

# MARYLAND ORCHID SOCIETY

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## newsletter



News and information for the members of the Maryland Orchid Society

June 2013

## president's message

As another season draws to a close for our regularly scheduled meetings of the Maryland Orchid Society, as president I would like to say a special THANK YOU TO EACH MEMBER in all matters orchid related. We have had a very full spring, between shows, general meetings, board meetings, discussions, programs and more. Occasionally the work is difficult but because all of you are so enthusiastic and concerned with the future of this great organization, we are able to succeed in our efforts time and time again.

And, we have more yet to come as the summer rolls on: A trip to Rawlings Conservatory and Cyburn greenhouses, a summer picnic on July the 20th at my place, another board meeting and still more I'm sure. Keep your eyes open for emails from Gary Smith regarding upcoming events.

Again thank you for your comments, thoughts, ideas, insights, and efforts. To me this organization is like an extended family. I appreciate every one of you and all that you do. We may have highs and the occasional low, but we always figure it out and come together with a better product than before. Remember that the best cakes start out messy — batter gets on your hands, you have to break some eggs, mix it up a bit, let it bake for a while, and at the end come out with a wonderful dessert.

My best to all of you. Have a happy, fun, exciting and safe summer!

*Eric*

## The MOS June Speaker, Robert Griesbach, Presents “A Guide to Phalaenopsis Species”

With 11 MOS speaking engagements since 1990, Dr. Robert Griesbach may hold the record for repeat performances. As our June speaker, Dr. Griesbach will present an in-depth discussion of Phalaenopsis species. Dr. Griesbach earned a Ph.D. in genetics from Michigan State University in 1980. The following year, he joined USDA's Agricultural Research Service (USDA-ARS). Rob conducted a broad based research program in the plant genetics. He authored 106 scientific papers, as well as, presented over 500 scientific seminars and popular talks. Rob currently is the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Technology Transfer. In this role, he helps to

coordinates programs to optimize the transfer of research results across USDA-ARS to the private sector and other users for development and commercialization. Rob is a Past President of the American Orchid Society. He is currently an accredited AOS judge, member of the AOS Research Committee, and member of the RHS Orchid Registration Authority Committee.



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# may 2013 show table winners by Tom McBride

Photos by Sarah Hurdel



## Novice

1. Epi. Rose Valley (above)-Benjamin Sims
2. Blp. Golden Peacock - Jennifer Hildebrand

## Home Grown

1. Pyp. Hybrid - Marilyn Lauffer
2. Tie Slc. Jewel Box 'Scheherazade' AM/AOS - Kathi Jackson  
Phrag. Bel Croute - The Lundys
3. Tie Odcdm. Catatante 'Sun King' - The Dagostins  
Phrag. (Sorcer's Apprentice X *lindleyanum*) - Valerie Lowe  
Neof. *falcata* - Bill Scharf



## Greenhouse

1. Phal. *lueddemanniana* (above)- The Adamases
2. Paph. Dollgoldi - Les Kirkegaard
3. Tie Lc. Angel Heart X Slc. Fire Fantasy - Clark Riley  
*L. purpurata* 'Cindarosa' - David Smith



## Cattleya

1. Epc. Renee Marques 'Flame Thrower' HCC/AOS - Chris Zajac
2. Tie C. *Dupreana coerulea* 'Kodama' - The Adamases  
Iwan. Apple Blossom 'Golden Elf' - Phuong Tran & Rich Kaste
3. Tie C. *walkeriana* var. *semi-alba* 'Kenny' FCC/AOS (col. 1, bottom)- Kathi Jackson  
C. *forbesii* (above)- Michael Moran



## Phalaenopsis

1. Phal. Hybrid - The Soykes
2. Tie Phal. Corning's Violet - The Adamases  
Phal. *cornu-cervi* 'Linda' HCC/AOS - Michael Moran  
Phal. *mannii* var. *alba* (above) - David Smith
3. Phal. Hybrid - Chris Zajac

