

# Ann Arbor Orchid Society Newsletter

#### September 9 Meeting Fred Clarke, Sunset Valley Orchids

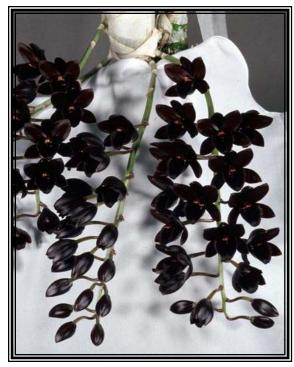
For our September 9 meeting, we are very honored to host Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids. Fred is coming from Vista, California. He is a specialty plant breeder of awardquality orchids. He creates unique hybrids and species plants in several genera including Cattleyas, Paphiopedilums, Catasetinae and Bulbophyllums. His plants are grown from seed at his nursery. Fred is an accredited AOS judge. He has earned several FCC awards. Visit his website to see photos of his hybrids, including the very famous black Fredclarkeara After Dark 'SVO Black Pearl' FCC/AOS. Fred authored an article in the May, 2007 Orchids magazine which features many photographs of his plants.

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Visit the Sunset Valley website www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com. By preordering you can save 10%.

Vivian Lin is hosting Fred. Please join us for dinner Saturday, Sept 8 at 6:00 at the Blue Nile restaurant in Ann Arbor. We will also be going to dinner at La Shish on Sunday after the meeting.

This will be a very special presentation and a perfect way to begin the new orchid year. Be sure to come early for a great seat for the talk and shopping for outstanding plants.



Fredclarkeara After Dark '
SVO Black Pearl'

#### President's Message

Wow! Summer is almost over?! Can't we have just a few more months? I hope that your orchids fared well this summer. There was a lack of rain for most of this season. I found that I had to water more often than last year.

I will have some orchids to show at the next meeting. There are quite a few spikes showing right now for me. I hope to see some of your beautiful plants at the September 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids will be speaking about Catasetum. It should be a great talk. Let us look forward to the rest of the year.

Our major focus for the year is membership. The board wants to keep you engaged as our current members. I know that the Programs committee is working hard to bring in interesting speakers and programs. There are some other interesting ideas that our new board members suggested at our last board meeting. I would like to hear your ideas about programming that you would like to see this year and upcoming years.

I hope you see you all at this next meeting!

As always, very happy growing!

Kevin

#### **Membership Report**

I sent out an email renewal message last month. I will be sending the same form for those who do not receive the newsletter in email. When you attend our next meeting, please check with me to see if you need to renew.

Please notice that the membership form is attached to this newsletter.

Thanks,

Kevin

(Randy Long will be taking over soon)



Fredclarkeara After Dark 'Black Cherry'



#### **AAOS Calendar**

**Sept. 9:** AAOS mtg: Fred Clarke---Catasetums and Mormodes

OCT. 14: J & L Orchids---"Small Wonders"

**NOV. 11:** John Curtin, "Building a Hobby Greenhouse"

**DEC.** Holiday Party

JAN. 13, 2008: TBA

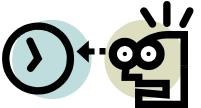
**FEB. 10: TBA** 

**MARCH 9: TBA** 

APRIL 11-13: AAOS Festival

**APRIL 27:** Special meeting: Beginner's Workshop

MAY 18-19: Great Lakes Judges Semi- nar



#### **Newsletter Deadline**

If you have an article or submission for the newsletter, please email them to Denise Nash: djnash@comcast.net.

The deadline for the next newsletter submission is: October 5, 2007

# Ann Arbor Orchid Society 2007-08 Officers

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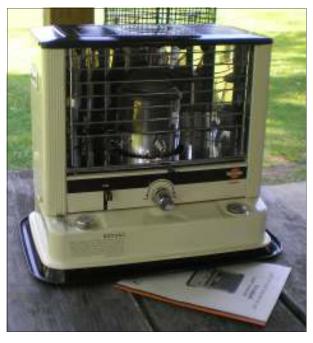
Ann Arbor Orchid Society Newsletter - The AAOS meets monthly from September through May (excluding December) at the University of Michigan's Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 North Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor, MI. at 2:00 p.m., set up at 1:30. The AAOS Newsletter is published 8-9 times throughout the year, and is sent to all AAOS members. AAOS members and others are invited to submit articles or other information relating to orchids. The Ann Arbor Orchid Society is a 501(C)(3) educational and scientific organization, affiliated with the American Orchid Society, the Mid-America Orchid Congress, and with the Orchid Digest Corporation.

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#### **WANT ADS**



#### **Heater for Sale**



Marilyn Lee would like to sell her brand new kerosene heater. The price is \$25 or best offer. Call Marilyn at (517) 351-0915 if you have any questions.



Interested in owning a greenhouse? Florian Greenhouses is

offering a discount on greenhouses to orchid society members until September 30, 2007. Check out their website at: <a href="https://www.floriangreenhouse.com">www.floriangreenhouse.com</a>. You can call Denise or Paige for information about Florian greenhouses.

