceps* 'Irwins' AM/AOS - The Adamses



*Vasco.* Pine Rivers - The Adamses



*Onc.* Taiku Marguerite - Lou Vadorsky

## Phalaenopsis

1. *Phal.* Yungho Gelb Canary 'Honey' - The Adamses
2. *Phal.* (Romance Rose X Brother Purple) - Sarah Spence

## Oncidium

1. *Onc.* Twinkle - Bill Soyke
2. *Blira.* Marfitch 'Howard's Dream' AM/AOS - Cy Swett
3. *Tol.* Orchidom Bulls Eye - The Adamses



*Onc.* Twinkle - Bill Soyke



*Paph. spicerianum* - Les Kirkegaard

## Paphiopedilum and Phragmipedium

1. *Paph.* Whitemoor 'Norriton' FCC/AOS - David Smith
2. *Paph. spicerianum* - Cy Swett
3. *Paph.* Lyro Fortissimo 'TomCat' - Mark Robbins

## Miscellaneous Hybrids

1. *Burr.* Nelly Isler 'Swiss Beauty' - Phuong Tran & Rich Kaste
2. *Cyc.* (*warszewiczii* X *herrenhusanum*) - Les Kirkegaard
3. *Neost.* Lou Sneary - Dr. Eric Wiles



*Paph.* Whitemoor 'Norriton' FCC/AOS - David Smith

## Species

1. *Comp.* *macroplectron* - David Smith
2. *Epi.* *porpax* var. *alba* 'Harford' CHM/AOS - Bill Scharf
3. *Pths.* *allenii* - The Adamses



*Neost.* Lou Sneary - Dr. Eric Wiles

## Miniature

1. *Masd.* *wagneriana* - Bill Scharf
2. *Onc.* *longipes* - David Smith
3. *Ceratostylis rubra* - Cy Swett

## First Bloom Seedling

No Entries

## Fragrance

1. *Dar.* Charm 'Pacific Blue' - Craig Taborsky
2. *Zygo.* (Syd Monkhouse X Titanic) - Les Kirkegaard
3. *Blc.* Spring Dawn X *Lc.* Mem. Robert Strait - Anne Minkowski

The Judges Choice of the Evening was *C. perciviana* 'Summit' FCC/AOS, exhibited by Craig Taborsky. The judges were Norma Lynch, Marty Vittek and Ernie Drohan. There were 82 plants on the show table.

More show table plants on page 3.



*Paph. spicerianum* - Cy Swett



*Phal. Yungho Gelb Canary 'Honey'* - The Adamases



*Paph. spicerianum* 'St. Albans' AM/AOS - Bill Scharf



*Burr. Nelly Isler 'Swiss Beauty'* - Phuong Tran & Rich Kaste



*Dar. Charm 'Pacific Blue'* - Craig Taborsky



*Paph. Lyro Fortissimo 'TomCat'* - Mark Robbins

## MOS Holiday Party: Lots of Dancing on Tables with Lampshades on Heads

If you missed the holiday party, you missed a wild time and great food. Lou and Barbara Buck's buffet of 5-star cuisine was complemented with scrumptious hors d'oeuvres, sumptuous sandwiches and delectable desserts provided by many members. We warmly welcomed back Marty Vittek as our auctioneer extraordinaire. We saw several new faces and Marilyn Lauffer handed out the MOS membership cards and rosters.





**American Plant food invites you to our**

# **8th Winter Orchid fair**

**Saturday, January 19 and Sunday, January 20, 2008**

**American Plant Food/Bethesda**

**5258 River Road**

**Bethesda, MD 20816**

**(310) 656-3311**

**9 a.m. - 6 p.m.**

**Buy directly from 5 orchid vendors:**

**Arbec Orchids**

**The Little Greenhouse**

**Flora Orchids**

**Sunisa's Clay flowers**

**... and a mystery vendor!**



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from American Plant food and we'll donate 20% of your purchase**

