

# 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

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

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CNYOS Treasurer  
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### A Message from CNYOS Vice-President:

This past Saturday, we experienced our second of twelve full moons for 2021. Each full moon is given a name. Our February full moon is the Cold, or Snow, Moon because it can feel like the most intense part of winter before the promise of spring. Don't we know it!!!

A full moon is an important marker in both astronomy and astrology.

In astronomy, a full Moon occurs when the Moon has moved in its orbit so that Earth is between the Moon and the Sun. Due to gravitational pulls of both the Sun and Moon, high tides are higher and low tides are lower during a full Moon.

From an astrological point of view, many believe we experience emotional "high tides" and "low tides" during a full Moon. Our feelings may intensify, uncertain things seem to become clearer, situations come to a head. A full Moon is a time of culmination and fruition.

People have differing views on astrology. Some think of it as mere horoscope entertainment, others feel a spiritual/emotional connection and are guided by its signs. Either way, we can often find a message that may spark something inside us, be it a nugget of wisdom or creativity, something to provide insight.

Flowers offer the same connections to both science and emotions. When we observe flowers as a science, we marvel at their structure and their role in the natural order. They provide nectar for those creatures that will then spread its pollen, providing life for future generations. And through their beauty and diversity, their simplicity and complexity, their ability to drench our senses with color, fragrance, and touch, flowers stir our emotions and lead us to vivid passages and dreams.

With this Cold Moon and the culmination it presages, we are fast approaching spring and the possibility of turning the corner against our year-long battle with the dark side of nature.

We are so fortunate to have and appreciate our fellowship with each other and with our orchids. And we are looking forward to enjoying that fellowship in person once again.

~ Sarah Kelly, Vice President

### 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.fairorchids.com>

To contact OrchidPhile

[www.facebook.com/orchidphile](http://www.facebook.com/orchidphile) or  
[orchidphile@optimum.net](mailto:orchidphile@optimum.net) \*\*

[edgarstehli@sbcglobal.net](mailto: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](http://aos.org)

March 2, 2021 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

*Greenhouse Chat March 2021*

Ron McHatton

(Open to All; submit questions by Mar 1st)

March 9, 2021 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

*Angraecoid Hybrids*

Beth Martin

(Member Only Webinar)

#### AOS 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!

### Minutes:

~ No minutes to report.

### Treasurer's Report: February 2021

See page 3.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Finger, Treasurer CNYOS

~ Monthly Checklist ~  
Orchid Care

**AOS Monthly Checklist for  
March/April**

**February 2021 AOS Orchidist's  
Word of the Month:**

**fermate (FER-mayt):**

- An organic fungicide, ferric dimethyl
- dithiocarbonate, useful as a spray or
- dust to combat leaf spot, stem rot, root
- rot and similar infectious diseases.

**American Orchid Society Members'  
Meeting Spring 2021**

**March 13, 2021 - 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM**  
(Open to All)

Preregister at **Members' Meeting**

This is the American Orchid Society Semi-Annual Members' Meeting normally held in person, but since we cannot, we hope you will join us for this virtual meeting.



To help pass the time .... check out the 1000s of pre-recorded Webinars at [aos.org](http://aos.org).

**Category Detail Report Newsletter  
02/25/2021**

Income/Expenses

**INCOME:**

2021 DUES

RECEIVED	Judy Setla CK Renew	20.00
DEPOSITED	Dolores Capella CK Renew	20.00
	Bob/Gratia Pfromm CK Renew	22.00
	Lorrie Worden CK Renew	<u>20.00</u>

**DUES TOTAL 82.00**

**TOTAL INCOME \$82.00**

**EXPENSES:**

Programs KEY Online Norman Fang ZOOM speaker January **\$200.00**

**TOTAL EXPENSES \$200.00**

**TOTAL ALL FUNDS:**

**KEY BANK BALANCE \$4433.83**

**PETTY CASH \$232.50**

**\$4666.33**

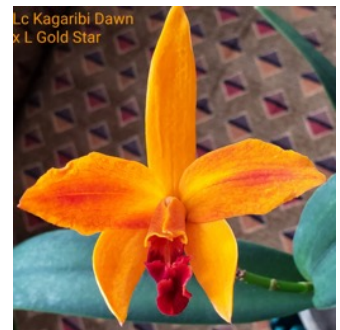
**~ Respectfully submitted by Sue Finger, Treasurer**



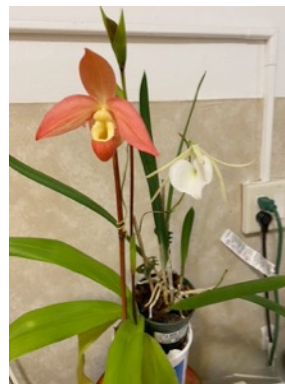
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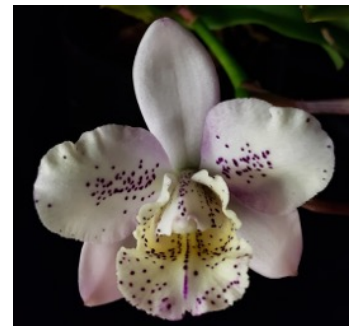
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Charles Ufford



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If in question, please contact Sue or Chris to see if you need to pay for 2021.

