

BUCKS COUNTY ORCHID SOCIETY

April 2025



BCOS Meeting and Program

Thursday, April 17, 2025

Regular Meeting 7:30 pm

Show Table Setup 7:00 pm

Churchville Nature Center
501 Churchville Lane
Churchville, PA 18966



Southeastern Pennsylvania Orchid Society Show Results for Bucks County Orchid Society

SEPOS hosts one of the largest International Orchid Shows in North America. BCOS has been represented for many years. 2025 was no different!

The April presentation will be all about the SEPOS show with photos and commentary by our members who set up the BCOS display. Lots of hard work and passion was rewarded when our BCOS display took second place overall in our class! That is a huge accomplishment! Additionally, seven members won a total of eleven individual awards for their orchids!!!

Images and videos of the displays will be featured with members sharing their thoughts on putting the display together, how plants were selected and arranged and how the layout was designed!



Individual contributions will be recognized as well as how great everyone worked together to create such a stunning display!

Bring Plants to Sell or Trade!

Members are welcome to bring plants to sell or trade at the April meeting. It's a great opportunity to share your extras, find something new, and connect with fellow orchid lovers.

Hospitality Help Needed for April Meeting

We wanted to let you know that Tom and Lisa McIsaac will not be able to join us for the April meeting. In their absence, we'd be so grateful for your help in making the hospitality table warm and welcoming for everyone attending.

If you're able, please consider bringing a snack to share. We're also in need of small bottles of water, and it would be wonderful if someone could kindly provide them.

Thank you in advance for your thoughtfulness and generosity—it's the little things that make our gatherings so special! **Looking forward to seeing everyone there!**

The Bucks County

Orchid Society

OFFICERS

Sandy Kern	President
Jean Norton	Vice President
Chuck Keiser	Treasurer
Open	Secretary
Jennifer Leah-Rosa	Newsletter Editor
Carl Gustafson	Awards Coordinator

Meetings are held 7:30 pm on the third Thursday of each month (except July and August) at :

Churchville Nature Center
501 Churchville Lane
Churchville, PA 18966

Visit our website:
www.buckscountyorchidsociety.org

Other Societies and Vendors

A list of other societies and vendors is now exclusively available on the BCOS website or click the links below.

[For Other Orchid Societies](#)

and

[For Local Orchid Vendors](#)

Who?

What?

When?

Where?

Why?

How?



Orchid Questions and Answers

We are starting a new feature in the BCOS newsletter. We have a few people who have agreed to share their knowledge. Send in your questions for them to answer and include any pictures you may have. Please let us know if you wish to remain anonymous. You can also send in your own tips to share with everyone. The more we know, the better we grow!

Send to:

BCOrchidSocietyEditor@gmail.com



EDITORS NOTE

Contributions to the newsletter will be greatly appreciated. Please submit relevant news, photos, awards or information relating to the Society, its members, the care and culture of orchids to the Editor at BCOrchidSocietyEditor@gmail.com. You can also submit orchids and orchid related items for sale.

Please submit your copy by the first day of the month.



MARCH 2025
Windowsill Growers

	Genus	Species	Clone	Grower
Classic Cattleya				
1st	Cattleya	leuddemaniana v. coerulea		Mocarski, Michael
2nd	Cattleya	(Bonanza Queen x Melody Fair)		Mocarski, Michael
3rd	Rlc	George King	"Serendipity"	Ginzburg, Lara
HM	Unidentified white cattleya			Mocarski, Michael



Catt leuddemaniana v. coerulea



Unidentified white cattleya



Catt (Bonanza Queen x Melody Fair)



Rlc George King "Serendipity"



Catt leuddemaniana v. coerulea

Cattleya

1st	Epicattleya	Magic Wand		Zaliska, Victoria
2nd	Cattlianthe	Fire Island	"Fiery"	Carrick, Dave

Dendrobium

2nd	Dendrobium	King Zip	"Red Splash"	Nakonechny, Vera
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Miniatures

