



BARKS:

- Thank you to the members that offered their time & orchids, which contributed to the success of the Boothbay Harbor show!
- Best of luck to Heather Werner on her new venture! (see page 6)

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EMOS showing off in Boothbay Harbor

EMOS's first flower show was a huge success!

The show was held in Boothbay Harbor, and was the largest one to date. The show giving club was delighted to have us, and their members couldn't wait to take advantage of the blooms we had for sale.

EMOS had a wonderful space - on both sides of the main entrance hall. To avoid confusion we set up a table with orchids for sale on one side and those for display only on the other side.



Every attendee stopped to ogle the gorgeous and rare specimens on display, and to ask questions.

EMOS members sent some really spectacular orchids for display, and offers were made to buy many of them!

Dick Green obtained orchid donations from his contacts in CA, so all sale proceeds were clear profit for EMOS.

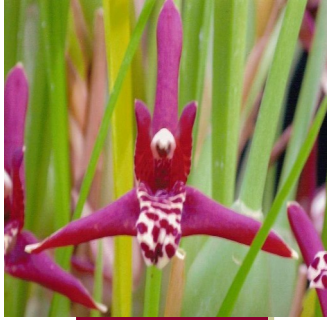
Dick Green & Cindi Doyle arrived the day before to set up. New member Linda Reichel & Dick were at the booth on Tuesday to tell people about EMOS, and answer questions. On Wednesday, Ray Cooper & Cindi were there to finish the show.

Members also combined the show with a trip to the stunning Maine Botanical Garden. What a truly breathtaking experience!

It was a terrific marketing event for EMOS in particular



The next show
EMOS will be at
is NHOS in Feb.
2011!



The American Orchid Society cares!

The AOS has issued a plea to get feedback from each member of the affiliate local orchid clubs. Your participation is vital.

On page 4 is a letter and form from the President of AOS. It needs to be filled out and submitted to each orchid society's

AOS Delegate, who will then return the forms to AOS by November 15th. EMOS's delegate is Denis Roessiger.

So, please fill out the form now while you're thinking about it, and bring with you to the next meeting. If you can't make it to the

meeting, you can mail them to Denis, or to me to be forwarded to him. My address is on the back of this newsletter as always.

Thanks in advance for your participation!

- Cindi Doyle



Be sure to print out, fill in and submit the AOS questionnaire on page 4 to Denis by Nov. 15th



The Whig & Courier has been sold, and under new management. To date, it is still the site for the EMOS Holiday Party & Charity Auction.

Add these upcoming events

- 9/11/10 EMOS meeting & election - Ellsworth, ME
- 10/9/10 EMOS meeting - Plant Swap held at Greencare
- 10/27 - 10/31 AOS Members meeting - Virginia Beach, VA . Merritt Huntington Symposium
fmi:www.mhsymposium.org
- 11/13/10 EMOS meeting - Ellsworth, ME program is "CSI: Orchid"
fmi: in2orchids@yahoo.com
- 12/11/10 EMOS Holiday Party & Auction - Whig & Courier in Bangor
- 2/11 - 2/13/11 NHOS Orchid Show - Nashua NH

Got too many plants? (impossible!) Not enough? (probably!) ~ Don't miss the annual plant swap!

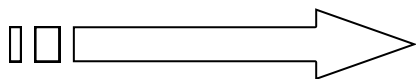
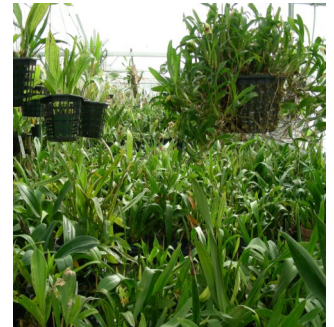
The October 9th EMOS meeting will be held at Greencare in Hermon.

In addition to the meeting, it's the very popular Plant Swap. Bring a friend, and bring and/or leave with as many plants as you want.

ALL plants are welcome, not just orchids - house plants, vegetables, perennials, herbs, Christmas trees (just seeing if you're paying attention!) ☺.

