

Massachusetts Orchid Society



**August: George Crozer,
Crozer & Crozer Orchids**

Topic: Tolumnia, the Equitant Oncidium

Crozer & Crozer Orchids, family owned and operated by George and Katie Crozer, is the only full-time retail orchid nursery in the state of New Hampshire.

Tolumnias are typically small plants with exceptionally colorful sprays of flowers. They are good windowsill growers that produce a lot of flowers for their size.

Annual Dues Are Due!

Please renew your membership today if you have not already done so. If you have joined us for another year, thank you!

Membership dues: individual membership - \$25, dual - \$30

Renew online:

<http://massorchid.org/Content/Wizard/Renewal/MemberRenewal.aspx>

Renew by mail: Please mail a check made out to Massachusetts Orchid Society to:

Mass Orchid Society, PO Box 550141, Waltham, MA 02455

September Meeting – MOS Annual Auction

This year the Annual auction is on Tuesday, September 10th at **7pm!** Please note there is no show table for the auction. Please go to our [Online Auction Catalog](#) to preview our auction plants. More plants will be added as they arrive.

We've got great plants coming from some great vendors as well as special plants from members. You can help by donating a special plant or two for the auction.

Hopefully, you had great growth this summer, and now you have to divide plants to get them to fit back in your growing space.

Please note that the meeting starts at 7 P.M. instead of the normal 7:30 P.M. If you are able to come early to help setup, your help would be much appreciated. We will need help during the auction, and if you are interested in being a spotter, a runner or helping in any other way, please us know. All plant donations are tax deductible, and plants that go for over the fair market value can have the excess deducted.

This is the society's biggest fundraiser and your help is essential!

Questions? E-mail:

aucton@massorchid.org

Upcoming MOS Events

August 13 –

MOS Monthly Meeting

Speaker: George Crozer

Website: www.ccorchids.com

Topic: Tolumnias

September 10 –

MOS Annual Auction

October 8 –

MOS Monthly Meeting

Speaker: Holger Perner

November 1-3 –

MOS Annual Show & Sale

Website:

www.massorchid.org/show



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MOS secretary
Brigitte Fortin and
Victor DeRosa at
the MOS annual
picnic.

Membership

Have membership questions?

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adrienne@massorchid.org

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[Phal. deliciosa](#)

Orchid of the Month: Phalaenopsis deliciosa

This plant is formerly known as Kingiella decumbens and was recently re-described by taxonomist Eric. E. Christenson in his new book "Phalaenopsis: A Monograph". Phal. deliciosa is native to South India, Southeast Asia, Malaysia and the Philippines. It is a nice miniature to add to any collection or for those who are limited to space. This easy growing plant produces dozens of small ¼ to 5/8 inch flowers colored in white and yellow with purple striping.

This plant prefers low to medium light with 800 - 1500 foot-candles being ideal. East windows work best; avoid direct afternoon light or strong south light. 50% or higher is ideal. The use of humidity trays or room humidifiers is beneficial. This plant has various blooming habits and often blooms twice a year.

Description from Orchids Limited:
<https://www.orchidweb.com/products/phalaenopsis-deliciosa-kingidium-decumbens~589.html>





Join us for the 3rd Annual:

INTERNATIONAL PHALAENOPSIS ALLIANCE

“FOCUS ON PHALS” DAY

Co-hosted by the New Hampshire Orchid Society

Saturday, September 14, 2013

Bedford Old Town Hall, 3 Meetinghouse Road, Bedford, NH

In conjunction with the monthly New Hampshire Orchid Society meeting, the IPA is pleased to present its 3rd Annual Speakers' Day, "Focus on Phals". This day-long event will include our keynote speaker, Norman Fang of Norman's Orchids who will delve deeper into the secrets of growing successfully in New Zealand Moss. Joining him will be Tom Harper of Stones River Orchids in Tennessee. His presentation will focus on the top six Phal species influencing today's modern hybrids. Carri Raven-Riemann, Past IPA President & current Regional Director, will update us on some of the cutting edge directions in breeding from the Taiwan 2013 TIOS Show and from some new young hybridizers.

