

Greater Akron Orchid Society

An Affiliate of the American Orchid Society & the Mid-American Orchid Congress

August 2018

President

Jane Bush

Vice President

Darlene Thompson

Treasurer

Frank Skalak

Secretary

Lore Yu

Editor

**Brandon
Spannbauer**

Trustee

Dave Miller

Minutes of July 2018 Meeting

The July 9, 2018 Akron Orchid Society meeting began with a mini class led by Edgar Stehli. Frank gave a treasure's report. No other announcements were offered. We had our show table and Dave divided the show table orchids into their groups (I.e. Oncidium, Dendrobium, Cattleya) and explained a little about the morphology of each group.

After the show table and refreshments, we had the Orchid Round Table, Orchid Q&A, and several fun rounds of Orchid Bingo before the meeting concluded. Many plants and prizes were offered to the winners.

At the July meeting, Edgar will be doing a mini class on the topic of orchid care.

Upcoming Business

We are in need of a new Program Director. Dave Miller has done a great job and has brought in some amazing speakers, but after years of service he needs to step down to devote more of his time to AOS Judging. He has provided an easy to follow guideline and is willing to help anyone able to help fill this position. Please see the duties below.

This club is able to run only because of our monthly speakers and events. If you are interested or have questions please see Dave at a meeting to discuss it. We really appreciate it.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the GAOS will be Monday, August 13, 2018 at 6:45 pm at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Center, 725 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, Ohio 44319.

Program: **Lycastes, Sudamerlycastes & Idas, Oh My!**

Speaker: **Jim France**

Jim France of Oakwood Orchids in Dayton, OH will be the featured speaker. His talk "Lycastes, Sudamerlycastes, Idas, Oh My" will focus on this very interesting and colorful group of orchids. Their flowers can range in size from 1 to 7 inches. These orchids can be grown in a greenhouse or in the home. Oakwood Orchids was a vendor at our 2018 Spring Show. There will be orchids for sale.

Website: www.thegaos.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/theGAOS

President's Corner

By Jane Bush



Greetings!

The GAOS needs YOU!!!

Each of you has some different, beautiful orchids to contribute to our show table. Each of you also has different talents and skills that could help our society.

GAOS needs you to volunteer your talents and skills to support our society.

As we look forward to 2019, we need to plan for our monthly programs. Would you be willing to participate either as a program chairman or program committee member? See the description from Dave for what is involved in planning programs. Consider what you could contribute and see me or email your answer to bushji@juno.com.

TIDBIT: Flush your pots with RO, rain, or distilled water periodically to prevent salt build-up that will damage your healthy roots.



My small terrarium Experiment. I used a 10 gal Aquarium tank with a few Pieces of lighting egg crate For the sides and bottom. I removed the glass front So that you can see the Plants inside. You can see The Dracula orchid loves The high humidity that this Chamber provides.

Brandon Spannbauer

Meeting Schedule

GAOS meets the second Monday of each month (except December) at 6:45pm, impromptu Q&A start at 6:30pm at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Center, 725 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, Ohio 44319

Members are encouraged to bring orchids from their collection for exhibit. **All are welcome; you do not have to be a member to attend.**

- | | |
|--------|---|
| Aug 13 | “Lycastes, Sudamerlycastes & Idas, Oh My!”
Jim France of Oakwood Orchids |
| Sep 10 | 2 nd Member Plant Auction |
| Oct 8 | “Using Lights to Grow Orchids”
Tim Choltco of Orchid Society of Western PA |



Photo of the Month: Cyripedium subtropicum in situ
Photo © Chu Xuan Canh

GAOS Program Chairperson Needed

We are looking for a new Program Chairperson.

The primary duties of the Program Chairperson are two-fold. First, to work with the officers and members to develop the program calendar for each year. Typically, this task starts in August of the previous year with a completed schedule to be announced at the last monthly meeting of the year. There are eleven programs but June and November are dinner meetings and do not always have supplemental programs. There are also two member auction programs and generally do not have other program parts. In January and February, a lot of the program content centers around preparing for the show so those meetings require coordination with the show chairperson and members who wish to contribute their show skill to help out.

The program calendar is kept up to date and sent in electronic form to the Newsletter, Website and Social Media editors when any changes occur. A printed copy should be displayed at the monthly meetings.

The second task is to make sure that all arrangements are made for each program or to make sure the member in charge of an individual program is prepared. This might include coordination of room setup, care and determination of housing (hotel or host member) for out of town speakers, reimbursement of speaker and member expenses for travel, fees and expenses and as always, having a backup plan due to weather or unexpected problems. This is for the most part a coordination role as the Treasurer actually pays the bills and other members may be actually giving the program.

There are many resources available and this role is for coordination and responsibility that members will have meaningful programs at each meeting. There are some members that routinely give talks to other societies and they are excellent candidates for last minute backup plans.

The Ghost Orchid

By Anonymous

The whole Ghost Orchid kit n' kaboodle. Two plants mounted on a terra cotta pot that measures 7 inches from base to rim and 6 inches in diameter. The flower looks slightly bigger than its 3 inches tip to tail due to perspective.

That is very loose weave burlap gardening cloth that the seedlings were originally mounted on top of, but new roots have grown beneath. It seems that a lot of the horizontal threads in the burlap have disappeared. I suspect birds using it for nesting material.



Photo Gallery

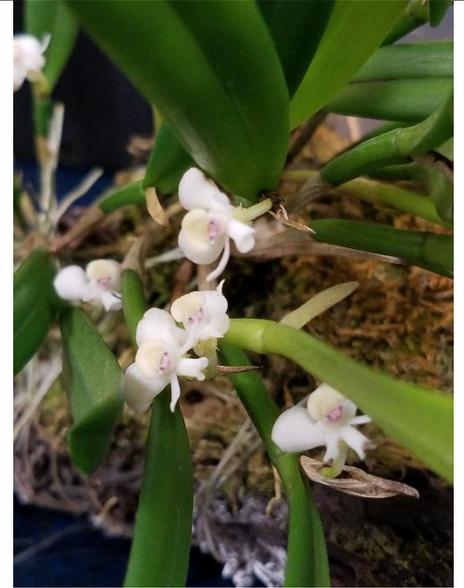
July 2018 Meeting



Onc. Catantae
Barb Ford



Masdevallia discoidea
Dave Miller



Cadetia taylori
Dave Miller



Ludisia discolor
Dave Miller



Paph Avalon Mist
Dave Miller



Miltonia
Meghan Lauer



Lc. Liptoniix
Jackie Martin



Epc. Renee Marques
Brandon Spannbauer



Epi gnomus
Edgar Stehli



Epi gnomus
Edgar Stehli



Masd infracta alba
Jane Bush



Rodumnia
Edgar Stehli



Neo Sneary
Edgar Stehli



Angraecum rutenburgianum
Edgar Stehli



Den purpureum
Edgar Stehli