

Massachusetts Orchid Society

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Phal. NOID, Bill Wallace

MOS show table results June 2018

Judges: Joel Shelkroft, Jeff Feldman, Bob Richter

Scribe: Brigitte Fortin

exhibitor's name	plant's name	Lights/Windowsill/Greenhouse	Warm/Cool/inter	Comments
Phal hybrid, no id	Bill Wallace	W	W	
Phal Haur Jih Fancy 'Taida'	Joel Shelkroft	W	W	
paph henryanum (Bear sm/Tps x self)	Jeff Feldman	L	W	
Phrag. Fliquet 4N	Brigitte Fortin	L	I	
Brassoepidendrum 'Golden Peacock'	Dina Deresh		W	
Onc. Sunny Daze	Warren & Suzie Wheelwright	G	C	
Maxillaria tenuifolia	Bob Richter	G		
Vanda cristata 'Gold Country' x Vanda cristata "sutter's fort'	George Baltoumas	W	W	
Angraecum didieri	Jeff Feldman	W	W	
Nageliella purpurea	George Baltoumas	W	W	
Encyclia cordigera	Caren Savone			

total ribbons: 11

total plants: 18

MOS show table summary 2018-19

May June July August Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec. Jan. Feb April Total

Jeff Feldman	2	2														4
Brigitte Fortin	1	1														2
Charlie Briggs		1														1
Linda Abrams	1															1
George Baltoumas		1														1
Anne Pfaff	1															1
Warren & Suzie Wheelwright		1														1
Ralph DiFonzo	1															1
Warren & Suzie Wheelwright		1														1
Caren Savone	3	1														4
Joel Shelkrot	1	1														2
Bob Richter	1	1														2
Ron Maloney	2															2
Dina Deresh		1														1

Total # ribbons 13 11 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 24

Total plants 27 18 45

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This month's speaker: Joe Silva of Silva's Orchids

(preorder discount and deadline: TBA)

Joe is a second generation orchid grower who along with his brother Tony operates Silva Orchids in Neptune, New Jersey. The brothers sell premium quality flowering orchids and other orchid specimens to the high end flower shops in New York City. Their greenhouse are open to the public on Fridays and Saturdays. They also have an online catalog.

The company has received over 75 AOS awards and they were the winner of the 2006 Ernest Hetherington Award for the best plant grown in the country for that same year and the Robert Dugger Award for the best *Odontoglossum* grown in 2005.

Silva Orchids is the home of the Shore Orchid Festival held annually in June. The festival boasts 20 vendors from around the world with AOS Judging, free lectures and workshops.

Joe will be selling plants. <http://www.silvaorchids.com/>

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Paph. henryanum
(Bear sm/Tps x self)
Jeff Feldman



MOS Upcoming Events

Monthly AOS Judging

07 July 2018 10:30 AM

Tower Hill Botanic Garden,
11 French Dr, Boylston, MA

Monthly Meeting – Joe Silva/Silva Orchids

Topic: TBA

10 July 2018 7:30 PM • Sons of Italy,
117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA

Monthly AOS Judging

04 Aug 2018 10:30 AM

Tower Hill Botanic Garden,
11 French Dr, Boylston, MA

Monthly Meeting – Glen Decker/Piping Rock Orchids

Topic: TBA

14 Aug 2018 7:30 PM • Sons of Italy,
117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA

Monthly AOS Judging

01 Sep 2018 10:30 AM

Tower Hill Botanic Garden,
11 French Dr, Boylston, MA

IPA Focus on Phals Day @ NHOS

08 Sep 2018 9:30AM – 2:30 PM

Bedford Old Town Hall, 3 Meetinghouse Rd,
Bedford, NH

Monthly Meeting – Annual Plant Auction

11 Sep 2018 7:30 PM • Sons of Italy,
117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA



Onc. Sunny Daze
Warren and Suzie Wheelwright

Now you can access the MOS website from your smartphone with this new app!

The new Wild Apricot for Members App allows members to log in and view content from www.massorchid.org.

What can your members do with the member app?

- View the member directory
- View a member's profile
- Email fellow members
- View the event calendar and event details
- Register for an event
- Specify the number of guests if the registration type was set up to collect the total number of guests only
- View your existing event registrations
- Pay an outstanding event registration fee
- View your member profile
- Currently, only an iOS version of this app is available. The app was designed for the iPhone, is compatible with the iPad and iPod Touch, and requires iOS version 10.0 or later. Download ??????



Vanda cristata 'Gold
Country x Vanda
cristata 'Sutter's Fort'
George Baltoumas

Mark your calendars now for what will be an amazing regional meeting of the International Phalaenopsis Alliance

Our featured guest speaker is the return of one of our most popular speakers, Mike Mims, a hobby-hybridizer from North Carolina, who has already garnered several AOS awards to his Phalaenopsis, including a coveted FCC/AOS. Mike has been focusing his breeding program on fragrant brilliantly colored waxy novelties and this time he has told us he will be bringing seedlings from some of his newest crosses for sale.

