



NHOS Newsletter

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President's Message

Our May meeting is going to be quite special. We have planned a session designed for the hobbyist grower. We will have a panel of in house experts talk about growing plants. We at NHOS are blessed with many expert growers, almost all have won AOS awards for their plants. The talk will be focused on how a beginner can achieve success with orchids. From plant selection, medium and potting, environmental requirements, and culture tips, no topic is out of bounds. Bring your questions, your problem plants. I'm sure we'll all learn something new!

Don't forget to bring your best plants for our show table! As always, we will have lunch. Please remember to bring something for the buffet. Sandwiches, salads, snacks and drinks are greatly appreciated

Finally, we have a Board opening. We are looking for another member to fill a Trustee position. If you are interested, please let me know.

Mike



BOD meeting: 10:00 a.m.
Culture Clinic 10:30 a.m.
Plants for Show Table judging
must be on the table by 11:00 a.m.
General Meeting 11:30 a.m.

May 11

Beginners' Workshop

June 8

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Opening

President Mattozzi called the meeting to order.

Announcements:

- A trustee position has opened up as Jen Marrs has taken a new job at her company.
- NHOS has 272 paid members with 195 memberships.
- Annual show:
 - The board discussed issues we had with the Radisson for this year's annual show. The consensus is to continue with the hotel and extend our contract. Our show is branded as the Valentine's Show, the Nashua Show with a great draw from MA. We will ask the hotel if they can help us out – we lost \$7,500 and were under \$10,000 at the door.
 - We need a show chair
- Show table:
 - Majority of our members are Hobbyists with less than a handful in the Advanced category
 - Annually, the Hobbyist with the highest point total moves to the Advanced category.
 - Annually, the Advanced grower with the most grower commendation ribbons moves to the Expert category.
 - The board is thinking of setting a minimum number of grower commendation ribbons to move to the Expert category
- Local shows:
 - How do we attract more members to support our away shows? The board will review our policies for our next meeting
 - Currently, we reimburse mileage at the GSA rate of \$0.565/mile and 1 night hotel room.
 - Chuck Wingate suggested a \$250 stipend and expenses
- Auction of Marty Epstein's collection
 - We had a great time last month
 - Sold over 350 plants in record time
 - Raised over \$10,000
 - At the members' auction, NHOS gets 20% of the proceeds; Marty donated \$7,000 to NHOS with the stipulation to use some of the money for something for the membership such as a trip to the SEPOS Show, the Philadelphia Flower Show, the Smithsonian, etc.
 - As special recognition for his donation, the board granted Marty a NHOS lifetime membership.
 - Some of the plants Tom Mirenda purchased are being donated to the Smithsonian in Marty's and NHOS' name.

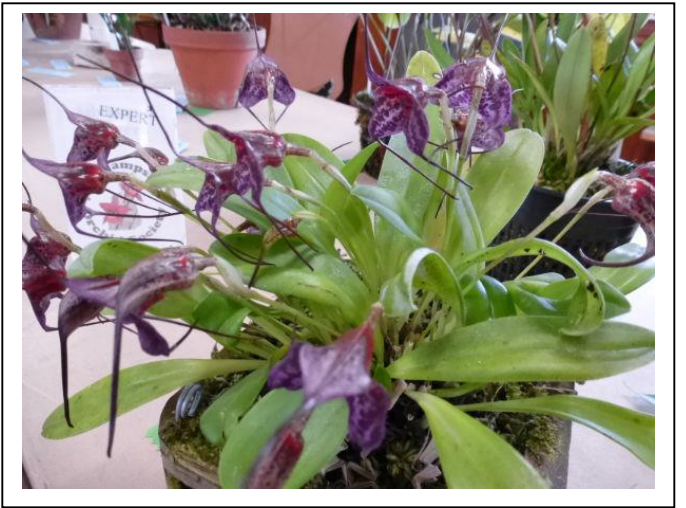
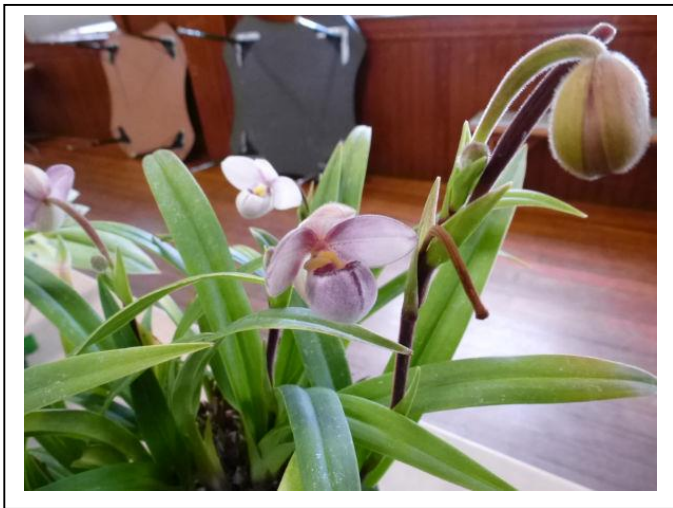
- Hospitality:
We need people to bring sandwiches, drinks, snacks, and desserts. We thank Jeff and Ann for all their help.

