

# NEWSLETTER



**Editor's Note:** The newsletter is distributed electronically (blind copied so addresses remain private) to all members for whom we have an email address. If you do not receive an emailed newsletter please notify me at [thues@sasktel.net](mailto:thues@sasktel.net).

**Future Meeting Dates:**

Saturday, Sep 28, 2019

Saturday, Oct 26, 2019

Saturday, Nov 23, 2019

Saturday, Jan 25, 2020

## SOS Executive

<b>President:</b>	Tracey Thue
<b>Vice-President:</b>	Vacant
<b>Past President:</b>	Bob Lucas
<b>Secretary:</b>	Donna Carlson-O'Keefe
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Cheryl Grummett
<b>Social:</b>	Shirley Keith Lynn Campbell
<b>Plant Orders:</b>	Heather Anderson Cheryl Adamson
<b>Resources:</b>	Don Keith Tom Kondra
<b>Librarians:</b>	Deb Huculiak Kathryn Hiller
<b>Newsletter:</b>	Sara & Tracey Thue
<b>COC/AOS Rep:</b>	Tom Kondra
<b>Speakers:</b>	Heather Anderson
<b>Webmaster:</b>	Calvin Lo
<b>Facebook:</b>	Sara Thue
<b>Mail Address:</b>	SOS, Box 411 Saskatoon, SK S7K 3L3
<b>Web Address:</b>	<a href="http://www.saskorchids.com">www.saskorchids.com</a>
<b>facebook:</b>	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/saskorchidsociety?">https:// www.facebook.com/saskorchidsociety?</a>

## May Meeting - Saturday, May 25, 2019

The general meeting will be held at  
**LUTHERCARE VILLAGE AT STONEBRIDGE,**  
beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Our guest Jean Allen-Ikeson will be speaking on White Cattleyas.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Meeting Agenda:**

Announcements

Presentation - Jean Allen-Ikeson

Plant Sale - offerings from Jean

*BREAK:*

*Treats/Supplies/Library*

Problem Corner

Show & Tell

Plant Sale - Member's plants

50:50 Draw

Adjournment

### **SOS GENERAL MEETING**

**SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2019 @ 1:30PM**

### **GUEST SPEAKER:**

**JEAN ALLEN-IKESON**

**"STORY OF WHITE CATTLEYAS"**

### **PLANT PRE-ORDERS:**

*Send your orders by May 20 to Heather or Cheryl A.*

Please pick up your pre-ordered plants from Jean Allen-Ikeson during the general meeting.

### **GENERAL MEETING PLANT SALE:**

Jean is bringing plants for sale during the meeting.

All payments by cash or cheque please, no credit cards.

### **Introducing Jean Allen-Ikeson**

Jean is an accredited AOS judge in the Toronto Judging Centre. She is the author of the Supplement to Orchids magazine on *Sarcochilus* and its hybrids, in addition to numerous articles in Orchids on species, hybrids, culture and judging. Jean is Chair of the Editorial Board of the AOS, and National Training Coordinator for the AOS judging program.

Jean lives north of Hamilton, ON and grows a variety of species and hybrids in a large lean-to greenhouse.

### **SOS Membership Early Renewal Incentive!**

Renew your SOS Membership at the May meeting and receive a \$5 voucher for the Resources table, or, while supplies last, a seedling *Phalaenopsis* bred by Bob Lucas!

Single membership \$25; Family membership \$30

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **New fundraising for the SOS - 50:50 Draw**

Gabriel Burmeister will be selling  
tickets during the break.

Tickets are priced at 10 tickets for \$5.

The draw will be made at the end of the  
meeting, 50% of the money will go to the  
winner, 50% to the Society!

### **SOS Members' Plant Sale Table**

Members are welcome to bring orchids to  
sell to other members of the society. We  
will have 2 separate plant sale tables, one  
for the vendor's plants, and one for the SOS  
members' plants.

### **SOS Show & Tell**

If you have an orchid in flower, bring it to  
the meeting and tell us about it!

Do you grow it on a windowsill, under lights,  
in a greenhouse? How often do you water,  
fertilize, repot? You can share as much  
information as you like.

If you're uncomfortable speaking to the  
group, ask a member of the Executive to  
present your plant on your behalf!



