

Greater Akron Orchid Society

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Minutes of Mar. 2017 Meeting

We had a show table overflowing with amazing plants in bloom, many bound for Orchid Mania at the Cleveland Botanical Gardens.

Dave and Edgar gave very interesting tips and tricks on how to prepare your plants for a show. It can start around a month beforehand, when your plants are in bud. It is then a good time to remove dead foliage, treat for bugs and properly stake your growing flower spikes.

General Business

We are still looking for a secretary. It is a very easy position and will help us out. The secretary takes basic notes on the proceedings of the meetings, types them and emails them to me to be included in the newsletters and our records. Please see Dave if you're interested.

2017 club dues are now due. It is \$20 for a single membership and \$30 for a family. Please see Frank at a meeting for payment.

New Business

Our show is March 4-5. If you plan to bring plants for the society display Please send or give a list of the names of your plants to Paul Bujak at pbujak@neo.rr.com by Wednesday, March 1.

Bring your plants to Donzell's Garden Center on Friday, March 3 for the display set-up by 11:00 a.m. Remember, you must register your plants if you want to have them judged.

Leave your plastic plant label in the pot so the team can identify your plant. Put a return address label or tape with your name on the pot

On Sunday, March 5, the show closes at 4:00 p.m. You can pick up your plants then or make other arrangements to get your plants back to you.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the GAOS will be Monday, Feb. 13, 2017 at 6:45 pm at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Center, 725 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, Ohio 44319.

Program: **Orchid Round Table: Q&A**

Speaker: **Dave Miller, President**

We will welcome all new members with an open Q&A on all orchid questions and concerns. We can answer questions on proper plant growth, care, bugs, setups in hopes of shedding light on a sometime confusing hobby.

Website: www.thegaos.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/theGAOS

Paphiopedilum glanduliferum

By Becky Brinkman, The Orchid Column



Meeting Schedule

GAOS meets the second Monday of each month (except December) at 6:45 pm 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.**

Mar. 13: Orchid Round Table: Q&A

Apr. 10: Orchids & Their Friends in Costa Rica
Frank and Bernie Skalak

May 8: Orchids in Ecuador
John Dunkleberger



Photo of the Month: Dendrobium lindleyi at R.F. Orchids. *Dendrobium lindleyi* is a relatively small species of epiphytic orchid from the mountains of Southeast Asia. Native to deciduous forests from northeast India to Vietnam, Laos, Thailand and southern China, it produces spectacular showers of golden flowers.

Of the Asian slipper orchids in our collection, the species belonging to the section *Coryopedilum* are among the most striking. They don't have the candy and fruit bowl colors of some of the Chinese or Vietnamese slippers, like *delenatii* or *armeniacum*. Instead, these species are regal and impressively big. They are also, at least in our warm climate, the easiest to grow. The eleven *Coryopedalum* species come from Indonesian and Malaysian islands where they grow at low elevations. A clutch of them are flowering this month: *glanduliferum*, *kolopakingii* and *sanderianum*. Instead, these species are regal and impressively big.



Pops of Color

By Darlene Thompson, Photos by Dave Miller

With the days growing longer and brighter, surely spring is near. Yet there is still a chill in the air and frost on the ground. We all need the inspiration that comes with the colors of spring. We need the bright oranges and yellows, deep reds and purples, and curious blues to chase away the winter grays. But where can we find these colors this time of year? The Greater Akron Orchid Society has a suggestion.

On March 4th and 5th, come visit Akron's 16th annual Spring Orchid Show presented by the Greater Akron Orchid Society.



This show will have beautifully crafted exhibits filled with a wonderful variety of astonishing orchids and hundreds of orchids available for purchase. We will have local and out of state vendors bringing their very best orchids selections. Additionally, they will have an excellent assortment of growing supplies including specialized fertilizers, pots, and growing media and more. The vendors and the Greater Akron Orchid Society members will be available to answer any questions you have and to share best practices for growing orchids. Stop in to get your spring inspiration. You will not be disappointed.

The Akron Spring Orchid Show will be hosted at Donzell's Flower & Garden Center. Donzell's gigantic greenhouse will be filled with orchids in almost every color of the rainbow. No matter if it is rain or shine, heat wave or cold snap, spring will be in full swing inside the greenhouse. Donzell's normal business operations will also be active during the Show.

