



Newsletter of the Kansas Orchid Society

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Meeting Schedule, 2007

Jul 15, Botanica: 1:30 p.m.
Greengrowers, Growing Orchids
in Your Home, presented by
Mark Sanborn.

2:00 p.m. Meeting. Program,
Warm Tolerant Masdevallias,
presented by Karlene Sanborn.

Aug 19, KOS Picnic at the lake
near the Ethridge home. KOS
will furnish the meats for grilling.
The Ethridges will furnish the
drinks. Members are asked to
bring a covered dish. Directions
to the lake will be in the August
Newsletter.

KOS Newsletter Articles

Submit your articles for the
KOS Newsletter by Aug 9 to
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President's Palaver

Going, Going, Gone. If you missed the Orchid Auction at the June KOS meeting, you missed a great time. We had more orchids for auction than we have had for a few years. The orchids and orchid related items went for as low as \$2.00 up to \$50.00. We had really good quality stuff and I thank everyone that brought things for auction. An especially big THANK YOU to the people that bid on everything. The society raised over \$900.00. This money helps to bring in speakers, buy raffle plants, and pay for the KOS picnic in August.

I think it is safe to say that summer is finally here. Max and I are still in the process of repotting everything in the greenhouses. We are totally done with the south greenhouse and have just started the north greenhouse. We have thrown away a lot of stuff and divided a lot of things and thrown it away. I hate throwing orchids away, but there is only so much room in the greenhouses. If someone is interested in divisions of catts, let us know. These are non-awarded catts, but nice plants.

See you all at the next meeting, and don't forget the KOS picnic in August.

Bryon K. Rinke, President Kansas Orchid Society

KOS Minutes, June 19, 2007

The meeting at Botanica was called to order by Bryon Rinke, President, and he welcomed all.

Kathy Ethridge, Treasurer, presented her report. Mary Denney made a motion to accept the report, which was seconded by Pat Sallee. The motion carried. Kathy also reported that she had fliers available for the final week of Garden Council tours.

There were no minutes to report last month due to the great trip KOS members went on to Bird's Botanicals.

Max Thompson reported that 29 plants were submitted to Gt. Plains Judging Center and six were awarded. Max also shared word that Fred Burgess, longtime KOS member and grower, might be coming to the meeting but he was unable to make it. Fred has been living at the hospice in Pratt since he lost his home in a tornado. We will keep Fred in our prayers and wish him a speedy and complete recovery from his health problems.

Orchid Digest has asked for financial support for their issue on Lycastes. Richard Vanderlip made a motion for KOS to send them \$1,000.00. The motion was seconded by Sarah Pratt and it carried. These special publications are a great resource for orchid enthusiasts.

And on to the plant auction. Richard Vanderlip used his special talent as auctioneer, ably assisted by Max Thompson. Mark Sanborn displayed and handed plants to new owners and Kathy and Bill Ethridge kept track of the money. The auctions are always great fun and a way to try something different and of course are a learning experience. At the end of the festivities, Sarah Pratt made a motion that Fred Wolfe not pay for the plants he had selected. The motion was seconded by Max Thompson and it carried. This will give Fred a new start after his greenhouse broke down and he lost everything in it. Fred has sent out some very nice thank you letters. Thank you to all the members who provided and served excellent refreshments for this occasion.

AOS CORNER

By Melba and Jim Butler

More and more good changes are taking place within the AOS and the AOS Visitor's Center.

As promised, the Web site has a Quick Reference Guide that loads quickly: For instance just a click on Monocot Checklist takes you to the World checklist of Selected Plant Families at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew; the speakers list is on the screen in just a click; one click on Hybrid Registration Form and the form appears; culture sheets are also a click away; the sitemap moves you through scads of material that loads quickly! But you've got to see it all for yourself! Go to www.aos.org and click on Quick Reference Guide, then Sitemap.

Anyone planning a wedding? If so, how much more beautiful could it be to have your wedding among the orchids at the Visitor's Center. Check it out on the Web site. It may even be worthwhile to repeat your vows on an important anniversary! Check into it by visiting "Wedding Rentals" under the Quick Reference Menu!

Dot Henley's Orchid Trivia:

Reference: Attenborough, D. 1955. **The Private Life of Plants**. Princeton: Univ. Press:

Native American Cherokees used *Aplectrum* to insure eloquence in their children and *Spiranthes* to keep children healthy. *Planatera* orchids were used to make fish bite (p 634)

Mexicans used *Laelias* to prevent abortions and in Europe *Orchis* were used to restore male potency and to foster true love. Europeans have used orchids in funeral rites, in rites of puberty, and in Christian religious rites. P634

Only three orchids do not have bisexual flowers. They are *Catasetums*, *Cynoches*, and *Mormodes*. P208

Susan Taylor
Orchids Editor, BellaOnline.com

Thank You, from Fred Wolfe

My Dear Friends,

Sunday was the happiest birthday I ever had (actually June 20). I was overjoyed and deeply appreciative for all you did for me that day, from the auction which you would not take my money to the assistance to the car in all the rain. My greenhouse and kitchen are blooming again and I find I hate to take the plants from the kitchen to the greenhouse because I cannot look at them every minute.

I know you said you would help me get going again and you certainly did. I still have blooming plants from the last show. I do not have everything in place yet and I am still waiting for the glass company to come and get me ready for winter.