### **A Look Ahead to Future SOS Meetings**

Sep 2019 - Francisco Miranda, Miranda Orchids  
Oct 2019 - Fred Clarke, Sunset Valley Orchids  
Feb 2020 - Terry Groszeibl, Forestview Orchids  
May 2020 - Sergio Garcia, Olompali Orchid  
Sep 2020 - Sam Tsui, Orchid Inn  
Oct 2020 - Alan Koch, Gold Country Orchids

## APRIL MEETING MINUTES

Recorded by Donna Carlson-O'Keefe

### Announcements

SOS President Bob Lucas welcomed members and guests to the meeting.

The society will hold its annual silent auction today. The bid sheets indicate that either 50% or 100% of the proceeds go to the SOS. Bidding starts at \$1 and will increase in increments of \$1. The auction will be stopped one table at a time; this will be announced a few minutes in advance. This is our main fundraiser for the year, so people are encouraged to bid freely and often!

We will be replacing the plant raffle with a 50:50 draw, starting at the May meeting. Gabriel Burmeister will be the ticket seller, with the price of tickets at 10 for \$5.

Memberships can be renewed today for the 2019-20 season. As an incentive for renewing in April or May, members can choose between a \$5 credit at the resources table, or a *Phalaenopsis* seedling donated by Bob Lucas. A single membership is \$25; a family membership is \$30.

The annual election for the Executive will be held after the break. Nominations were published in the April newsletter. Further nominations from the floor will be welcomed. There is a vacancy for the position of Secretary; if interested, see Bob at the break.

Thank you to Deb Huculiak and Kathryn Hiller for setting up and executing our very nice display at Gardenscape. Thank you also to Sara Thue for providing

photographs for the electronic photo display, and to Calvin Lo for his informative poster. Thank you also to those who contributed their plants and manned the booth. Five new members and/or guests who were present at this meeting joined as a result of contact at Gardenscape.



Garage Sale!

The Orchid Society of Alberta Orchid Fair was held in St. Albert April 5-7, 2019. Thank you to Lori Pozniak and Sherida Gregoire for helping to set up the SOS display (and thank you to Bob Lucas for collecting and registering the plants, and transporting the plants and display to Edmonton). Thank you also to Heather Anderson and Cheryl Adamson for taking down the display and bringing it back, along with the pre-ordered plants. Of the sixteen plants in the SOS display, fourteen

received ribbons. Pat Randall's *Cattleya mossiae* was nominated for an AOS

award, and Bob Lucas's *Phragmipedium* Ruby Slippers received an AM/AOS Award with a score of 82. Congratulations, Bob and Pat!

The garage sale that was held at Heather Anderson's following the OSA show was a success, raising enough money to bring in a visiting speaker.

Thank you to Sara Thue for her stunning photography in our newsletter.

After the break there will be three awards: (1) the Wilma Nykiforuk Award for the best plant on the Show and Tell table today, (2) a draw for one of the people who brought plants for Show and Tell during the year, (3) a draw for one of the people who brought treats during the year.





## APRIL MEETING MINUTES, CONT.

Treats today were brought by Mercedes Montgomery, Cheryl Grummett, Deb Huculiak, Pat Randall, Lori Pozniak, and Kathryn Heller.

### Resources

There are lots of new pots, including net pots (good for *Masdevallias* and *Draculas*) at discount pricing.

### Library

The full library is not here today, just some magazines, to save space for the silent auction tables. Save-On-Foods and Dutch Growers have donated some plants; they are in the silent auction.

### Foothills Orchid Society Show

Heather asked if anyone is going to the Foothills Orchid Society Show in Calgary June 1-2, please let Heather or Cheryl Adamson know. Ecuagenera will be taking pre-ordered plants missing from the Edmonton order to Calgary. If someone from the SOS is going to the show, they could bring the plants back, otherwise Ecuagenera will ship the plants from Calgary.

### Problem corner

No problems reported.

### Show and Tell

Nine plants were shown by Linda King, Lynn Campbell, Tracey Thue, Pat Randall, Cheryl Adamson, Heather Anderson and Bob Lucas.

### Break

### Presentation

There was no presentation this month. Instead the annual silent auction took place.

### Plant Raffle

The several plants donated by Save-On-Foods and Dutch Growers were included in the silent auction.

### Election of Executive

A slate of nominees for the 2019-20 Executive was presented by Bob Lucas. There were no nominations from the floor. Yvette Lyster moved, Lynn Campbell seconded, that nominations close. Motion carried. The slate was declared elected.

