

# CENTRAL OHIO ORCHID SOCIETY REPORTER

JANUARY 2020



**January Meeting**  
**AOS Webinar: Growing Under Lights**  
**Thursday January 16th**  
**EDUCATION PAVILION**  
**Franklin Park Conservatory at 7:30 PM**

## GROWING UNDER LIGHTS

*Growing Under Lights* is an AOS Webinar given by Steven Frowine, a Portsmouth, Ohio native. Frowine has an undergraduate degree in horticulture from The Ohio State University, and a graduate degree in horticulture from Cornell University. His extensive career includes having worked at the Pacific Tropical Botanical Garden in Hawaii, the Garden Center of Greater Cleveland, the Pittsburgh Civic Garden Center, and the Missouri Botanical Garden. He held executive positions at Burpee Seeds, White Flower Farms, and International Gardening Products, and has spoken frequently nationwide at horticultural societies, orchid societies, universities and botanical gardens. He has written over 200 articles and published four books on orchids: *Orchids for Dummies*, *Fragrant orchids*, *Miniature Orchids*, and *Moth Orchids*. Many of you will remember him from his visit to our Society in 2016.

The *Growing Under Lights* webinar focuses on using fluorescent tube lights as an economical method of providing light to orchids, and also provides criteria for choosing lights that are useful across the spectrum of lights available. The webinar provides web references for resources on several slides, as well as suggesting smart phone apps for light meters you can use at home. Included are practical suggestions and visual examples on home setups for growing under lights, plus tips on how to achieve optimal humidity, airflow and temperature. This is a very down to earth and practical guide for growing your orchids under lights.

Because this is a webinar, we will not have a Speaker's Dinner this month.

Please see **page 8** for *map and instructions* of location change for the January meeting.

## President's Message

### Happy New Year!

I would like to begin the year with wishing all our members a wonderful New Year and a year filled with beautiful blooming orchids and health and happiness in 2020. One of the benefits of membership and attendance to our monthly meetings is to see the amazing plants our members grow and to learn from them and our spectacular speakers. As a relatively new orchid grower, I have learned so much from just talking to our members on how they grow their plants and how I could improve my own growing. If you are a new member, please do not hesitate to ask any one of our members for advice on a specific species or just a general cultural question. Our members have a wealth of knowledge and are very willing to share that with all of you.

I will be asking the Board to assist me in establishing a couple of goals for the upcoming year. They include growing our membership and getting all of our members to become more involved in the Society through:

- Volunteering at Society events
- Assisting with our annual show
- Participating in the potential of a new mentoring program

Please get involved and help us become stronger and more exciting.

I would be remiss to not recognize last year's President, Justin Pepperney. His two years of service as the President of the Society really helped me as I begin this experience. He will be a very hard act to follow.

I look forward to learning with all of you in 2020. I am going to start this new year with asking a few people on how they would approach moving a plant from a basket to a larger one without disturbing it too much, but it also needs new media. I don't know where to start and I need help! Feel free to ask your questions...you may get a number of answers from our members and speakers, but one will feel right for you to try.

Thanks for giving me the opportunity to be your President. I look forward to your comments and advice in the upcoming year, and look forward to growing with all of you.



## **Show Table**

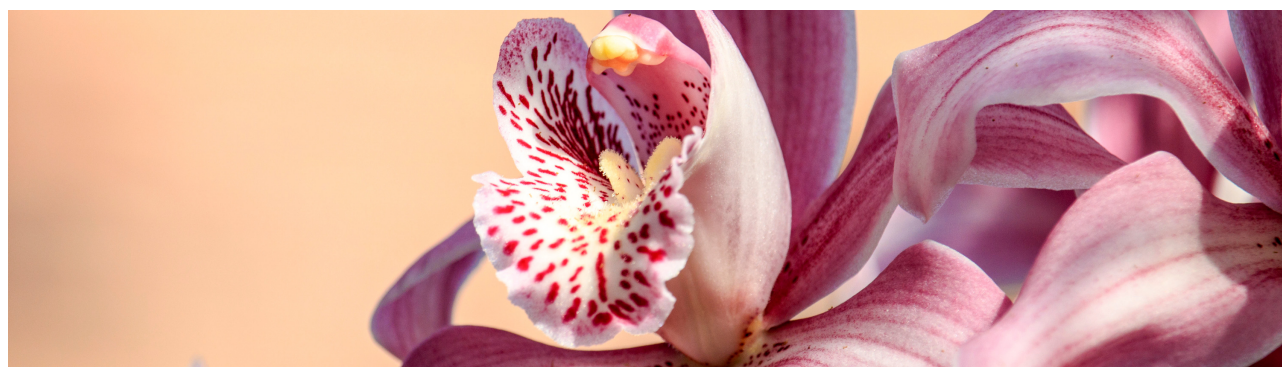
Please remember to bring in your beautiful blooming plants for our monthly show and judging table. We all look forward to seeing the incredible plants you have! And remember, all plants awarded are included in the annual Grower's contest. You can win valuable prizes!