The show is open to the public, and show admission and parking is free. Of course, donations are appreciated and support the society's ability to present this show each year. Whether you are new to orchids or already have a couple at home, the show has something for you. We hope that you stop in and enjoy a little piece of spring.

Photo Gallery

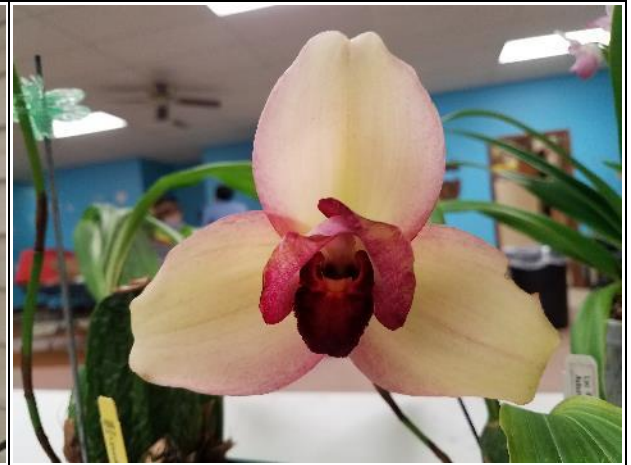
Member Show Table
February 2017



Hybrid Phalaenopsis
Jane Bush



Phrag. Peruflores Cirila Alca
Darlene Thompson



Lyc. Rakuoku
Darlene Thompson



Lys. Red Jewel
Paul Bujak



Phrag. Cardinale
Darlene Thompson



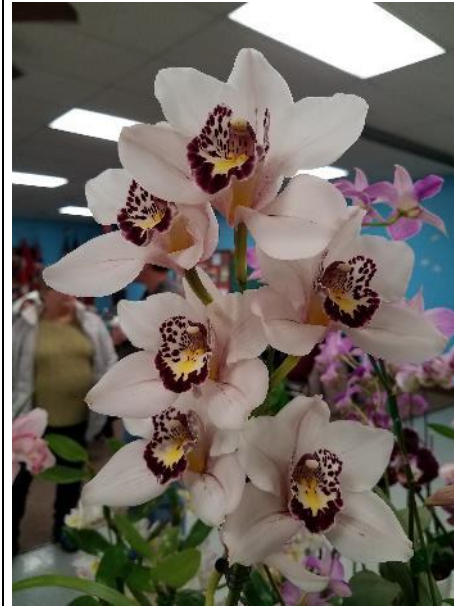
Den. Peter Shen x Hisako Haraguchi
Jane Bush

Photo Gallery

Member Show Table from the
Feb. 2017 meeting



Cymbidium
Jane Bush



Cym. Mt. Hood
Jane Bush



Hybrid Phalaenopsis
Jane Bush



Den. Spring Dream
Jane Bush



Cym. Bedlin Pink
Jane Bush



Cym. Petticoat Junction
Jane Bush



Cym. Gracie Allen
Jane Bush



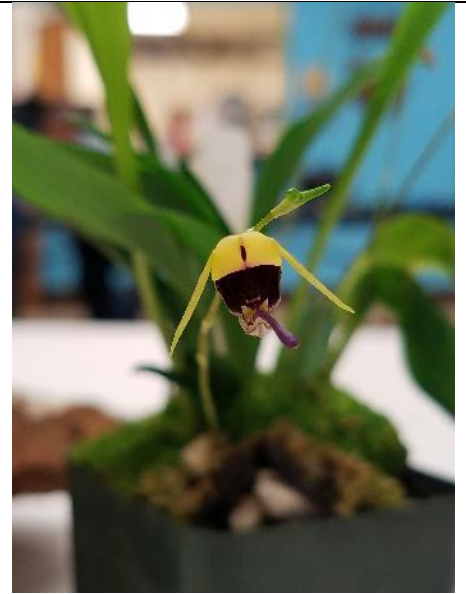
Paph. Hung Shen Spice
Darlene Thompson



Epi. polybulbon
Bernie Skalak



Lepanthes calodictyon
Brandon Spannauer



Scaphosepalum breve
Edgar Stehli



Blc. Dal's Rapture
Jane Bush



Asctm. Mona Church
Darlene Thompson



L. angereri x L. flava
Darlene Thompson



Phrag. Audrey
Darlene Thompson