Executive for the coming year: President - Tracey Thue; Vice-President – vacant; Past President – Bob Lucas; Secretary - Donna Carlson-O'Keefe; Treasurer - Cheryl Grummett; Social Directors - Shirley Keith & Lynn Campbell; Plant Orders - Heather Anderson & Cheryl Adamson; Resources - Don Keith & Tom Kondra; Librarians - Deb Huculiak & Kathryn Heller; Newsletter - Tracey Thue & Sara Thue; Speaker Coordinator - Heather Anderson; COC/AOS Rep - Tom Kondra; Webmaster - Calvin Lo; Facebook Page - Sara Thue

Kathryn Hiller moved a vote of thanks to both Sherida Gregoire and Bob Lucas for all their years of service to the SOS; she was joined by all in attendance.



Silent Auction 2019



## APRIL MEETING MINUTES, CONT.

### Awards

#### Wilma Nykiforuk Award

Awarded to the best plant on this month's Show and Tell table, chosen by Bob Lucas and Sherida Gregoire on behalf of Sarah Nykiforuk in honour of her sister Wilma. The winner of the plant was Cheryl Adamson for her gorgeous *Phragmipedium humboldtii* 'Fortuna'.

#### Show & Tell Award

A name was drawn from all those bringing plants for Show and Tell from May 2018 until April 2019. The person whose name is drawn must be in attendance to win. The winner of the plant was Lynn Campbell.

#### Treats Award

A name was drawn from all those bringing treats from May 2018 until April 2019. Again the person whose name is drawn must be in attendance to win. The winner of the plant was Marge Kowalchuck.

### Saskatchewan Orchid Society Executive 2019-2020

**President:** Tracey Thue

**Vice President:** Vacant

**Past President:** Bob Lucas

**Secretary:** Donna Carlson-O'Keefe

**Treasurer:** Cheryl Grummett

**Social Directors:** Shirley Keith & Lynn Campbell

**Plant Order Coordinators:** Cheryl Adamson & Heather Adamson

**Speaker Coordinator:** Heather Anderson

**Resources:** Don Keith & Tom Kondra

**Librarians:** Deb Huculiak & Kathryn Hiller

**COC & AOS Representative:** Tom Kondra

**Newsletter Editors:** Sara & Tracey Thue

**SOS Webmaster:** Calvin Lo

**Facebook Administrator:** Sara Thue

#### Meeting Adjournment

Approximately 2:55pm





## APRIL SHOW & TELL TABLE

Photos by Sara Thue



*Dendrobium bracteosum* var. *album* x *sib*  
Grower: Lynn Campbell



*Vuylstekeara* Camouflage 'Everglades Passion'  
Grower: Pat Randall



*Phragmipedium* Olaf Gruss  
(*Phrag. besseae* x *Phrag. pearcei*)  
Grower: Heather Anderson



*Paphiopedilum hirsutissimum*  
Grower: Bob Lucas



*Masdevallia* Cutie  
Grower: Tracey Thue

## APRIL SHOW & TELL TABLE

Photos by Sara Thue



*Dendrobium aphyllum* (Vietnam type)  
Grower: Linda King



*Phragmipedium  
humboldtii* 'Fortuna'  
Grower: Heather Anderson



*Phragmipedium* Inca Embers 'The Bow'  
Grower: Cheryl Adamson



*Rhyncholaeliocattleya* Hsinying  
Sunbeam 'Juliets'  
Grower: Tracey Thue



**AOS Western Canada Judging Centre - Orchid Society of Alberta Show  
Judging Results, Apr 5, 2019**

**Photography by Judith Higham (plants) & Ed Higham (displays)**

*Please note that AOS award photographs are only permitted to be used for AOS and affiliated societies purposes and programs. All awards are considered provisional until paperwork and payment is processed by AOS and published in Orchid Plus.*

***Dendrobium cerinum* 'Mellow Yellow'**

**CCM/AOS 87pts**

**Exhibitor: Darrel Albert**



***Phragmipedium Grande* 'Wesley's Avatar'**

**AM/AOS 87pts**

*(Phrag longifolium x Phrag humboldtii)*

**Exhibitor: Monica De Wit**

***Paphiopedilum Ruby Slippers* 'Dorothy'**

**AM/AOS 82pts**

*(Paph. armeniacum x Paph. emersonii)*

**Exhibitor: Bob Lucas**





***Phalaenopsis* Brother Sara Gold 'Mellow Yellow' AM/AOS 82pts**  
Exhibitor: Paul Paludet



**AOS Show Trophy 'Orchidstra' ST/AOS 86pts**  
**AOS Silver Certificate 'Orchidstra' SC/AOS 86pts**  
Exhibitor: Darrell Albert