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Minute Minutes

Notes from the Board



- ◆ The board unanimously voted to donate \$250 to the AOS Centennial celebration. If you wish to make a personal donation in support of AOS, [click here!](#)
- ◆ Welcome to the new Board of Directors! It's a little crazy starting during a pandemic, so we are extra grateful for our new board members: Amanda Larson as Treasurer and Nadine Lepick as a new Director. A kind thank you to the continuing board members, too!
- ◆ The board would like to extend a huge thank you to Ellen Shapiro for 5 years on the board, most recently as Treasurer. You have been a huge help and we all really appreciate your diligence and hard work. We will miss you!
- ◆ The board continues to monitor the situation around COVID-19. The Sons of Italy (where we hold our meetings) is hopeful about opening in the fall. However, there will be plenty of discussion on how to return to physical meetings safely. The health of our members is the highest priority for the board.
- ◆ We do plan to hold the annual society auction in September. It will possibly take a different format this year: possibly online. We could really use donations; divisions, keikis or plants you no longer want!
- ◆ Be sure to email show table photos to showtable@massorchid.org no later than 6 PM on Sunday before Tuesday's meeting.

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- ◆ Revenue may be affected due to the pandemic. Budget projections for the 2020-2021 fiscal year vary significantly based on auction and show revenue. (See Treasurer’s Report)
- ◆ This month in the newsletter, explore an hour-long webinar from the American Orchid Society’s “Greenhouse Chat”, featuring AOS President Ron McHatton., plus many more topics for growers of all levels. See page 6 for a detailed list of topics or [click here](#) to watch.
- ◆ Spread the love! Be sure to Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/massorchid and on Instagram at www.instagram.com/massachusettsorchid.
- ◆ As a reminder, our 2020 Annual Show will be “World of Orchids; Africa and Madagascar”, Nov. 6th-8th. The Show committee is proceeding with the assumption we will hold the show as usual in November. There is obviously a lot of uncertainty regarding the coronavirus, but we remain hopeful about this exciting annual event. For more information, click the [Show Committee Meeting](#) and find out how your help can steer the show!



May Virtual Monthly Show Table

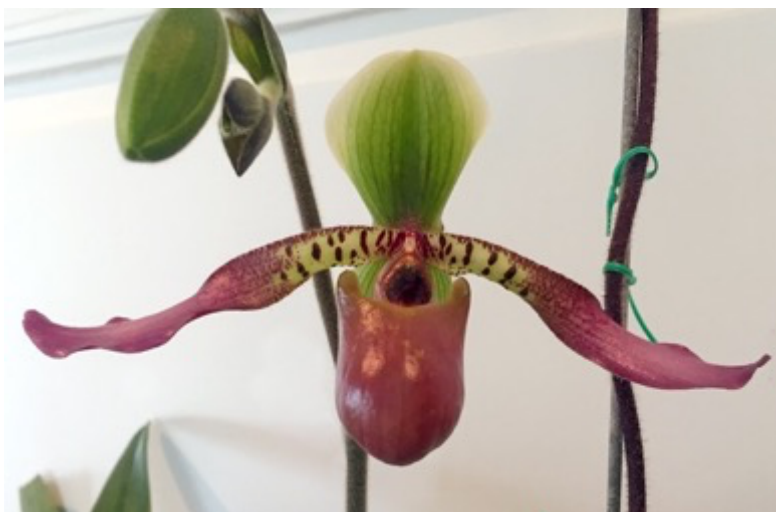
To read some highlights of growers’ notes on culture, click [Here](#)



