THE ORCHID ENTHUSIAST

The Newsletter of the Central New York Orchid Society

Affiliated with the American Orchid Society and Orchid Digest

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

2019 Memberships - Dues are \$20 for individuals and \$22 for families.

Send to:

Carol Haskell, Treasurer 102 Wynthrop Road Syracuse, NY 13209

President's Message:

Happy January!

It's winter outside, but on my orchid porch, it is like summer on a sunny day. I have just under 200 orchids that love a sunny winter day. Naturally, since there is no show coming up in the next month, I have many many orchids blooming or in bud. As Sue said on Facebook last week when she posted a picture of one of her spectacular orchids, they are "all dressed up with no place to go!!"

The orchids that I have good luck with include phals, paphs & phrags, and cattleyas. Occasionally I have some success with the oncidium and maxillaria families. They are windowsill care plants. No supplemental lighting. I add a little heat on the porch on frigid nights & fans circulate the air from the top of the porch ceiling. In the high heat of summer, the south-facing windows allow a lot of heat to build up so we have an air conditioner for the plants that summer inside. About a quarter of the plants spend the summer outside on an east facing open porch with lots of maple tree shade.

Keep your orchids and yourself warm on these wintery days! Hope to see you and your blooming orchids on Sunday for the Feb. 3 club meeting!

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Vendor List:

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.pipingrockorchids.com **
http://www.fairorchids.com
http://www.stonybrookorchids.com
edgarstehli@sbcglobal.net

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

** denotes vendors at our show

Upcoming Webinars:

American Orchid Society: Register at aos.org

February 13, 2019 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Growing Cymbidiums

George Hatfield

(Member-Only Webinar)

February 26, 2019 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Greenhouse Chat February 2019
Ron McHatton
(Open to All; submit questions by Feb 19th)

March 12, 2019 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Choosing the Best Plants

Lois Cinert

(Public Webinar)

Minutes: January 6, 2019

- ~ New people welcomed to our meeting.
- ~ *Treasurer's Report:* Total cash and bank accounts \$4,947.86 at this time.
- ~ Show Committee Report: Sue and Jerry Finger will be co-chairman. Date is first weekend of October which Nancy had already set up.
- ~ Old Business: December meeting was attended buy twelve people who enjoyed food, talking and the show and tell of the orchids.
- ~ SEPOS show nearing.
- ~ Program for next month will be Jonathan from Marlow's Orchids. No topic just yet.
- Discussed was a possibility of having a bus trip for the SEPOS show for next year.
 Steve Goshorn volunteered to look into this.
- ~ March program is Dr. Leslie Ee. Reminder that we need someone to host the speaker and helper overnight.
- ~ Future meetings: April no meeting. May - vendor's auction. June - Picnic.
- ~ The sheet for refreshments was passed. ~ Submitted by Dolores Capella

~ Upcoming Shows ~

March 29-31 ~ GROS geneseeorchid.org April 5-7 ~ SEPOS sepos.org April 26-28 ~ STOS storchidsociety.com

See Page 8 for more info

Show Table: January 6, 2019

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~ LORI HOFFMAN ~

Epicatanthe (Ett) Volcano Trick O/W (Cattlianthe Trick or Treat x

Epidendrum stamfordianum)

~ BARBARA WELLER ~

Paphiopedilum Little Trouble (barbigerum x charlesworthii)

~ COLIN DIMON ~

Dendrobium Charlotte's Web (Micro Chip x Maiden Charlotte) Oncostele Romance 'Oro Rojo' (Onc Petite Shine x Ons Catatante)

~ JERRY & SUE FINGER ~

Coelogyne tommyi L (corrected name after research) Oncidium cheirophorum L Platystele aurea T/L Dendrobium Pumpkin Patch L/O (C. K. Ai x canaliculatum) Fredclarkeara After Dark 'SVO Black Pearl' FCC/AOS (Mormodia Painted Desert x Catasetum Donna Wise) Paphiopedilum Shin-Yi Williams (William Ambler x rothschildianum) Brassocattleya Yellow Bird L/O