## Paphiopedilum and Phragmipedium

1. Paph. Julius - The Adamases
2. Tie Paph. Henrietta Fujiwara - Owen Humphrey  
Paph. *rothschildianum* - Les Kirkegaard  
Phrag. *besseae* - Clark Riley
3. Tie Paph. Pinnocchio - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith  
Paph. Master Druid 'Harford' (col. 3, top)- The Lundys  
Phrag. Fliquet - Chris Zajac



## Oncidium

1. Alcra. Pacific Nova 'Hilo Stars' - Chris Zajac
2. Tie Pyp. Kalihi - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith  
Brsdm. Hunter Everglades 'Swamp Buggy' HCC/AOS - The Soykes
3. Mtps. Breathless 'Brilliant' - The Dogostins

## Dendrobium

1. Den. Tubtim Blue - The Adamases
2. Den. *atroviolaceum* - David Smith
3. Den. Virginia - Gary Smith & Sarah Hurdel

## Miscellaneous Hybrids

1. Cyc. Wine Delight 'JEM' FCC/AOS - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith

## Species

1. Bulb. *graveolens* - Jos Venturina
2. Doc. *wassellii* - The Adamases
3. Tie C. *iricolor* - Michael Moran  
Bulb. *trigonosepalum* 'Doggie Doo' CHM/CBR/AOS - David Smith

## Miniature

1. Pths. *mathildae* - David Smith
2. Tie Neof. *falcata* 'Setzuzan' - The Adamases  
Oberonia species - Bill Scharf
3. Cad. *talori* - Sarah Spence



## First Bloom Seedling

1. Paph. Johanna Burkhardt (above)- Clark Riley
2. Paph. *rothschildianum*- Les Kirkegaard
3. Phal. *cornu-cervi* f. *chattaladee* - Gary Smith & Sarah Hurdel

## Fragrance

1. Blc. Hawaiian Beauty 'Pearl' - Marilyn Lauffer
2. C. *mossiae* - The Lundys

The Judges Choice of the Evening was Den. Tubtim Blue, exhibited The Adamases. The judges were JoAnn Russo, Lee Lundy and Jamie Riegel. There were an incredible 130 beautiful plants displayed on our show table.

# local aos news

## June 1: National Capital Judging Center :

Our own Sarah Hurdel and David Smith (at right) were both accepted as Student Judges in the American Orchid Society during the semi-annual business meeting. CONGRATULATIONS!

At the auction held at the end of the May meeting of the Maryland Orchid Society, Valerie Lowe won the bid on a *Paphiopedilum Dollgoldi* (right). She presented the plant at the regional judging session of the American Orchid Society where it received an 86 point Award of Merit (AM).



Photos: Valerie Lowe

## Member Update and Miscellaneous

There were 59 members at the May meeting.

The May door prize, an Lc. Golden Sands Elizabeth Off, was won by Deborah Dade.



## education corner

In June, please join Deborah Dade as she shares tips on basic culture most orchids need to survive and grow well in ordinary house conditions, rooms, porches and basements.



## aos corner

A popular benefit of AOS membership is participation in the Reciprocal Garden program of the American Horticultural Society. Many members report that they save more than the cost of AOS membership annually by using this program. Check out the listing of participating gardens and arboreta at [www.ahs.org/gardening-programs/rap](http://www.ahs.org/gardening-programs/rap)—some offer free admission or other benefits to AOS members. You will need to show your AOS membership card to participate.

Over the summer months, members of the Affiliated Societies Committee will be contacting AOS Affiliated Societies for the annual update of information. This will also serve as a reminder to all societies to notify AOS of any changes to your society officers and contact information. In addition, if you make any changes to your record on the AOS website directly, please send AOS a notification that you changes have been made. Unfortunately at this time, they do not get any notification of any changes.

