

THE ORCHID ENTHUSIAST

The Newsletter of the Central New York Orchid Society

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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

2020 Memberships - Dues are \$20 for individuals and \$22 for families.

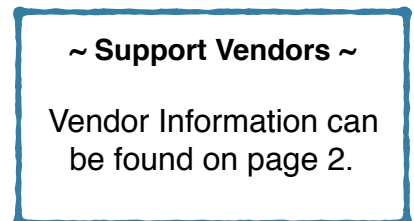
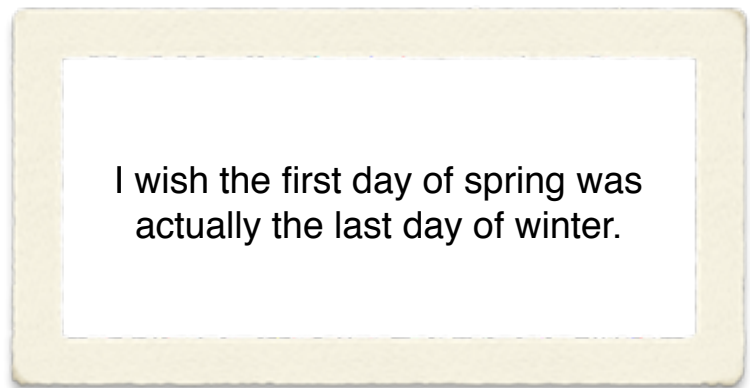
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Dear Orchid Friends,

Spring as we know it is definitely different this year for humans but not much different for Nature. Thanks to Longwood Gardens, you can still “travel” to see some of the beauty of Nature.

“Spring is bursting at Longwood! A sweeping chorus of Tete-a-tete daffodils is swaying in the spring breeze on Oak & Conifer Knoll. Below these gorgeous golden trumpets, you can see a sprinkling of blue glory-of-the-snow. Take a moment to enjoy this dose of joy, from our Gardens to your home.”

Visit - Our Gardens, Your Home



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>
- orchidphile@optimum.net **
- <http://www.fairorchids.com>
- <http://www.stonybrookorchids.com>
- edgarstehli@sbcglobal.net
- To contact Windswept in Time Orchids
- <https://www.msorchids.net> **
- <https://carter-and-holmes.com>
- <https://www.kalapanatropicals.com>
- <https://cloudsorchids.com>
- <https://carmelaorchids.net>

**** denotes vendors at our show**

Upcoming Webinars:

American Orchid Society: Register at aos.org

April 23, 2020 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Greenhouse Chat April 2020

Ron McHatton

(Open to All; submit questions by Apr. 19th)

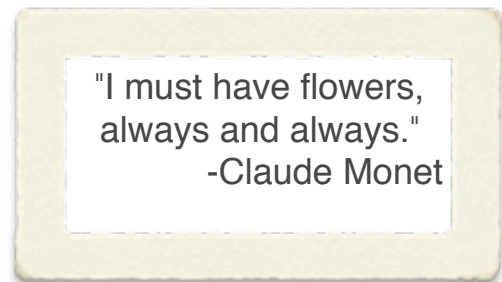
To help pass the time check out the 1000s of pre-recorded Webinars at aos.org.

Minutes: March 1, 2020

No minutes to report, meeting cancelled.

I hope everyone will consider shopping online since we don't have the opportunity to go to shows. They can choose off of the list already in the newsletter (page 2). * Maybe when someone orders they could let us all know of good or bad experiences so we can update the list of nurseries.* Check out orchidmall.com and they should have just about anything. Created, owned, and maintained by Carson Whitlow; he came here to do a program.

Happy Orchid Shopping! No Withdrawals
Here! Sue



I do have one observation to offer to the club members.

This past winter I installed a couple LED grow lights in our orchid room (the kind they grow marijuana under). Within 2 months, orchids that I have not been able to bloom for years sent out flowers. That is the only thing that has changed with my set-up.