## **Home Show**

This year our home show is scheduled for April 3-5. We will be in need of assistance the entire weekend as we begin set up on Friday April 3rd, with judging on the morning of April 4th, and tear down of the show on April 5th. Please mark your calendars and plan on assisting our incredible Home Show Chair, Dave Markley.

## **Hospitality**

This year Terry and Sandra Stohr have agreed to continue to assist us with hospitality at our monthly meetings. They coordinate the food and drink that you all enjoy at our meetings. However, this year they will NOT be available to provide the hospitality at our annual show and are in need of more assistance at the annual picnic and banquet. They are the dynamic duo and are impossible to replace by just one person. So it would be great for us to develop a hospitality committee that can work with Dave Markley to feed all of our judging guests and our members at the annual show and to help Terry and Sandra at our other two big events. Please consider joining a few of your Central Ohio Orchid Society members and help us all with these tasks. It's a great way to get more involved!



## Dues

Yeah, it's that time of year again. Time to pay your annual dues (and last year's dues if you are not up to date). You get so much for your membership dollars, so please see our incoming Treasurer, Megan Osika or our outgoing Treasurer, Cheryl Early at our January meeting. As a reminder, individual dues are \$20.00 and family dues are \$25.00. Both are a bargain!

## Member Plant Sale

As we will be having an AOS Webinar this month, please bring in those extra plants that are taking up valuable room within your collection. You can make a few bucks selling them to our members (who are always looking for a good deal). Also remember that 20% of sale proceeds comes to the Society to support our work.

## In Memoriam

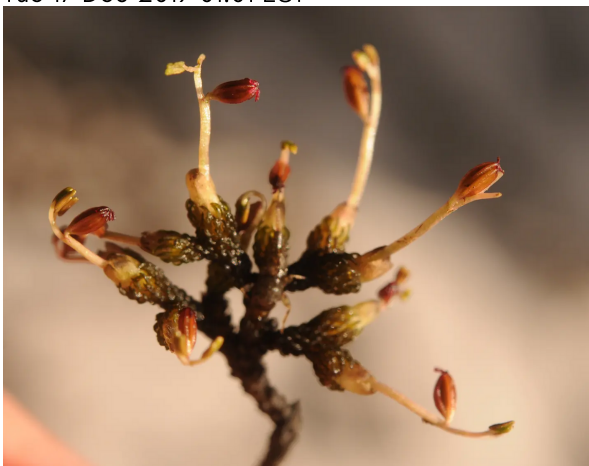
We regret to share that COOS member Alan Feters passed away on Sunday, January 5th, 2020. Thank you to everyone who sent a card or supported Alan over the past few months. Memorial gifts may be given to the National Stem Cell Foundation. Condolences may be sent to Alan's family via [Millerfuneralhomes.net](http://Millerfuneralhomes.net)

Orchid News From

*The Guardian's* "Ten amazing new plant and fungi discoveries in 2019 - in pictures"

Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew

Tue 17 Dec 2019 01:01 EST



"Doomed by a hydroelectric dam? New 'orchid' discovered in a waterfall. *Inversodicraea koukoutamba* was discovered on a waterfall on the Bafing River in Guinea, west Africa. It has not been found anywhere else. The new species, identified to be in the family known as the 'orchids of the falls' is a rubbery seaweed shrub that grows to 20cm tall. Kew scientists expect it to become extinct when construction on a planned hydroelectric project in the area begins in 2020."

