

# 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 POEM from CNYOS Vice-President:

Tis the first of December, look into the room  
The greenhouse is full of orchids in bloom.

We're comforted by our love of the floral  
With all of their colors, from bright greens to coral,

A rainbow's delight, greens, reds and white,  
Purples and pinks, what a beautiful sight!

Bletilla striata, cymbidium too,  
Pronouncing the others? I haven't a clue.

But whatever they are, they give us such pleasure,  
As much as our friendships, they're things that we treasure.

But we sit home alone now, with nowhere to go,  
Just watching the TV...show after show.

No meetings, no greetings, just gatherings on Zoom  
We all miss each other ...months of gloom.

We're closing in on a viral resistance  
But until we do we must all keep our distance.

Stay safe, be well, this time cannot last,  
Soon it will be all in the past.

Come the spring we'll be rid of this thing,  
We'll smell the fresh air and hear the birds sing,

We'll gather together, we'll strike up a tune,  
Goodbye 2020, you can't leave too soon!!

Stay safe and stay together!!

~ 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

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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)

January 7, 2021 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

*Greenhouse Chat January 2021*

Ron McHatton

(Open to All; submit questions by Jan 2nd)

January 13, 2021 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

*Mounting Orchids*

Michael Coronado

(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, no meetings.

### Treasurer's Report: December 2020

See page 3 for the Quarterly Report.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Finger, Treasurer CNYOS

~ Monthly Checklist ~  
Orchid Care

**AOS Monthly Checklist for  
January/February**

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

**ubiquitous (yoo-BIK-wi-tuhs):**

Everywhere; growing in all types of habitats.

~ Welcome ~

New CNYOS Member

**Donna Wilson**

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



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**Category Detail Report FOR QUARTERLY TAXES**  
09/01/2020 through 11/30/2020

Income/Expenses

**INCOME:**

2020/2021 DUES

November 2020 RECEIVED	Carol Bayles	DUES	20.00
	Sarah Kelly/John Carnessali	DUES	22.00
<b>DUES TOTAL</b>			<b>42.00</b>

**DONATIONS:**

October CK Honey Goshorn from old ck	SILENT AUCTION	51.00
Cash Jeff Stuart	Life Member in lieu of dues	20.00
Cash Jeff Stuart	1/2 pd on divisions 50/50 split	65.00
Cash John Carnessali	xtra pd on divisions	10.00
November CK Anonymous from a friend of Sarah Kelly		500.00
CK Sarah Kelly/John Carnessali	donation in dues ck	78.00
<b>DONATIONS TOTAL</b>		<b>724.00</b>

**Total Income- FOR THE QUARTER 766.00**

**EXPENSES:**

NYS Sales Tax KEY EFT NYS Quarterly sales tax	5.62
<b>TAX TOTAL</b>	<b>5.62</b>

**Programs**

KEY Online banking:

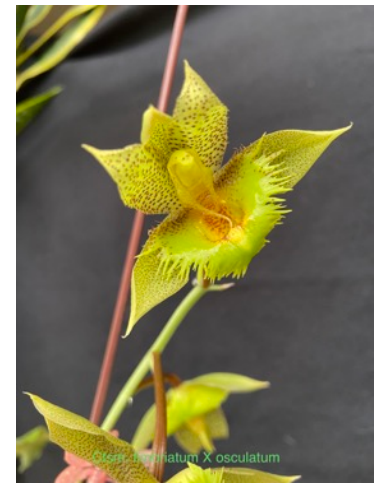
Linda Wilhelm ZOOM speaker	SEPT	200.00
Dave Sorokowsky ZOOM speaker	OCT	200.00
KEY Ck #3972 Martin Motes ZOOM speaker	NOV	200.00
<b>PROGRAMS TOTAL</b>		<b>600.00</b>

**Total Expenses- FOR THE QUARTER 605.62**

**NET TOTAL 161.38**



Jan Woodworth



Jack Hasse  
(Catastetum with 2 more in spike)



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## Some Orchids That Flower In The Winter Months

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 usage. 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)

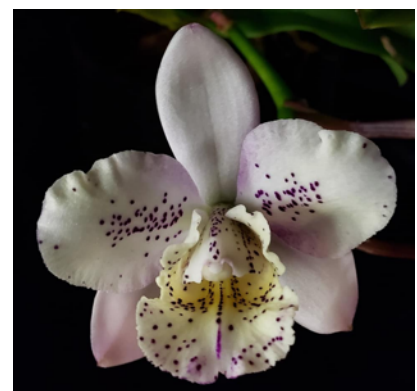
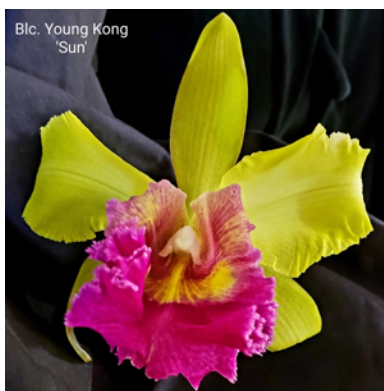
**Epidendrum ciliare** (I)

