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Editor's Note:

Contributions to the Orchid Enthusiast by members of the CNYOS are welcome. Articles, pictures, or ideas for discussion subjects should be submitted **two weeks** before the next meeting to: csmith23@twcny.rr.com

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Membership Renewal Reminder

2021 Memberships - Dues are \$20 for individuals and \$22 for families.

Sue Finger CNYOS Treasurer 127 Wadsworth Road North Syracuse, NY 13212

A Message from CNYOS Vice-President:

We are emerging from the Lion of Winter and March. The days are getting longer, the days of better weather slightly more frequent. Soon we'll see the bulbs and the fiddleheads popping up like slightly nervous prairie dogs, hoping to see their brethren after a months long sleep.

We've come through, though not unscathed. Loved ones and companions were lost, and we even lost beloved fellow members. We mourn their passing and cherish their memory.

But...we held together. After an initial learning curve into the world of Zoom, we were able to hold well attended regular meetings where we had always interesting guest speakers, shared stories and ideas and looked forward to embracing each other again. Our love of orchids provided us with a creative outlet, keeping us sane and healthy through the dark times.

Now the Lamb of Spring is upon us. We are so very grateful. Easter is right around the corner, and with it the promise of rebirth, peace, and light. This year, consider placing a bag of seeds in the basket along with brightly colored eggs and sumptuous chocolate bunnies. Spread the joy of renewal and color, bring a smile to someone's face and to yours.

And know we'll see each other again very soon!!

~ Sarah Kelly, Vice President

~ April 2021 Meeting ~

Please watch your email for updated information on the April 2021 Meeting.

Happy Spring!

Vendor List:

March 2021 Minutes:

Our auctions and shows have benefited greatly from the generosity of the following vendors. When shopping for new orchids and supplies, please check them out first!

http://www.andysorchids.com http://marlowsorchids.com **

https://www.kkorchid.com **

http://www.jlorchids.com

https://www.mountainorchids.com

http://www.fairorchids.com

To contact OrchidPhile

www.facebook.com/orchidphile or orchidphile@optimum.net ** edgarstehli@sbcglobal.net

To contact Windswept in Time Orchids https://www.msorchids.net **

https://carter-and-holmes.com https://www.kalapanatropicals.com

** denotes vendors at our show

Upcoming Webinars:

American Orchid Society: Register at aos.org

April 8, 2021 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM **Greenhouse Chat April 2021** Ron McHatton

(Open to All; submit questions by Apr 6th)

April 20, 2021 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM **Deflasking & Potting Up Best Practices** George Hatfield (Member Only Webinar)

May 13, 2021 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM Prosthechea karwinskii in Mexico Julia Douglas (Member Only Webinar)

~ No minutes to report.

Treasurer's Report: March 2021

See page 3.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Finger, Treasurer CNYOS

~ Monthly Checklist ~ **Orchid Care**

AOS Monthly Checklist for March/April

March 2021 AOS Orchidist's Word of the Month:

peduncle (pe-DUNK-ul):

Stalk of a flower-cluster or of a flower. The stalk of an inflorescence that bears the pedicels and flowers.

American Orchid Society Webinars

Webinars are online video presentations. You can register for an upcoming webinar or watch the recorded webinars any time at your convenience. New webinars are added monthly so check back often!

For a rainy day check out the 1000s of pre-recorded Webinars at aos.org.

CNYOS Virtual Show Table: March 2021

Treasurer's Report as of March 28, 2021

Inflow: Dues \$20 Jane Trey R \$20 Karl Frost N

Total \$40

Outflow: Program \$200.00 Jeff Trimble - Cymbidiums Taxes \$21.13 Quarterly - Auto deduction

Total \$221.13

 Key Bank - Checking
 \$4252.70

 Petty Cash
 \$ 232.50

 TOTAL ASSETS
 \$4485.20

~ Respectfully submitted by Sue Finger, Treasurer



Jan Woodworth



Lorrie Worden



Jan Woodworth



Chris Smith



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Den. cuthbertsonii
Sue Finger

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APRIL - Congratulations to Us, The American Orchid Society is 100 years old!

The American Orchid Society has officially reached the 100-year mark. As a centenarian, we have felt all of the growing pains of the ages. We have stretched and exercised to become the strong body we are today. The affiliated societies have united the orchid loving public by providing a monthly meeting place for growers and exhibitors, from novice to expert. Many of our societies have been around for the long haul.

From the AOS website... AN ORCHIDIST'S GLOSSARY

A glossary is an alphabetical list of concepts, terms and words within a given field of knowledge or science. It is in this sense that we have called this an Orchidist's Glossary. It views the listed words from the viewpoint of an orchidist only, and thus is most meaningful when limited to its field. It is far from fully comprehensive, but it does embrace a fairly wide range of words used by orchid growers, orchid botanists and various orchid authors. This section includes a pronunciation guide with sound files.

Orchidist's Glossary

It pairs nicely with **ORCHIDS A TO Z** webpage that also includes sound files for the pronunciation of orchid genera.



This gorgeous one of a kind painting from Angela Mirro was revealed during the March 13, Spring Meeting of the Members. One hundred signed and numbered museum quality prints were offered to AOS members at the close of the meeting. They sold out in two days! All proceeds from the sale of the prints go towards the AOS Orchid Conservation fund.

