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.

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

Message from CNYOS Vice-President:

Central New York in autumn is a thing to behold. The reds, oranges and yellows of the season slowly but inexorably overtake the green landscape that provided a lush backdrop to the many activities of summer. This transformation of leaves is breathtaking, stunning, beautiful. But as the leaves turn and fall off the tree, their beauty appears to also fail. Nothing can be done to stop what comes next. Bare trees, with leaves scattered on the ground after spending the summer as a community on shared limbs, remind us of the coming winter. But, we also know it's only temporary. Inside the seemingly barren trunk and limbs, we know the rebirth of spring is already underway. The tree and its roots provide the strength and resilience to assure that when spring comes, life will be abundant once more.

Our wonderful Central New York State Orchid Club is experiencing something similar. Like the tree in autumn, our leaves feel scattered and disconnected. We miss the fellowship of our get-togethers. We even had to cancel our annual show because of events over which we have no control. But like the tree, we are strong. We know it's only temporary. We know spring will return and we will sprout our leaves together again. In the meantime, we hold tight as we can, maybe not visible to the outside world but we huddle together, our roots supporting and holding us together through the dark and cold times. We'll do Zoom calls, we'll stay in touch one on one, and within our homes we'll be reminded of our community by caring for our orchids. We'll be there for each other and be together again 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

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

November 5, 2020 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Colombian Orchid Adventure

Ron Parsons

(Member Only Webinar)

November 10, 2020 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Greenhouse Chat November 2020

Ron McHatton

(Open to All; submit questions by Nov 7th)

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: September 2020

Key Bank	4,685.58 - 200.00	Speaker Fee
	+ 51.00	Recovery of old
check		
Total	4,536.58	
Petty Cash	116.00	
	+ 20.00	Dues collected
Total	136.00	

TOTAL ASSETS

AS OF 10/22/2020 4,536.58 136.00 4,672.58

> Respectfully submitted, Sue Finger, Treasurer CNYOS

~ 2020-2021 CNYOS Dues ~

Any dues paid already for 2020 will cover membership for 2021 also. Anyone who has NOT paid for 2020 can pay now and cover 2021 also.

Dues are \$20 for individuals and \$22 for families.

Send payment to Sue Finger.

(See front page sidebar for additional info)



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

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CNYOS Virtual Show Table: October 2020







Jan Woodworth



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CNYOS Auction Plants Available

All Members,

First of all, thank you to all members who were able to attend our CNYOS day at Marlow's Orchids in Rochester. It meant a lot to them that we set this up on the first available date. It turned into a fun day with old friends.

CNYOS member Jeff Stuart routinely divides from his private collection so he brought all his extras with him when he came here from NJ for the weekend. The following list is of the plants still available. All purchases can be picked up and paid for in my driveway in N Syracuse. He is splitting the profit 50/50 with the club.

If interested they can be picked up at my house in N Syracuse. Just email or call me 315-247-8980

~ Sue Finger

Jeff's Divisions Available:

\$10 each

Pescatoria cerina (1) blooms in the spring through fall, fragrant, long- lasting.

Pescatoria klabochorum (2) blooms in the later winter, spring and early summer, fragrant, long-lasting. Pescatoria lehmannii (1) blooms in the spring through the fall, often more than once a year, fragrant, long-lasting.

Per Jeff, they are all easy to grow and bloom in intermediate to warm conditions and are quite impressive when in bloom. These are well established in large pots. To see photos of example flowers go to http://www.orchidspecies.com/

\$5 each

Bct. Estrella del Aconquija (2) (B. perrinii x Ctt. Chocolate Drop) One large, one small. Potted Rcv. Jimminey Cricket (2) (B. nodosa x Rl. digbyana) Only 2 left, nice big divisions, lots of new growth. Bct. Exuberance (1) (B. nodosa x Ctt. Cherry Treat) Medium to bright light, cool to warm temps. Potted.