**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 developed from this species.



~ 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 Question from Donna ~

I've been wanting to ask the group - In March of 2016, we received baby plants as a group. I have LC Florence Lin 'Diamond Orchids' am/aos x BL Makai 'Lea' am/aos. I was wondering if anyone still has one, and if they have gotten it to bloom yet? The plant grows real well!

Thanks a lot --  
~ Donna Coleman

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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.

## ~ Support Vendors ~

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



There is a wonderful article in Garden and Gun about a famous designer decorating his personal Christmas tree with living orange orchids! G. Blake Sams, check it out!  
~ Sarah

Please check out an important message about Marlow's Orchids on Page 8.

Let's help support Small Businesses!

~ CNYOS FYI Pages Continued...

**Member Cataloging Tip ~ How Sue & Jerry Keep Track of Their Orchids**

We write a list of all new plants; then one by one go through and research any name changes and all the culture requirements before we decide which grow space we'll keep them in. During this process I write a 3x5 card for each plant. We now have 3 boxes in use, alphabetically. Easy to find out if you already have one of something. Any deaths are handled by removing the card.

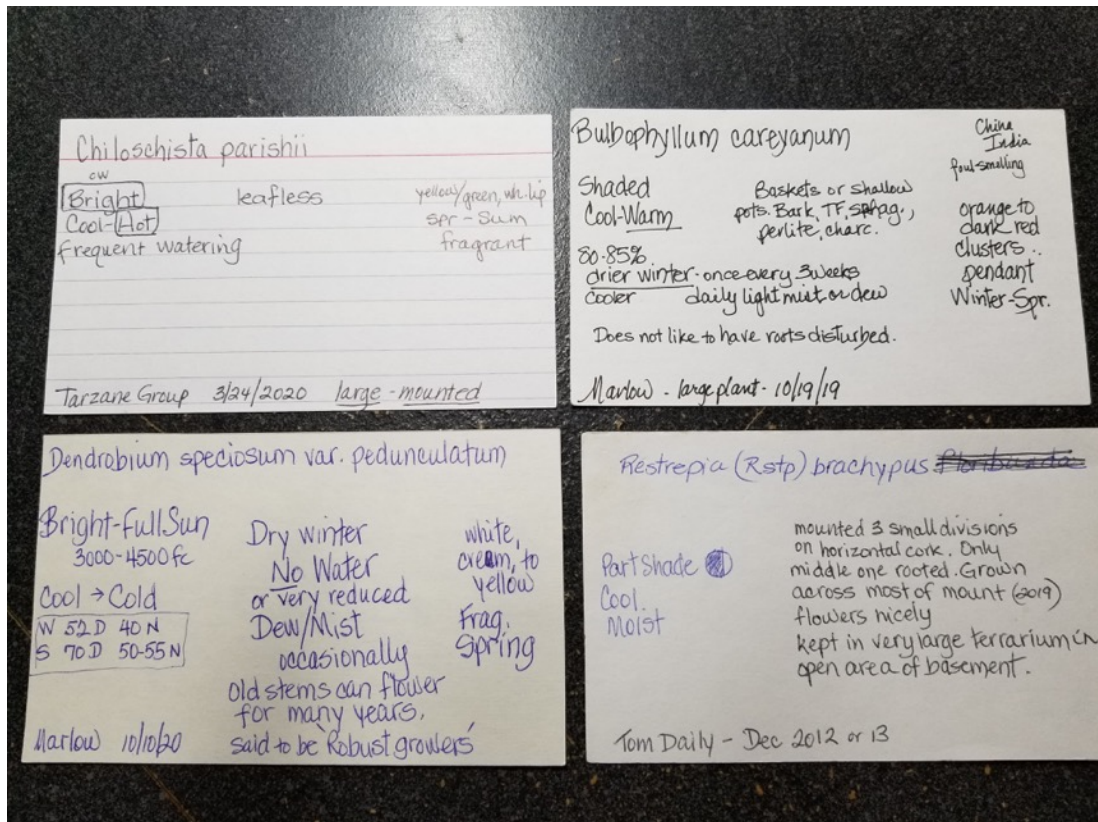
I used to do this on the computer with an Excel file but it became unwieldy. One case where old style worked better!



