

# ORCHID *newsletter*

News and information for Maryland Orchid Society members

October 2014



## *president's message*

**The Maryland Orchid Society mourns the loss of our dear friend, valued member and past president, Ann Lundy. Our sincere condolences go out to Lee and their son and daughter.**

**A memorial celebration is planned for October 18, 2:00 p.m. at Friends School, 5114 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21210.**

**New Meeting Location!**  
MOS meetings have moved to:  
**Woodbrook Church,**  
**25 Stevenson Lane,**  
**Baltimore, MD 21212**

**W**ell, the frost isn't on the pumpkins yet but you are probably thinking about bringing your plants inside sooner rather than later. My one fear is bringing bugs in with them. When I was a new orchid hobbyist, I found out the hard way about ants...never set pots directly on cement or on top of a wall! Ants love to make their nests in damp, orchid potting medium. When I moved the pots the ants swarmed. Fortunately, I went to the fall MOS Members Potting Workshop and received some sage advice from one of our long time growers, David Smith, who said "drown those ants"! David told me to place the ant filled pot with plant in a bucket and fill the bucket with water to cover the surface of the medium. Lo and behold, after letting sit for sometime, ants began to surface, some desperately doing the back stroke, others floating motionless. Since then, I hang my plants in baskets in my dogwood tree and on my fence; I have alleviated the ant problem as long as no part of the plant touches the ground. To this day I attend the MOS Members



Potting Workshop and I am guaranteed to come away with valuable information and tips.

Now, while my plants are still outside, I spray them thoroughly with an insecticide and use ant bait spikes. When the time comes to bring the plants in, even though I have sprayed, I inspect every one. I have been known to wear a head lamp, use a magnifying lens, Q-tips, rubbing alcohol and with tweezers remove dried up sheaths and any other material that may have fallen into the pots over the summer. Of course, to prevent my neighbors from calling the "nutz squad", I do this inside before I put my plants in their designated winter places.

Wishing you much orchid success,

*Sarah Spence*

P.S. If you find that your orchids have multiplied over the summer, don't forget tax deductible plant donations for our November 15th auction.

## October's Speaker is Helen Hersh: Advance Windowsill Growing

Helen Hersh has been growing orchids since 1990 when a client started giving her orchids in bloom for delivering pieces of antique furniture. She got hooked very quickly and the collection grew rapidly to hundreds of plants, then thousands, as flasks of Paphiopedilums and Phragmipediums were being purchased. Her eventual goal was to start an orchid

business, which 15 years ago became a reality with a move to New Jersey to put up a large greenhouse. The result is Mount Prospect Orchids, specializing in fine Paphiopedilums, Phragmipediums, and Bulbophyllums, as well as unusual species. She has never forgotten her windowsill days and carries a line of plants that are both unusual and easy for home growers.

Helen will be bringing plants to sell. Members can preorder after looking at her website [mountprospectorchids.com](http://mountprospectorchids.com).

She can also be reached at [albinoni@verizon.net](mailto:albinoni@verizon.net) or 908-753-4846.

Photos by Sarah Hurdel



### Novice

1. Mtps. Hybrid - Wanda Kuhn

### Home Grown

1. Lc. Sagarik Wax - Kathi Jackson
2. Tie Cyc. *herrenhausanum* - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith  
Hab. *erichmichelli* - Chris Zajac
3. Tie Phrag. Cardinale 'Wilcox' AM/AOS (above)- Marilyn Lauffer  
Onc. Sharry Baby - Bob Travers

### Greenhouse

1. L. *pumila* - Clark Riley
2. Bulb. *blumei* - The Adamases
3. C. Milton Warne 'Premier' AM/AOS - Barbara Buck



### Cattleya

1. C. *maxima* 'Hercules' (above) - Michael Moran
2. Tie Lc. Tropical Point 'Cheetah' - Barbara Buck  
C. Brabantiae 'Black Raspberry' - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith  
Blc. Lake Murray 'Mendenhall' AM/AOS - Kathi Jackson  
Pot. Little Toshie 'Mini Flares' - David Smith

3. Tie C. Hybrid - Gregg Custis  
Pros. Green Hornet - Owen Humphrey  
Sl. Dorothy Elliott 'Highlander' - Clark Riley  
Blc. Haw Yaun Beauty 'Spice Girl' - Joan Roderick

