

# Massachusetts Orchid Society

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## **M**inute Minutes

### Notes from the Board

- ◆ We are thinking of you, our orchid-loving community, during this challenging time! Due to the state's mandated public closures, monthly meetings will be cancelled until further notice, but until that happy time, we are working on ways to stay connected through online offerings. As a reminder, our Facebook page is [www.facebook.com/massorchid](http://www.facebook.com/massorchid) and our Instagram is [www.instagram.com/massachusettsorchid](http://www.instagram.com/massachusettsorchid).
- ◆ This month in the newsletter, explore an hour-long webinar from the American Orchid Society's "Greenhouse Chat", featuring AOS President Ron McHatton. Topics include getting your phalaenopsis to bloom, how to build an orchidarium (turn your wine cooler into a cool-growing orchidarium!) and semi-hydroponic growing. In general, "Greenhouse Chat" covers questions about culture, controlling pests and diseases, plus many more topics for growers of all levels. See page 6 for a detailed list of topics or [click here](#) to watch.
- ◆ In lieu of the April 14th meeting, we will use this date for the show committee kickoff meeting - online only! Email [show@massorchid.org](mailto:show@massorchid.org) to get details on how to join.
- ◆ With the MOS election coming up soon in June, the board member roles have been redefined in an easier-to-understand document. To view it, please, [click](#) here. While we prefer those with skills and experience described within each job, we also welcome all who are *willing and committed* to learn! In order to vote in another enthusiastic board we ask for your nominee suggestions and assistance by emailing Anne Pfaff, nominating committee chair at ([anne@massorchid.org](mailto:anne@massorchid.org)). A vote will be held during our June monthly meeting and nominations are due May 31<sup>st</sup>. This is your society and we welcome you to participate in its running!
- ◆ Our 2020 Annual Show will be "World of Orchids; Africa and Madagascar" and Save-The-Dates for Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> have been sent to our vendors and local societies. With your volunteer help, let's make it the best show yet!

◆ Treasurer's Quarterly Report for April 2020

Prepared by Ellen Shapiro

As expected, activity during the 3d quarter (Jan. 1- March 31, 2020) was light and shows a deficit. Total numbers for the fiscal year so far, however, look pretty good compared to last year. Maintaining a positive revenue balance will be critical for meeting the much higher show rental cost in November. And please remember to ask your employer if it matches donations, it can help a lot! Respectfully submitted, Ellen Shapiro.

Fiscal Year so far: July 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020 [all numbers rounded to nearest dollar]

Revenue:	\$21,038
Expenditures:	\$17,998
Net Revenue:	\$3,039 (vs \$745 this time last year)

3d Quarter

Revenue:	\$633	3d Q total
		Member dues: \$270
		Matching grant: \$200
		Bank interest: \$163
Expenditures:	\$3407	3d Q total
		Meeting space rent, 3 months: \$600
		Storage unit rent, 12 months: \$1126
		Down payment, show space rent: \$1250
		Donation to AOS NE Judging Center (thanks to Bob Hesse for donating his speaker fee): \$200
		Other/Misc: \$231

*We are always interested in new topics for demos and speakers at the regular monthly meetings. Feel free to stop a Board member and tell them what you'd like to hear about.*



MOS Show Table Results March 2020

Judges: Brigitte Fortin,  
Scribe: Brigitte Fortin

Exhibitor's Name	Plant's Name	Lights/Windowsill/ Greenhouse	Warm/Cool/ Intermediate
Brandt Moran	Den. kingianum 'Trident's Baby' FCC/AOS	G	
Brandt Moran	Den. kingianum	G	
George Baltoumas	Den. Valentine's Day	L	
Ron Maloney	Den. Royal Wings	L/Summer outside	50-55 Winter
Brigitte Fortin	Lc. Koolau Treat	L	
Meg Bright-Ryan	Lepanthopsis astrophora	L	
George Baltoumas	Cym. Pepita 'York'	L	
Jeff Feldman	Lc.		
Jeff Feldman	Tolumnia		
Brigitte Fortin	Vanda hybrid		
Cindy Sykes	Phal. Hybrid		
Dina Deresh	Phal. Hybrid		
Brigitte Fortin	Paph. haynaldianum		
Ron Maloney	Paph. Philippinense var. album x lowii var. album		
Brigitte Fortin	*Phrag. Chinese Dragon		
Cindy Sykes	Paph. appletonianum		
*People's Choice Award			

A very special thanks goes out to Brandt Moran, for his engaging and informative March lecture on de-flasking. Linda Abrams, Mike Badia and Jeff Feldman deserve a big shout out as well, for all took part in the 5-month-long experiment in which they de-flasked and raised seedlings in different conditions in order to learn which environments worked best. It was fascinating to see photographs that each took, over time, illustrating how environments influence growth. Brandt's detailed instructions on how to de-flask and care for the seedlings also led to several members wondering how they might split flasks among them - which could be really fun to follow up later on!



