



The Maryland Orchid Society Newsletter

A monthly newsletter for the members and friends of the society

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Website: www.marylandorchids.org



The President's Letter

The hustle and bustle of the holiday season is upon us. Let us not forget to take time to acknowledge, with thanksgiving, our many blessings. I wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving!

Speaking of thanksgiving, a hearty "thank you" to all MOS members who volunteered their time and energy in making our 2015 Annual Orchid Auction a winning event. I have said it before and I will say it again; it is the support and dedication of our members who make our society a great success.

After some confusion at last months' meeting concerning membership and the placing of plants on the show table for competition and the earning of points, the MOS Board at their October 2015 meeting, agreed on the addition of the following to the "Show Table Rules" as stated in the roster...

1) A show table exhibitor must be a member of The Maryland Orchid Society.

2) Each membership, single, dual or family, will be considered as one exhibitor.

"Membership" is defined by the 2015 Amended By-laws of the Maryland Orchid Society in Article I, Section 6.

"There shall be no restriction upon the number of members who may belong to the Society. A person may become a regular member of the Society by making application"....."and

paying, in accordance with these by-laws, the dues set by the Board of Trustees. Annual membership shall run from September through August, and dues shall be due and payable by September 30 in each year. If a person who has been a regular member of the Society shall fail to pay annual membership dues by September 30, such person's membership shall continue until October 31, at which point, if such person has not paid dues for the current year, such person's membership shall end."

In accordance with this publication of the additional Show Table Rules and the definition of "membership", if you need to renew your membership by paying your dues, please submit your renewal form along with \$30.00 to Marilyn Lauffer or me prior to the November 19th meeting.

Sarah

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November's Guest Speaker Dave Miller



Good Roots Grow Good Orchids

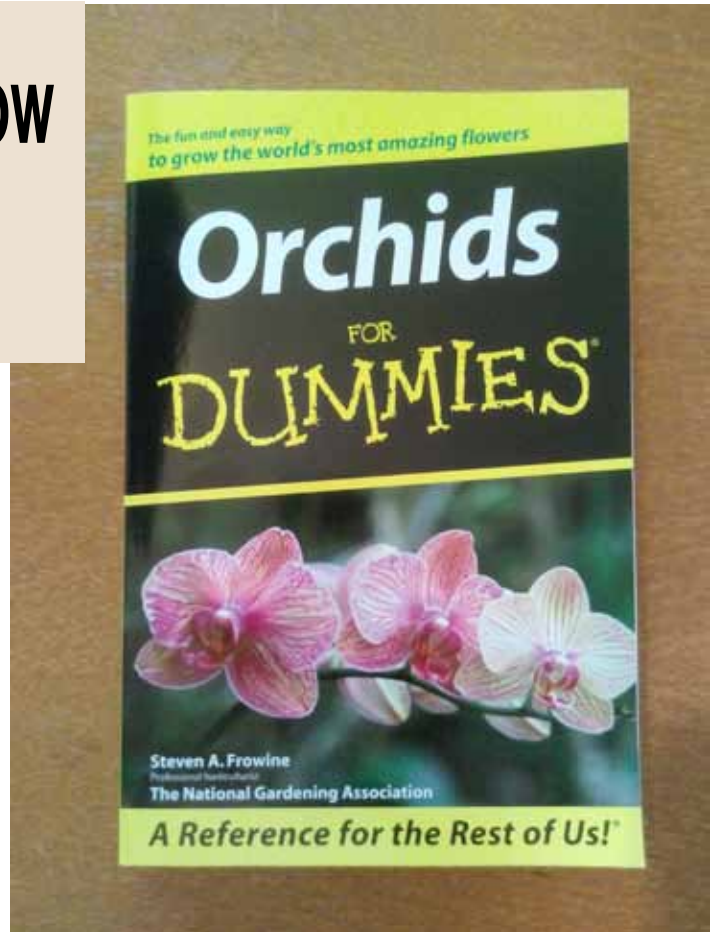
One of the keys to successful orchid growing, regardless of where they are grown or what the type of orchid, is the development of good root systems. We will look at orchid roots as they are repotted then discuss what makes the plant very healthy or what might have gone wrong with the roots. Targeted at novice to intermediate audiences. Powerpoint format. 40 minutes.