* * Only healthy plants, please! * *

Fmi: greenc@gwi.net



November's meeting is an educational program with simple ways to identify orchids

"CSI: Orchid" - Color & Shape = Identity.

Learn the clues that will enable you to confidently recognize orchids easily by their flowers.

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Italian Style Dried Tomato Spread

A delicious way to use fresh herbs & veggies from your garden!

6 sun-dried tomatoes, packed in oil (reserve 1 tsp of oil)

- 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
- 1 tsp balsamic or red wine vinegar
- 3 garlic cloves, peeled, minced and mashed
- 1/4 cup chopped red onion
- 2 T finely minced fresh parsley, stems included
- 1 tsp finely minced fresh rosemary leaves
- 1/2 tsp dried oregano

Finely chop sun-dried tomatoes; set aside. In a glass bowl, mix together cream cheese and reserved oil. Add vinegar and mix with a hand mixer on medium speed until creamy. Add remaining ingredients and stir with spoon to combine. Allow flavors to develop by refrigerating for at least an hour or up to 36 hours. Bring to room temperature and stir before serving. (leftovers will keep up to 3 days in refrigerator)



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Dear Fellow Orchidist,

AOS CARES! The American Orchid Society cares about *YOUR opinions* and *YOUR needs*. We want to hear from you whether or not you are a current member.

We are ready to listen so please use the bottom of this page to note the 2-3 things you think *AOS does RIGHT*, and the 3-4 things you feel we *need to WORK ON*. Return this to your society's AOS Representative or President who will make sure we receive your response and you may be absolutely certain we will pay close attention to your message to us. Of course, you are welcome to return this directly to me. Thank you so much for taking the time to let us hear from you. I hope to have the opportunity to meet you at a future orchid event.

Best personal regards,

Chris Rehmann

President

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What are we doing right?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

What should we work on to better serve you?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Would you like to help us better serve our orchid community?

Tell us what you would like to do.

- 1.
- 2.

Name & E-mail Address: _____

City/State OR Orchid Society: _____

Are you currently an AOS Member? Yes No

Thank you.

EMOS 2010 - 2011 Officers
ELECTION FORM

* * PLEASE CHECK ONLY ONE NAME PER OFFICE:

PRESIDENT

Cherie Carroll

VICE-PRESIDENT

Dick Green

TREASURER

Suzanne Wells

SECRETARY

Mary Lou Hoskins

AOS DELEGATE

Denis Roessiger

LIBRARIAN/ historian

Louise Snow

NEWSLETTER

Cindi Doyle

* I would like to help
with the following:
(check all that apply)

- Hospitality
- Membership
- Newsletter
- Programs
- Publicity
- Shows
- Website
- _____

Comments / suggestions

Name - if you wish to help on a committee

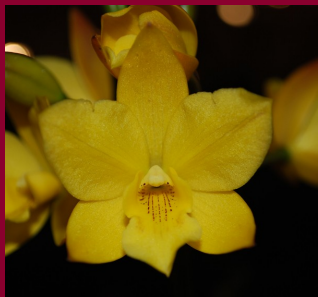
**Thank
you!**

SPOTlight on member ... Louise Libby

Photo not available



**Don't forget to vote!!!
Election ballot on page 5**



Our SPOT

EMOS owes its survival to the 'backbone' members that work behind the scenes. Louise is one of those members.

She has been an EMOS member since the very beginning, and prefers to stay in the background, yet is a key contributor to the success of every EMOS event. *(She only agreed to be the feature member after 3 years of my begging! - Cindi)*

She is usually involved in a spirited bidding war on most items at the EMOS charity auction each year!

Louise is originally from Phillipsburg PA, but moved to Medford MA in 1951, where she met her husband. He is from Portland ME, so they moved to Bucksport in 1953, then eventually settled in Orono.

Louise is blessed with four daughters (all still in New England), five grandchildren, and one great grand daughter.

In addition to EMOS, she is also active with the Bangor Garden Clubs, and heavily involved in her church events.

She enjoys the people that make up EMOS, and finds it rewarding to share the passion of orchids with others.