Right: Brandt at last month's workshop

Below: Den. kingianum 'Trident's Baby' FCC/AOS, Brandt Moran



Congrats to Brigitte Fortin for her People's Choice Award, Phrag. China Dragon!



Lepanthopsis astrophora, Meg Bright-Ryan



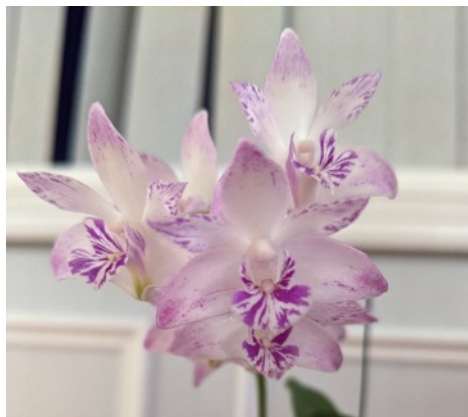
Phrag. China Dragon,  
Brigitte Fortin - People's Choice



Paph. appletonianum, Cindy Sykes



Asco. christensonianum,  
Meg Bright-Ryan



Den. kingianum, Brandt Moran



Den. Royal Wings, Ron Maloney



Above, left to right: Tolumnia Red Berry, Angraecum rutenbergianum,  
Pot. Golden Circle 'OPRL' x Slc. Cosmic Delite 'SVO, HCC/AOS,  
Jeff Feldman



Phal. NoID, Dina Deresh



Paph. philippinense var. album x lowii var. album, Ron Maloney



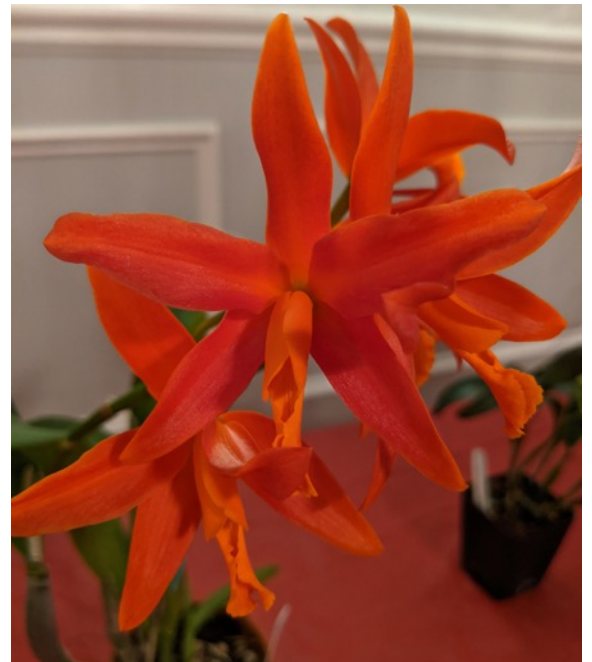
Phal. NoID, Dina Deresh



Paph. haynaldianum, Brigitte Fortin



Phal. NoID, Cindy Sykes



Lc. Koolau Treat, Brigitte Fortin

UPCOMING EVENTS[CANCELLED - Monthly AOS Judging](#)

04 April 2020

Tower Hill Botanic Garden

[CANCELLED - Monthly Meeting -  
George Crozier](#)

14 April 2020

Sons Of Italy, Winchester

[Monthly AOS Judging](#)

02 May 2020 10:30 AM

Tower Hill Botanic Garden

11 French Drive, Boylston, MA

[Monthly Meeting - Kristen Uthus, TBA](#)

12 May 2020 7:30 PM

Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St

Winchester, MA

[Monthly AOS Judging](#)

06 June 2020 10:30 AM

Tower Hill Botanic Garden

11 French Drive, Boylston, MA

[Monthly Meeting - Alan Koch, TBA](#)

09 June 2020 7:30 PM

Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St

Winchester, MA

[Monthly Meeting - Peter Tobias of  
Orchid Conservation Alliance, TBA](#)

14 July 2020 7:30 PM

Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St

Winchester, MA



## Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton

Orchid related questions, answered by AOS experts.  
Click [Here](#) to watch.