Jack Hasse

CNYOS Virtual Show Table: April 2020



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Jan Woodworth



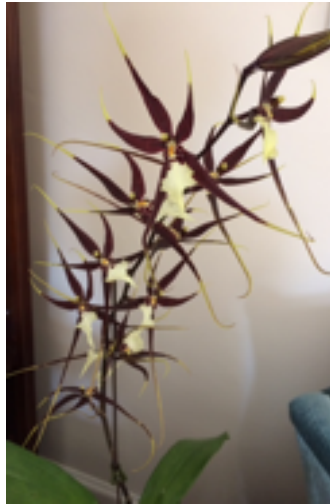
C. Yellow Doll
Jan Woodworth



Clowesia Rebecca Northern
David Ditz



Bulbophyllum falcatum
David Ditz



Mtsa. Kauai's Choice
'Tropical Fragrance' AM/AOS
Jane Trey



Asc. Cherry Blossom
David Ditz



Fdk. After Dark
'Sunset Valley Orchids'
David Ditz



Den. Australian Artist
David Ditz



Papa. thaianum
David Ditz

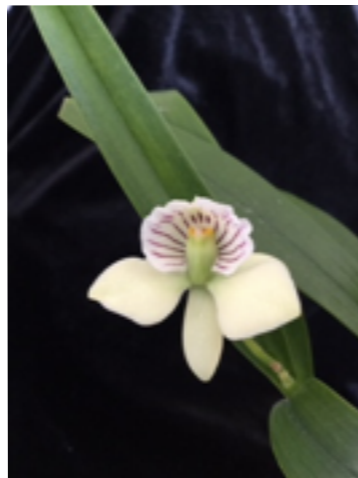


“Here is what should have been the centerpiece in my display at the cancelled Southern Tier show.”

Oncida. Pacific Pagan
'Kilauea'
Kim Feddersen



Lycaste Abou First Spring
David Ditz



Encyclia radiata x sib
Jane Trey



Oberonia rufilabris
David Ditz



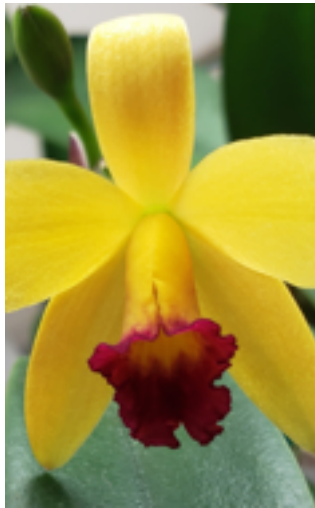
Bulbophyllum Clouds SVO Starburst
David Ditz



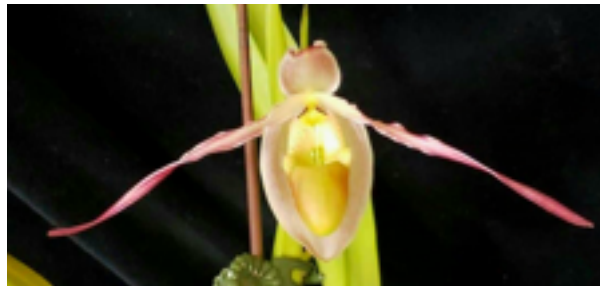
Bulbophyllum odontopetalum
Jane Trey



Jan Woodworth



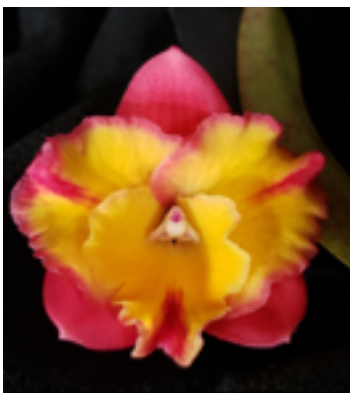
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miltonopsis Ambre's Charm
'cream puff' AM/AOS
Jack Hasse