### Phalaenopsis

1. Phal. *fasciata* 'Dark' - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
2. Tie Phal. Tabasco Tex 'Harford' AM/AOS - The Adamases  
Phal. Hybrid - Judi von Mehlem  
Phal. *lindenii* 'Sierra Madre' - Clark Riley
3. Tie Phal. Orange Love - The Dagostins  
Phal. *bellina* - David Smith



### Paphiopedilum and Phragmipedium

1. Paph. Mr. Wonderful - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
2. Tie Phrag. *besseae* - Clark Riley  
Paph. *sangii* (above)- David Smith
3. Tie Paph. Magic Lantern - The Adamases  
Paph. La Bachanderie - Eric Wiles

### Oncidium

1. Odcdm. Wildcat - Clark Riley
2. Tie Odcdm. Wildcat 'Golden Red Star' - The Dagostins  
Burr. Living Fire - Bob Travers
3. Tie Rod. *venusta* - The Adamases  
Brsda. Orange Delight 'Starbeck Orange' HCC/AOS - Owen Humphrey  
Mtssa. Dark Stars - The Soykes

### Dendrobium

1. Den. Stephen Batchelor - The Adamases
2. Tie Den. Peng Seng - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith  
Den. Green Apples - The Soykes
3. Tie Den. Green Elf - Owen Humphrey  
Den. Little Green Apples - Norma Lynch

### Miscellaneous Hybrids

1. Cym. Amazing - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
2. Tie Asctm. (*garayi* X *ampullaceum*) - The Adamases  
Lths. Jmcalso - Val Lowe
3. Tie Oeceoclades (*roseo-variegata* X *monophylla*) - David Smith  
Zglm. Louisendorf - The Soykes

### Species

1. Bulb. *medusae* 'Orchidglade II' - The Adamases
2. Acianthera *sonderiana* - David Smith
3. Tie Cynorkis *guttata* - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith  
Bulb. *frostii* - Bob Johnston

### Miniature

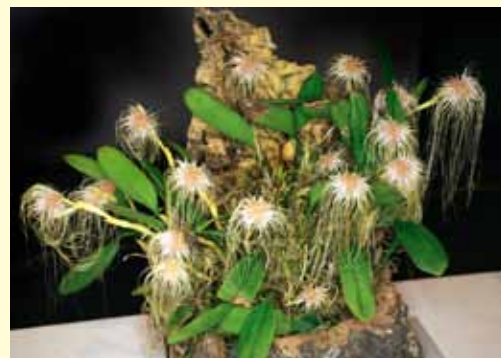
1. Den. *laevifolium* - Michael Moran
2. Tie Gchls. *dasyogon* - The Adamases  
Sl. Summer Charm - Clark Riley
3. Ornithocephalus *gladius* - David Smith

### First Bloom Seedling

1. Paph. Harold Koopowitz - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith

### Fragrance

1. Odcdm. Sunlight 'Hilo Honey' - Bob Travers
2. Blc. Mahina Yahiro 'Mishima' - Marilyn Lauffer
3. Ddc. *longifolium* 'Loch Raven' - The Soykes



The Judges Choice of the Evening was Bulb. *medusae* 'Orchidglade II' (above) exhibited by The Adamases. Thank you to our judges who were, Wanda Kuhn, Clark Riley and Chris Zajac. Our show table had an incredible display of 105 beautiful flowering plants.

# ORCHID AUCTION

## MARYLAND ORCHID SOCIETY

### SAME GREAT LOCATION

**Saturday, November 15, 2014**

**American Legion Dewey Lowman Post 109**  
1610 Old Sulphur Spring Road, Halethorpe, MD 21227

**Preview 11:00 AM / Auction 12:00 to 4:00 PM**

♥ Hundreds of orchids in bud or bloom from respected local and nationally recognized growers.  
Plus pre-priced "instant auction" plants.

♥ Lunch and a full line of refreshments available on site.

♥ Free admission and registration.



Contact Aaron Webb, 410-419-1312 or Sarah Spence, 410-243-3377 for information or visit [www.MarylandOrchids.org](http://www.MarylandOrchids.org)

## Member Update

The September door prize, a Phal. 'Silver Ghost', was won by Dolores Keene.

