

# Greater Akron Orchid Society

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## **Minutes of April 2018 Meeting**

Dave gave a presentation on the importance of how the health of an orchid's roots are detrimental to the health of an orchid. Some points that Dave made were:

1. If an orchid is not happy, slide it from the pot and check the roots. Often a plant is suffering because the roots are suffering
2. Orchids are diverse and so are their roots
3. Good roots + Good leaves = good flowers
4. Clear pots make it easy to see roots which helps a grower determine the health of those roots
5. Clear pots also allow some roots to perform photosynthesis
6. If the contents of the pot is all roots and no medium, it will need a great deal of water
7. The ratio of the roots/pot to leaves should be  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  in size/mass.
8. Let the root mass dictate what pot to select
9. Roots can be redirected when potting
10. Mounted orchids can often go a long time without intervention
11. If the roots are not brown, do not remove them

## **Upcoming Business**

### **Open Houses:**

Windswept in Time Orchids at 8066 Skyline Drive, Broadview Heights, Ohio 44147 will be having their Open House on May 26 and 27 (Saturday and Sunday) 11am-5pm. Come and find something new to grow!

Wayne Roberts at 12390 Root Road, Columbia Station, Ohio, 44028 will be having their open house on May 25- May 27 (Friday, Saturday, Sunday). Stock up on supplies and orchids!

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the GAOS will be Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:45 pm at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Center, 725 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, Ohio 44319.

Program: **Enjoying Encyclia and Epidendrum Orchids**

Speaker: **Edgar Stehli**

Our own Edgar Stehli, Windswept In Time Orchids, will be highlighting two large groups of orchids: Encyclias and Epidendrums. Both of these orchid types provide both large and small plants making them good additions to any collections. They are easily grown in greenhouses, windowsills or under lights.

**Website:** [www.thegaos.com](http://www.thegaos.com)

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/theGAOS](http://www.facebook.com/theGAOS)

## President's Corner

By Jane Bush



Greetings!

Congratulations to the West Shore Orchid Society for a fabulous combined show and Mid-America Conference meeting. Northeastern-Ohioans had exciting opportunities to hear several fine speakers, meet wonderful people from other MAOC states including 33 judges, and add exciting new orchid varieties to our collections.

Best of all, congratulations go to our club for providing seven workers to help WSOS. This is more than 10% of our membership who were willing to volunteer.

Also, thanks to our display team for a first-place society display.

TIDBIT: Flash your orchid plants with RO or rain water occasionally to remove excess salts that will kill roots.

### Great Lakes Judging Center Annual Educational Seminar

June 16 – 17, 2018

Washtenaw Community College Ann Arbor, Michigan

“Miscellaneous Genera” is the theme for this year.

Featuring Leon Glicenstein on “Habenaria Hybrids and Their Relatives” and other talks on Coelogynes, Bulbophyllums, Masdevallias & Draculas, Catasetums and Pleiones.

Also AOS Judging, auctions and orchid sales.

Location, times, costs and daily schedule at [www.gljc.org](http://www.gljc.org) or [seminar@gljc.org](mailto:seminar@gljc.org).



## 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.**

May 14: Enjoying Encyclia and Epidendrum Orchids  
Edgar Stehli

June 11: Summer Picnic / 1<sup>st</sup> Member Plant Auction

July 9: Orchid Roundtable & Orchid Q&A / Orchid Bingo



**Photo of the Month:** *Bulbophyllum medusae*: 18 beautiful, but foul-smelling flower heads.

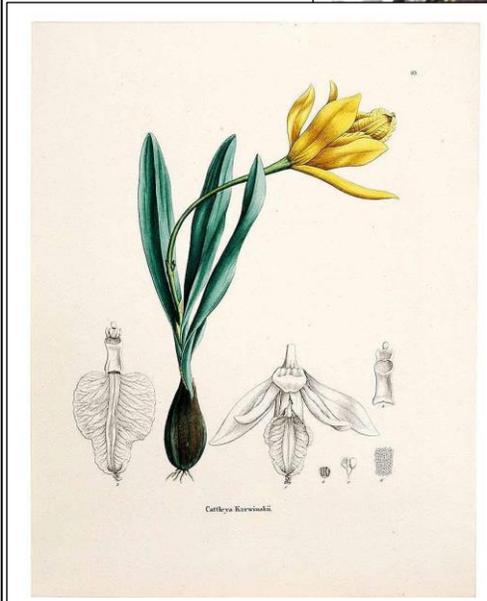
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# Prosthechea citrina

By Armando Ortiz

In situ/habitat photos

Prosthechea citrina is a cool to cold growing epiphyte from SW. Mexico (to Durango) at elevations of around 1300 to 2600 metres



# Photo Gallery

Member's Show Table  
April 2018



Paph Dieu Tang Troong  
Dave Miller



Phal Sogo Vivien  
Dave Miller



Bulbo falcatum  
Edgar Stehli



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Barb Ford



Lc Aussie Sunset  
Andrea Altvater



Phal Fishbowl  
Andrea Altvater



Phal Nankungs  
Dave Miller



Phal Olivia  
Dave Miller



Phal Sogo Vivien  
Dave Miller



Phal Zuna's Pixie  
Dave Miller



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Den Fairy Moon  
Jane Bush



City. Haddie Notch  
Jane Bush



Phal Fishbowl  
Andrea Altvater



Lc Aussie Sunset  
Andrea Altvater



Phal FANGtastic  
Lore Yu



Potinara Hawaiian Prominence  
Lore Yu



Paph primulinum alba  
Mary Bell



NoID Cymbidium  
Mary Bell



Lycaste Dainty  
Mary Bell



NoID Phal  
Dean Pawlicki



Psychopsis mariposa  
Barb Ford



Chiloschista usenoides  
Wayne Roberts



Ponerorchis graminifolia  
Brandon Spannauer



Paph. Ang-Thong  
Barb Ford



Asco ampullaceum  
Mary Bell



Paph Dieu Tang Troong  
Dave Miller