

Greater Akron Orchid Society

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Minutes of Oct. 2017 Meeting

Dave presented the Bylaws Revisions and called for a vote. Changes to the Bylaws need to be approved by a majority of the members present. 23 of the 26 members present approved the changes to the Bylaws.

We had our 2nd Member Auction, it was a huge success with many plants available and a packed Show Table.

In addition to our normal Nov. potluck dinner meeting, we have a special guest speaker, Alek Zaslowski from AWZ Orchids in Brazil.

***Note: Earlier start time of the Nov meeting. Doors open at 5:45 pm and start at 6:15. Thank you**

General Business

Dave announced the slate of officers for 2018: President, Jane Bush; Secretary, Karen Schlote; Treasurer, Frank Skalak; and Editor, Brandon Spannbauer. Dave Miller as retiring President automatically becomes the Trustee. Darlene Thompson has agreed to serve as Vice President. Thank you, Darlene!

Upcoming Events

For the November meeting, all members, who are present, will receive a free orchid as part of their annual membership. Family memberships are entitled to two plants. Our plants this year are supplied by Windswept In Time Orchids. Any member who cannot attend must designate another member prior to the meeting to make the pickup.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the GAOS will be **Monday, Nov 13, 2017 at 6:15 pm** at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Center, 725 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, Ohio 44319.

Program: **Orchids of Brazil**

Speaker: **Alek Zaslowski**

Annual Holiday Pot Luck Dinner- Bring a dish or dessert and place settings. The society will provide hot and cold drinks.

AWZ Orchids

AWZ has an orchid collection with around 20,000 plants from all over the world. We mainly grow and propagate species from Brazil and other regions of South America, and the plants are sold all over Brazil and also shipped abroad.

AWZ cultivates their orchids in two nurseries, including 5,200 square meters (56,000 square feet) of greenhouses. One property, for cooler-growing plants, is located in Domingos Martins, at an altitude of 1,100 meters (3,600 feet), and the other, for warm growers, is located in Viana at 300 meters (990 feet).

Website: www.thegaos.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/theGAOS

Cattleya maxima

By Gareth Wills (Linda Curle)

These are photos entrusted to me by the late Linda Curle. She took these around the town of Macara, Ecuador on the Peruvian border. Macara is a town of 11-12,000 and is located on the low western slopes of the Andes. The photos here are to show *C maxima* blooming during the dry season in and around the surrounding area. Linda was from Miami and enjoyed collecting *Cattleyas*, and taking trips to see orchids growing in their native state. She died earlier this year. She told me that people in the town collect plants in the wild and decorate their house with them. They do nothing but tie them down - not even water them! Even during the dry season.



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.

Nov 13:	(Special Start Time 6:15) Holiday Banquet / Elections
Dec 11:	No Meeting
Jan 8:	TBD
Feb 12:	TBD



Photo of the Month: *Pleione praecox* is the first to bloom of my autumn blooming pleiones. This is a very small group, only 3 species all warm growers, all others are spring blooming and need a cool dormancy.
Photo By: Brandon Spannbaauer



Photo Gallery

Member Show Table
October 2017



Masdevallia herradurae
Brandon Spannbauer



Phal. Momma Mia
Dave Miller



C. Big Ben
Frank Skalak



Macrodenia multiflora
Edgar Stehli



Tolumnia Jairak Flyer
Dave Miller



Phrag. longifolium
Dave Miller



Chilochista lunifera
Wayne Roberts



Haraella retrocalla
Wayne Roberts



Masdevallia Steve Vance
Brandon Spannbauer



Paph. glaucophyllum x *roths*
Jane Bush



C. Bactia
Jane Bush



Paph. Luna Pleasure
Jane Bush



Odnoboya Pacific Paranoia
Dave Miller



Bifidopetalum Gilded Tower
Dave Miller



Zootrophion lappaceum
Brandon Spannbauer



Masdevallia herradurae
Brandon Spannbauer



Stelis superbiens
Dave Miller



Cycnoches loddigesii
Dave Miller



Burr. Nellie Isler
Lore Yu



Masdevallia Magic Wand
Brandon Spannbauer



Masdevallia Fuchsia Dawn
Brandon Spannbauer



Phrag. Mem Dick
Bernadette Skalak



Bnfd. Gilded Tower
Larry Ball



Psychopsis Kalihi
Darlene Thompson



Gastrochilus somai
Darlene Thompson



Galeandra batemanii
Darlene Thompson



Auction Table



Encyclia allemanii
Darlene Thompson



Brassavola nodosa
Darlene Thompson



Masdevallia veitchiana
Brandon Spannbauer



Restrepia lansbergii
Brandon Spannbauer



Restrepia brachypus
Brandon Spannbauer



Phrag. Cardinale
Bernadette Skalak



Onc. Wildcat
Bernadette Skalak



Mtssa. Estrelita
Bernadette Skalak



Masdevallia imostor
Paul Bujak



Phal. Kenneth Schubert x violacea
Edgar Stehli



Tolumnia Red Berry
Paul Bujak