Note the specific times below if you wish to watch or listen  
to those topics.

00:58 Phalaenopsis Blooming Problems

5:44 Monthly Checklist

7:14 Pescatoria culture

10:57 Phalaenopsis leaves split ends

15:13 Propagation of Orchids for a leaf

16:57 Curled Orchid Leaves

17:56 Orchidarium

21:00 Cattleya Problems (wilted leaves and no blooms)

25:07 More Cattleya Problems

29:47 Stimulating back bulbs

33:27 Crown Rot in Phalaenopsis

35:38 Forcing a plant to bloom

38:12 Mealy Bug

40:53 Catasetum Blooms

43:00 Dyed or natural colored Phalaenopsis

44:30 Flowering Dendrobium anosmum

46:09 Semi-hydro growing

51:36 Dendrobium phalaenopsis leaf tip issues

54:39 Water Quality of semi-hydro

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# Seasonal Orchid Care: MARCH/APRIL

Click [here](#) for Checklist

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](http://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
- Download the app on Apple or Google Play.

## Amherst Rosette Awards

BEST LARGE CATTLEYA ALLIANCE IN SHOW	<i>Laelia anceps</i> 'Flocks of Butterflies'
BEST MINIATURE CATTLEYA ALLIANCE IN SHOW	Rlc Eye Candy 'NN'
BEST ONCIDIUM ALLIANCE IN SHOW	<i>Tricopilia suavis</i>
BEST STANDARD PHALAENOPSIS IN SHOW	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> NOID
BEST SMALL PHALAENOPSIS IN SHOW	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Liu's Triprince 'KF#4'
BEST CYMBIDIUM IN SHOW	<i>Cymbidium goeringii</i> 'Tian Cao'
BEST DENDROBIUM IN SHOW	<i>Dendrobium</i> Lisa Turner 'Emma Marie'
BEST LYCASTE IN SHOW	<i>Maxillaria tenuifolia</i>
BEST PAPHIOPEDILUM IN SHOW	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> LEEANUM
BEST PHRADMIPEDIUM IN SHOW	<i>Phragmipedium warszewiczianum</i> var. <i>humboldtii</i>
BEST PLEUROTHALLID IN SHOW	<i>Pleurothallis nephroglossa</i>
BEST VANDA ALLIANCE IN SHOW	<i>Rhynchostylis gigantea</i> fma. <i>Alba</i>
BEST MASDEVALLIA IN SHOW	<i>Masdevallia xanithina</i>
BEST MISCELLANEOUS GENERA IN SHOW	<i>Dendrochilum wenzelii</i>
BEST EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT IN SHOW	NO AWARD
BEST ARTISTIC EXHIBIT IN SHOW	Poreclian Ceramic Tray
BEST LARGE SPECIMEN IN SHOW	<i>Dendrobium</i> Lisa Turner 'Emma Marie'
BEST SMALL SPECIMEN IN SHOW	<i>Dendrochilum curranii</i>
BEST WINDOWSILL/FLOURESCENT LIGHT IN SHOW	<i>Dendrobium pendulum</i>
BEST PLANT IN SHOW	<i>Dendrochilum wenzelii</i>
PRESIDENTS AWARD	NO AWARD
AOS SHOW TROPHY	J & L Orchids
ORCHID DIGEST AWARD	NONE GIVEN
HERITAGE AWARD	<i>Coelogyne</i> 'Unchained Melody'



The MOS display at the 2020 Amherst Annual Orchid Show



Amherst Orchid Society Annual Show Awards

Massachusetts Orchid Society	3rd	10	MOS			
Clo Grace Dunn 'Chadds Ford'	1st	10	Anne Pfaff			
Maxillaria tenuifolia	1st	10	Anne Pfaff			
Maxillaria tenuifolia	3rd	10	Anne Pfaff			
Clo Grace Dunn 'Chadds Ford'	1st	10	Anne Pfaff			
B. nodosa 'Mae Major' x B. nodosa 'Remar'	2nd	10	Bob Richter			
Guarisophia Cluster Fire 'Cinnabar'	3rd	10	Bob Richter			
Phragmipedium Jason Fischer	2nd	10	Bob Richter			