## ~ 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 bag it before hand. See you there!

**Send in Any Questions???**

### ~ A Vendor Email from Sue ~

Good evening Sue,

I couldn't find any other email on your website so I'm sending this email to you and you can pass it on.

I belong to your Facebook group because I dabble at orchids since they are good companion plants with African Violets. I have also bought orchids at Lyndon Lyon Greenhouses in Dolgeville, NY.

My name is Heidi Dillenbeck and I own Enchanted Gardens (Plant supplies). I live in New York, a little west of Albany. Although I don't carry supplies specifically for orchids, I may have some items your members may be interested in. Here is my website and online store information: [Enchanted Gardens](#)

### CNYOS March Meeting

CNYOS Zoom Meeting  
Sunday, March 7, 2021  
1:30 - 3:00 PM

Topic: Cymbidium Parish  
Presenter: Jeff Trimble

If you did not receive you link yet, please contact Sarah Kelly.

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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

### ~ Support Vendors ~

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



## Seasonal Guide to Caring for Your Orchids: WINTER

Better-Gro Orchid Blog

January 7, 2020

Orchid needs change with the seasons just like any other plant. While many orchids are dormant during the winter, they still need light, water, regular feedings and just the right temperatures. So, we've assembled some grow tips to help you care for your orchids during the colder, dryer winter months.

### Temperature

Many commonly grown orchids are from temperate, tropical regions, so it's important to keep a close eye on the temperatures. Most orchids prefer daytime temps between 70° and 90° F and nighttime temps between 55° and 75° F (similar to most people). For those of you that grow your orchids outdoors, you will need to relocate your plants indoors or to an insulated garage when the forecast calls for temperature drops below 55° F. Amateur greenhouse growers may want to consider investing in a space heater that is specifically designed for greenhouse use.

### Watering

We recommend that you water your orchids less frequently during the winter season. Water your plants early in the morning after the sun has risen to allow excess moisture to evaporate during the day. Watering at night can increase the chances of fungal or bacterial infections which are more common during the winter. Additionally, you will want to allow your plants to dry out between waterings. The exception to this recommendation is when caring for *Phalaenopsis* and *Paphiopedilum* (Lady Slipper) orchids. These should be kept consistently moist even during the winter months.

### Light

Ensuring the right amount of light can be more difficult during the winter months with shorter days and less daylight. Orchids often need 12 to 14 hours of indirect light, depending on the variety. You may need to relocate your orchid throughout the day to follow the sunlight. Usually, a north- or east-facing window is best, but be sure the window has some type of covering like a sheer curtain to avoid direct sunlight on your plants.

For those of you that live in snowy locations, don't forget that sunlight can reflect off the snowy ground to cause even more sunlight through your windows. In addition to checking for cold drafts, check the amount of direct sunlight coming in through your windows throughout the day to avoid "sun-burning" your plants. Plants need plenty of light during the winter, you just want to make sure they don't burn.

If you live in a part of the country where the sun doesn't rise until 8:00 a.m. and sets as early as 4:00 p.m. during the winter months, an indoor grow light can help you ensure that your orchids are receiving the proper amount of light.

### Plant Food

Although your orchid may not be growing as quickly as it does during the spring and summer months, it is very important to keep feeding your plants during their dormancy. We recommend diluting your plant food, but don't omit feeding entirely.

For more on information on how to care for orchids, visit [easyorchidgrowing.com](http://easyorchidgrowing.com).

Happy Blooming!

### 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>

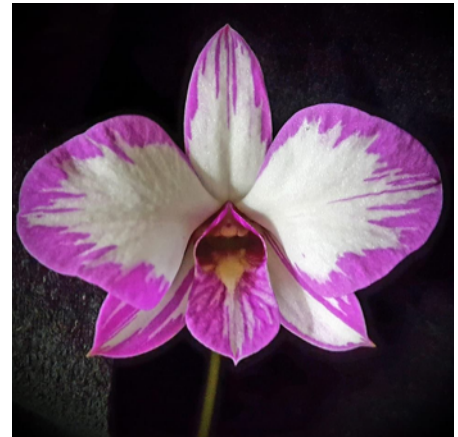
#### Directions to St. Augustine’s Church:

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

### 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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