

# WEST SHORE ORCHID SOCIETY

## AUGUST 2016

- NEXT MEETING** Sunday, August 21, 2016
- TIME**
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| 12:00 p.m. | Conversation, opportunity to check out plants for sale.  |
| 12:30 p.m. | Plant sale begins. This is a great opportunity to acquire plants at bargain prices.  |
| 1:00 p.m.  | Picnic   |
| 2:00 p.m.  | Auction. We will have about 30 plants from Hawaii in bud or in flower. These will include a very broad range of genera – something for every taste. Donated plants in bud or flower are usually auctioned as well. |
- PLACE** Columbia Park – Rte. 82 and W. River Road. **Note:** We will not be in the same pavilion as the last couple of years, but have the larger pavilion in the same park next to the restrooms off W. River Road.
- MENU** Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, prepared by Chef John Rini.
- MEMBERS BRING** Last names: A through K: appetizer, vegetable or salad  
L through Z: cheese, fruit dish or dessert
- CLUB PROVIDES** Table settings, hot dogs, hamburgers, pop, water, condiments and bread.
- COST** FREE to members, \$2.00 for guests. Pick up your bidding number for the auction.
- RESERVATIONS** Call Elaine or Bob Galaska at 330-562-2943 or email [emgalaska@hotmail.com](mailto:emgalaska@hotmail.com) by Thursday August 18. Give the number in your party. We need to know how many people to prepare for.

### PROGRAM

- SHOW TABLE** Our show table was again fabulous in June. We had 60 plants brought in for display. There will NOT be a show table at the picnic, so the next show table will be at our September meeting.

### ORCHID CALENDER

#### WSOS Meeting

**When** Wednesday September 21, 2016 – 6:00 PM Conversation, 7:00 PM Speaker

**Where** North Olmsted Community Cabin, 28114 Lorain Road, North Olmsted

**Description** We will have information on our speaker in the September newsletter.

## Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania Fall Orchid Festival

When Saturday & Sunday October 15th & 16th

Where Phipps Garden Center, 1059 Shady Ave., Pittsburgh, PA

Description Contact: Circe Curley 412-315-7077 [circecurley@gmail.com](mailto:circecurley@gmail.com)

or Demetria Marsh 412-848-4349 [demetmarsh@verizon.net](mailto:demetmarsh@verizon.net)

## Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society Fall Show

When Saturday & Sunday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>

Where Krohn Conservatory, 1501 Eden Park Drive, Cincinnati, OH

Description Contact: Teresa Huesman 513-673-5434

[huesmantj@aol.com](mailto:huesmantj@aol.com)

## The Niagara Frontier Orchid Society Presents "Orchids Under Glass"

When Saturday & Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup> & November 13<sup>th</sup>

Where Buffalo Botanical Gardens

Description Contact: [www.niagarafrontierorchids.org](http://www.niagarafrontierorchids.org)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS JUNE SHOW TABLE WINNERS

GREENHOUSE Professional	First Second Third	Neofinetia falcata Oberonia philippines Laelia purpurata	Edgar Stehli Edgar Stehli Wayne Roberts
GREENHOUSE Amateur	First Second Third	Den Little Green Apples Phal Timothy Zygolum Louisendorf	Keith Alexander Keith Alexander Keith Alexander
CATTLEYA Classes 10 – 26	First Second Second Third	Eplc Golden Sunburst Eplc Don Herman Lc Canhamiana C Hawaiian Splash 'Lea'	Bob Heidelman Robert Lukacevic Allan Lund Bob Galaska
PAPHIOPEDILUM Classes 27 - 39	First Second Third	Paph Makuli Green x sib No Entry No Entry	Bob Galaska
PHRAGMIPEDIUM Classes 40 -42	First Second Third	Phrag Schroderge Phrag Noirmont Phrag Rouge Bouillon	Allan Lund Bob Galaska Allan Lund
PHALAENOPSIS Classes 43 – 59	First Second Third	Phal violacea Phal Sogo Allen 'White' Phal violacea alba	Allan Lund Bob Heidelman Bob Lum-King
VANDA Classes 60 – 69	First Second Third	Vanda Noid Neofinetia falcata No Entry	Robert Lukacevic Bob Lum-King
ONCIDIUM Classes 70 – 78	First Second Third	Brassia Noid Milt Linda Lingle 'Kia'aina' Onc Mendenhall 'Hildos'	Robert Lukacevic Marolyn Smith Bob Galaska
CYMBIDIUM Classes 79 – 81	First Second Third	No Entry No Entry No Entry	