## MOS Newsletter Editor Needs Replacement

After nine years of laying out and editing the MOS Newsletter, I am hoping to hand off this important mantle to someone new. It has been a fun and interesting job and I have learned a great deal. It is now time for someone else to reap the rewards of such an esteemed position. If anyone is interested, please contact Laura Sobelman at [sobelman1@verizon.net](mailto:sobelman1@verizon.net).

## Board Meeting October 23, 2014

The MOS board of managers meeting will be held October at the home of Norma Lynch. Feel free to arrive for light dinner at 6:30 p.m. and consider bringing a food or beverage consumable to share. The meeting begins at 7:30. All members are welcome to attend. For more information contact [nlynch@comcast.net](mailto:nlynch@comcast.net)

## Newsletter Submissions Deadlines

Content for the MOS Newsletter for the 2014-2015 fiscal year is due at the end of the first full week of each month. The following dates are the deadlines for submitting content to the newsletter editor. Please submit your information to [sobelman1@verizon.net](mailto:sobelman1@verizon.net). Also, the newsletter has a new look! Let me know what you think of it.

November 8, 2014; Meeting date 11/20  
December 6, 2014; Meeting date 12/18  
January 3, 2015; Meeting date 1/15  
February 7, 2015; Meeting date 2/19  
March 7, 2015; Meeting date 3/19  
April 4, 2015; Meeting date 4/16  
May 9, 2015; Meeting date 5/21  
June 6, 2015; Meeting date 6/18

## *upcoming events*

Norma Lynch and Marilyn Lauffer are representing MOS on October 10 with a presentation at the Fairhaven Retirement Community in Sykesville, MD.

The next monthly MOS meeting will be held October 16, 2014.

The next board of trustees meeting is October 23 at the home of Norma Lynch.

The annual MOS auction will be November 15, 2014 at the American Legion Dewey Lowman Post 109

## *education corner*

At the October education corner, Marilyn Lauffer will be discussing growing under lights in her basement.



Our Fall Members' Meeting is just around the corner. We hope that you will make the trip to Florida and join us for a jam-packed schedule of speakers and our fantastic "Orchid Spooktacular" show and sale. Check it all out and register on the home page at [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org) !

This month's webinar is on October 22nd at 8:30 EDT with Fred Clarke presenting "Growing Catasetums". Fred is the owner of Sunset Valley Orchids a "boutique" style nursery dedicated to providing excellent customer service and breeding superior orchid hybrids for the orchid enthusiast. This is a member's only webinar. Join now so that you can participate in this webinar, and also view all of the previous ones that are available online.

Are you on Facebook? If so, please check out the "American Orchid Society" page. We are always happy to see new faces. We have some of the most knowledgeable members available anywhere answering all

of your Orchids related questions. Post your photos- we love seeing everyone's beautiful blooming flowers!

AOS Orchids Magazine has announced that the annual supplement for this year will be on Stanhopea by Rudolph Jenny. This is one of my favorite genera. The flowers are quite unique and have a very elaborate lip that is designed to accommodate a very specific bee for pollination. If you are not already a member, now is the time to join, so that you will receive your free supplement with the December issue. It is just one of the many perks of membership in the American Orchid Society.

There are so many great articles in this month's Orchids Magazine, that it is hard to pick just one to recommend...

Sue Bottom's article on "Repotting Bifoliate Cattleyas" is a must read if you grow them. I have never tried this

particular method before, but it looks like it is just what these sometimes hard-to-grow plants require.

I also enjoyed learning about "Building an Orchid Tower" from Daniel Heyer, his step-by-step guide looks like something that is easy enough for everyone to do, and who doesn't need another place to store orchids?

Lastly, Peter B. Adams' article on the "Australian Miniature Species of Dendrobium Section Lichenastrum" gives you a thorough look into these tiny succulent terete-leaved species. There is always enough room for one more orchid in your collection...Especially if they are miniatures!

Let's grow together,

Laura Newton

## 2013-2014 Show Table Winners by Tom McBride

### Novice

1st Jennifer Hildebrand, Wanda Kuhn - 11 pts.  
2nd Ben Sims - 9 pts.  
3rd Ann Bain, Anne Headrick - 5 pts.