Biography

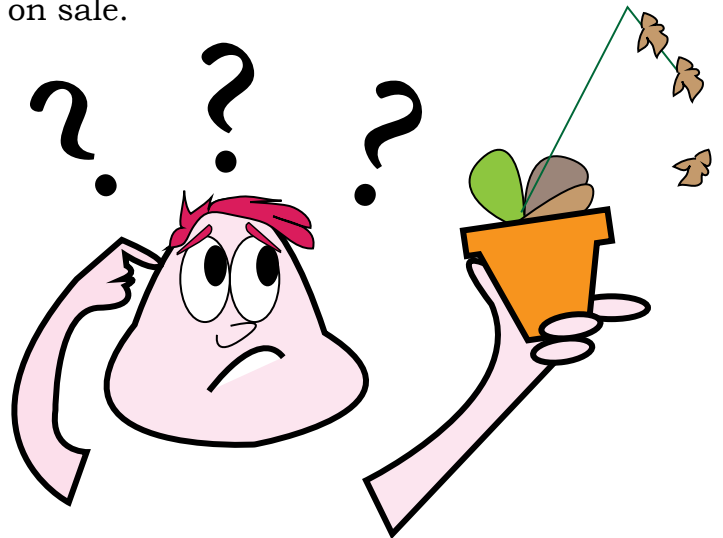
Dave Miller retired from the corporate Information Technology field after thirty-two years in various capacities of software support and development. He then spent three years in the horticulture industry as a perennial plant specialist.

Dave and his wife, Mary Jo, live in Niles, Ohio. He is currently President and Program Director of the Greater Akron Orchid Society, a member of the Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania in Pittsburgh and the West Shore Orchid Society in Strongsville, Ohio. Dave is the orchid advisor for Fellows Riverside Gardens at Mill Creek Metroparks in Youngstown, Ohio. He is also a probationary judge with the Great Lakes Judging Center of the American Orchid Society and speaks on orchid culture topics to orchid societies and garden groups.

Submitted by Deborah Dade - Program



Mr. Miller has graciously donated one of his books "Orchids for Dummies" for November's door prize. He will have others, at the meeting on sale.



November's 2015 Show Table Winners by Tom McBride

Novice

1. Paph. Presidential Magic - The Zickuhrs

Home Grown

1. Hab. Flamingo 'Ruesque' AM/AOS - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
2. Spa. plicata - Norma Lynch
3. Tie Monn. Millenium Magic 'Witchcraft' FCC/AOS - Marilyn Lauffer
Psh. cochleata - Bob Travers

Greenhouse

1. Aergs. luteola-alba var. rhodosticta - Clark Riley
2. Cyc. Wine Delight 'JEM' FCC/AOS - Jos Venturina
3. Tie Neost. Lou Sneary - The Adamses
V. Pachara Delight 'Dark' - Eric Wiles

Cattleya

1. Lc. Tropical Pointer 'Cheetah' - Jenny Hildebrand
2. Tie Slc. Love Castle - Clark Riley
Hasgw. Red Stella 'Hawaii' - David Smith
3. Tie Epi. Don Herman 'H&R' - The Dagostins
Blc. Marcella Koss 'Pink Marvel' AM/AOS - Bob Johnston

Phalaenopsis

1. Phal. bellina - Jos Venturina
2. Tie Phal. equestris 'Harford' HCC/AOS - Kathi Jackson
Phal. lindenii - Clark Riley
3. Phal. Fortune Saltzman 'Maple Bridge' - Janice Mazur

Paphiopedilum and Phragmipedium

1. Paph. liemianum - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
2. Tie Paph. Doll's Kobold - The Adamses
Phrag. Sedenii - Barbara Buck
Phrag. longifolium var. gracile - Valerie Lowe
3. Paph. Raisin Barb - Owen Humphrey

Oncidium

1. Brs. Rex - Eric Wiles
2. Odcdm. Wildcat - John Dunning
3. Mtssa. Dark Star 'The Orchid Works' - Chris Zajac

Dendrobium

1. Den. laevifolium - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
2. Den. Stephen Batchelor - The Adamses
3. Tie Den. (Apichart Rainbow X bigibbum) - Aaron Webb
Den. densiflorum - Eric Wiles

Miscellaneous Hybrids

1. Pna. Majestic - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
2. Tie Dar. Charm 'Blue Star' - The Adamses
Bulb. (Elizabeth Ann X fascinator) - Diane Elam
3. Ascda. Su Fun Beauty 'Orange Belle' AM/AOS - Phuong Tran & Rich Kaste

