



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



*To All Our Members
And
Friends*

My December message to each one of you is very short but from my heart...wishing you a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa, Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year to all. May your days be merry and bright!

*Blessings to All,
Sarah*



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November's 2015 Show Table Winners by Tom McBride

Novice

1. Paph. Presidential Magic - The Zickuhrs

Home Grown

1. Blc. Magic of Mishima 'Volcano Queen' - Wanda Kuhn
2. Tie Blc. Spring Dawn X Lc. Mem. Robert Strait - Bob Johnston
Phrag. Cardinale 'Wilcox' AM/AOS - Marilyn Lauffer
Ascda. NoraTokunaga - Bob Travers
3. Ang. Crestwood 'Tomorrow Star' - Lee Lundy

Greenhouse

1. Aer. odorata - David Smith
2. Slc. Tangerine Jewel 'Vi' - Clark Riley
3. Lc. Molly Tyler FCC/AOS - Barbara Buck

Cattleya

1. Blc. Glenn Maidment 'Aranbeem' - Bob Johnston
2. Tie Rlc. Oconee Circle - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
Epc. Volcano Trick 'Orange Fire' SM/TOGA - Wanda Kuhn
Lc. Ann Akagi 'Hihimanu' - Joan Roderick
3. Tie Pot. (Erin Kobayashi X Marlene Lundquist) - Barbara Buck
Psh. Green Hornet - Owen Humphrey
Blc. Petite Stars - The Soykes
Blc. Mem. Crispin Rosales - Bob Travers
Blc. Mem. Crispin Rosales 'Victory' AM/AOS - Chris Zajac

Phalaenopsis

1. Phal. Hybrid - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
2. Phal. Hybrid - John Dunning
3. Phal. pulcherrima var. champorensis 'Pixie' AM/AOS - Owen Humphrey

Paphiopedilum and Phragmipedium

1. Paph. (Supersuk X Raisin Pie) - Owen Humphrey
2. Tie Paph. Macabre Contrasts - Deborah Basel
Paph. venustum var. pradharii 'Bud Hammond' - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
Paph. spicerianum - Michael Moran
3. Tie Paph. Philip's Moon - Bob Johnston
Phrag. longifolium var. gracile - Val Lowe

Oncidium

1. Odcdm. Wildcat - John Dunning
2. Onc. Heaven Scent 'Redolence' - Sarah Spence
3. Tie Psy. Mendenhall 'Hildos' FCC/AOS - Joel Graham
Onc. Tsiku Margurite - Eric Wiles

Dendrobium

1. Den. Hybrid - Norma Lynch
2. Den. Hybrid - Suzanne Gaertner

Miscellaneous Hybrids

1. Cym. (Cherry Cola X dayanum) - Eric Wiles
2. Bulb. A-doribil Anna Roth 'Cherry' AM/AOS - Bob Johnston
3. Zygo. Rhine Delight - The Soykes

Species

1. Epi embreei - Clark Riley
2. Tie Strs. speciosa - Owen Humphrey

Tsx. memor - David Smith

3. Tie Anc. rothschildianus - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
Bulb. grandiflorum - Bob Johnston
C. perciviliana 'Summit' FCC/AOS - Bob Travers

Miniature

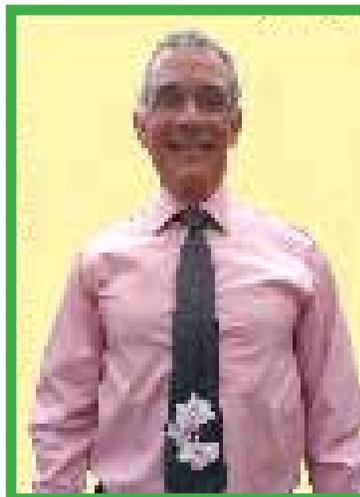
1. Isa. virginalis - David Smith
2. Tie Lep. telipoganiflora - Sarah Hurdel & Gary Smith
S. coccinea f. flava - Clark Riley
3. Tie Neost. Lou Sneary 'Blue Bird' - Bob Johnston
S. cernua - Eric Wiles

First Bloom Seedling

1. Paph. (concolor X sanderianum) - John Dunning
2. Phrag. (Saint Ouen X Pink Panther) - Joel Graham
3. Paph. charlesworthii - Deborah Dade

Fragrance

1. Blc. Mem. Mickey Boatwright 'Carmela' - Gregg Custis
2. Blc. George King 'Southern Cross' - Wanda Kuhn
3. Onc. Sharry Baby - Bob Johnston



Judges Choice for the Evening

The Judges Choice of the Evening was *Isa. virginalis*, exhibited by David Smith.

Thank You to our judges who were, Bill Soyke, Bob Travers and Maria Zickhur.

Our show table had an incredible display of 128 beautiful flowering plants.

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

*Don't forget a day of savings and fun at the
Little Green House's
OPEN HOUSE...*

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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David's Corner

Isabelia virginalis



I have owned this plant for about 11 years, having received it from Bud Hammond's collection after his demise. He had owned for at least 7-8 years prior. It normally blooms at this time of year, late autumn, however this is by far the best blooming of this plant that I remember. It is not a difficult plant to grow, especially if the watering requirements are met.

