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Next Meeting: Monday, Mar. 3, 2014

“Orchids 101” 6:00 p.m. ❁ Social “Hour” 7:00 - 7:15 p.m. ❁ Meeting begins at 7:15 p.m.

Senior Lounge, Jewish Community Center, 1200 Edgewood Ave., Rochester, NY

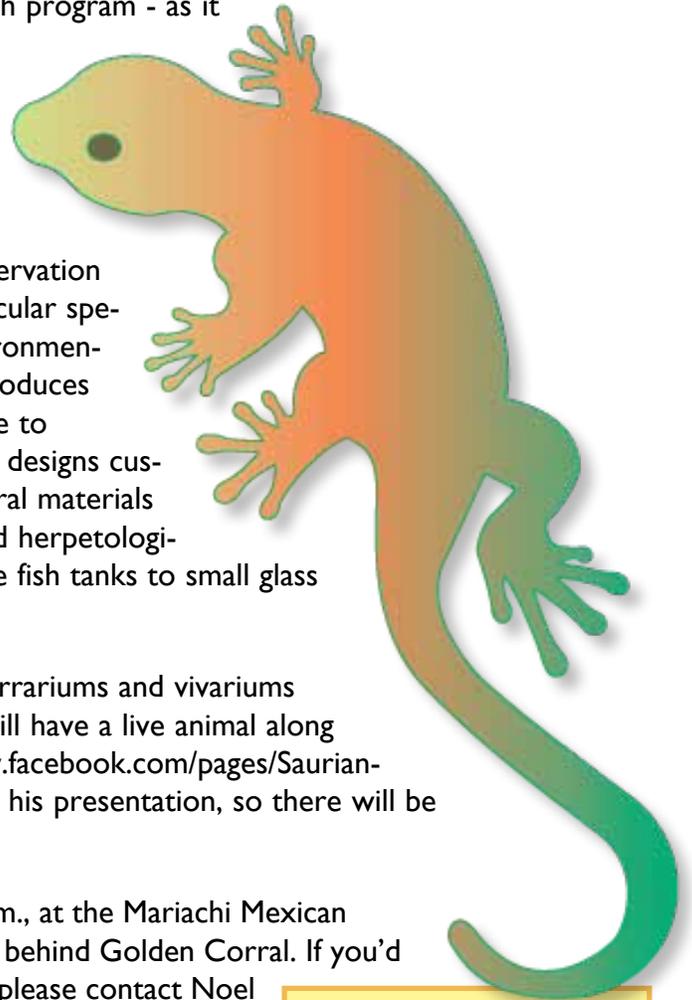
The Polar Vortex seems like it will last forever, but fear not! The GROS Spring Show is really only a matter of a few weeks away, and the days are becoming noticeably longer as our orchids are beginning to show signs of their Spring growth habits. Enduring many days when almost everybody wants to stay inside with their plants ties in nicely with our March program - as it involves *orchids* inside enclosures.

If you attended Jim Marlow’s open house in September, you may remember the exhibition and sale of vivarium items for sale by Eric Warren as SaurianArts. (Wikipedia: “A vivarium is an area, usually enclosed, for keeping and raising animals or plants for observation or research. Often, a portion of the ecosystem for a particular species is simulated on a smaller scale, with controls for environmental conditions.”) Located in Rochester, NY, SaurianArts produces beautiful original art in various media ranging from graphite to Prismacolor, ink to charcoal and pastel. The company also designs custom, zoo-quality terraria and vivaria. Eric works with natural materials to create naturalistic habitats and terraria for the plant and herpetological hobbies. He has used containers ranging from large size fish tanks to small glass globe terraria.

Eric will demonstrate how we can make our own terrariums and vivariums in which we can grow our orchids - and perhaps will have a live animal along for us to enjoy. Eric is on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Saurian-Arts/224704017678106>. He will be selling items related to his presentation, so there will be no member sales permitted at this month’s meeting.

We will be taking Eric to dinner on the meeting night, 5 p.m., at the Mariachi Mexican Grill, 400 Jefferson Rd., across from Southtowne Plaza and behind Golden Corral. If you’d like to join us (everyone pays for his or her own dinner...) please contact Noel Krzesinki, our Program Chair, at nmkrez@frontiernet.net. The Show Table will be back, as usual, so please don’t forget to bring your flowering plants. Maybe it won’t even be freezing outside!

We’ll see you there!



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FEBRUARY SHOW TABLE

Cypripedium Alliance

Paph. LSF **Prime** Peridot (Jolly Green Gem × Green Mystery) 2 plants Kaeding

Cattleya Alliance

C. Melody Fair (Stephen Oliver Fouraker × Horace) Butcher

Rth. Starzac (*Rlc.* Jong Jou × *Ctt.* Kauai Starbright) "

C. Baby Love (?) (Seagulls Apricot × *walkeriana*) Weimer

Miscellaneous

Cym. **Minneken** (*floribundum* × Rosalita) Kaeding

Lyc. **virginalis** Butcher

Cym. **tracyanum** "

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me.