~ JAN WOODWORTH ~

(Brassavola nodosa x Brassocattleya

Richard Mueller)

Dendrobium Cherry Song
(bigibbum x Princess Noriko)
Dendrobium Lowana Nioka
(canaliculatum x antennatum)
Dendrobium Classic Gem
(D'Bush Classic x Gemwood)
Dendrobium Australian Robbie McInnes
(Aussie Parade x speciosum)
Rhyncattleanthe Little Fortune
(Ctt Loog Tone x Rth Haw Yuan Glory)

~ JACK HASSE ~

Epidendrum Miracle Valley L/O (Crystal Valley x Rose Valley)
Coelogyne mayeriana L/O

~ DONNA COLEMAN ~

Cattlianthe Big Time 'NN'
(Ctt Loog Tone x Ctt White Bridal)
Cattleya Hsinying Excell '**Dogashima**'
HCC/AOS

(C Excellescombe x C briegeri)
Epicatanthe (Ett) Volcano Trick 'Fireball'
AM/AOS

(Cattlianthe Trick or Treat x Epidendrum stamfordianum)

Prosthechea vitellina

Lc Angel Love x Guarianthe skinneri (no name yet)

Cattleytonia Flying Colors 'Mendenhall' HCC/AOS

(Cattleytonia Keith Roth x Cattleya briegeri)

Rhyncattleanthe Burana Beauty 'Burana' HCC/AOS

(Rth Netrasiri Starbright x C Netrasiri Beauty)

Cattlianthe Rajah's Angel

(Ctt Rajah's Ruby x C Bright Angel)

Diodonopsis (Ddo) erinacea Paphiopedilum Angry Bird

(helenae x Jolly Green Gem)

Dendrobium Baby Pink 'Mini Nagasaka'

(affine x bigibbum)

Oncostele Eye Candy 'Pinkie'

(Ons Catatante x Onc Barossa Delight)

Oncidium Heaven Scent 'Redolence' (Ruffles x Sharry Baby)

L=lights W=windowsill O=Outside T=terrarium

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~ LORI BURRITT~

Cattleya Jeweler's Art 'Spellbound'	
HCC/AOS	W
(Drumbeat x Doris (1904))	
Phalaenopsis OX Happy Girl	
'Sweetheart' W	
(OX X-ray x OX Little King)	
Oncidium Salsa 'A'	W
(Pacific Ruby x Debutante)	
Maxillaria cucullata 'Ben'	W
Maxillariella variabilis	W





Photo: Sue Finger

So wonderful to see lots of terrific flowers on the show table! Kept me at my computer for longer than usual. Great job everyone! Let's have this many again in February!!

Any corrections to the table labels are in **bold** print. For Den. Baby Pink - the parents of this plant have been re-named a couple of times so please make note of it. For all changes please re-label your pot tags and your files.

Thank you all for bringing in some plants along with everything else going on that day!

~ Submitted by Sue Finger

AOS Orchidist's Word of the Month:

sphagnum (SFAG-num)

A bog-moss of the genus Sphagnum, used dried or alive, fresh or partially decomposed (peat), in some kinds of potting media to retain moisture.



Photo: Sue Finger



THE February 2019 AOS CORNER

From the desk of Denise Lucero, Vice Chair, AOS Affiliated Societies Committee (dluceroaosmembership@gmail.com)

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

The new year is now underway and many of us are undertaking new roles in our local societies. We're hard at work organizing new programs to support our societies' members and promote the love of orchids. Remember that the Affiliated Societies Committee is here to provide support for you, the Affiliates. We've created a page titled "Guides and Articles" on the AOS.org website that you can reach from the Affiliated Societies page. You'll only have access if you're logged in but you'll find everything from Publicity & Orchid Show Resources to Printable AOS Membership brochures. The purpose is to share information within our community about proven processes and methods we have applied to our own organizations that have resulted in success. If there's something else you'd like to see, make a suggestion for future documents, or share a document of your own with other affiliates, drop us line at Affiliated_Societies@aos.org. You'll receive a response from one of our Affiliated Societies Committee Members.