Species

1. Ren. storei - Jos Venturina
2. Tie Den. bracteosum - Michael Moran
Stan. gravolens - Eric Wiles
3. Tie Gchls. dasypogon - The Adamses
Bulb. medusae - John Dunning
Sngl. longifolia - Bob Travers

Miniature

1. Masd. livingstoneana - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
2. Tie Bulb. unitubum - The Adamses
Ornth. gladius - David Smith
3. Tie Slc. Petite Purple - Clark Riley
Orpha. radicans - Eric Wiles

First Bloom Seedling

1. Phrag. pearcei - The Soykes
2. Paph. Doll's Kobold - Deborah Dade

1. Blc. George King 'Southern Cross' - Wanda Kuhn
2. B. Little Stars 'Yasuit Takasaki' - Marilyn Lauffer
3. C. Hihimanu - Ellie Martin

Fragrance

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Judges Choice for the Evening

The Judges Choice of the evening was Ren. storei, exhibited by Jos Venturina.

Thank You to our judges who were, Wanda Kuhn, Brenda Logan and Joan Roderick.

Our show table had an incredible display of 110 beautiful flowering

plants. A special **THANKS** to all that make our show table such a great success!

Happy Holidays! Come join us for
**The Little Greenhouse
Open House**

for Maryland Orchid Society members
Saturday, December 19, 2015
9:00 AM until 5:00 PM

20% Off All Regularly Priced Plants!
30% Off All Stem Prop Phalaenopsis!
Special BOGO Sales!

**Members may enter to win a
\$50.00 Gift Certificate.**

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Welcome to our New Members

Gene Sobul
Amanda Gallegos
(she is a “welcome back” - was a member a few years ago.)

There are 94 paid members.

Marilyn Lauffer
Membership Committee

*Aaron Webb's
Auction News*

By the time everyone has read this, our annual auction will be over. I hope it was a success and we all had fun. It could not have happened without the support of everyone involved.

Thanks for supporting your society.

Aaron

Please remember to save your old newspapers (minus the ad inserts) for Tom Mc Bride and bring them to him at the monthly meeting

Clark's Corner

Laelia Little Sunset (Laelia pumila x Laelia cinnabarina) from Santa Barbara Orchid Estate. It is a strong grower, reliable bloomer, and good parent. It's probably diploid (2N). Note the “lipstick” from the Laelia pumila. Grow well drained and cool. Can take a lot of sun.



About The Maryland Orchid Society Newsletter/Mission

The Maryland Orchid Society Newsletter published monthly by the Maryland Orchid Society September through June, shares the latest news of our orchid community.

Please submit your comments to: barbarabuck2015@comcast.net.

We invite articles, notices, etc. for inclusion in our newsletter. The deadline for inclusion is the end of each month.

The MOS brings together people interested in orchids to promote and encourage orchid culture, preservation, education, propagation, hybridization, and all other orchid-related activities of interest to its members. Benefits of membership include a subscription to the newsletter (e-mail and web, voting rights, borrowing privileges from the MOS Library, monthly guest speakers, local judging, valuable door prizes, and much more.



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.

Newsletter Submissions

Content for the MOS newsletter for the 2015 fiscal year is due at the end of the first full week of each month.

Submitting content to the newsletter editor,
Please submit your information to:
barbarabuck2015@comcast.net

September 17, 2015 Meeting date
October 15, 2015 Meeting date
November 19, 2015 Meeting date
December 17, 2015 Meeting date

The November, 2015 AOS Corner

From the desk of Gayle Brodie, Vice-Chair American Orchid Society Membership and Affiliated Societies Committee (gbrodieaosmembership@gmail.com)

UPCOMING WEBINARS :

ECUADOR: LAND OF ORCHIDS AND THE 22ND WORLD ORCHID CONFERENCE, presented by José “Pepe” Portilla of Ecuagenera Orchids –October 27, 2015 from 8:30 – 9:30 p.m. EDT. Free to all. Register now at <https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/2609222823194469890>

GROWING ODONTOGLOSSUMS, presented by Tom Etheridge –November 3, 2015 from 8:30 – 9:30 p.m. EDT. Members only. Registration will be available at www.aos.org shortly after the Ecuador webinar is presented.

It is very easy to register for and watch a webinar! Go to www.aos.org and click on the Webinar tab for more information about previously recorded webinars and the upcoming live webinar, and to download a PDF document that explains how to register for and watch your webinar. However, you cannot register for the current live webinar until a few days after the last live webinar has aired.