~ CNYOS FYI Page ~

Because of the current health situation and the fact we have not been able to have monthly meetings or social gatherings (and who knows when we will be able to again), this page is for tidbits of information that you would like to share with other CNYOS Members. This might not be the "normal" way we like to share information but for now it is the "current normal". Please feel free to email me tidbits you would like to share in upcoming issues.

Take care and stay healthy. Chris Smith ~ CNYOS Editor

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!

Please feel free to send your orchid photos, growing tips, questions, etc. in for the newsletter.



Jan Woodworth

~ Support Vendors ~

A list of Vendors that support CNYOS can be found on Page 2 and check out the **NEW** Vendor Page on Page 7-8

~ A Culture Tip ~

For all those who will be bringing in plants after summering outside, here's an insecticide recommended by the AOS:

In a gallon container, mix 1 pint Formula 409 Original Household Cleaner (anti-bacterial disinfectant) AND 1 pint 70% Alcohol.

Fill rest of container with water. Add a few drops of dish soap (optional). Put in a pump or hand sprayer. Wet all surfaces of plant to treat. Kills by contact, not systemic.

I used this on an ant trail in my growing room and it kills within seconds. Formula 409 has been very hard to find due to COVID19 but I use any similar ingredient product.

~ Sue Finger



~ CNYOS FYI Page Continued...

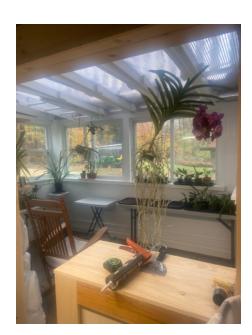
From Jack & Deb Hasse

Attached are a couple pictures of the attached greenhouse that we built this past summer. We had the energy efficient windows installed professionally but Deb and I did the rest of the work ourselves. The roof is double walled polycarbonate which is lighter than glass and much stronger plus being more energy efficient. It's built on the south side of the house, shaded by some maple trees in the summer. The unusual thing about this setup is that we built it under the roof for our front porch. That roof is 10 feet above the greenhouse roof so it lets in plenty of light but protects it from heavy snows and other bad weather. I would be happy to show and talk about our latest attempt to grow more and better orchids and other plants to anyone who happens to be in the Utica area. ~ Jack





This is the first orchid that bloomed in the new greenhouse. It's a cymbidium cross (Grycm lovely melody "Albert" x Cym erythraeum) that I got from Fred Clarke when he gave us a talk last year. Never had any luck blooming cymbidiums until now.



Upcoming Meetings & Events:

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

NOVEMBER 1, 2020 - Virtual Meeting 1:30 PM - 4:00 Guest Speaker: Martin Motes Topic: TBD

DECEMBER 6, 2020 - TBD

Many CNYOS Members have been growing orchids for years and a few members are new to the orchid world. It has been suggested that an information section for beginners be added to the newsletter. I would love advice anyone would like to share on how they grow orchids - what works and what doesn't. Topics can include orchid care, seasonal care, culture, how you grow, water, fertilizer, places to visit, resources, good shows, etc. Anything about orchids!

My first meeting years ago I ask a member a question and she gave me a great answer. She then told me to go ask five more people the same question and that I would probably get five more totally different answers! What works for one person might not work for another or it might be a better way all the way around.

An example: For a future issue, Sue shared with me how she keeps records of all her plants, what works for her and what didn't.

Please email or text me your advice and/or photos. Thanks.

~ Chris Smith

2020 Refreshment Volunteer List:

To be determined when meetings resume

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...

October 2020 AOS Orchidist's Word of the Month:

mealybug (MEE-lee-bug):

A group of sucking insects commonly found in the leaf axils and along the inflorescences of orchids, characterized by white elliptic bodies.