DENDROBIUM Classes 82 – 88	First	Den Salaya Dark Blue	Pat Sutherland
	Second	Den kingianum	Allan Lund
	Third	No Entry	
MISCELLANEOUS Classes 89 - 99	First	Masd Something Coral	Bob Lum-King
	Second	Dracivalia Blueboy	Bob Lum-King
	Third	Lepanthes saltstrix	Katherine Binder
	Third	Bifrenaria harrisoniae	Allan Lund
FEWER THAN 20 PLANTS	First	Trichopelia tortilis	Teresa Nemeth
	Second	Phal Hybrid	Carol Lalonde
	Second	Enc alata x tampensis var alba	Teresa Nemeth
	Third	Oncda Charleswortii	Nancy Moore
BEST SPECIES		Coelogyne pandurata	Wayne Roberts
		Neofinetia falcata	Edgar Stehli
		Trichopelia tortilis	Teresa Nemeth
BEST MINATURE		Phal Sogo Allen 'White	Bob Heidelman
		Oberonia philippines	Edgar Stehli

### SHOW TABLE STANDINGS FOR 2016

STANDINGS FOR 2016	<b>Greenhouse: Pro</b>	<b>Points</b>
	Edgar Stehli	154
	Wayne Roberts	91
	<b>Greenhouse: Am</b>	
	John Rini	80
	Keith Alexander	34
	<b>Under Lights/Windows:</b>	
	Patty Conrad	157
	Allan Lund	149
	Bob Galaska	110
	Pam & Darryl Everett	93
	Bob Lum-King	76
	Marilyn & Bob Heidelman	65
	Dave Miller	60
	Pat Corbett	42
	Katherine Binder	35
	Chester Kieliszek	30
	Robert Lukacevic	29
	Marolyn Smith	25
	Brenda Kammer	21
	Pat Sutherland	23
	Diane Kofsky	14
	Jerry Echols	5
	Helen Brooks	5
	Linda Miller	4
	<b>Less Than 20 Plants:</b>	
	Meredith Dreshar	53
	Ingrid Tuxhorn	26
	Teresa Nemeth	26
	Carol Lalonde	24
	Nancy Moore	11
	Marybeth Costello	6

Thank you to all who brought in their blooming plants for our members to enjoy on the show table and good luck with this years contest.

I would like to welcome the following new members to West Shore since the last newsletter went out, but we don't have any. So,if you have a friend who likes growing things bring them to our next meeting and introduce them to the wonderful world of orchids.

Anyone not receiving a newsletter email and wanting one can request it by emailing Chester Kieliszek at [kieliszekc@aol.com](mailto:kieliszekc@aol.com) and I will put you on the email list.

#### Current Officers for 2015 – 2016 Contact Information

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Show Chairs:	Wayne Roberts & Chester Kieliszek		
Immediate Past President	Teressa Nemeth	<a href="mailto:gardenguru@centurytel.net">gardenguru@centurytel.net</a>	440-233-8757

#### *From the President's Potting Bench,*

Hello My Friends,

Another fantastic meeting, with great food, good speakers, and friends. August is around the corner, which is picnic time. Summer is just about over, and in four months my rein of office is open for new elections. I have had lots of time to try and prepare us for the next two years, especially for the Mid-America coming in 2018. The board members and I have worked hard to get things prepared and set-up, we have a new web-site, active giving members of their time and talents, and of-course great cooks, of which we all know who they are. If re-elected or not, I promise my work will continue, even in the kitchen, and continue helping where help is needed. Our very own vendors, Wayne & Nancy Roberts of Roberts Flowers & Supply, Edgar & Kim Stehli of Windswept in Time Orchids, of which our society has been blessed to have as members, to help the society members with their own orchids, or supply them with new orchids and material. I for one do so appreciate the past one and a half years of my rein, made very good friends, and hope all will continue to work for their society. I hope your summer has been comfortable, your gardens are blooming, and your health has been good as well. I hope to see you all at the picnic, until then, be safe, and enjoy the rest of your summer.