1st	Ornithocephalus	bicornis		Gustafson, Carl
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EpiCatt Magic Wand



Catt Fire Island "Fiery"



Den King Zip "Red Splash"



Mini Ornithocephalus bicornis

MARCH 2025 SHOW TABLE

Windowsill Growers continued

Paphiopedilum

1st	Paphiopedilum	Maya Shirakawa		Gustafson, Carl
2nd	Paphiopedilum	lowii	"Natural Wonder"	Carrick, Dave
3rd	Paphiopedilum	villosum		Gustafson, Carl
HM	Paphiopedilum	chamberlainianum	"Pink Coral"	Gustafson, Carl



Paph Maya Shirakawa



Paph lowii "Natural Wonder"



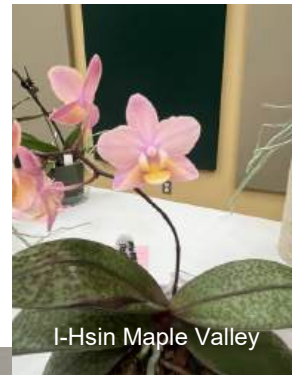
Paph villosum



Paph chamberlainianum "Pink Coral"

Phalaenopsis

1st	Phal	leuddemaniana v. coerulea		Mocarski, Michael
2nd	Phal	Hybridizer's Dream		Paroly, Mitch
2nd	Phal	Timothy Christopher		Carrick, Dave
2nd	Phal	Younghome Coco	"YH0136"	Paroly, Mitch
3rd	Phal	I-Hsin Maple Valley		Ginzburg, Lara
3rd	Phal	No ID (#4)		Carrick, Dave
HM	Phal	Lianher Focus	"MP-1011-1"	Paroly, Mitch



I-Hsin Maple Valley



leuddemaniana v. coerulea



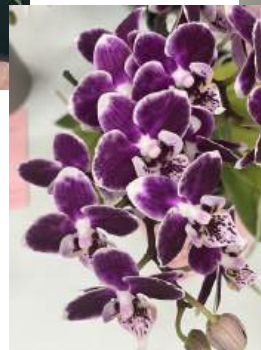
Timothy Christopher



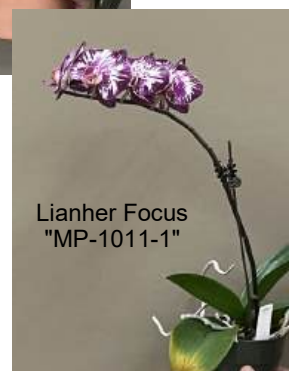
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Hybridizer's Dream



Younghome Coco "YH0136"

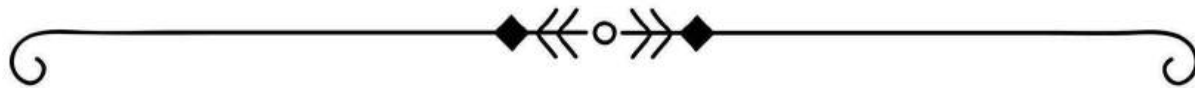


Lianher Focus "MP-1011-1"

MARCH 2025 SHOW TABLE Greenhouse Growers

*And the
Winners
are...*

Genus	Species	Clone	Grower
Dendrobium			
1st BG	Dendrobium	canaliculatum	Mocarski, Michael



MARCH 2025 SHOW TABLE Windowsill Growers continued

Oncidium				
2nd	Oncidium	Chaculatum	"Golden Pacific"	Norton, Jean

Open				
1st	Chysis	limminghei		Norton, Jean
2nd	Fredclareara	After Dark		Kern, Sandy



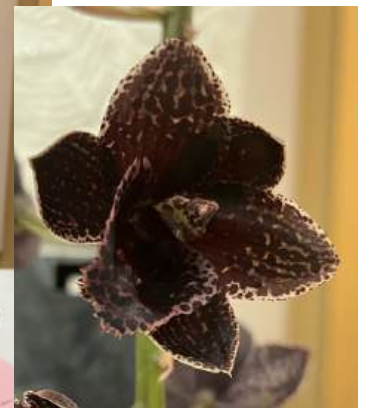
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"Golden Pacific"