~ Monthly Checklist ~ Orchid Care

AOS Monthly Checklist for September/October

~ Vendors Page ~

I've created this page to keep everyone up-to-date on vendor information and news. 2020 has impacted everyone in many different ways. Some vendors are going out of business or selling because of COVID or for other totally unrelated reasons. Vendors have to follow customer service mandates to keep customers safe and some have shifted to mail orders only. Many of us have been shopping online since we don't have the opportunity to go to shows or feel comfortable traveling. The Vendor List on Page 2 are the vendors that donate to our auctions or were vendors at our last show. If you order plants or supplies let us all know of good or bad experiences so I can update the list of nurseries to check out. Just let me know and I will add the information in the next newsletter. Happy Shopping! ~ Chris

the OrchidPhile was a first time vendor at our CNYOS 2019 Annual Show. Established in 1985, the orchidPhile specializes in miniature and novelty Phalaenopsis orchids. They don't retail from their nursery but do exhibit/sell at orchid shows in the Northeast in addition to filling Mail Orders from a Pre-Order List.

In addition to focus on cutting-edge novelty & multifloral miniature Phalaenopsis, they also carry miniature breeding lines in other genera including Vandaceous, Dendrobiums, Cattleyas, miniature Chinese Cymbidiums and various other species ~ all of which grow & flower readily under Phalaenopsis conditions. They have received multitudes of American Orchid Society flower & culture awards for their orchids and AOS Show Trophies for orchid exhibits. Every month they release a Pre-Order List of available orchids.

"We purposely don't maintain a website since we've found out our constantly updated monthly Pre-Order Lists work better to keep us in touch with our clients & new clients who happen to find us on the internet."

If any members would like to receive their monthly lists, please contact them and request to be added to their client list.

orchidphile@optimum.net or www.facebook.com/orchidphile

CNYOS Member Recommended Vendors or Sites to Checkout

orchidmall.com

They should have just about anything related to orchids. Links to plants sources, supplies, a reading room, photos sites, etc.

Created, owned, and maintained by Carson Whitlow a former guest speaker for CNYOS.

~ Sue Finger

tarzanegroup.com

Plants arrived when promised, great condition, nice sized plants.

~ Sue Finger



Orchid Supply Business for Sale - Open Letter to CNYOS Members

RE: Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies

Dear Orchid Society Membership,

I am writing to let you know I have made the decision to retire from Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies to be effective later this year. I'm amazed that it has been over ten years since I purchased the company and moved it to Milford, NH. At that time I became the third owner and have since come to know many of you as not just customers but more importantly as good friends. I am very proud that we've grown the business into a major online retailer with returning customers not only across the United States and Canada but from as far away as New Zealand and Russia.

In addition to retail sales on our website and as a vendor at orchid shows throughout the Northeast we have created a successful wholesale division that provides our custom made orchid mixes, sphagnum moss, plastic pots and many other items to garden centers throughout New England and to the **Gardener's Supply Company** website. We also manufacture and distribute Rand's Aircone Pots to retailers around the world through our website at www.airconepots.com. At this time we plan to continue selling to these customers but in the near future will no longer sell supplies on the internet.

The decision to sell Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies is entirely based on my personal situation and not related to recent show cancelations. I was disappointed that many events were canceled due to COVID-19 but any concerns I had were quickly alleviated by the increase in online sales. We are fortunate to be one of those businesses that have actually seen an increase in sales this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Earlier this year I began negotiations with someone who planned to purchase Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies with the goal for it to continue and remain located in our area. That sale unexpectedly fell through but this provides an opportunity for someone else to step up and consider becoming a business owner.

If you are interested in an opportunity to become the next owner please don't hesitate to contact me. I love what I do, am proud how successful we've become and sincerely hope that my reaching out can result in a transfer of ownership that will keep Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies in our area for many more years to come. And if not I wish you all well and thank you for your support.

Thank you,

Daryl J Yerdon owner – Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies

Mobile #: 603-321-7897; info@kkorchid.com; www.kkorchid.com

(Serious inquiries only please)

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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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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Chris Smith, Editor

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