She doesn't admit to a particular favorite, but she does prefer 'lush' looking orchids with lots of foliage. Like a house plant, these are attractive even when not in bloom.

Her collection changes, and there are currently 10 orchids in her collection. No doubt she'll be bidding on some new plants at this year's auction!

We are disheartened to learn that EMOS member Heather Werner has closed her shop in Blue Hill - Bloomin' Orchids. She is having a liquidation sale over the next month. You can contact her at 207-667-3574. EVERYTHING must go!!

Orchids are beautiful in any language!

Flowers in general, and orchids in particular, are universally treasured and appreciated. The evidence is that every language has words for "beautiful flower."

So the next time you talk to your orchids, tell them how beautiful they are in another language. They will flourish, and you can claim to be multi-lingual... ☺

- Spanish = flor hermosa
- Italian = bello fiore
- French = belle fleur
- German = schöne blume
- Portugese = flor bonita
- Zulu = imbali ebañezakayo

Introducing ... the ghost orchid (*Dendrophylax*)

This rare and distinctive orchid has become highly desirable, and as such, a victim of poaching in the wild. It is believed there are less than 2,000 left.

The *Dendrophylax* earned the name Ghost Orchid because of its leafless habit. Truthfully, unless it's in bloom, you won't see it! There is just a dense cluster of silver roots (with distinctive white "track marks" on them) wrapped tightly to a tree.

It's a summer bloomer, and the "ghostly" looking flowers have long, showy spurs. They are pollinated by the sphinx moth, so are white in color and strongly fragrant at night.

It is found throughout Florida, the West Indies, Cuba, and the Bahamas. So, it requires tropical and swampy

conditions—high temperatures and humidity, with some shade.

But even in the right conditions, the *Dendrophylax* is known to be extremely difficult to cultivate!

It should be mounted on bark, cork or tree fern rather than in a pot. It also needs water several times a week. It's best to fertilize approximately once a month with a highly diluted mix (1/4th of the usual).

The collector who appreciates the rare and unusual, prize their ghost orchids among all others. Most of the time is spent gazing at 'dead' roots. Then .. one day... there it is!

Most orchid lovers only get to see them in pictures.



Having a moth pollinator—the ghost orchid flower is white, with a strong nocturnal fragrance

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Orchid lovers enjoy all beautiful blooms.

But many flowers also have wicked medicinal purposes. Beware of these beauties....

How 'wicked' is your backyard?

Azalea - dizziness, vomiting, weakness

Bleeding Heart - nausea, seizures

Chrysanthemum - allergic reactions, rash; contains insecticide

Daphne - internal bleeding, vomiting

Foxglove - tremors, delirium, heart problems

Hyacinth - skin irritation

Hydrangea - vomiting, headache; contains cyanide

Jessamine - poisonous

Lily of the Valley - headache, heart failure, toxic red berries

Tulip - highly irritating sap, vomiting

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EMOS ELECTION 2011

This September's meeting will also be the annual election. It was voted to move the election, rather than holding it at the barbeque this year. So, there is no program scheduled.

There are a few changes this year, and two offices to be filled. Please, we need your attendance! If you can't attend the meeting, please email me your vote before the meeting. No phone calls - it MUST be in writing! The election form is inside on page 5. Please vote for the officers that will lead the club in the next year.

Janelle Delicata has stepped down as President, to pursue her new business venture. You'll agree she has been a tremendous leader for the club, and leaves large shoes to fill.

Rather than "co-president" positions, it is suggested to have a separate Vice President position instead. The goal is to have someone 'in training' each year that will assume the President role as needed at meetings, or at election time.

Titles and elected positions come with responsibility, and a time commitment, especially in small clubs. We all are strapped for time these days, but we all also **make** time for what's important to us. There are many tasks that need to be distributed in order for the club to grow. Your participation is essential.

Growth requires change, and people! PEOPLE WANT TO JOIN AN ACTIVE CLUB!!

Look what orchids have brought to our life. We owe it to them to share the passion with others. We need YOU to help us do that!