Carri Raven-Riemann will be presenting an update on the newest in Phalaenopsis breeding as seen at the 2018 Taiwan International Orchid Show. The advances over the last few years have been eye-popping and forward thinking, including new directions in breeding intergeneric Phalaenopsis hybrids.

We will have a slightly different schedule from our previous seven years, starting a little later in the morning and focusing on two speakers followed by a roundtable culture discussion. In addition, we'll have a mini auction along with lunch and snacks to keep us all going.

The New Hampshire Orchid Society will co-host us, as always, on Saturday, September 8, 2018 in Bedford, NH. Please go to <https://www.nhorchids.org/event-2771757> to register. The cost is \$15 for non-NHOS members and registration deadline is September 1st. Have a wonderful summer and see you in September!

Carri Raven-Riemann, IPA Regional Director

Odds And Ends~

This month we welcome aboard President Sasha Crotty and Vice President, Cindy Drozynski!

Speaking of which, the board still has openings to fill. Being a member is actually fun; not like going to the dentist! Please volunteer – we're looking for new blood!

For the past few months, the board has been working diligently planning for the upcoming annual show. A big thank you to all those making this happen!

Annual Picnic - MOS wishes to thank Bob and Marcia Richter for ever so graciously hosting our annual picnic at their beautiful, music box filled home (not to mention Bob's greenhouse). After many years, they're ready to pass the torch to someone new. Good news! All that's required is a yard and a grill. This is a fun filled event where everyone brings a pot-luck dish and we all kick back and have a good time. What better way to get acquainted, relax, talk orchids and drink in the summer sun? Once the board completes planning for the annual show there'll be more time to plan this year's picnic. If you'd like to host, email the newsletter editor or speak with someone at next month's meeting.

Roving greenhouse help – Bob Richter and Charlie Briggs are desperately looking for help in their greenhouses. Anyone who can volunteer an hour now and then with things like repotting and general maintenance, please let them know. There's a lot one can learn from these guys!



L: Phrag. Fliquet, Brigitte Fortin
R: Brassiepidendrum Golden Peacock,
Dina Deresh

The Northeast Judging Center is Moving!

Effective July, 2018, the Northeast Judging Center of the American Orchid Society, currently based in Stamford CT, is moving to the [Frelinghuysen Arboretum](#), 353 East Hanover Ave, Morris Township, NJ 07960 just off of Interstate 287. Judging day remains the third Saturday of each month, just at a new location starting this July.

Why the move? We're bringing the judging closer to you! Many of our growers live in northern and central New Jersey. The move should facilitate more growers exhibiting their plants and encourage more growers to check out the judging program.

The Frelinghuysen Arboretum offers plentiful free parking and drive-up access to the lower level classroom where judging takes places for convenient plant drop-off. Everyone is welcome! Bring an orchid for judging, or just come and listen in. Either way, you'll learn a lot about your orchid.

Remember, the May 19 and June 16, 2018 judging days are at the current location, the Bartlett Arboretum in Stamford CT. Then, starting with the July 21, 2018 and going forward, the judging is at the Frelinghuysen Arboretum. Come join us.

With orchids timing is everything. If your orchids are in their prime earlier in the month, the Northeast Judging Center in Boylston MA meets on the first Saturday of the month, and the Mid-Atlantic Judging Center meets in Philadelphia PA on the third Wednesday of the month. So, there are lot of opportunities to have your orchids judged and pick up a few tips from the judges.



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Angraecum didieri
Jeff Feldman

At our monthly meeting on Tuesday May 8, 2018 the Massachusetts Orchid Society presented Charles Briggs the Society's Diamond Award.

Charlie has been an active member for over 50 years. Though Charlie has slowed up just a little bit he still makes our meetings and has the same love and passion for growing orchids, for which he has won numerous awards.

We are so honored to have him as a member for so many years and for many more to come.





GROW AND SHOW!



Please share your secrets of success (or laments) with all of our members! Everyone has their own approach to growing and flowering orchids, particularly here in New England. We're curious to know what works for you and the challenges you face. Whether you grow on a windowsill, summer outside, indoors under lights or in a greenhouse, start taking photos of your growing spaces and send them along with a short essay to: newsletter@massorchid.org.

Just to get you started:

- How do you maintain proper humidity, light & temp levels indoors?
- What are some pros and cons of your lighting, ventilation and humidification systems?
- How to water without ruining your floors, messing up the bath or breaking your back carrying buckets.
- Greenhouse culture & setup; is yours a DIY or ready-made?
- Basement growing: induce flowering under lights; tracking day lengths and temps.
- Growing on mounts, in orchidariums, micro-climates, hydroponically...

Dear Members,

Many of you leave your flowering orchids sitting home, all alone while you're off having fun at our monthly meetings. Please don't let your babies feel left out! Bring them in for the show table! Let them bask in their beauty and be enjoyed by everyone! What I'm trying to say is, let's not be shy about it –beginners or advanced growers... we all want to see more flowers!



• THE AOS CORNER •



Organizing orchid culture and its chores by season is a convenient way to make sure that your orchids get the proper care at the right time. Becoming in tune with your plants' growth cycles creates a connection with the natural world and makes you a better grower.

Seasonal Orchid Care

July/August

Click here for [Checklist](#)

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