# **MACPS Business Meeting**

September 29, 2018

#### **Incorporation**

- MACPS is incorporated as a not-for-profit in the state of MD
- Mission Statement: "To promote scientific knowledge, education, and knowledge of carnivorous plants, including their cultivation"
- Regional scope: PA, MD, VA, WV, DE, NJ, NY, and Washington, D.C.
- Mailing address: Mid Atlantic Carnivorous Plant Society (MACPS), 43
  Randolph Road, Box 145, Silver Spring, MD 20904

Thank you to the incorporation committee for figuring this out: Joshua Wiegert, Sheila Garl, Ray Wacks, and Dan Baker!

#### **Bylaws**

- Posted on website shortly
- We have physical copies available on the sign-in table

#### **MACPS Board**

- President: Kevin Zhang
- Vice President: Joshua Wiegert
- Treasurer: Michael Szesze
- Secretary: Sheila Garl
- Directors: Kyle Kressman, Rachel O'Leary

#### **Open Positions**

- Two directors:
  - Represent the general membership at board meetings
  - Assume higher position on board if vacancy arises
- Speaker committee:
  - Determine who the future keynote speakers will be (contact them to find availability)
  - Make sure they have what they need on the day of the meeting
- Auctioneer:
  - Let us know if you want to be the auctioneer for any future meeting!

### **Auction Policy**

- Only members can sell plants in the auction
- 50% of auction proceeds will go to MACPS
- Everyone can donate to the auction
- For every meeting, a spreadsheet will be created so you can enter in pre-registered plants. This will help with setup on the day of the meeting, and also gives people a chance to see some of the plants that will be auctioned.
- We always welcome plants brought on the day of the meeting
- The auctioneer reserves the right to group together multiples of the same plant brought by the same person

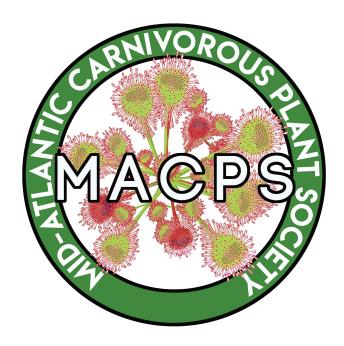
#### Membership

- We are implementing membership dues starting in 2019.
  - Dues paid today will cover January 1-December 31, 2019
- Dues renew on the first of each year and cover the calendar year they are not prorated
- Membership benefits:
  - Selling in auction (anyone can donate plants to the auction)
  - Auction of special specimen plants (outside of general auction)
  - Subsidies, when applicable (e.g. the hotel subsidy on our summer field trip)
  - 10% discount at the Carnivorous Plant Nursery
  - Members-only meals or events, including some field trips
- Anyone can attend our meetings

#### **Membership Types**

- Individual (over age 18): \$20/year
- Family (single address): \$30/year
- Student (enrolled in a university or individual under age 18): \$5/year
- Corporate: \$200/year
- Lifetime membership: Any member who has given significant service to MACPS can be nominated for lifetime membership (with ¾ vote of the board). Membership does not expire and there are no dues.
- See Joshua Wiegert about applying for membership today

## **New MACPS Logo!**



Designed by Sarah Santucci

#### **Updated Contact Information**

- General email: <u>info@macpsociety.com</u>
- Treasurer: <u>treasurer@macpsociety.com</u>

Please do not send any more emails to <a href="mailto:macpsociety@gmail.com">macpsociety@gmail.com</a>.

### **Tentative Schedule for 2019 Meetings**

- February/March: Southeastern PA/NJ
- April/May: DC area
- July/August: Eastern PA
- September/October: Pittsburg area