Examples of our 3x5 cards for plant info:

- ~ Name on the top
- ~ Parentage
- ~ Light requirement
- ~ Best temps or range
- ~ Description of flower, time of year to flower, fragrance?
- ~ Potting or mounting suggestions, Where you placed the plant
- ~ Bottom line - who you got the plant from and when.

If you like, each date of flowering can be put on the back of the card. We leave blank so if we no longer have that plant, then we X out and use the back for a different plant.



~ CNYOS FYI Pages Continued...

**From John Carnessali ~ Water Culture Tip**

I have only really done this with Phals but I have read and seen people doing it with every type of orchid. I can attest to it working great with Phals.

I would suggest doing this in spring or when new roots are forming (Cattleya's and Oncidium alliance sometimes grow roots in winter) Take out of media. Rinse roots very well and cut off any dead roots. Put 1/3 of the roots in water. Meaning 1/3 of root tips are submerged in water with 2/3 out of water. I use Reverse Osmosis water but some people do not. I think it would be best if you have access to clean water

A few weeks later repeat - cleaning the roots with water and cutting off dead ones. It is normal for some of the roots to die with the change. A few weeks or so after changing new to water. I will change water once a week or so as old media falls off, some roots dying, etc. After that I don't change unless it looks dirty, not algae dirty though. But after some months I sometimes clean out algae too, all depends on the orchid and situation. Its very easy system as you will never overwater.

I use the same dilution fertilizer that I use with my potted plants.

A good in between and I like even better for Cattleya's is Semi Hydro which uses some non decomposing media such as Lava Rocks or Leca.

It gives the roots something to hold onto and is better for plant stability.



Where the water level should be maintained.

~ John

**Upcoming 2021 Meetings & Events:**

**\*\*\*An email will be sent with details and specific instructions on how to join the lectures and events\*\*\***

Sarah is diligently working to line up guest speakers and events. She will send out emails to let everyone know about the current event before the meeting.

**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...

**2021 Refreshment Volunteer List:**

**To be determined when meetings resume**

## CNYOS Members ~ Help Support Marlow's Orchids

All Members:

Please consider helping out so Marlow's Orchids will continue. They provide great plants and much needed services as the only Orchid Nursery in our area. They have also gone above and beyond for our club especially with Open Houses and doing Programs for many years for us. Let's keep them alive!

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Good Morning orchids friends! By now I'm sure you have heard I am asking for your help so that I can continue Marlow Orchids. I have worked hard and thought long about asking for your help and support in this process. An outline of what your contributions mean:

Your support will help:

- Secure Property to continue operating
- Needed updates to the growing facility
- Developing a community place for all plant lovers
- Expand orchid inventory
- Diversify tropical plant offerings from around the world
- Enlarge the growing supply product line
- Develop and increase educational programs

For your support, I have come up with some rewards based on your contribution level.

\$25 - \$50 - Free select orchid

\$50+ - Free Repotting up to 3 plants for 2 years (local) -or- 2 free plants (afar)

\$100+ - Free Repotting up to 3 plants for 2 years  
+ \$50 value of free plants -or- 3 free plants (afar)

\$500+ - Free unlimited repotting for 2 years  
+ 15% off all orders for 2 years  
+ \$100 value of free plants per year for 2 years

\$1000+ - Free Unlimited repotting for 2 years  
+ First access to New Arrivals  
+ 15% off all orders for 2 years  
+ Free Shipping on all orders for 2 years  
+ \$150 value of free plants per year for 2 year

As you can see, your contribution acts more as an investment in your personal collection! Once we've reached our goal, you'll be securing your rewards in the future of Marlow Orchids goods and services. I am so grateful to have customers like you and want to make sure you get the most out of your efforts to help continue Marlow Orchids.

You can read more about our story and review your rewards by visiting our GoFundMe page:

<http://gofund.me/42c9001d>

We appreciate all of your generosity, especially during this holiday season. Whatever holiday you may be celebrating, we wish it a joyous one for you and your loved ones.

Happy Growing,  
Jonathan



### **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>

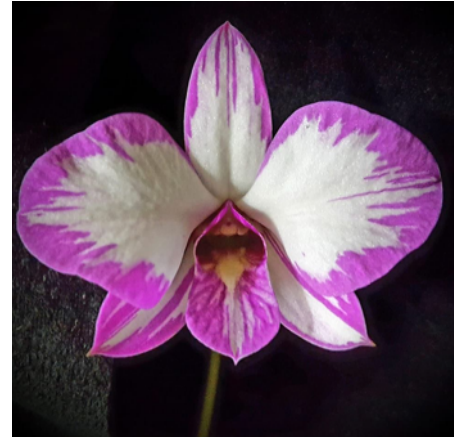
#### **Directions to St. Augustine’s Church:**

<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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