



Orchid News
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Happy New Year Everyone!!!!

January 2019 Speaker: Jan Yates,
Creating an Orchid Display

Wednesday, January 9, 2019
Immanuel United Church of Christ
2300 Taylorsville Road
6:15 pm, Social hour, 7:00 pm Meeting

From the President

Good morning members on this cold, gloomy Sunday morning!!!! Hope your orchids are surviving and showing some signs of new growth.

Jan Smith, KOS Vice President, will be presiding over the January meeting for me. I will be on vacation for ONE month in January. Last year I didn't miss a single meeting when I was President. I take this job seriously and if I am elected to a position, as President, I like to be presiding at the meetings. This year my trip was planned before I accepted the KOS Presidency for 2019, that's why I will not be at the meeting.

Jan will be discussing, in depth, the Louisville Home and Garden Show. I am serious when I say my next statement. If we don't participate 100% we need not be involved at all. The current issue appears to be

getting several people to house a few orchids for one week prior to the Louisville Home and Garden Show, possibly only 10 orchids per individual if we have enough volunteers. We also need a couple of larger vehicles, trucks, SUVs, or vans, to take the orchids to the fairgrounds and pick them up in return. If we don't have the support to take advantage of this opportunity I will have to withdraw KOS from participating. People say, "It's a great idea," and "that is super", but we need more than that.

Jan will be sending around signup sheets at the meeting for working, transportation, and housing the orchids. Jan and I will be communicating in January to see if people have stepped up to the plate and want to. We have to give the Louisville Home and Garden Show folks plenty of notice as to yes or no.

Also, at the meeting please discuss any volunteer ideas.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in February!!!!
Stay warm....I will!!! ha ha

Ruth Schneider, President
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Minutes

The KOS monthly meeting held at the Immanuel United Church of Christ @ 7:00 pm.

This was the annual Christmas Dinner for Club members.

Ruth Schneider presented 3 annual awards: The Clara Fanelli Award for most points given on non-mini orchids for Show and Tell to Pam LaRocco. The

Jim Topmiller Award Traveling trophy for mini orchids went to Pam LaRocco, and the Henrietta and Wilbur Japs Award to the member with the most outstanding service to the Society for 2018 went to Jan Smith.

Show & Tell Plants: No Show and Tell for this meeting.

Plant Raffle: Was not held this evening.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. The next meeting will be January 9, 2019.

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Did you know about these home remedies?

Rather than expensive and potentially dangerous herbicides, spray full-strength vinegar to kill weeds between pavers and on greenhouse floors. (Do not spray on orchids.)

Aspirin (just $\frac{3}{4}$ of one 325 mg tablet per gallon of water) helps protect plants from fungal and viral pathogens when used as a spray. More is NOT better. Do not exceed this amount.

Homemade insecticide (mix in a 1 gallon [3.8 liter] jug): 1 pint rubbing alcohol, 1 pint 409 Spray Cleaner, and 3 quarts water. Apply as a spray.

Isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol can be put into an empty spray bottle and used to treat scale, mealy bugs, thrips, aphids, red spider mites and perhaps other pests. It works only while wet and must contact the insect.

Neosporin has been reportedly used to treat orchid crown rot; remove rotted area of plant before treatment.

Information provided courtesy of the American Orchid Society magazine Orchids, VOL. 87 NO. 11 November 2018 edition

January Refreshments

Provided by the KOS Board Members

Christmas Dinner Photos!

Smiling Faces of KOS Members!





Photos courtesy of Sal Locascio (except the dishes pic)



Please contact Jan Smith if any of these are yours.