The original painting is on the auction block at the Centennial Celebration, Friday, October 29.



https://angelamirro.com/



Make a toast to our next hundred years. Get your very own commemorative glassware in the AOS Gift Shop

Cheers to the next 100 years!

Special Centennial Auction - Friday, October 29, starting at 7 p.m.

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~Repotting Those Huge Cattleyas ~

~ by Sue Bottom

This is a re-print of an article from Orchids April 2016

SEEDLING CATTLEYAS are so much fun. They do not take up much space in your growing area when you first bring them home, so you can buy lots of them at orchid shows without worrying about where you are going to put them. You get to watch each plant grow bigger and stronger and imagine what their first blooms will look like. If you decide the flower was worth the wait, you give it a permanent home in your growing area. When it starts growing out of the pot, you move it into a larger pot and look forward to it producing multiple flower spikes and putting on a real show. Then one day your plant is growing out of an 8- or 10-inch (20- or 25-cm) pot, you start running out of options, and eventually you have to decide to either find a bigger pot or divide the plant.

I have a serious orchid addiction so it goes without saying that I am always running out of bench space. A compounding problem is my love of the large standard cattleyas that, not coincidentally, take up a lot of space. I needed a way of potting-up my overgrown cattleyas without having one pot turn into two or three or four, so I often pot divisions into the same pot. Spoiler alert: You will be ineligible for AOS cultural awards by having more than one plant in a pot, but if your primary goal is getting the most flowers per square inch (square centimeter) of pot space, read on.

Find the **entire article** beginning on page 260 in the April 2016 edition of **ORCHIDS**. *Text by Sue Bottom/Photographs by Terry Bottom*

From the AOS website...ORCHID CARE - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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Although many of us have learned that orchid growing is not a one-size fits-all endeavor, general guidelines exist to put those entirely new to orchids on the path to success.

Are all orchids the same?

Quite the contrary. No plant family is more diverse. After all, the orchid family is the largest plant family, occupying almost all possible environments. From the thimble-sized *Mystacidium caffrum* to the 20-foot-tall *Renanthera storei*, orchids exhibit amazingly different shapes, forms and growth habits. Some orchids produce blossoms no larger than a mosquito; other orchid flowers are as large as <u>a</u> dinner plate. Your familiar corsage is just one of the thousands of attractive types that can be grown with ease, given the proper culture. And with today's propagation methods and current hybridizing trends, there are more choices to choose from than ever before.

Are orchids fragrant?

Some are so powerfully scented as to perfume an entire greenhouse or living room. A few orchid fragrances defy description, while others mimic familiar aromas -- raspberry, coconut, lilacs and citrus. Others have no scent, but rely on shape and color to attract insects or birds for pollination, thereby continuing the life cycle of the species.

Find more orchid Q & A here: AOS Orchid Care



~ CNYOS FYI Page ~

Question Korner

New MEMBER?

Problem Plant?

How to transplant?

What is a species vs. a Hybrid?

What do the tags mean?

Designing a growing area?

Too embarrassed to ask?

How do I grow this?

Club members will be on hand at 1:30p just before our meetings to answer your questions. If you suspect your plant is diseased, please Send in Any Questions??? bag it before hand. See you there!

Correction from February 2021

~ A Vendor Email from Sue ~

The web link for Enchanted Gardens did not link in the February Newsletter. Here is the link:

Enchanted Gardens

Note From Donna Coleman: Heidi Dillenbeck owns Enchanted Gardens, a plant supply business located west of Albany. Donna has known and bought from Heidi for vears and would recommend her.

CNYOS April Meeting

Please watch your email for updated information from Sarah Kelly.

~ Support Vendors ~

A list of Vendors that support CNYOS can be found on Page 2

Please feel free to send your orchid photos, growing tips, questions, articles, information we can not live without, etc.

in for the newsletter. **PLEASE** send me your photos or info for the newsletter. I cannot take photos off our FB Page and I know some of you have some beautiful orchids in bloom. ~ Chris Smith

~ Vendor Comment from Jan ~

I just have to tell everyone about Allan Koch of Gold Country Orchids. I made a relatively large order that got lost in the mail in sub-freezing weather. Allan was on top of the order at all times, but was powerless because the order was in the mail somewhere. Needless to say seven orchids from that order froze. Allan Koch replaced every one of them at no cost to me. What an upright guy! So I am shamelessly plugging Gold Country Orchids at goldcountryorchids.com. Please give them some business...What a guy!

~Jan Woodworth

Don't forget to check out orchidPhile's FB Page to see the exciting new plants that have arrived from Taiwan! The inventory is constantly changing so check it out. Many unique and beyond what is readily available elsewhere.

www.facebook.com/orchidphile

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The Central New York Orchid Society meets at St. Augustine's Church, 7333 O'Brien Rd, Baldwinsville, at 2:00PM on the first Sunday of each month from September through June except for January and September (date moved to second Sunday because of national holiday weekends).

Website: http://cnyos.org

Directions to St. Augustine's Church:

http://www.cnyos.org/directions.html

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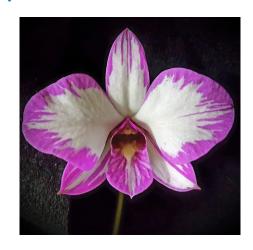
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CNYOS Facebook Page:

If you have not checked out our Facebook Page, you can search "Central NY Orchid Society" on Facebook or go to:

https://www.facebook.com/CNYOS/



Reminder: Be sure to "Like" our page!

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Chris Smith, Editor

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