Jan Woodworth



Sue Finger



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Jack Hasse



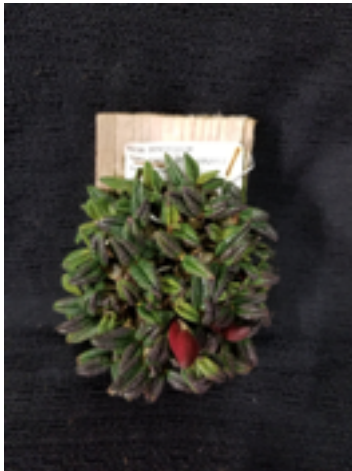
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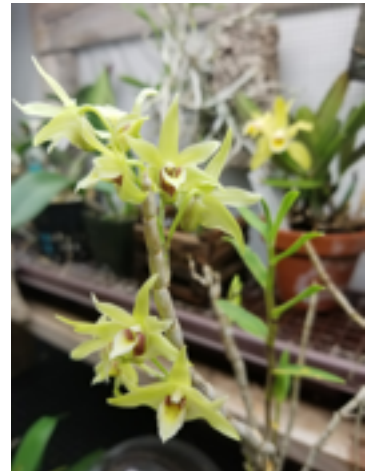
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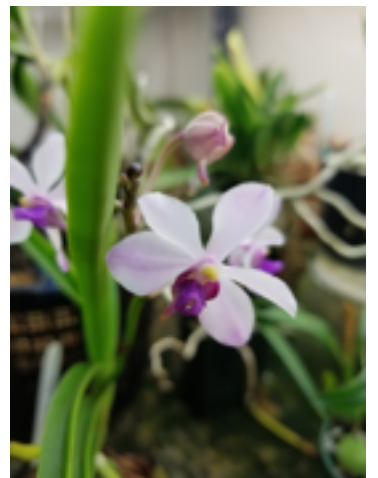
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Alcra. Donald Halliday
Judi Witkin



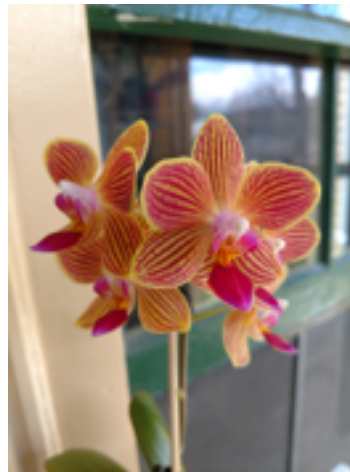
Sarco. Kulnura Festival X Sarco. Maria
Judi Witkin



Oncidium Sweet Sugar
Judi Witkin



Lori Burritt



Lori Burritt



Lori Burritt



Den. densiflorum
Judi Witkin

Thank you to all who
shared their photos at the
May "Virtual Show Table".
So many beautiful plants!



Oncidium Hilo Firecracker
Judi Witkin



Message from American Orchid Society

WE recognize these are challenging times. We're living through an unprecedented period in our history.

In light of this, we're pleased to announce that we're making some of our most cherished member-only content - **AOS Member Only Webinars** - available for the general public through the end of April. Browse our entire webinar catalogue. Learn about orchids. Breathe. Reflect. We can and we will triumph over this terrible virus. We hope this small gesture can add color, beauty and education into your life. Let one of nature's largest families of flowering plants inspire you with its beauty and diversity.

Missing orchids shows while remaining sheltered in place?

Check out the New York Botanical Garden's in-depth virtual tour of The Orchid Show: Jeff Leatham's Kaleidoscope, featuring Marc Hachadourian, the NYBG's Director of Glasshouse Collections and Senior Orchid Curator. You'll witness the beauty of this year's exhibition without leaving home, and get to know some of the stunning and unique orchid varieties that went into creating it.

Take your virtual tour now by visiting the **Virtual Tour of The Orchid Show: Jeff Leatham's Kaleidoscope » New York Botanical Garden** landing page!

**~ Monthly Checklist ~
Orchid Care**

**AOS Monthly Checklist for May/
June**

**May 2020 AOS Orchidist's
Word of the Month:**

**hemiepiphyte
(hem-ee-EPP-i-fyte):**

A plant, such as Vanilla, whose life history includes both terrestrial and epiphytic phases.

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!

Message from Charles:

Idea - everyone should take lots of pictures of their flowering orchids and post them to our Facebook page. Or they can email pics to me and I can post.

Everyone please stay healthy...

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

May 3, 2020 - CANCELLED

**June 7, 2020 - 2 PM - CNYOS Program -
Annual Auction/Picnic**

2020 Refreshment Volunteer List:

JUNE 7, 2020 - ANNUAL PICNIC

Everyone brings a dish to pass.

Hello Members,

Due to restrictions still in place for COVID19 to Shelter at Home CNYOS is **canceling our May 3rd meeting.**

Our speaker, Alan Koch of Gold Country Orchids, will be rescheduled. This may most likely not be until next year at this time. Unfortunately, we have lost out on two of the very special speakers that I had scheduled.