### Home Grown

1st Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith - 17 pts.  
2nd Marilyn Lauffer - 13 pts.  
3rd John Dunning - 10 pts.

### Greenhouse

1st The Adamses - 20 pts.  
2nd Jos Venturina - 12 pts.  
3rd David Smith - 11 pts.

### Cattleya

1st The Adamses - 15 pts.  
2nd Michael Moran - 11 pts.  
3rd Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith, David Smith - 10 pts.

### Phalaenopsis

1st Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith - 21 pts.  
2nd John Dunning - 15 pts.  
3rd The Adamses, The Soykes - 12 pts.

### Paphiopedilum and Phragmipedium

1st Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith - 14 pts.  
2nd The Soykes - 13 pts.  
3rd The Adamses - 12 pts.

### Oncidium

1st Chris Zajac - 16 pts.  
2nd The Adamses, The Soykes - 10 pts.  
3rd Eric Wiles - 9 pts.

### Dendrobium

1st The Adamses, Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith - 14 pts.  
2nd Eric Wiles - 9 pts.  
3rd Phuong Tran & Rich Kaste - 7 pts.

### Miscellaneous Hybrids

1st Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith, The Soykes - 11 pts.  
2nd John Dunning - 7 pts.  
3rd Val Lowe, Clark Riley - 6 pts.

### Species

1st David Smith - 23 pts.  
2nd The Adamses - 13 pts.  
3rd Eric Wiles - 7 pts.

### Miniature

1st David Smith - 17 pts.  
2nd The Adamses - 15 pts.  
3rd Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith - 11 pts.

### First Bloom Seedling

1st John Dunning - 22 pts.  
2nd Clark Riley - 8 pts.  
3rd Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith - 7 pts.

### Fragrance

1st John Dunning, Bob Johnston - 9 pts.  
2nd David Smith - 6 pts.  
3rd Marilyn Lauffer - 5 pts.

Congratulations and Thank You to the following members that had perfect attendance on our show table last year: John Dunning, Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith, Marilyn Lauffer, Norma Lynch, Janice Mazur, Tom McBride, Clark Riley, Joan Roderick, David & Margaret Smith, Bill & Sandy Soyke, Sarah Spence, Eric Wiles and Chris Zajac

# California Native Orchid is Endangered, Say International Scientists

by Chris Clarke  
on June 24, 2014 2:00 PM

A California native orchid once found from the Bay Area and Sierra Nevada northward into Oregon has declined in population so steeply that the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) has declared the plant globally Endangered.

*Cypripedium californicum*, also known as the California lady's slipper orchid, grows up to three feet tall with as many as 20 white flowers on a stem. It's restricted to wet soil such as stream banks in open conifer forests, and the last century's worth of clearcutting in those forests has proven disastrous for the species. So has collection for the horticultural trade.

The listing was part of a major update to the IUCN's Red List of Threatened Species, in which 817 species were newly listed under various categories of threat. That includes 79 percent of the world's known slipper orchid species such as *Cypripedium californicum*.

"What was most surprising about this assessment was the degree of threat to these orchids," said Hassan Rankou, the IUCN Species Survival Commission's (SSC) Authority for the Orchid Specialist Group, "Slipper orchids are popular in the multimillion-dollar horticultural industry. Although the industry is sustained by cultivated stock, conservation of wild species is vital for its future."

Though the orchid was found along streambanks in Marin County north of San Francisco as recently as 2004, it's apparently been extirpated from the county and now grows no farther south than in the logged-over hills between Sebastopol and the coast. It can also be found in places in the northern Sierra Nevada, and as far north as Josephine and Curry counties in Oregon.

Clearcutting damages the plant not only by changing stream flow patterns and introducing the risk of trampling but also by allowing more sunlight into the forest,



**Cypripedium californicum** | Photo: Scott Wilson/  
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making things a bit too bright for the shade-loving plants. Though clumps of up to a thousand plants do exist, the orchid is more commonly found in groups of ten or fewer, making local populations far more vulnerable to inadvertent damage or unethical collecting.

Also added to the Red List were two other Californian *Cypripedium* species -- *Cypripedium montanum*, the Mountain Lady's Slipper, and *Cypripedium fasciculatum*, the clustered lady's slipper -- both of which were listed as "Vulnerable," a lesser threat ranking in which the IUCN considers the species to face a "high risk of extinction in the wild," as compared to "Endangered" status of "very high risk."