AOS Affiliated Society newsletters are filled with member contributions of orchid-related topics, or about culture tips or articles pertaining to running a society. If you have an article that might be of interest to other Affiliates please send us a copy and we'll share it with the community. Drop us line at Affiliated_Societies@aos.org. You'll receive a response from one of our Affiliated Societies Committee Members.

THE FEBRUARY ISSUE OF ORCHIDS MAGAZINE will feature great articles and beautiful pictures on:

- The New Refugium Botanicum Phalaenopsis (Sedirea) japonica by Franco Pupulin
- Form and Function: Fringe Festival Fascination, Part 2 by Thomas Mirenda
- For the Novice: A pair of articles on orchid shows & displaying your plants for the first time.
- Judges' Corner: Organizing a Judging Project by Jean Allen-Ikeson
- Orchids Illustrated Dendrobium by Peggy Alrich and Wesley Higgins
- The Care and Feeding of Orchid Society Speakers by Sue Bottom
- The Japan Grand Prix Int'l Orchid Festival, Part 2: The Later Years by Clare & Johan Hermans
- Remaking Cattleya Prince John by Arthur E. Chadwick
- Southern California Orchid Road Trip by Heidi Kirkpatrick and Gayle Brodie

RECENT ORCHID AWARDS PICTURES ON THE AOS WEBSITE:

See fabulous pictures of the most breathtakingly beautiful orchids receiving awards from the AOS! Visit the new "Latest Orchid Awards" page on the AOS website to enjoy these stunning photographs! Click on the thumbnails to see them in larger format. Free to members and non-members.

Let's grow together, Denise Lucero

Moths, Bees, Birds... and Perhaps People? ~ Tony Lombardino

This is a re-print of an article in Deep Cut Orchids Society Orchid News

Orchids have populated the earth for over 300 million years, first appearing when all the continents of our current world were fused into one huge land mass. As the continents drifted apart, eventually taking their current positions, orchids travelled with them and, as a result, populate every continent except Antarctica. During their travels through space and time incredible environmental changes must have presented these amazing plants with unimaginable challenges to their survival. Yet despite these challenges, orchids were able to evolve and thrive.

Much of their survival has been due to their amazing ability not only to attract pollinators, but to co-evolve with those pollinators so that the pollinators themselves cannot survive without the very orchids they pollinate. Take, for example, the male euglossine bees that harvest scent molecules from certain orchids in order to attract the females necessary for mating. Or the Darwin moth, who so depends on orchid nectar that it has evolved a tongue ten inches long so it can traverse the nectary of the angraecum that it pollinates. It can be said that the success of orchid survival has depended to a great extent on their ability to seduce other organisms into assisting them in their ability to reproduce.

However, in today's world this delicate dance of survival is being disrupted by rapid environmental changes, many of them caused by human incursion into natural orchid habitats. Deforestation, insecticides, human plundering and even climate change are threatening orchids far faster than

natural evolution can mitigate. If left to their ancient survival mechanisms, it's likely that entire families of orchids may well become extinct.

But although we humans have disrupted the ancient rhythms of the natural world, is it also possible that we have been, like moths and bees and birds, seduced into helping orchids survive? Have these plants, with their beauty, complexity, and almost infinite variety, now found an avenue of escape from extinction by attracting the attention and affection of us humans?

In recent decades, orchidists have learned to propagate orchids far faster and in exponentially higher numbers than ever occurs in nature. We now create hybrids that are stronger and more resilient than their parents. Our interests have moved from genera with big, fragrant flowers to those subtler but no less interesting groups such as miniatures, those with insignificant flowers and even those whose fragrance can be nauseating. In addition, those of us who love these amazing plants are spending time, energy and money on conservation programs to preserve as many of their natural habitats as we can.