Our June meeting program was supposed to be our annual Vendor Auction and Picnic. We are changing this due to the uncertainty of the health crisis. **IF, a very BIG IF,** we have a meeting in June, we will be doing another member donation Silent Auction just as we did in January. Now is a good time for repotting and dividing your plants so set aside the extras to establish themselves for an auction. In case of a cancellation again we won't have to worry about a speaker traveling in for us.

Then July and August we are off from the meeting schedule.

We will pick up again in September with a change in our plan for November. Exact dates are the same from the latest newsletter.

Sept 2020 - Linda Wilhelm of Woodland Orchids

Oct 2020 - Dave Sorokowsky of Paph Paradise

Oct 2020 - CNYOS Orchid Show

Nov 2020 - **Annual Vendor Auction fundraiser**

Dec 2020 - Holiday celebration luncheon

I hope that all of you are observing the restrictions as much as you are able.

Please stay home and be safe!

Sue Finger VP, Program Chair

Africa Violet & Gesneriad Society of Syracuse

Annual Show & Sale, May 2 - May 3 is

CANCELLED

Save the Dates: 2020 Events Schedule

~ 2020 dues should be to Carol by April ~

May 3, 2020: ~~CANCELLED~~ *CNYOS Program - Guest Speaker Alan Koch of Gold Country Orchids in California*

June 7, 2020: *CNYOS Program - Annual Auction/Picnic*
Bring a dish to pass, your table setting and beverage, **AND** your wallet! Always an opportunity to buy great looking plants donated by Nurseries across the US!

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**September 13, 2020:** *CNYOS Program - Guest Speaker Linda Wilhelm of Woodland Orchids*

**October 4, 2020:** *CNYOS Program - Guest Speaker Dave Sorokowsky of Paph Paradise*  
The Thruway Trail will again benefit by the combined work of the Program Chairs by hosting this speaker. More info will be announced later. We are able to do our regular meeting date since our Show will be the following weekend at Beaver Lake.

**October 2020: \*Please Note Change of Date\***  
2nd weekend - *CNYOS Annual Show at Beaver Lake*

**November 2020: \*Please Note Change of Date\*** - *Annual Vendor Auction Fundraiser*

**December 2020:** *CNYOS Program - Holiday Luncheon*

### ~ PBS: Plants Behaving Badly ~

- A two episode documentary narrated by David Attenborough.
- Two groups of plants exhibit such intriguing behavior that a century and a half ago they attracted the attention of Charles Darwin. These same plants, the orchids and the carnivorous plants, still fascinate scientists today. In two one-hour films, *Plants Behaving Badly* reveals a world of deceit and treachery worthy of any fictional thriller.

#### Episode 1: Murder and Mayhem

- Recently scientists have shown that many more plants are carnivorous than we ever thought. Welcome to the world of killer tomatoes and murderous potatoes. But even the more obvious carnivorous plants – sundews, flytraps and pitchers – are revealing new behavior. Carnivorous plants have featured in many sci-fi films over the years, but the reality turns out to be far stranger than the fiction.

#### Episode 2: Sex and Lies

- In this film, we see how orchids deceive insects into helping them, using underhand tricks, including the promise of sex. Bee orchids have flowers that look like female bees and exactly mimic the scent produced by female bees. Male bees are completely fooled and try to mate with the flower and in their misguided frenzy, they pick up the orchid's pollen.

#### To Watch:

~ Check your local PBS station ~ WCNY Passport Membership ~ Amazon Prime Membership

### 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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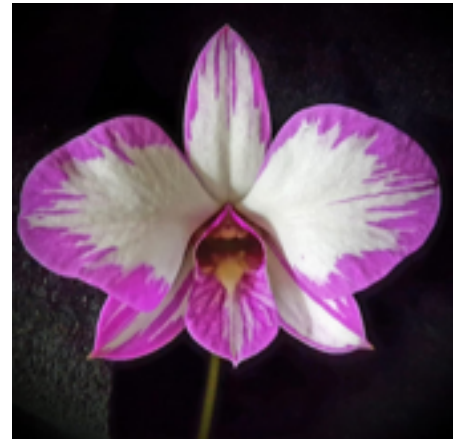
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Jack Hasse (315) 520-9380

### 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!

### The Orchid Enthusiast

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