Phrag. Green Hornet, Adrienne Giovino



Paph. Sukhakulii, Ron Maloney



Paph. Victoria's Passion, Brigitte Fortin



Paph. volonteantum, Brigitte Fortin



Phal. hybrid, Brigitte Fortin



Left:
Phal. Star 'April's
Coming' ,
Alan Kaitz

Below:
Epc. Middleburg
'MAJ', Brigitte Fortin



Phal. hybrid,
Virginia Ehas-Morse



Paph. Catherine Briois,
Ralph & Chieko Collins



Phal. hybrid,
Brigitte Fortin



Coelogyne xyrekes, Ralph & Chieko Collins



Myst. Neil McCormick (braybonae x capense), Anne Pfaff

People's Choice Award



Encyclia Lemon-Lime (mariae x radiata), Jeff Feldman



Bifrenaria harrisoniae, Anne Pfaff



L. purpurata carnea, Linda Abrams



L. purpurata carnea flower, Brandt Moran



(Top) *Lycaste campbellii*
'Green Mite' AM/AOS,
Anne Pfaff

(Rt.) *Max. tenuifolia* x
sanguinea, Anne Pfaff



Cyp. Philipp, Mike Badia



Lycaste aromatica, Brandt Moran



Den. christyanum type dwarf form,
Meg Bright-Ryan



Den. Nagomi,
Ralph and Chieko Collins



Blc. Myrtle Beach x Lc Liptonii,
Brigitte Fortin

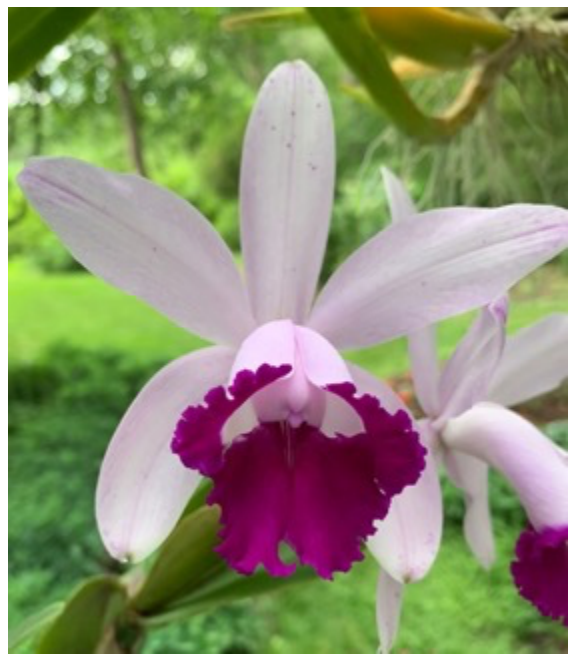


Left:
L. purpurata F1
dark form,
Brandt Moran

Below:
C. Intermedia v. orlata
'Crownfox' AM/AOS,
Mike Badia



Ascofinetia Cherry Blossom,,Adrienne Giovino



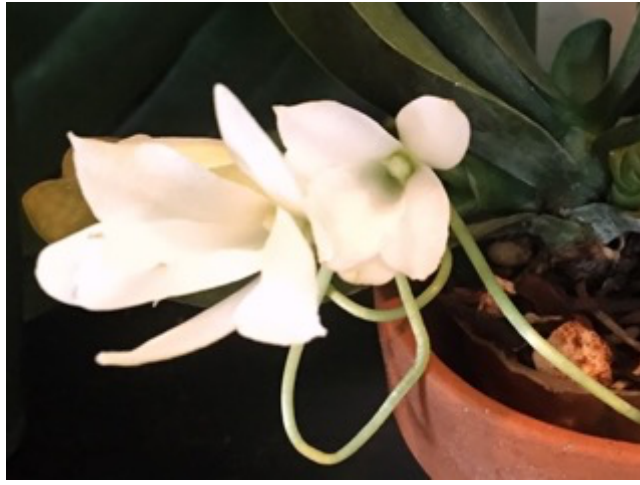
Left:
Lctna. (Peggy San
x Lc Ann Akagi),

Right:
C. Penny Kuroda,
Mike Badia





Angraecum didieri, Meg Bright-Ryan



Aerangis fastuosa,
Brigitte Fortin



Ornithocephalus manabina, Meg Bright-Ryan



Iwanagara Apple Blossom 'Mendenhall', Brigitte Fortin



Neofinetia Hoshigurma, Ron Maloney



Cleisocentrum gokusingii,
Ralph and Chieko Collins



Onc. Sharry Baby
 'Sweet Fragrance'
 May 21, 2020

Slc. Sharry Baby, Alan Kaitz



Slc. Beau's Apricot Gem 'SVO Little Giant' x
 Slc. Chili Chester 'Peter's', Anne Pfaff