Financial Report:

- Mike reported total funds of \$49,191.

The meeting was adjourned and followed by the show table, lunch and the speaker's presentation.

Respectfully submitted,
Adrienne Giovino, Secretary









New Hampshire Orchid Society wishes to
thank these businesses for supporting our
2013 Orchid Show.

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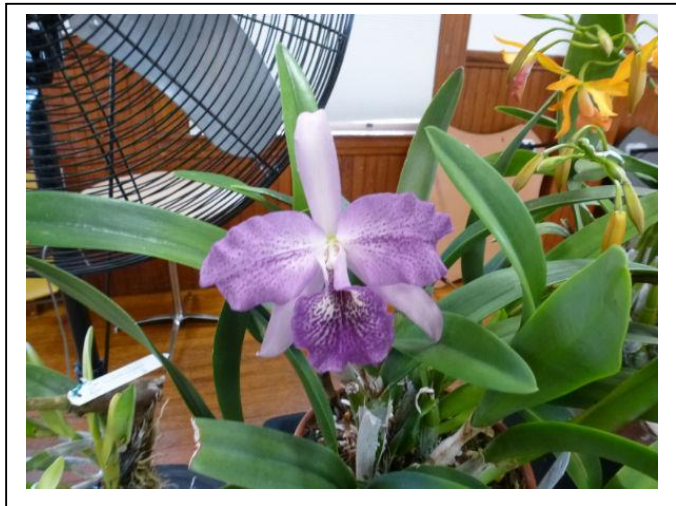
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AOS Corner

Welcome to the newly elected members of the Board of Trustees of AOS. At the Members' meeting held in March in San Diego, California, Fred Clarke was re-elected to the Board of Trustees for a three year period and Harry Gallis, David Toyoshima and Carol Zoltowski were newly elected for the same three year period. For more information on these new Trustees' background information may be found on the AOS website. In addition, Alan Koch, Tom Etheridge and Linda Wilhelm are the outgoing Trustees.

In addition at the Trustees and Members meeting, Frank and Taylor Slaughter of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, each received separate AOS Silver Medals for their dedicated service to the AOS. Taylor for her service to the AOS judging system, as the first chair of the Governance Committee and service as a member of the Board of Trustees in various capacities for a number of years. Frank received his award for his service to the technology needs of the AOS.

Direct-mail marketing assistance for AOS Affiliated Societies' Shows is available the purpose of promoting the shows, seminars and special society events via direct mail from the AOS's Membership Services Department. Please contact AOS well in advance of your anticipated mailing with the states, countries or zip or postal code ranges you are interested in obtaining. While this service is free of charge to affiliated societies, AOS would appreciate a donation to help defray costs associated with producing and mailing these lists (if print copies are requested). Contact the Society's Membership Services Department at 305-740-2010.

Interesting Orchid Hybrid Trivia from AOS Website

The total number of grex names in the register is currently 154,660 (as of now). This figure increases daily. Each year The International Orchid Register adds between 3000-4000 new hybrids.

The most popular genera for hybrids are:

Phalaenopsis — 31,382
Paphiopedilum — 23,871
Cymbidium — 14,688
Dendrobium — 11,910

So far there are about 2349 hybrid generic names, but not all of these are in use.

There are about 5,600 species involved in hybridization.

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Upcoming Events

May 4 Regional Monthly AOS Orchid Judging

May 11 NHOS Monthly Meeting

May 18 Regional Monthly AOS Orchid Judging

June 1 Regional Monthly AOS Orchid Judging

June 1 Open House and Picnic at Piping Rock Orchids

June 8 NHOS Monthly Meeting

June 15 Regional Monthly AOS Orchid Judging

**Please return the
show signs.**

Photos of last month's Show
Table are compliments of Lee
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