Once again God bless you—

Your friend, **Fred Wolfe**

Featured Orchid

Masdevallia Machu Picchu

Masdevallia Machu Picchu is a primary hybrid of **Regalia ayabacana* x *Masdevallia coccinea*. The median size for awarded flowers of this cross is 3.4 cm W; 16.5 cm L.

The plant pictured is a division purchased from Ivan Komoda in February 2007. Thus far, it has bloomed well and seems to thrive under moist, cool-intermediate conditions with lots of air movement. When selecting *Masdevallia* hybrids it is important to study the parentage to decide whether one can provide the appropriate growing conditions.

Parentage of *Masd. Machu Picchu*: **Regalia ayabacana* was named for the community of Ayabaca in Peru. An intermediate grower, this species is found in the Chanchamayo valley in central Peru at an altitude of 3900 feet (1200 m).

Masdevallia coccinea, a cool/cold grower is widely distributed in the Eastern Cordillera of Columbia at altitudes from 8,200 feet (2,500 m) to 11,800 feet (3,600 m).

**Syn. Masd. ayabacana* Luer

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OrchidWiz Encyclopedia. 4.0.

The Pleurothallid Alliance. www.pleurothallids.com



Masdevallia Machu Picchu 'Makawao Surprise'
AM/AOS [Division]
(grown by Karlene Sanborn; photographed by Mark Sanborn)

**Great Plains Judging Center
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
June 16, 2007**

1. HCC 75 Pts.	Lycaste schilleriana 'Max (Species)	M Thompson
2. No Award	(Anguloa hohenlohii x Ida locusta)	M. Thompson
3. No Award	Phragmipedium Fantasy Dream Chaser (hirtzii x sargentianum)	M. Thompson
4. CBR	Pleurothallis (Acronia) volans 'Bryon (Species)	B. Rinke
5. No Award	Cadetia collina (Species)	B. Rinke
6. CBR	Maxillaria witsenioides 'Bryon'(Species)	B. Rinke
7. No Award	Epidendrum nanum (Species)	B. Rinke
8. No Award	Restrepia cymbula (Species)	B. Rinke
9. No Award	Paphiopedilum Karl Ploberger (bellatulum x hangianum)	J. Lankton
10. No Award	Paphiopedilum (Sierra Lace x fairrianum)	J. Lankton
11. No Award	Paphiopedilum (Sierra Lace x fairrianum)	J. Lankton
12. No Award	Paphiopedilum Wellesleyanum (concolor var. album x godefroyae var. album)	J. Lankton
13. No Award	Blc. Toshie Aoki 'Pizazz' AM/AOS (Faye Miyamoto x Waianae Flare)	D. Bird
14. HCC 77 Pts	Catasetum PROVISIONAL 'Cheyenne' (Black Knight x Orchidglade)	D. Bird
15. CBR	Trichoceros oñaensis 'Karlene' (Species)	M/K Sanborn
16. No Award	Vascostylis Fuchs Precious Jewel (Ascocenda John De Biase x Rhynchostylis coelestis)	M/K Sanborn
17. No Award	Ascocentrum Mona Church x ampullaceum)	M/K Sanborn
18. No Award	Bulbophyllum Melanie's Star (baileyi x lobbii)	M/K Sanborn
19. No Award	Lycaste Balliae (macrophylla x skinneri)	K. Siegler
20. No Award	Polyradicans lindenii (Species)	T/B Larkin
21. No Award	Paphiopedilum Scorpio Quest (philippinense x Gemstone's Randschild)	T/B Larkin
22. No Award	Paphiopedilum Scorpio Quest (philippinense x Gemstone's Randschild)	T/B Larkin
23. No Award	Paphiopedilum Kee Chin Lim (platyphyllum x malipoense)	K. Judy
24. AM 81 Pts.	Phalaenopsis Sogo Fairyland 'Memoria Todd Judy' (Venus x Luchia Stripes)	K. Judy
25. No Award	Promenaea xanthina (Species)	D. Lyon
26. No Award	Bulbophyllum patens (Species)	D. Lyon
27. No Award	Maxillaria pseudoreichenheimiana (Species)	D. Lyon
28. No Award	Luerella pelecanceps (Species)	D. Lyon
29. No Award	Paphiopedilum Xanthophyllum (hookerae x mastersianum)	D. Wood

Team 1: Plants 1-9

*Ray Gabaldon
Billie Kramer
Carolyn McCabe
Tom Larkin
Gary Blankenbiller (Prob)
Darrin Mullins (Student)

**** Max C. Thompson presiding over judging****

**** Karl Siegler photographer****

Team 2: Plants 10-19, 1

*Mark Stroube
Bryon Rinke
Karl Siegler
Fred Clark (Pacific South – CA)
Danny Lyon (Prob)
Mark Prout (Student – Mid America)

Team 3: Plants 20-29

* Brain Truong
John Kramer
Lowell McCabe
Tom Lankton (Mid America)
Pam Norberg (Prob)
Karlene Sanborn (Student)

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Sarah Pratt	2007 (end of term)
Craig Webb	2007 (end of term)
Jill Stackley	2008 (end of term)
Ron Haselhuhn	2008 (end of term)
Richard Vanderlip	2009 (end of term)
Karlene Sanborn	2009 (end of term)

KOS Garden Council Representative

Kathy Ethridge

Committee Chairpersons

Finance	Bryon Rinke
Program	Mark Sanborn
Nominations	Max Thompson
Hospitality	Marlen McIntosh
Publicity	Kathy Ethridge
Membership	Kathy Ethridge
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