Plans are being solidified on the Fall Members and Trustees meeting to be held at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Gardens. The confirmed speakers to date are Kiat Tan of Singapore, Mr. Chen Chung Chen, President of the Taiwan Paph Society and Munekazu Ejiri of Japan. AOS hopes you join us at the Fall meeting and explore AOS' new home.

Is your society aware of all the benefits of being an affiliated society of the American Orchid Society? We would appreciate knowing what you all deem the top benefits of affiliation. Send to me your society's listing of their top 3 benefits at [www.affiliated\\_societies@aos.org](mailto:www.affiliated_societies@aos.org). I'll report the results in future AOS Corners.

Lynn Fuller, Chair  
AOS Affiliated Societies Committee

## Don't Miss These Exciting MOS Speakers!

Deborah Dade has a thrilling speaker line-up planned for MOS' 2013-2014 monthly meetings. Following is a list of confirmed speakers for 2013-2014:

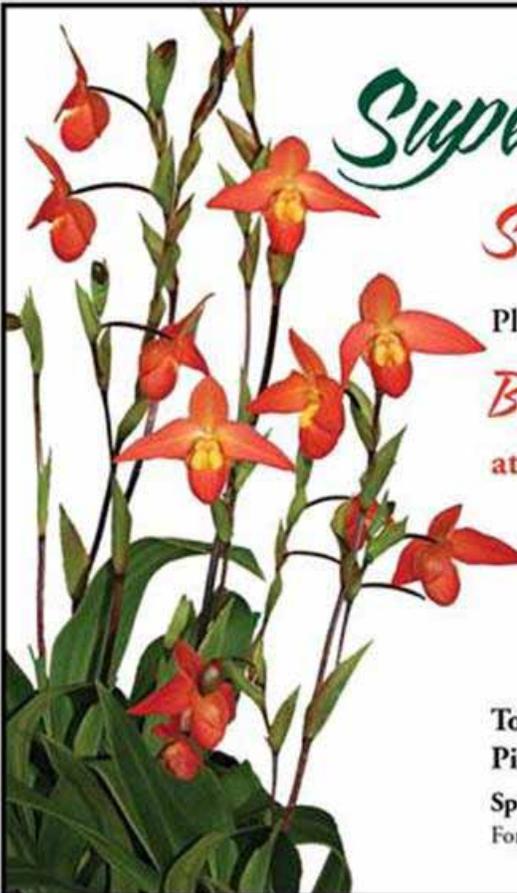
September 2013: Tom McBride, The Little Greenhouse, Baltimore, MD

October 2013: Tom Mirenda, Smithsonian Institution Orchid Collection Specialist, Washington, D.C.

January, 2014: Stephen Male, Fishing Creek Orchids

May, 2014: Linda Thorne, Seagrove Orchids, Seagrove, NC

Please note that the MOS does not hold monthly meetings in July and August. However, we are having our **summer board of managers meeting** July 25 at David and Margaret Smith's home. All members are welcome to attend. Also, don't miss the second annual **MOS Summer Party Saturday**, July 20 at Eric Wiles' farm. For more information, to RSVP or bring food, contact Eric. Have a wonderful, safe and fun summer!



## *Super Slipper Celebration*

*Saturday, October 5, 2013*

Please join us to honor Barbara Tisherman with the naming of the  
*Barbara Tisherman Slipper Orchid Collection*  
at Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens

**Featuring:**

- Slipper Orchid Speakers
- Super Slipper Sales
- Tours of Phipps Conservatory
- Plus food, fun and the Phragmipaphium Phollies

To be held at Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213.

Sponsored by the Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania.  
For more information and registration, visit [OSWP.org](http://OSWP.org) or call Richard Raiff at 412.344.5969.

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The *MOS Newsletter*, published monthly by the Maryland Orchid Society September through June, shares the latest news of our orchid community. Please submit your comments to sobelman1@verizon.net

We invite articles, notices, etc. for inclusion in our newsletter. The deadline for inclusion is first Sunday of the 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, 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.

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