



THE WINDSOR ORCHID SOCIETY

La Société des Orchidophiles de Windsor

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Congratulations WOS/SOW on your 31st year of service to orchid enthusiasts. Visit us on the web at: www.windsororchidsociety.ca No.1 2016/2017

Next Meeting: Sunday, September 18, 2016 Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: St. Clair College, 192A (Horticultural Building)



Topic: Growing Lycastes **Speaker:** John Curtin, Michigan Orchid Society

Lycastes and their relatives are one of the most beautiful orchids grown by the hobbyist. Several of our members have them in their collections but their culture is not without its challenges. The colours range from white through deep maroons and the plants can be miniature in some cases and massive in others.

John Curtin has been successful in growing this genus and won many



AOS awards for his plants. He travels to Windsor to relay to us the cultural requirements he's identified to grow these plants successfully.

The Windsor Orchid Society continues to meet from September to May (excluding December) on the last Sunday of each month. Occasionally meetings are re-scheduled when we are participating at Orchid Shows that are scheduled for the same weekend as the General meeting or if the regular meeting date falls on a holiday. Watch the Newsletter and website announcements for these changes.

Executive Members

| Executive Members | | | | Committee Appointments | |
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| President | Deb Boersma | 519 730-1728 | dboersma@stclaircollege.ca | Fund-raising: | Jackie Hay |
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| Society Representatives | | | | Program: | Ed Cott |
| COC Rep.: | Ed Cott | | | Publicity: | Deb Boersma |
| AOS Rep.: | Ed Cott | | | Raffles & Prizes: | George Vegh |
| MAOC Rep.: | Doris Asher | | | Orders / Supplies: | Ed Cott |
| OD Rep.: | Ed Cott | | | WebSite: | Mark Whelan |
| Committee Appointments Ed Cott | | | | | Ed Cott |
| Archives: | Eunice Bragg | | | Welcoming: | Renee Gignac |
| Budget: | Ed Cott – Shari C | larke | | Winter Social: | Sue Alexander |
| Conservation: | Mary Caspers | | | Webmaster: | Mark Whelan |





A special thank you for contributing food and raffle items at the May meeting: Thanks so much to everyone who brought in snacks for the refreshment table and raffle items. Please remember to sign the sheets to be recognized for your contributions. Thanks to Eunice, Mark, Betty, Pam, Shari and C.N.

<u>Orchid Supplies:</u> Potting mix, Physan, sphagnum, pots, fertilizer, totes, etc., are available at the meeting. Special request? See our Special Orders and Supplies Committee Chair – Ed Cott. Supplies can also be ordered through the website.

Parking: Members can park in Lot "L" behind the greenhouse building & walk to the meeting room. (Vehicles enter through the exit gate - it will be open). Although the spaces indicate it is for Handicap Parking, this is not enforced on Sunday. PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE DRIVEWAY ADJACENT TO THE BUILDING

Award Presentations



The May meeting of the WOS is when we recognize some of those who have made significant contributions to the betterment of the Society – both past & present.

(L-R) Deb Boersma proudly accepts the prestigious Diamond Award, Shari and Vern Clarke are happy to have been presented with an AOS Appreciation Certificate from the WOS. Recipients, not present, included Jeannie Gascoigne (AOS Appreciation Certificate) and Dr. John Doherty (2016 Louise Holt Memorial Award)

In Memorium – Mario Ferrusi



July 30, 2016 marked a very sad day for everyone in the orchid community when Mario Ferrusi died peacefully in his sleep at St. Catharine's General Hospital after a courageous battle with non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. A long-time supporter and friend of the WOS, Mario last visited us in January 2015 prior to his diagnosis. He will be greatly missed by us and so many.





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The May Meeting

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For more information visit us on Facebook or at. www.windsororchidsociety.ca



Great conversations andterrific bargains on plants!!





Windsor Orchid Society 2016-2017 Programming Guide! - mark your calendar

| Speaker / Event | Торіс | Plants for Sale? |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| WOS – General Meeting | John Curtin – MOS Growing Lycastes | TBD |
| COOS Annual Orchid Show | See page 3 poster | Yes |
| Eastern Canada Orchid Society Show | See page 3 poster | Yes |
| WOS Orchid Show & Sale!! | Columbus Center 2401 Columbus Dr (off Northwood) Windsor, ON | Yes |
| WOS Winter Social | Details to be determined – watch for your newsletter and website! | Yes |
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Memberships are Due!!

Send your contact information along with payment to: **The Windsor Orchid Society,** C/O Shari Clarke, 1403 Pierre Ave., Windsor, Ontario. N8X 4P4 (or see Shari at the meeting)

Annual Dues are \$20.00 single and \$25.00 family/joint membership.



Members of the WOS made the long trek to Crystal Star Orchids in the summer and came back with quite a haul.

Note: Please keep Eleanor Sfalcin in your thoughts and prayers. Eleanor suffered a serious stroke this summer and is hopefully headed for a full recovery. We hope she will be back on her feet and be able to join us again at our meetings and functions soon.