The IUCN's assessment of threats to the California lady's slipper orchid is essentially a capsule history of human activity in the state's conifer belt:

*Cypripedium californicum* is under numerous threats especially habitat loss and disturbance of its restricted range due to urbanization, clear-cutting, suppression of natural disturbance regimes, logging practices, accidental trampling, climate change, mining activities and collection which cause a continuing decline of the species on the estimated locations and the destruction of some subpopulations (e.g. Marin County population is already destroyed).

*Cypripedium californicum* isn't protected under the federal or state Endangered Species Acts, though the California Department of Fish and Wildlife does list the orchid as a "special" species deserving conservation attention. The California Native Plant Society classifies the California lady's slipper as "Rare."

The IUCN recommends conservation of the plants' habitat, especially on so-called serpentine seep areas. It also urges legal bans on collecting of the plants.

In other state-related IUCN news, a California native insect, the Sacramento beetle (*Anthicus sacramento*), was retained on the Endangered list as the result of a review of the species' status. First listed by IUCN in 1996, the beetle is restricted to two sand dune habitat sites in the Sacramento area, one of them a garbage dump and the other a popular off-road vehicle area.

## NEW! Speaker Evaluation Survey

The Program Committee would like your feedback on our educational speaker program and to target your orchid-related interests for future topics. After each outside speaker presentation we would like for you to assess the speaker, the usefulness of the topic and content. Also, there is space for you to note what topics or speakers you would like to hear in the future.

The evaluation form is very simple and easy to complete quickly.

Thank you! We are looking forward to exciting programs with expert speakers.

# **Tenth Annual Merritt Huntington Memorial Symposium**

Presented by an alliance of his orchid friends in Virginia  
**November 7 & 8, 2014**

Holiday Inn Patriot-Williamsburg  
3032 Richmond Road  
Williamsburg, VA  
Call (757) 565-2600 for Reservations

## **Symposium: Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 PM - 7:15 - *PM Buffet Dinner (included in registration).*  
*Cash Bar and Plant Sales*

7:15 Introduction - Rob Griesbach  
7:30 PM - Glen Decker - "How to Grow Great Slipper Orchids"  
8:30 PM - Panel Discussion Saturday,

## **Symposium: Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 AM - Introduction - Rob Griesbach

9:00 AM - Mark Rose - "Native Orchids of the Eastern U.S."

### **AOS Judging**

**All plants must be entered for AOS Judging by 10:00 AM**

10:30 AM - Russ Vernon - "Phalaenopsis Hybridization, Novelty and Harlequin Breeding"

12:00 - 1:00 PM - Buffet Lunch (*included in registration*) and plant sales

1:30 PM - Presentation of AOS Awards

2:15 PM - David Off - "Orchid Obsession"

### **VENDORS:**

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New Vision Orchids - [www.newvisionorchids.com](http://www.newvisionorchids.com)  
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# sos show results

## MARYLAND EXHIBIT AT THE SUSQUEHANNA ORCHID SOCIETY SHOW

Thanks to the help of Gregg Custis, Sarah Hurdel, Clark Riley, David and Margaret Smith, and Robert Travers and the generous donation of plants from Gregg Custis, Frank Dagostin, Susanne Gaertner, Ann Hedrick, Jennifer Hildebrand, Owen Humphrey, Sarah Hurdel, Robert Johnston, Marilyn Lauffer, Norma Lynch, Valerie Lowe, Judy von Mehlem, Michael Moran, Jamie Riegel, Mark Robbins, David Smith, Gary Smith, William Soyke, Sarah Spence, Eric Wiles, and The Little Greenhouse, the Maryland Orchid Society installed the Best Society Exhibit and won the *Orchid Digest* Trophy for the Best Amateur Exhibit in the show. (see photo on next page.) Other ribbons/awards received are:

PLANT	AWARD	OWNER
Phal. Nottaclu	1 <sup>st</sup>	Sarah Hurdel
Paph. <i>liemianum</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>	"
Paph. <i>venustum</i> v. <i>pradhanni</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Paph. Mr. Wonderful	1 <sup>st</sup> , Best Cypripedium	"
Pyp. Mendenhall v. <i>alba</i>	Honorable Mention	"
Den. Peng Seng	1 <sup>st</sup> , Best Dendrobium	"
Den. Hybrid	3 <sup>rd</sup>	"
Cyclopogon <i>lindleyanum</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Liparis <i>formosana</i> 'Sesshu'	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Ludisia discolor	3 <sup>rd</sup>	"
Oeceoclades <i>roseo-variegata</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	"
Scaphosepalum <i>fimbriatum</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , Best Pleurathallis	Owen Humphrey
Tolumnia Genting Orange	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jamie Riegel
Phal. Jialo's Pink Girl	2 <sup>nd</sup>	William Soyke
Paph. <i>henryanum</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Michael Moran
Paph. Iantha Stage 'Tom Cat', AM/AOS	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mark Robbins
Paph. AW Sutton 'Patty', AM/AOS	3 <sup>rd</sup>	"
Hwra. Lava Burst 'Puanani', AM/AOS	1 <sup>st</sup>	Frank Dagostin
Milt. Earl Dunn 'Dark Lip'	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Robert Johnston
Pleur. Tribuloides	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Oncidium Heaven Scent 'Redolence'	1 <sup>st</sup> , Best Oncidium	Sarah Spence
Paph. ( <i>ang-thong</i> x <i>niveum</i> ) x <i>niveum</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Valerie Lowe
Paph. (Hsinying Calsow x Hsinying Majukum)	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Hab. <i>medusae</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Lc. Mary Elizabeth Bohn 'Royal Flare', AM/AOS	1 <sup>st</sup>	David Smith
Pot. Fairyland	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
L. <i>pumila</i> 'Carolina Gem'	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Clark Riley
Ctna. Why Not x Slc. Little Toshie	3 <sup>rd</sup>	"
Slc. Tangerine Jewel x Lc. Sacramento Rose	3 <sup>rd</sup>	"
Slc. Trudi March 'Cosmic Tangerine'	3 <sup>rd</sup>	"
Phal. Ting Shin Baby Smile	1 <sup>st</sup>	"
Paph. Ho Chi Minh	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Rossioglossum grande 'Dundee'	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Cattleya Mrs. Mahler	1 <sup>st</sup>	Eric Wiles
Aeranthus species	1 <sup>st</sup>	"
Cymbidium Cherry Kisses	1 <sup>st</sup>	"
Rlc. Newberry Classic 'Harford', HCC/AOS	2 <sup>nd</sup>	The Little Greenhouse
Slc. Tangerine Imp 'Harford's Mandarin'	1 <sup>st</sup>	"
Slc. Bright Angel 'Harford's Ruby'	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Onc. Sum Lai Woh 'Triple Threat', JC/AOS	1 <sup>st</sup>	"
Den. <i>laevifolium</i> v. <i>albescens</i> 'Loch Raven', CHM/AOS	1 <sup>st</sup>	"
Den. <i>laevifolium</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Den. Maiden Charlotte	2 <sup>nd</sup>	"
Coch. <i>amazonica</i> 'Harford', HCC/AOS	3 <sup>rd</sup>	"

I would like to thank Sarah Hurdel, Clark Riley, Gary Smith, David and Margaret Smith, and Eric Wiles for helping to tear down the exhibit and getting it packed up and transported home.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Lowe  
Away Shows Chair



## *sos show results*



Maryland Orchid Society installed the Best Society Exhibit and won the *Orchid Digest* Trophy for the Best Amateur Exhibit in the show.

## *local aos news*



October 3, 2014: National Capital Judging Center in Conjunction with the Susquehanna Orchid Society Show

Eric Wiles plant of *Cymbidium* Cherry Kisses 'Munchies Man' (far left) received a 79 point Highly Commended Certificate (HCC). His plant of *Brassidium* Gilded Urchin 'Halo' (center) received a Judges Commendation (JC).

The Little Greenhouse plant of *Cochleanthes amazonica* 'Loch Raven' (below) was upgraded from a 79 point HCC to an 82 point AM.





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If you are interested in orchid culture and would like to meet others with similar interests, we cordially invite you to join the ranks of Marylanders already enjoying the benefits of membership in the Maryland Orchid Society.

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