Thank you, and God Bless  
Your President,  
Elaine Galaska

**WANTED:** divisions of plants, unwanted orchids, orchids that need a new home!

Every year at the picnic, there is the auction of blooming, budded, or collector's plants. If you would like to donate a plant to the auction, please bring it! There is also a "BARGAIN TABLE" where we sell divisions and other donated plants at very reasonable prices. If you have a plant that is not doing well in your growing area, or have multiples of a plant, please donate it to the WSOS. Monies raised are used for general expenses such as speaker fees, room and storage locker rental, and all the other costs of running the society.

Please bring your extra plants to make room on your bench, and be prepared to go home with some new additions to your collection. **THANK YOU!!!!**

## MID-AMERICA ORCHID CONGRESS' 2016 ESSAY CONTEST

The essay topic opener for this year is: "Why I would like to know more about . . ." (fill in the blank with an orchid person, place or thing). Essays are to be no more than 500 words in length. Deadline for submission is Oct 1, 2016. Prizes are \$100 for first place, \$50 for second, and \$25 for third prize.

Send submissions to the Essay Committee at [Lois.Holmes68@gmail.com](mailto:Lois.Holmes68@gmail.com) or you can mail to 6813 Dupont Ave N, Minneapolis, MN 55430

Meeting dates in 2016:

Sun. August 21<sup>st</sup> – Picnic

Weds. September 21<sup>st</sup>

Weds. October 19<sup>th</sup>

Weds. December 21<sup>st</sup> Christmas dinner and gift plants

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## Mastering Miltonias

### Question

I have over the years purchased miltonias, only to have them die but do not know what I am doing wrong. I have friends who have had the same problem. I purchased one in bud in April 2001 and the buds blasted without opening and eventually the leaves began to turn yellow and the entire plant finally succumbed. What am I doing wrong? - *Peggy Spofford-Wallace*



A bench of hybrid miltonias flowering at the Smithsonian

Institute. Photo © 2004 Greg Allikas

### Answer

I am presuming you have the problems with the Colombian miltonias or Miltoniopsis. Honestly, I could not think of a more difficult area to grow this type of orchid than New Mexico. To succeed, you need a shady greenhouse where high daytime humidity could be maintained and either a swamp cooler or an air-conditioning unit that was set on a day setting of 80 F and a night setting of 62° F. You would have to use good-quality water and keep your fertilizer levels low to reflect the shaded environment. If you take these steps, you should succeed in cultivating miltonias, but it will not be easy and you will deserve any praise you might receive. -

*Andy Easton*

Windswept in Time Orchids  
Kim & Edgar Stehli  
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Broadview Heights, Ohio 44147  
(440) 838-5757 – Call first for an Appt.  
2016 OPEN HOUSE EVENTS  
FALL – Nov 5 & 6 (Sat & Sun) 11am-5pm

## *COMING IN THE FALL OF 2016*

# *"Orchids Under Glass"*

The Mid-America Orchid Congress will hold its Fall 2016 Conference in Buffalo to coincide with the Niagara Frontier Orchid Society's Fall Show!

Mark your calendar now - NOVEMBER 12 & 13, 2016

For more information on the Mid-America Orchid Congress, visit their website at [www.niagarafrontierorchids.org](http://www.niagarafrontierorchids.org).

### **HOTEL for MAOC**

Our host Hotel for the Fall MAOC meeting will be the **Hyatt Regency Buffalo Hotel and Conference Center located at Two Fountain Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14202**. The room rate is \$108 per night Nov. 8-16, 2016 use the link above to reserve a room, cut off date for reservations by this link is Oct. 11, 2016.

