

# Newsletter of the Kansas Orchid Society

Sarah Pratt, Editor February 2017

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## **KOS Meeting Schedule**

All meetings are held at Botanica at 2:00 pm, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month, unless noted differently.

**February 19**: Repotting seedlings from community pots

**March 19:** Thomas Mirenda, Orchid Expert, Smithsonian Natural History Museum

**April 16**: Greenhouse visit in Winfield at Southwestern College

May 14: Program TBA

June 18: Peter Linn from "Big Leaf

Orchids"

July 16: Orchid Auction

**August 20:** KOS picnic location TBA **Sept 17:** Bus trip to Bird's Botanicals

in Kansas City

October 15; Program TBA

November 4-5 Fall Orchid Show -

**Botanica** 

**December 3:** Christmas dinner and

Orchid Bingo

Newsletter Articles
If you have articles, please send
them on or before the 5th of the
month to Sarah Pratt at
svcsjp@gmail.com

# President's Palaver

Well here it is the month February but you wouldn't know it. We have had daffodils in bloom since the end of January. I see some crocus flowers pushing up too. If you have a greenhouse you are probably having problems deciding whether to open the vents on these warm days or keep them closed.

Our meeting is coming up on February 19 and we have a lot to discuss. The board has been meeting on-line discussing the Wichita Garden Show. We have been ask by the operators to put in a display booth. We managed to get them to say we could sell also. All we have to do is decorate the seminar stage with 5-6 orchid plants and we can have our space free. The dates are March 3-5. We will be discussing it at length and signing up volunteers to help man the booth. We are bringing in plants to sell and hope we can make some money for the society.

Lastly, we will be holding a mini-auction for some of Steve Gray's plants. Members can request a list prior to the meeting of things they would like to see brought in. Send me an email: <a href="maxt@cox.net">maxt@cox.net</a> and I will send you a list of Steve's plants. . We can't keep these in the Southwestern College greenhouse for much longer as our bedding plant season is upon us and bench space is scarce.

I have been in touch with our March speaker Tom Mirenda and he will be speaking to the society on March 19. See you soon.

Max C. Thompson President

### **NEW MEMBERS**

New KOS members receive a free orchid plant when they attend their second meeting. Contact Sarah Pratt at svcsjp@gmail.com and she will try to pick out something special for you.

# Kansas Orchid Society Meeting Minutes January 15, 2017

The meeting was canceled due to weather.

Respectfully submitted, Wanita Wright, Secretary

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# **Membership Renewal Time**

KOS membership is based on the calendar year (January—December). The exception would be for new members who sign up during the Fall Show 2016—their membership would cover through December 2017.

Membership entitles you to the monthly KOS Newsletter which keeps you informed of Society activities and other "orchid related" news. Renew now to ensure that you do not miss anything. Max Thompson, Membership Chair

KOS Membership Renewal Form 2017
Renewal New Membership Information Update
Name
Spouse/Significant Other Name
Address
State/Zip code
Phone Number ()
E-mail: (must have this to send newletter!)
Individual Membership <b>\$15.00 per calendar year</b> Family Membership <b>\$20.00 per calendar year</b> Life Membership <b>\$200.00</b>
I grow my orchids: On the windowsill Under Lights In a greenhouse I am a member of the American Orchid Society Yes No I heard about the KOS from
Make Checks payable to the <b>Kansas Orchid Society</b> and send to:  Max Thompson  KOS Membership Chair

# **Upcoming Spring Shows:**

Need a break from Winter? Consider the following......

- •March 3 5, 2017
- •"7<sup>th</sup> Annual Orchids in the Garden", Orchid Society of the Ozarks, Botanical Garden of the Ozarks, Fayetteville, Arkansas
- •March 25 26, 2017
- •The Greater Omaha Orchid Society presents its Thirtieth Annual Orchid Show and Sale at the Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha's Botanical Center, Omaha, Nebraska
- •April 22 & 23rd, 2017
- •Tulsa Orchid Society Show, Tulsa Garden Center 2435 S Peoria Ave.

# American Orchid Society Corner UPCOMING WEBINARS

#### **UPCOMING WEBINARS**

#### Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton.

**February 21, @ 8:30 PM (EST):** Join Ron McHatton who will discuss a variety of topics on orchid culture based on question submitted by attendees. Please send questions to <a href="mailto:stillisch@cox.net">stillisch@cox.net</a> by February 19<sup>th</sup>. Registration link: <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/9087761951054886147">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/9087761951054886147</a>.

#### Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton.

March 14, 8:30 PM (EST): Join Ron McHatton who will discuss a variety of topics on orchid culture based on question submitted by attendees. Please send questions to <a href="mailto:stillisch@cox.net">stillisch@cox.net</a> by March 12th. Registration link: <a href="mailto:https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7136953445473612291">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7136953445473612291</a>





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