**to the Fisher House Foundation**

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## 2008 NATIONAL CAPITAL ORCHID SOCIETY PAPHIOPEDILUM FORUM

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2008**

U. S. NATIONAL ARBORETUM

24TH AND R STREETS, NE, WASHINGTON DC

The 28th annual NCOS Paph Forum will feature internationally-renowned speakers, an unparalleled selection of Paphiopedilum and Phragmipedium plants for sale by leading vendors, a show table featuring hundreds of slippers in bloom, ribbons and trophies for outstanding show plants, door prizes, featured Slipper Orchid Photographer James Winner, a silent auction to benefit the Slipper Orchid Alliance, and American Orchid Society judging.

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### 2008 Paph Forum Speakers

**Leonid Averyanov, PhD.** – Russian Academy of Science

“Natural Variation of Paphiopedilum Species in Vietnam”

**Dennis D’Alessandro** – Gypsy Glen Orchids, Pennsylvania

“Catching up on the New Parvisepalum Hybrids”

**H.P. Norton** – Orchidview Orchids, South Carolina

“Phragmipedium Culture”

**Bryan Ramsay** – National Capital AOS Judging Center

“Overview of Recent Slipper Awards”

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### 2008 Paph Forum Vendors

**Plants:** Alan Salzman Orchids, NY; Bloomfield Orchids, NY; Floradise Orchids, VA; Gypsy Glenn Orchids, PA; Marriott Orchids, NC; Orchid Enterprise, VA; Orchidview Orchids, SC; Parkside Orchid Nursery, PA; Woodstream Orchids, MD.

**Supplies:** Quarter Acre Orchids, VA

**Orchid Design Gifts:** Celebrate Orchids! VA

**NCOS Member Plant Sales:** Members pre-registered for the Forum may sell slipper orchids.

Pre-registration is required. The modest entry fee of \$40.00 includes lunch and a door prize ticket. Participation is limited to the first 140 registrants! Sales begin at 8:00 am, the program begins at 9:45 am, and the event concludes at 4:30 pm.

Please visit the NCOS website over the next few weeks for further details regarding the 2008 Program and Schedule, Plant Exhibition Guidelines, and Meeting Registration Information. <http://www.ncos.us/ncos>

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The 27th annual NCOS Paph Forum held February 17, 2007 was enjoyed by a near-capacity audience of slipperphiles. The 27th Annual Paph Forum thanks the following Sponsors -- The Slipper Orchid Alliance and the National Capital Orchid Society.

Nine AOS awards were presented at the Paph Forum. See the National Capital AOS Judging Region website for award details <http://www.nationalcapitaljc.org>

Ribbons, trophies, and the SOA-sponsored People’s Choice Award, were presented to many fine show plants. To see a list of these prize-winning orchids and their exhibitors, visit <http://www.ncos.us/ncos>

# calendar

## Next MOS Board Meeting

January 10, 2008 at 7:30 pm. The Lundys' house.  
Food will be served at 6:30 pm. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

## Next General Meeting

January 17, 2008

7:00 p.m.	Show table set up	8:00 p.m.	Meeting begins
7:15 p.m.	Education Corner	8:15 p.m.	Program begins
7:30 p.m.	Judging begins		

The Maryland Orchid Society meets at the First Christian Church, 5802 Roland Avenue, Baltimore MD. Please bring in your flowering orchids for the show table!

## National Capitol Judging Center

February 2, 2008 1:00 pm  
National Arboretum, 3501 New York Ave., NE, Washington, DC.  
Sue Burgess, Program Director

## 2008 Maryland Orchid Society Show

March 7-9, 2008  
Timonium Fairgrounds



## Littlebrook Orchids Web site and Greenhouse

The Littlebrook Orchids web site is now up and running at [www.littlebrookorchids.com](http://www.littlebrookorchids.com). The site includes a link to Maryland Orchid Society. They also offer tours of their greenhouse, a large meeting room for seminars and of course Lancaster County has lots to see.

## New Member

The MOS would like to welcome Matthew Asch as a new member.

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