### **MAOC Speakers**

- **Jose 'Pepe' Portilla** - Ecuagenera - 22WOC Ecuador 2017
- **Bob Snyder** - The Century long history of the Buffalo Botanical Gardens
- **Inge Poot** - Stanhopea
- **Glen Decker** - Phragmipedium kovachii & Hybrids
- **Mario Ferrusi** - TBD tentative & hopeful

### **MAOC Vendors**

- **Ecuagenera Orchids** - Pepe Portilla
- **Piping Rock Orchids** - Glen Decker
- **Marlow Orchids** - Jim Marlow
- **Windswept in Time Orchids** - Edgar Stehli
- **Roberts Orchid Supply** - Wayne Roberts
- **Orchid Artwork** - Carol Koziol Clark
- **Hydroponics of Buffalo**

# *Chicagoland Orchid Fest*

## *23-25 September 2016*

### **Festival Info**

The Chicagoland Orchid Growers Association presents the 24th Annual Chicagoland Orchid Festival

### **2016 Festival Flyer (Coming Soon)**

The festival takes place simultaneously at two different orchid greenhouse locations within the suburbs of Chicago. Spanning a three day period, the greenhouses of Orchids by Hausermann and Natt's Orchids will be open to the public during the festival. For a map of these locations, [click on this link](#).

**Friday, September 23rd 8am-5pm**  
**Saturday, September 24th 8am-5pm**  
**Sunday, September 25th 10am-3pm**

The festival features a vast array of plants for sale by "guest growers," presentations by world-renowned orchid specialists, refreshments, special bargains, and the opportunity to stroll among the most exotic and beautiful plants found in nature.

The festival is sponsored by two well-known growers and certified members of the Chicagoland Orchid Growers Association (COGA). Both sites are within a 40-minute drive of each other and are run by experts in the field of orchid horticulture. To find out more about the flowers and events available at each location, contact the COGA members.

Area Accommodations:

See map for Hotel info

**Orchids by Hausermann**

**Orchid Seminar! September 24, 2016!**  
**"ORCHIDS"**

**11:00am-1:30pm.  
\$8.50 per person.**

**Everything you need to know about growing orchids in your home or greenhouse. Seminar is approximately 2 hours long with a half hour break at Noon. Complimentary snack sandwiches, chips, lemonade and coffee will be made available for pre-registered guests. This seminar is on the same weekend as the 23rd ANNUAL CHICAGOLAND ORCHID FEST, A GREAT ORCHID WEEKEND!**

**[Pre-register](#) for your seat today before September 22, 2016.!**

Our show is moving next year to the last weekend in April in preparation for the MAOC show in April 2018. We are going to start meeting to make all the preparations for our show in 2017 as well as 2018. We would like to get volunteers lined up to head various committees needed to put on a successful show. These are some of the jobs we need to have filled as soon as we can.

**Volunteer opportunities** – just tell us what you're interested in and we will get you plugged in.  
**SET UP** to put up stanchions and back drops for the exhibits and cover tables in the sales area. Lifting involved, though not heavy.

**HOSPITALITY** to host our guests as they refresh and snack.

**FOOD** for the Vendors, Judges on Saturday and workers all weekend especially on Friday. More people is better to keep our hospitality the best in the area.

**SET-UP FLOATERS** to help vendors/exhibitors unload, get settled, set up, etc.

**REGISTRATION** to help with registering well over 300 plants for the show.

**CLERKS FOR RIBBON JUDGING** learn the wiles and ways of judging orchids!

**WSOS ENTRANCE TABLE** to collect donations, answer questions, sell raffle tickets and get us some **NEW MEMBERS!**

**TEAR-DOWN** to help vendors/exhibitors tear down and get their things out of the Rec Center. Tear-down stanchions and back drops once the exhibits are removed. Lifting involved, though not heavy. At least two decent sized pickup trucks or vans to get all the supplies back to the storage shed.

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS** to chair/organize the above positions

**MAOC** – We are hosting a major regional show to be held in 2018. Help will be needed with directing visitors during the event, society table, show clerking, general promotion, fundraiser auction items, getting items for goody bags for registrants...many, many more opportunities.

*We need EVERYONE'S help to make it all work so, please, everyone pitch in where you can and let's make these next two WSOS shows even more awesome than in the past.*