Vanda Manuvadee 'Sky' AM/AOS	1st	10	Bob Richter			
Vanda Hybrid	3rd	10	Bob Richter			
Phalaenopsis hieroglyphica	1st	10	Bob Richter			
Tolumnia (red orange)	2nd	10	Bob Richter			
Rrm Orchidom Orange Delight x Tolumnia Alarmed a Joy 'DR best in show'	1st	10	Bob Richter			
Epicattleya Rene Marques 'Flame Thrower' HCC/AOS	2nd	10	Brigitte Fortin			
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Epidendrum porpax	2nd	10	Brigitte Fortin			
Lc Koolau Treat	3rd	10	Brigitte Fortin			

Paphiopedilum Barbilight	3rd	10	Brigitte Fortin				Ascocentrum ampullaceum	1st	10	Mike Badia			
Phalaenopsis Hybrid	2nd	10	Brigitte Fortin				Ascocentrum ampullaceum	1st	10	Mike Badia			
Cymbidium Pepita York	2nd	10	George Baltoumas				B. nodosa 'Susan Fusch' FCC/AOS	1st	10	Mike Badia			
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Dendrobium Sea Mary 'Snow King'	1st	10	George Baltoumas				Dendrobium archipelagense	3rd	10	Mike Badia			
Dendrobium Sea Mary 'Snow King'	1st	10	George Baltoumas				Dendrobium pendulum	3rd	10	Mike Badia			
Dendrobium Sweet Pinky 'Love'	2nd	10	George Baltoumas				Dendrobium pendulum	1st	10	Mike Badia			
Dendrobium Sweet Pinky 'Love'	2nd	10	George Baltoumas				Paphiopedilum Alpine Spice	1st	10	Mike Badia			
C. Nancy Off 'Linwood'	2nd	10	Linda Abrams				Paphiopedilum Leanum	1st	10	Mike Badia			
Catt Nancy Off 'Linwood' AM/AOS	1st	10	Linda Abrams				Paphiopedilum Leanum	1st	10	Mike Badia			

## Amherst show Awarded plants for rosettes

Maryanne Laukaitis (Amherst Orchid Society)  
 Conway Orchids (Roger West)  
 Liz Marinelli (Amherst Orchid Society)  
 Nancy Shedrick (New Hampshire Orchid Society)  
 orchidPhile  
 Carol Mentos ( Amherst Orchid Society)  
 Tom Gregg (Cape and Islands Orchid Society)  
 Anne Pfaff ( Massachusetts Orchid Society)  
 Mike Badia ( Massachusetts Orchid Society)  
 Mike Badia ( Massachusetts Orchid Society)  
 Ann Chepjian (New Hampshire Orchid Society)  
 Marlow Orchids  
 J & L Orchids  
 Kelly's Korner Orchid Supplies  
 Debra Landrey (Nutmeg State Orchid Society)  
 Tom Gregg (Cape and Islands Orchid Society)  
 J & L Orchids  
 Mike Badia (Massachusetts Orchid Society)  
 Kelly's Korner Orchid Supplies  
 J & L Orchids  
 Chuck and Sue Anderson (New Hampshire Orchid Society)

Paphiope dilum Magical Fred	1st	10	Mike Badia			
Phalaenopsis Hybrid	1st	10	Mike Badia			
Phragmipedium Mem Dick Clements 'Menden hall'	3rd	10	Mike Badia			
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Phragmipedium warszewiczianum var humboltii	1st	10	Mike Badia			
Phragmipedium warszewiczianum var humboltii	1st	10	Mike Badia			
Cymbidium aloifolium	2nd	10	Sasha Crotty			



Did you know we're on Instagram and Facebook? On FB, we are "Massachusetts Orchid Society – MOS". On Instagram, search #Massachusettsorchid, or find our profile at @massachusettsorchid. Links to our FB and Instagram accounts can also be found at the bottom of the MOS website page. Check out the photos and share pictures of your orchids in bloom!

# Officers, Directors & Committee Chairs

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## Orchid Show

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## Show Table

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