The day will also include reviewing the traditional New Hampshire OS show table, a roundtable discussion and a mini-auction of select plants. The registration fee of \$15 for non NHOS members covers just the cost of morning refreshments and a light lunch. We invite all orchidists, IPA members & non-members alike, to join us for this very special Speakers' Day. Guest vendors will include Norman's Orchids, Stones River Orchids, the orchidPhile and Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

8:30 - 9:15 am	Morning Refreshments & Sales Tables Open
9:30 - 10:15 am	Tom Harper: <i>The Six Most Important Species Influencing Today's Hybrids</i>
10:30 - 11:15 am	Carri Raven-Riemann: <i>From Mega to Micro: New Horizons in Phal Hybridizing</i>
11:15 - 11:45 am	Mini Auction (to raise funds for future meetings)
11:45 - 12:45 pm	Lunch Break & Sales Tables Open
12:45 - 1:30 pm	Review of the Show Table
1:30 - 2:15 pm	Norman Fang: <i>Moss Culture: Part II</i>
2:15 - 2:45 pm	Roundtable Discussion with the Speakers

***** PLEASE NOTE: EARLY & FULLY PAID REGISTRATIONS BY AUGUST 30th ARE REQUIRED!**

Registrations for non-NHOS members must be received and paid for by August 30th, mailed to Marilyn Shapiro:

This assures that we will have enough food and chairs to accommodate all attendees

NHOS members ONLY: Please make your reservations directly with: charles.crisler@comcast.net

For further information contact:

New England Regional Director: **Carri Raven-Riemann** at orchidphile@optimum.net or (203) 329-7255

New York Regional Director: **Marilyn Shapiro** at mlshap2@juno.com or (212) 831-3076

New Jersey/Pennsylvania Regional Director: **Mitch Paroly** at hilolip@aol.com or (215) 943-7516

Mid-Atlantic Regional Director: **Les Werner** at leswer@verizon.net or (410) 793-0756

Additional information will also be available on the IPA Website (www.phal.org)

**** We strongly recommend carpooling for this event since parking is extremely limited! ****

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NON-NHOS MEMBERS' REGISTRATION FORM: Must be received no later than August 30, 2013

IPA/NHOS "Focus on Phals" for Saturday, September 14, 2013

NAME(S): _____ TELEPHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____ HOME ORCHID SOCIETY: _____

Enclosed is my check for _____ registration(s) at \$15 each

Send form with check, Payable to IPA, to: IPA, c/o Marilyn Shapiro, 235 East 87th Street, Apt 5L, New York, NY 10128

For Vendor Pre-Orders - Please mention "IPA Regional Pre-Order" in subject line:

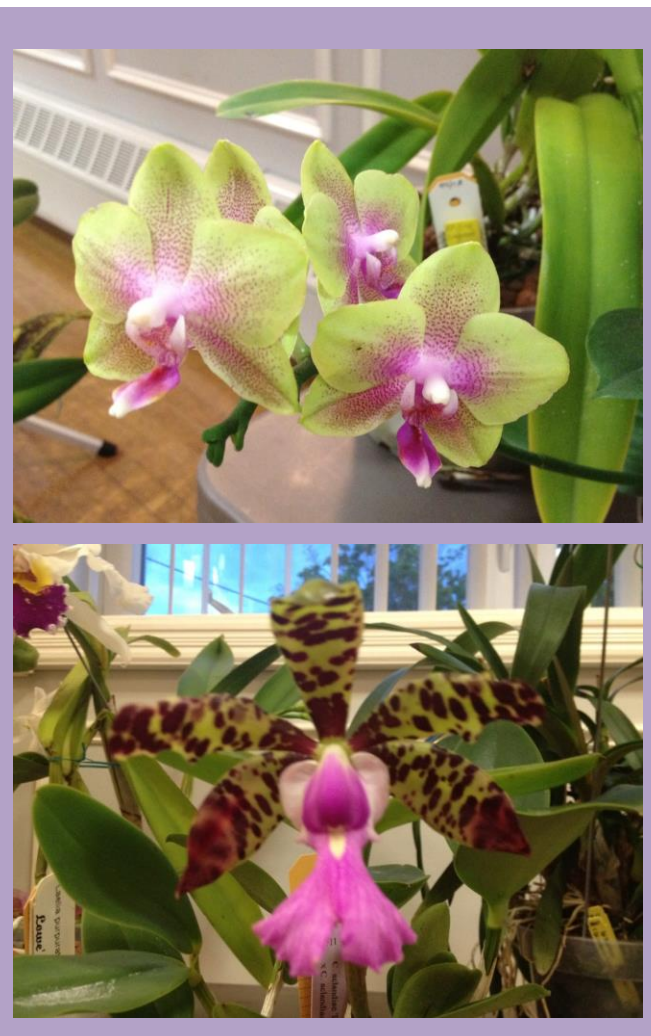
OrchidPhile: orchidphile@optimum.net (list available after August 16)

Norman's Orchids: www.orchids.com

Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies: info@korchid.com or www.korchid.com