Chysis limminghei



Fredclareara
After Dark





March Meeting Recap

An Evening With Waldor's David Off

David Off was the guest speaker for the BCOS March meeting. He was accompanied by his lovely wife, Sarah. He presented his lifelong history with orchids as well as how he comes up with his ideas for the PHS Philadelphia Flower Show. He detailed his process for coming up with his design ideas as well as the trials that went along with it. It was both informative and entertaining! David also brought many orchids for purchase.





President's Message

Dear BCOS Members,

I'm happy to report that the SEPOS show was a huge success in many ways: BCOS took 2nd place in our class, 11 of our individual plants were awarded ribbons, the vendors sold a lot of stuff, attendees added to their various collections and had fun shopping.

I want to thank our members who shared plants for our display and who helped with setup and teardown. It's always a lot of work, but fun to show off our plants and see what else is possible. The SEPOS show is also a good opportunity to network with other local growers, and to learn more about orchids. Congratulations to our SEPOS blue ribbon winners, Chuck Keiser and Lara Ginzburg!

Our next event will be our indoor fundraising auction on Saturday 5/3/25 which will coincide with the Nature Center's outdoor plant sale.

Please remember:

- let me know if you have plants to donate, and what their names are.
- if you're able to attend, we'll need helpers. If you have any cardboard boxes, please bring them for people to take their plants home in.
- I will be ordering blooming plants from our vendors for the auction. If there's anything particular that you'd like me to order, please let me know.

Congratulations to our SEPOS blue ribbon winners, Chuck Keiser and Lara Ginzburg!


Sincerely,
Sandy Kern

Help Spread the Word!

The flyer for the BCOS Auction (happening May 3rd) is available in two places:

- Page 8 of the newsletter
- As an attachment to the email that distributed the newsletter

Please make copies and share them with friends, colleagues, or post them on bulletin boards—anywhere orchid lovers might see it!

Let's make this auction a blooming success! 



***BUCKS COUNTY
ORCHID SOCIETY
AUCTION***

Saturday, May 3rd
Churchville Nature Center
Preview orchids at 12:00 noon
Auction begins at 1:00 pm

Orchids from various members and commercial growers will be auctioned, including some that are in bloom. A list of available plant names can be requested one week prior to the event. The auction will take place indoors in the Community Room, while the Churchville Nature Center will host its annual plant sale outdoors.

For more information, contact Sandy Kern, skern0713@aol.com

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www.buckscountyorchidsociety.org

Affiliated with the American Orchid Society (AOS)
and South East Pennsylvania Orchid Society (SEPOS)

Your Invitation!

Join us for this Outstanding Online Event
Mark Your Calendar—Set Your Device Reminder



To Register
Scan QR



American Orchid Society
7th CULTURE DAY
Sunday, May 18, 2025
11 a.m.—3:30 p.m. EDT
This Event is Recorded for all Registrants to View at their Leisure

ORCHIDS—From Seed to Success

Door Prizes!
Must be online day
of event to be eligible
4 Guest Speakers
4 Great Topics

- **Orchid Pollination - In Nature and at Your Kitchen Table** Explained by **Adam Karremans**, Director of Lankester Botanical Garden
- **Can I Make My Own Hybrid?** Demonstration of flasking, deflasking and compots, by Hobby Growers and Hybridizers, **Keith and Dina Emig**
- **Brassavola-Cattleya Alliance Novelty Hybrids** Tune in to meet **Allen Black** and understand his dedication to this group of orchids
- **Easy to Grow and Bloom Hybrids** Presented by **Manny Aybar**, accomplished hobbyist, AOS Judge, and AOS award winning exhibitor

Online Registration Required—Only \$40



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May 30th-June 1st, 2025
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longislandorchidsociety.org
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