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Meeting Minutes for Feb. 3, 2014

Bill opened the business meeting with Show Information.

Dave Weiss is working with the vendors. They will be the same as last year with the exception of two. Fran Murphy, and Main Street Orchids have declined this year. **Fran Murphy** is helping with the show layout.

Jeanne Kaeding and **Carol Butcher** are handling judging. They are looking for volunteers to help with clerking on Fri. morning until about 12:30.

Sue Hill is taking over the member sales table. **Mike DeVito** is working with her to catch her up on the system.

Maryann O'Mara will coordinate set up/ take down.

The poster is done, and will be ready to distribute at the next meeting. There will be an article in the Democrat & Chronicle in March. We are not advertising in the AOS magazine *Orchids* this year.

We will still be mailing out post cards, but are converting as much as they can over to email. **Jim Marlow** has offered to send the info to his customer base.

Bill is working on setting up a spot with Michael Warren Thomas. It has just been discovered that the food court at MCC is closed on the weekend. We are working on alternatives for that.

Noel Krzesinski poke about the upcoming Dutch Connection Exhibit at the George Eastman House. The show runs from Feb. 14 through Mar.2 If you have blooming orchids that you would like to share, please contact Noel.

Carol Butcher was our speaker. She gave a wonderful presentation on Cattleya Horace.

Bill and Carol presented the show table, and the meeting was adjourned.



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AOS Meeting Set for Spring in Minnesota

“Orchids - A Growing Obsession”
April 30th – May 4th, 2014

The Orchid Society of Minnesota is very pleased to host the Spring 2014 American Orchid Society Members' Meeting and Show April 30th through May 4th, 2014. This event will be held in conjunction with meetings and events of the Mid-America Orchid Congress, Slipper Orchid Alliance, International Phalaenopsis Alliance, Pleurothallid Alliance and Angraecoid Alliance. The website is up with full information at www.orchidsagrowingobsession.com.

The event headquarters is the Doubletree by Hilton located at I-494 and Hwy 100 in Bloomington, Minnesota. They offer complimentary airport shuttle service to and from the Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport (MSP Terminals 1 and 2). All events are located in this hotel which has free guest parking. Guest rooms will be available at a reduced rate of \$99 while they last in the reserved room block prior to the cutoff date of April 8, 2014. This rate is available for three days before and three days after the show dates for those who wish to extend their stay. There are numerous restaurants near the hotel including TGIFridays (in the same parking lot). The hotel is located on the “494 Strip” of Bloomington with restaurants and shopping nearby... including the Mall of America. The hotel does offer complimentary shuttle service to the Mall of Amer-

ica for its registered guests. Following is the hotel reservation link. No password or code is needed: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/OSM2014> If you prefer to call, their number is 952-835-7800.

The keynote address will be given by Chris Purver of the Eric Young Orchid Foundation. The speaker line-up includes Jerry Fischer, Alan Koch, Carlos Fighetti, Jason Fischer, Russ Vernon, Cordelia Head, Harry Phillips and Kathy Creger. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to hear the top names in orchids share their knowledge.

Our Exhibition Chair is Joe Acebo. Exhibitor setup will begin Wednesday morning at 7:00 a.m., April 30th. Plant and Exhibit Registration will be open on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. We encourage your participation in this AOS-judged show by staging an exhibit showcasing your member's growing efforts and creativity.

Exhibits should follow the class structure as set forth in the current MAOC Show Schedule. We will provide you with table-top or floor space as your needs require, and we can discuss any other needs you might have once you've confirmed your participation. Space is limited so please contact Joe directly at joeacebo@charter.net.

Our Vendor Sales Chair is Ross Hella. Sales will open Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. with the Preview Party. As of January 2014, our vendor spaces are full; however you may contact Ross at hellapad@dishmail.net with inquiries. Vendors include Andy's, Deerwood, Cal-Orchids, Gold Country, Ingram's Better Books, J&L, Krull-Smith, Natt's, New Vision, Orchids Ltd, Orchidabilia, RK Gems, and art work by Jacque Rosenau & Kathy Creger.

This will be an AOS-judged show with Ribbon Judging on Thursday morning, May 1st, followed by the AOS Judges' Luncheon at noon and AOS Judging at 1:00 pm. The Preview Party is Thursday evening beginning at 7:00 p.m. This year's theme is "tropical casual"... so wear your favorite Hawaiian orchid shirt and relax!

The Show & Sales area will be open to the public Friday, Saturday and Sunday (May 2-4) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. We are offering the public a \$1 off general admission coupon at nu-

merous locations and on our web site. Beginners' Lectures will be offered on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Full Participant Registration includes the Preview Party, AOS & MAOC Auctions and access to all lectures and meetings as well as the show and sales areas. There will be a Banquet following the Auction on Saturday evening at the hotel. This promises to be a pleasurable & entertaining evening and we certainly hope you will join in the fun.

For show registration, go to www.orchidsagrowingobsession.com and click on the Registration tab. Please be sure to read the instructions/hints before you begin your registration process.

Come join us at this don't miss event!

- Kim Livingston

Show Chair



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