I grow *Isabelia virginalis* at what is described as intermediate conditions, with winter night temperatures being about 55 degrees and day temperatures about 10 degrees, or more higher, depending on the amount of sunlight. Summer temperatures are about 82 degrees during the day and whatever the ambient night temperature happens to be. Light conditions during the summer are moderate shade with high humidity which varies because the greenhouse is open throughout late spring, summer, and early autumn. During the growing season, I try to water about every day, but during the winter when the greenhouse is closed and the temperatures are lower I water only about every week to 10 days. Fertilization is haphazard, at best, but I use a balanced chemical fertilizer at 1/4+ teaspoon per gallon. Because of its creeping growth habit, *Isabelia virginalis* is best grown mounted and in my situation on cork, however, wood slabs, tree fern or any rough barked surface would suffice.

You may find more information about this species, *Isabelia virginalis*, or any species by going to IOSPE (Internet Orchid Species Pictorial Encyclopedia) on the Internet, or by simply entering the name of the plant into Google. I enter the name of the plant which will yield many links in addition to IOSPE. *Isabelia virginalis* is usually available from a number of growers whose specialty is species: Andy's Orchids, Marlow Orchids, Tropical Orchid Farm, and others.

January's Speaker Preview Art Chadwick

Mr. Chadwick discusses the traits of the 17 large flowered *Cattleya* species found in Central and South America and follows closely with our book, "The Classic *Cattleyas*" from Timber Press.

At the end of the lecture, he will cover the growing conditions for these plants.

Pre-orders are encouraged. See our website (www.chadwickorchids.com) for a current list of *Cattleya* divisions. We can offer 20% off website prices.

See you then in January

Submitted by Deborah Dade - Program

Welcome

to our new members,
Van and Melva Thomas

Marlyn Lauffer - Membership

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

November 19, 2015 Meeting date
December 17, 2015 Meeting date

The November MOS News Corner

JUST REMINDER...

Don't forget this month's meeting is our Holiday Party. If You wish to bring a covered dish, please contact Barbara Buck at barbrabuck2015@comcast.net or (410) 551-9374.

Also we are having a **Plant Swap or Give Away** among members. No money is to be exchanged.

Last month there was an error in the newsletter on page 2. It was the suppose to be results of the November Table Winners not October. Sorry about that.

The November, 2015 AOS Corner



UPCOMING WEBINARS :

GREENHOUSE CHAT with Ron McHatton– December 2, 2015 from 8:30-9:30 p.m. EDT. Free to members and non-members. Please join Ron McHatton, American Orchid Society Director of Education, for a Q&A session on how to grow and care for your orchids. As one of the most knowledgeable orchidists, he is currently the American Orchid Society's Director of Education and is an accredited American Orchid Society judge. Ron's "greenhouse chats" are among our most popular webinars, and we promise you will learn something new!

Register now at <https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/5877252858402932226>

NORTH AMERICAN CYPRIPEDIUMS with Nile Dusdieker–December 9, 2015 from 8:30-9:30 p.m. EDT.

Learn how to appreciate and grow this most captivating group of native north American orchids! Members only. Registration will be available at www.aos.org shortly after the December 2 Greenhouse Chat has aired.



Cypripedium acaule 'Paul' CBM/AOS
Photographer: Unknown



Cypripedium reginae
'Cotton Candy' AM/AOS
Photographer:
Brian Maskell

Cypripedium candidum 'Mt. Cuba' HCC/AOS
Photographer: Maurice Marietti

WHAT ARE WEBINARS?

Webinars are an internet conference where you can hear the speaker and view his presentation, ask questions, and hear interactions from other members of the audience. You can join either on your computer or by phone. You can join from anywhere, via your Mac, PC or even your mobile device. Audio is included, so attendees can phone in or use VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol). You will need a microphone for your computer to use VoIP.

WANT TO LEARN, BUT CAN'T MAKE THE DATE? The live webinars will be recorded and posted on the AOS website, where you will find a link allowing you to view the webinars at your convenience.

FREE AOS MEMBERSHIP 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! DON'T MISS THE NEW ORCHID AWARDS PICTURES ON THE AOS WEBSITE: See fabulous pictures of the most breathtakingly beautiful orchids receiving awards from the AOS! Visit the new "Recent Awards" page on the AOS website to enjoy these stunning photographs! Click on the thumbnails to see them in larger format. Free to members and nonmembers.

THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF ORCHIDS MAGAZINE will feature great articles and beautiful pictures on



- » All About Orchid Viruses
- » Large-Flowered Coeloglyne
- » Chaubardiella
- » North to Alaska!
- » Miltonia

**Chaubardiella tigrina 'Gail's Delight' HCC/AOS;
Photographer: Larry Johnson**

STUMPED ABOUT FINDING SPEAKERS FOR YOUR SOCIETY?

Go to the Affiliated Societies page (link in the middle banner) at AOS.org and download a list of speakers in either Excel or PDF format. The file includes the speakers' names, email and telephone contact information, locations, topics and fees. The Excel file can easily be sorted by zip code or state to help you find speakers near you.

Let's grow together,
Gayle Brodie



*Respectfully submitted, Valerie Lowe -
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