In our human-centric ways of thinking, we tend to believe that we are always the ones in control. We are attracted to orchids, so we buy them, learn their needs, help them thrive, fill greenhouses with them, propagate them. All for our enjoyment, we think. But from the point of view those orchids we're obsessed with, is it possible that we are just the latest in a long line of conquests to assist them in their struggle to survive?

Some Orchids That Flower In The Winter Months www.aos.org

The names below are derived from the Latin and Greek languages and can, at first, be daunting to pronounce. It's easier if you remember that, with few exceptions all letters are pronounced. You will often hear names pronounced somewhat differently than indicated below as a result of regional differences. There are also pronunciations that are not technically correct but have found their way into common useage. The common pronunciation, **stan-HOPE-ee-ah** rather than the technically correct **stan-HOPE-ah** for Stanhopea is an example. This pronunciation has no doubt evolved because of the "pronounce every letter rule" although that would sound more like **stan-HOPE-AY-ah**.

C = 50°F minimum, I = 55°F minimum, W = 60-65°F minimum

Cattleya percivaliana (KAT-lee-ah purr-sih-VAL-ee-an-ah) and many of its hybrids (I)

Coelogyne cristata (see-loh-GUY-nee KRIS-tah-tah) (C)

Laelia superbiens (LAY-lee-ah sue-PURR-bee-enz) [also known as Schomburgkia superbiens]

Lycaste skinneri (lye-CASS-tee SKIN-er-eye) and many of its hybrids (I)

Trichocentrum cavendishianum (try-koe-SENT-rum cav-en-DISH-ee-an-um) [also long known as

Oncidium - Oncidium is pronounced as on-SID-ee-um] (C)

Phaius tankervilleae (FAY-us tan-ker-VILL-eye) [the Nun's Orchid] (I)

Many Phalaenopsis (fail-en-NOP-sis) species and their hybrids (W)

Angraecum eburneum (W)

Angraecum sesquipedale (an-GRAY-kum sess-kwih-PED-ah-lee) (W)

Brassavola nodosa (bra-SAH-voe-lah NOE-dose-ah) (I)

Early flowering **Cymbidium** (sim-BID-ee-um) species and hybrids (C)

Dendrobium nobile (den-DRO-bee-um NOE-bee-lee) and its hybrids (C winter)

Epidendrum ciliare (I)

Laelia anceps (LAY-lee-ah an-SEPS) (I-C)

Many Masdevallia (maz-dee-VAHL-ee-ah) species and hybrids (C-I)

Rhynchostylis gigantea (rink-oh-STY-liss jye-gan-TEE-ah) (W)

Cattleya coccinea (KAT-lee-ah COCK-sinn-ee-ah) (C) and many of the miniature cattleyas



Masdevallia pleurothalloides Photographer: Wiel Driessen



Cattleya Pink Pat 'Davis Doll' HCC/AOS Photographer: Ramon de los Santos

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

February 3, 2019 - 2 PM

Jonathan Jones of Marlow Orchids

Topic: Chinese Cymbidiums

(There WILL be plants for sale, no raffle table)

March 3, 2019 - 2 PM

Dr. Leslie Ee, Toronto Judging Center

Topic: Black Orchids

(There WILL be plants for sale)

April 2019 - No Meeting

May 2019 - Annual Auction

June 2019 - Picnic

Refreshment Volunteer List:

February 3, 2019

Lori Hoffman / Monica Kot

Beverages: Bob Pfromm

March 3, 2019

Lori Burritt/Honey Goshorn

Beverages: _____

May 5, 2019

Jan Woodworth/Dave Ditz

Beverages: _____

Fairmount Garden Club: Philadelphia Flower Show Bus Trip

Anyone interested in a bus trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show (March 7-8, \$225), please contact Kathy Ammann, 315-468-3710 for more information.

https://theflowershow.com



SEPOS 2019 Show - April 5 - 7

at the Greater Philadelphia Expo Center

~ The largest show of its kind in the Northeast~

24 beautiful exhibits

20 vendors

Free guided tours

Free lectures

Fragrance Judging

For more information go to

http://www.sepos.org

Central New York Orchid Society

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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