THE NOVEMBER ISSUE OF ORCHIDS MAGAZINE will feature great articles and beautiful pictures on: Colorful Polystacha hybrids from South Africa Vanda cristata in Bhutan Theleafless Dendrophylax funalis Defining the word “species” Brassia suavissima

FREE HELP FOR YOUR NOVICE GROWERS IN YOUR SOCIETY: The “All About Orchids” tab on the AOS website has a section called “Orchid Basics” in the drop-down menu including the answers to Frequently Asked Questions such as:

- Where Do I Cut the Spike?
- How do I water my orchid?
- How do I feed my orchid?
- When should I repot?
- What is the best potting media?
- Where in the house can I grow my orchid?
- Can I grow orchids outdoors?
- Why won't my orchid re-bloom?
- What is growing on the flower stem?
- What is the best orchid for growing in the home?
- What Should I Look for When I Buy an Orchid?
- Why are my orchid's leaves wrinkled and leathery?
- What's wrong with my orchid?

This wonderful resource is free to all, including nonmembers.

THE NEW ORCHIDS AWARDS PAGE ON THE AOS WEBSITE

For more than 90 years the AOS has documented the best-of-the-best of the world's most popular flower through its premier judging system. Each awarded orchid is meticulously described, measured and photographed. The AOS is pleased to announce that these awards and the

stunning photographs that accompany them—previously accessible by AOS members only—are now open to the public at large thanks to a newly designed awards page on the Society's website. “AOS awards are a recognized measure of quality the world over and coveted by hobbyists and commercial growers alike,” explained Frank Smith, president of the AOS.

“As the orchid's popularity has grown, demand for accurate information about the flower has increased. And nowhere is their more precise information than in the AOS' vast award repository. People will love the award photographs, not only for their beauty but from what they can learn from them. This is a great way to advance their knowledge and appreciation of orchids.”

Six things you will absolutely love about the new awards page...

1. It's free! Gaining access to orchid awards previously required a subscription to the AOS' Orchids Plus award registry platform.

2. You don't have to be an AOS member. These breathtakingly beautiful photographs haven't been available to non-paying visitors until now.

3. The page shows the 30 most recent orchid awards, including its name, parentage, description, award, score and photograph. This information can help make you a better orchid grower.

4. Clicking on any photo in the page opens up a larger photo with a gallery feature, allowing you to click through all of the large photos for the latest awards.

5. The page also includes a social sharing function to allow you to share the page with your friends via your favorite social media or bookmarking site, as well as by e-mail.

6. You can start exploring now - [click here!](#)

UPCOMING ORCHID SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Go to www.AOS.org and click on the “Events and News” tab for all of the news about orchid shows, AOS judgments, and orchid seminars.

FREE MEMBERSHIP CREDITS FOR AFFILIATED SOCIETIES:

Affiliated societies can now earn a one month extension of their AOS society membership for each new AOS member that you refer (membership renewals don't count). For now, the only way to take advantage of this program is to download and print the AOS Membership Application Form, check the box “yes” to indicate that you are a member of a local orchid society, mostly importantly fill in the NAME of your orchid society, and mail the completed application and payment to AOS, 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables, Florida 33156.

With twelve new AOS members, your affiliated society can have a FULL YEAR OF FREE AOS membership! Be sure to have membership applications with your society's name filled in and available at your club meetings!

Let's grow together,
Gayle Brodie

*Respectfully submitted, Valerie Lowe -
AOS representative, MOS Away Shows Chair*



LOCAL AOS/MOS NEWS

July 11, 2015: National Capital Judging Center:

David Smith's plant of *Speklinia tribuloides* 'Flore Cuprum' received an 85 point Certificate of Cultural Merit (CCM).

The Little Greenhouse plant of *Paphiopedilum* Adding Booth 'Gabriel' was awarded an 86 point Award of Merit (AM).

September 5, 2015: National Capital Judging Center:

Jamie Riegel's plant of *Cattleya loddigesii* v. *harrisoniana* 'Jamie's Best' received an 80 point AM.

Sarah Hurdel and Gary Smith's plant of *Phalaenopsis hieroglyphica* frma *flavum* 'Hampstead' received a 79 point Highly Commended Certificate (HCC).

October 2, 2015: National Capital Judging Center in Conjunction with the Susquehanna Orchid Society Show:

The Little Greenhouse plant of *Oncidium Memoria* Harold Starkey 'Loch Raven' was awarded an 80 point AM.