#### Greenhouse for Sale

Keeler-Glasgow Greenhouse 22'x40' double wall poly Modine 125k natural gas heater All exhaust piping and natural gas intake piping 48" belt driven intake fan with motor and rear louvers New poly covering 4'x8' locking entry door ground insulation with aluminum shields hanging racks 3 tanks, two 300 gallon tanks and one 200 gallon tank I think I have new shade cloth too (will check on this item) Price: \$3,000.00

Contact Robin either by email: robinjo@umich.edu or home phone 734-482-6416.

#### Now Open!

### Taylor Orchids

3022 Bluebush Rd., Monroe Michigan 734-243-0180



New Hours: Tuesday thru Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

#### What's Flowering?

Paige Hartman grows these two orchids in her greenhouse. They both grow high in the greenhouse and get their roots misted daily. The Stanhopea is mounted and the Vasco is bare roots in a basket.



Vasco. Thai Sky 'Meechei'



Stanhopea wardii



Angraecum distichum 'Liese' HCC/AOS

Denise Nash grows this one mounted on cork in a sunny area of the greenhouse. The flowers are only about a quarter of an inch across.



Ascda. Princess Mikasa

Princess Mikasa is an easy growing Ascocenda. Denise hangs it up in a basket in the greenhouse and waters or mists it a few times a week.

# 19th World Orchid Conference® Limited Edition Commemorative Pin By CAROLEE

Renowned jewelry designer CAROLEE began creating fabulous orchid pins in the mid-'90s and has now created the official, limited edition, commemorative pin for the 19th World Orchid Conference® -- a dazzling recreation of the yellow Cattleya with a red lip chosen as the 19WOC® logo.

The back of the pin is stamped "19WOC 2008" designating it as the official 19WOC® commemorative pin and the pin comes beautifully presented in a velvet box with pillow insert marked "Limited Edition."

The 19WOC® commemorative pin is NOT available in stores, so order now before it's too late.

There are three ways to order:

On-line: www.19woc.com Phone: (786) 621-9962 E-mail: director@19woc.com

The pins are only \$125 plus \$10 for insured priority shipping. For shipping outside the U.S., an additional \$10 for insured postage will be added.

Visit www.19woc.com to order your CAROLEE pin and to register for the 19th World Orchid Conference®, January 23-28, 2008 in Miami!



#### **Orchids in the News**

I thought you all might enjoy a link to a couple of orchid articles that I found on the web.

This first one is about an orchid fossil:

http://news.yahoo.com/s/afp/20070829/sc\_afp/sciencepaleontology\_070829174812

This one is about an Orchid Spa:

http://www.newsobserver.com/167/story/537654.html

# **Ann Arbor Orchid Society Membership Form**

Name:		
Address:		
City/State/Zip		
Phone (Home)		
Phone (Work)		
E-mail		
Individual (\$20	)	
Senior Individua	al (\$15)	
Household (\$2	5)	
Senior Househo	old (\$20) Senior rate	s apply for those 70 and over.
□ New Membership	□ Renewal	□ New Address
□ Beginner	☐ Advanced Grower	□ Commercial Grower
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What is your growing		
□ Greenhouse		
□ Windowsill	□ Other	
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Member of the Ameri	can Orchid Society?	□ Yes □ No
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3006, Ann Arbor, MI	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	to: AAOS Membership, P.O. Box

# **AAOS Membership Survey**

AAOS Member since Number of orchids	years growing orchids Number of			
What activities are you willing to or alr	eady do participate in?			
□ Monthly programs	<ul><li>Special gatherings (picnic, holiday party, etc)</li></ul>			
☐ Silent Auction	□ Library			
□ Raffle	☐ AAOS Store (Supplies)			
☐ Plants sales by visiting speak	er □ Book Sales			
☐ Discussion with other member	☐ Discussion with other members ☐ Refreshments			
☐ Hospitality Table	□ Other			
Are you willing to help with AAOS orc shows?	hid displays at our show or other nearby			
Are you interested in helping with any Orchid Festival (April 16 -17, 2005)	of the following areas of the Ann Arbor			
<ul><li>☐ Hospitality Table</li><li>☐ Food</li></ul>	<ul><li>□ Judging &amp; Clerking</li><li>□ Exhibit plants / artwork / arrangements</li></ul>			
□ Publicity	☐ Tear Down			
<ul><li>□ Help vendors/ societies set u</li><li>□ Lobby Display</li></ul>				
What type of activities would you like t	to see provided by the club?			
Please list any specific suggestions.				
Orchid Field Trips	Weekend Field Trips			
Trip to Orchid Growers \	Weekend Grower Trip			
Group Workshops C	Other			
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# **AAOS Membership Survey, Cont.**

Favorite types of orchids (species, hybrids, Cattleyas, Paphs, etc)
What subjects would you like to have as programs for our meetings? (Specific genera, culture, orchids in other countries, etc.)
What information would you like to see added to the newsletter
What activities would you like to see added to the meetings?
Any other suggestions, comments or questions?