July Show Table Results

Plant	Owner
Phal. Star Burst Pattern	Charlie Briggs
Phal. Baldan's Kaleidoscope	Charlie Briggs
Phal. Mituo Sun King	Yaroslav Luciw
Phal. NOID	Brigitte Fortin
Paph. Prima Child	Brigitte Fortin
Paph. Yellow Tiger	Brigitte Fortin
Pot. Hoku Gem 'Freckles'	Julian Oliver
Pot. Irene Fell 'Riby Red'	Julian Oliver
Otaara Jane Fumiye 'Hawaii' AM/AOS	Julian Oliver
Neofinetia falcate Oonamiseku	Adrienne Giovino
Phal. Tynning Shin Cupid 'Tahitian Sunset'	Adrienne Giovino



Remembering Dr. Gary Kraus



An obstetrician-gynecologist who delivered thousands of babies, Dr. Gary Kraus also was a cultivator and a judge of exotic plants.

The American Orchid Society honored him with a Silver Medal of achievement in 1984. For decades he had served the organization as a vice president, treasurer, head judge, and more.

"This was a major piece of his life," said Ron McHatton, chief operating officer for the society.

Dr. Kraus was returning from a trip to Italy with his wife, Linda, when he died of a pulmonary embolism June 30. He was 78 and had lived in Mount Dora, Fla., after spending many years in Boxford.

He had a private practice and had been affiliated with several hospitals in the Boston area and in Florida, where he moved with his wife in 2007.

With the orchid society, Dr. Kraus was head of the national judging committee from 2009 until 2011.

He was awarded the Silver Medal for orchestrating the organization's move from Harvard University to Delray Beach, Fla., in the early 1980s. The organization's headquarters is now in Coral Gables, Fla.

An orchid judge for many years, Dr. Kraus wanted to make the world of orchid cultivation and competition accessible to everyone, not just the well-to-do enthusiasts with whom the hobby is often associated.

"One of Gary's desires was that orchids and orchid-judging not just be the purview of a few," said Bob Winkley, head of the Northeast judging committee for the orchid society, a position Dr. Kraus previously held. "He believed that it wasn't about whether you were wealthy, but whether you had an eye, whether you were able to develop the aesthetic and the artistic standards."

Dr. Kraus's work for the organization took him all over the country to meetings, events, and competitions, and to international locales as far-flung as Ecuador for orchid expeditions.

"He was an excellent judge, very fair, very committed to the process," Winkley said. "He was always very encouraging, just a joy to work with."

In the 1970s, Dr. Kraus and his wife, with help from their three young sons, ran an orchid business called Kraus Family Orchids out of a greenhouse they built at their home in Boxford. Their specialty was small orchids.

Donations in his memory may be made to Tufts Medical Center's Macular Degeneration Research Fund, c/o Johanna Seddon, MD, Tufts Medical Center, 800 Washington St., Box 450, Boston, MA 02111.



Join the MOS Board

The MOS needs your help! We are looking for directors to join the MOS board. Please help out the society by volunteering an extra day per month. No orchid knowledge needed.

You also get to hang out with the other board members and we're really, really fun!

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Sasha
MOS President
sasha@massorchid.org

Hospitality

Bring a snack to the meeting. Not only will you be everyone's favorite orchid grower, but you get an extra raffle ticket to boot!



Sponsor An MOS Show Trophy



Each year, MOS presents several trophies at its annual show. Some of the trophies are paid for by endowments (e.g. the Cynthia Guy Memorial Trophy), but most of them are purchased by MOS without any offsetting income. You can help MOS defray this expense by sponsoring a trophy either annually or for a longer period (e.g. 10 years). All money paid to sponsor a trophy is tax deductible. If you have questions or would like to sponsor a trophy, please contact us at show@massorchid.org

If desired, sponsor's names will appear on the MOS website (including a hyperlink if appropriate) and the MOS show brochure.

The list of trophies and sponsorship amounts is available here:

<http://massorchid.org/Default.aspx?pagelD=700028>



Upcoming Events

Date & Time	Event	Location
Tue, August 13, 7:30pm	Monthly MOS Meeting www.ccorchids.org	Winchester Sons of Italy 117 Swanton St, Winchester MA
Sat, September 7, 10:30am	Monthly Regional AOS Judging	Tower Hill Botanic Garden 11 French Drive, Boylston, MA
Tue, September 10, 7:30pm	MOS Annual Auction www.massorchid.org/auction	Winchester Sons of Italy 117 Swanton St, Winchester MA
Sat, September 14, 8:30am	International Phal Alliance Focus on Phals Day (see page 3)	Bedford Old Town Hall 3 Meetinghouse Rd, Bedford, NH
Tue, October 8, 7:30pm	Monthly MOS Meeting Speaker: Holger Perner	Winchester Sons of Italy 117 Swanton St, Winchester MA
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