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**MOS Display
at the
SOS Orchid Away Show**

Thanks to the help of Sarah Hurdel, Clark Riley, and Robert Travers and the generous donation of plants from Mary Chiu, Deborah Dade, Susanne Gaertner, Anne Headrick, Owen Humphrey, Sarah Hurdel, Wendy Kuhn, Marilyn Lauffer, Norma Lynch, Valerie Lowe, Janice Mazur, Michael Moran, Clark Riley, Laura Sobelman, David Smith, Gary Smith, William Soyke, Sarah Spence, Robert Travers, 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 and the AOS Show Trophy for the Best Exhibit in Show. Other ribbons/awards received are:

PLANT	AWARD	OWNER
Laelia pumila	2 nd	Clark Riley
Lc. Tydea	2 nd	"
Blc (Satin Dew x Goldenzelle)	1 st	"
Sc Calypso 'Crestwood', AM/SO	1 st	"
Slc Petite Purple	2 nd	"
Lc. Simplicity	3 rd	"
Epi. Embreei	2 nd	"
Odontioda Du Molier	2 nd	"
Rossioglossum grande	2 nd	"
Phrag. pearcei	3 rd	David Smith
Milt. spectabilis v. moreliana 'Anne Warne', AM/AOS	1st	"
Lockhartia lunifera	3 rd	"
Acianthera sonderiana 'Turnberry', CCE	1 st	"
Paph. Doll's Kolbold	3 rd	Deborah Dade
V. Pachara Delight 'Black'	2 nd	Eric Wiles
Ornithophora radicans	3 rd	"
Stanhopea graveolens	3 rd	"
Oddcm. Everglades Elegance 'Nancy Lee'	1 st	"
Den. bracteosum	1 st	Michael Moran
Paph. Hilo Midori	2 nd	Laura Sobelman
Psychopsis Mem. Bill Carter	2 nd	Mary Chiu
Phal. Zuma's Pixie 'Taida's Little Cutie'	2 nd	Owen Humphrey
C. sincorana 'Rebecca Northen', AM/AOS	3 rd	Sarah Hurdel and Gary Smith
Paph. exul	2 nd	"
Paph. Magical Contrasts	3 rd	"
Phal. hybrid	2 nd	Sarah Spence
Phrag. longifolium v gracile	1 st	Valerie Lowe
Den. Laevifolium	2 nd	The Little Greenhouse
C. bowringiana v coerulea 'Menchune'	2 nd	"
Sc. Beaufort 'Cathy', AM/AOS	1 st	"
Den. Maiden Charlotte	2 nd	"
Masd. Redwing 'Loch Raven', HCC/AOS	2 nd	"
Paph. Hilo Green Mountain	2 nd	"
Onc. Mem. Harold Starkey	1 st	"
Phal. amabilis #2	2 nd	Bill Soyke
Phrag. pearcei #2	3 rd	"
Bulb. Fascinator	2 nd	"

I would like to thank Owen Humphrey, Sarah Hurdel, Gary Smith, and Bob and Susan Travers for helping to tear down the exhibit, getting it packed up, and transported home.

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Respectfully submitted - Valerie Lowe Away Show

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PLANT	AWARD	OWNER
Laelia pumila	2 nd (miniature)	Clark Riley
Stenoglottis longifolia #3	3 rd	"
Epidendrum embreii	1 st	"
Laelia pumila	1 st	"
Pot. Velvet Rubies	3 rd	"
Stenoglottis longifolia #1	1 st	Robert Travers
Stenoglottis longifolia #2	2 nd	"
Dendrochilum grande	1 st	Barry Woolf
Cymbidium erythrostylum	1 st	"
Alcra. Sunday Best 'Muffin', HCC/AOS	2 nd	"
Onc. Dark Horse	2 nd	"
Cattleya bowringiana	3 rd	"
Pyp. Memoria Bill Carter	3 rd	Mary Chiu
Paph. Raisin Barb	3 rd	Owen Humphrey
Bulbophyllum grandiflorum	3 rd	Robert Johnston
Habenaria Flamingo 'Rubenesque', AM.AOS	1 st	S. Hurdel/G. Smith
Oeceoclades roseo-variegata	1 st	"
Ornithophora radicans	2 nd	Eric Wiles
Phal. hybrid	1 st	Laurie Nardinelli
Phal. hybrid	3 rd	Sarah Spence

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Respectfully submitted -
Valerie Lowe Away Show

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