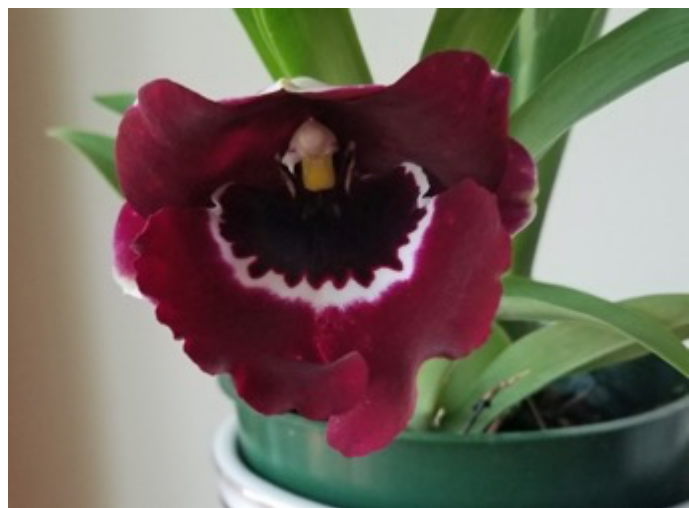
Slc. Barefoot Mailman, Brandt Moran



Colm. Wildcatt 'Bobcat', Brandt Moran



Platystele umbellate, Meg Bright-Ryan



Miltonia hybrid, Debbie McMillan

UPCOMING EVENTSCANCELLED - Monthly AOS Judging

03 July 2020

Tower Hill Botanic Garden

Monthly Virtual Meeting - PeterTobias of Orchid ConservationAlliance, TBA

14 July 2020 7:30 PM

Monthly AOS Judging

01 August 2020

Tower Hill Botanic Garden

TBD

Monthly Virtual MeetingGlen Decker (formerly ofPiping Rock Orchids)

11 August 2020 7:30 PM

Monthly AOS Judging

01 August 2020

Tower Hill Botanic Garden

TBD

Rth. Raingreen's Carousel,
Anne PfaffOnc. Mendenhall 'Hildo'
FCC-AOS, Brigitte Fortin*About this month's speaker Peter Tobias,
of the Orchid Conservation Organization*

Peter Tobias is President and one of the three co-founders of the Orchid Conservation Alliance. The goal of the OCA is to mobilize the orchid growing community to preserve wild orchid habitat. Many orchids, as with other flora and fauna, are in danger of extinction due to human created impacts on their environment. These impacts are due to collection, logging, agriculture, and many other forms of habitat destruction. The OCA raises funds from donations, sales and ecotourism to purchase and protect orchid-rich habitat. At present, the OCA supports reserves in Ecuador, Brazil and Columbia. Peter's talk will briefly describe the goals and methods of the OCA, focusing primarily on the Selva de Ventanas reserve in Columbia. If time permits, images from some of the OCA's other reserves and OCA's *Orchids In The Wild* trips will be shown. His talk is entitled, "Protecting Orchids in the Wild with the OCA: Don't Be Caught Napping!".

Peter started growing orchids on a Chicago windowsill in the mid-1970's with a white phalaenopsis. His interest grew when a friend helped him to import some plants from India and Brazil so that he got a sense of the variety of orchids out there; an ornithocephalus or a dendrochilum is a lot different from a phalaenopsis. Ever since then he has enjoyed collecting and trying to grow odd species. Orchid growing became a lot easier when he moved to Southern California in 1980 and joined the San Diego County Orchid Society, where the majority of his collection now grows outdoors.

• THE AOS CORNER •



Seasonal Orchid Care: July/August

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.

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.

*The Massachusetts Orchid Society
presented this year's Orchid Digest
Diamond Award to*

Adrienne Giovino

Adrienne has been an invaluable member of MOS ever since she joined the Society in 2010, shortly after killing her first phalaenopsis. Two months later, she was clerking at our fall show. She was chair of membership for many years, always there to greet new members, but also reaching out when existing members went missing for any period of time; even to visit them in the hospital. She has run our annual auction for many years, led orchid registration at our annual shows and installed countless exhibits at MOS shows and those of other New England societies, among other contributions. Through her caring personality, she has developed numerous friendships with vendors and other local societies, which became instrumental in organizing fantastic speaker programs, including coordinating tours with multiple societies in New England. We are pleased to acknowledge the years of dedication and service she has given to our society.

*Thank you for your many contributions
to MOS Adrienne!*



Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton

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

Orchid related questions, answered by AOS experts.
Note the specific times below if you wish to watch or listen
to those topics.

00:01 Cupping Phalaenopsis leaves
03:28 Ant
06:55 Summering Orchids Outdoors
10:56 Terrarium Growing
14:56 Cooling Greenhouses
20:19 Draculas
22:35 Hard Water
24:46 Tap Water and Chlorine
26:23 Repotting
29:19 Cymbidium medium
31:55 Pots and Medium and Reblooming
38:21 Styrofoam peanuts
43:13 Fertilizer- Seaweed
44:46 Fertilizing
50:18 Shag-n-bag
58:20 Overmisting
1:00.46 Cockroaches- Palmetto bugs
1:01.37 Media that has worm or millipedes in it
1:02.44 Spring Water and Distilled Water
1:03.44 Cypress mulch as media
1:05.28 Red Spidermites
1:08.46 Sphag-n-bag continued
1:10.50 Cooling walls- Wet pads
1:12.21 Inorganic potting media in humid conditions
1:17.19 Wardian/Victorian small Greenhouses for growing
indoors

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