Photograph: RBG Kew

## **2020 Program:**

This year, our Program Chair is Tracy Strombotne. She is off to an amazing start. While our calendar is not yet full, we are close to developing a full calendar of speakers, including some old friends and a member or two. Please note that we are altering our schedule just a bit this year and are moving our annual picnic to June and will have an exciting speaker in July. Below, please find the schedule as of today:

### **JANUARY 16**

AOS WEBINAR "GROWING UNDER LIGHTS"

### **FEBRUARY 20**

KEN METTLER - "SETTING UP ORCHID DISPLAYS AT SHOWS"

### **MARCH 19**

OPEN

### **APRIL 3-5**

COOS ANNUAL ORCHID SHOW AND PLANT SALE - FRANKLIN PARK CONSERVATORY

### **APRIL 16**

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### **MAY 21**

OPEN

### **JUNE TBA**

ANNUAL PICNIC AND POT LUCK

### **JULY 16**

MARTIN MOTES OF MOTES ORCHIDS

### **AUGUST**

NO MEETING

### **SEPTEMBER 17**

OPEN

### **OCTOBER 15**

KRISTIN UTHUS OF NEW WORLD ORCHIDS

### **NOVEMBER 19**

ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET AND POT LUCK

### **DECEMBER**

NO MEETING

## COOS BOARD MEMBERS

**President** - Nancy Shapiro

**Vice President** - Dennis Eifel

**Secretary** - Tom Hart

**Treasurer** - Megan Osika

**Trustee** - Cheryl Early

**Trustee** - Troy Timbrook

**Immediate Past President** - Justin Pepperney

## HOSPITALITY

### January

Joel & Minda Harris

Tracy Strombotne

Sandra Stohr

### February

Need three volunteers

### March

Naila Caruso

Need two additional volunteers

## NEWSLETTER

Justin Pepperney

Wendy Chrisman

## WEBSITE

Tennis Maynard

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Wendy Chrisman



# SHOW TABLE RESULTS NOVEMBER 2019

## PLANT OF THE MONTH:

Tom Stinson for *Habenaria Regnierii*

### PAPHIOPEDILUM

#### SPECIES & HYBRIDS:

Dave and Edna Markley	<i>Paphiopedilum Spicerianum</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Dave and Edna Markley	<i>Paph. Windrush</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Dave and Edna Markley	<i>Paph. Lemonade</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Dave and Edna Markley	<i>Paph. In-Charm White 'In Charm' x Paph. primulinum 'Dr. Lee'</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Tom Stinson	<i>Paph New Vietenryanum</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### CATTLEYA

#### SPECIES & HYBRIDS:

Ken Mettler	<i>Catt. Bicolor</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Jennifer Sonnenberg	<i>Pot. Fairyland</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Troy Timbrook	<i>Rth. Lemon Drop</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

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#### SPECIES & HYBRIDS:

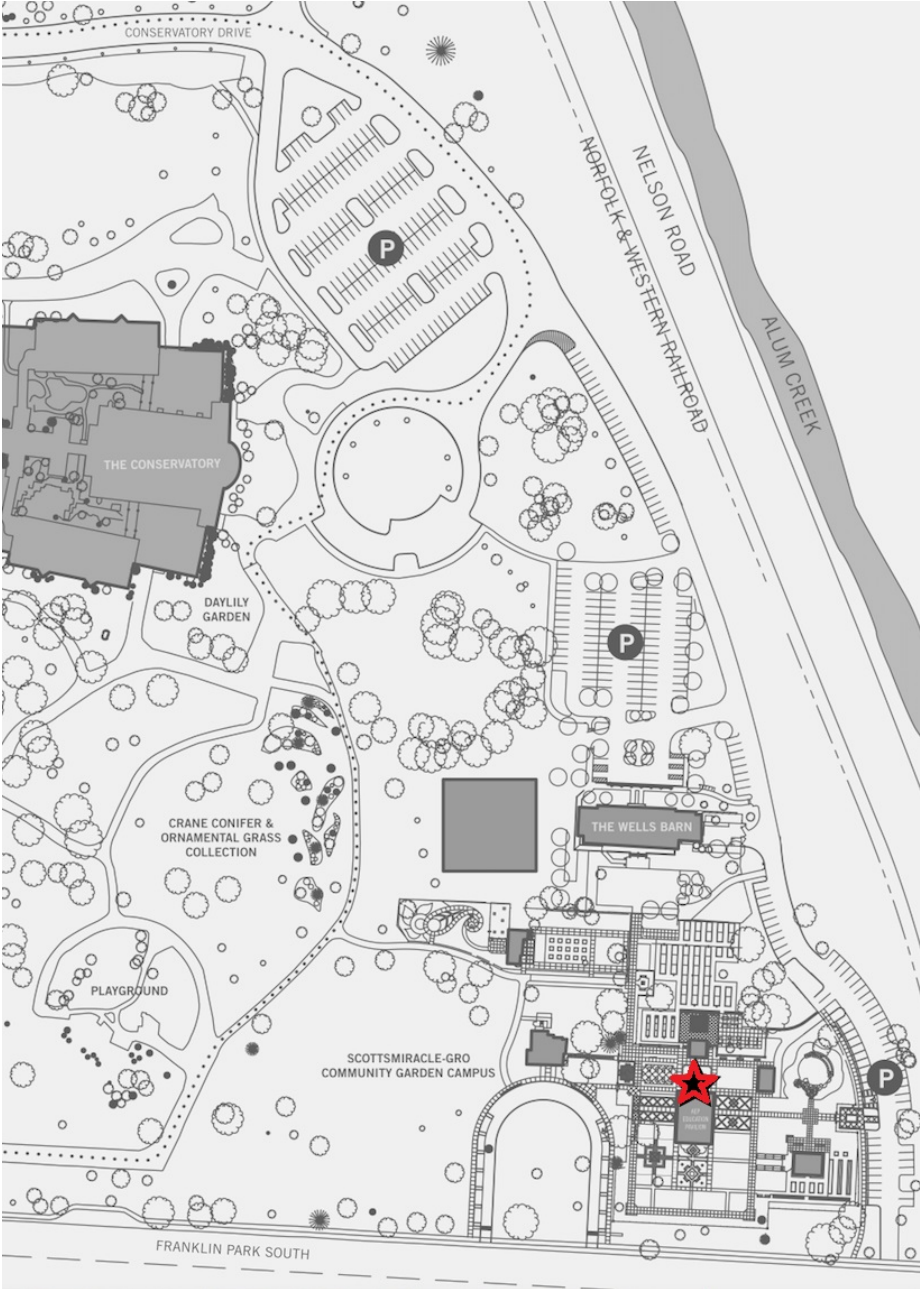
Tennis Maynard	<i>Dendrobium NOID</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Sandra and Terry Stohr	<i>Den. Enobi Purple 'Purple'</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Troy Timbrook	<i>Den. NOID</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### VANDAECEOUS:

Tom Stinson	<i>Vanda Yellow Butterfly</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Ken Mettler	<i>Phal. NOID</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Ken Mettler	<i>Phal. NOID</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Jennifer Sonnenberg	<i>Neostylis Lou Sneary 'Bluebird'</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### OTHER:

Ken Mettler	<i>Spathoglottis lobii</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Tennis Maynard	<i>Fredclareara After Dark 'Sunset Valley Orchids' FCC/AOS</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Amy Stanley	<i>Zygopetalum Dragon Kitten</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Tennis Maynard	<i>Comparettia speciose</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Tennis Maynard	<i>Angraecum leonis</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>



**LOCATION CHANGE:**

**This month we are in the Education Pavilion, on the South End of Franklin Park Scotts Miracle Grow Campus. The Pavilion is accessible via Broad Street (park in parking lot) and Franklin Park South (you can park in the circle).2**





**PLANT OF THE MONTH  
HABENARIA REGNERI  
GROWN BY TOM & PAT STINSON**



Complex Paphiopedilum  
Grown by Justin Pepperney

Masdevallia Hybrid,  
Grown by Justin Pepperney

