

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 by the first week of the month before the next meeting to: csmith23@twcny.rr.com

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Membership Renewal Reminder

2018 Memberships - Dues are \$20 for individuals and \$22 for families.

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President's Message:

What a summer! Crazy busy and the heat got intolerable. After having the summer months off from meetings for multiple clubs, it's time to get back into the swing of things. Many of our orchids loved the summer weather and now we're watching the low temps for overnights to be sure we don't let them stay out too long.

There will be lots going on at the first meeting as we enjoy seeing friends with orchids, bringing in flowers for the Show Table, discussions for our upcoming Show, and much more. Your show committees are busily preparing for our club's largest undertaking. There will be flyers to hand out, signs to put up, instructions for getting your plants ready, sign up sheets for what food you can bring to Beaver Lake, etc,etc,etc..... This is our best time for working together with everyone in the club to impress the judges with our organization.

On the News Front: Sus Ikuta and his wife are moving to Arizona. He had a large(at least 4') single shelf bench with light fixture that he was not taking with him and is donating to our club to use as we wish. This can be discussed at the meeting to see who has any interest in this bench. It may be raffled on its own or auctioned. It is hanging around in my breezeway right now, not in use, too big to transport easily until we know how much interest there is. We wish him well in his new climate as I'm sure there's a lot to learn between Central New York and Arizona.

There's lots of culture news this month too. Newsletter additions are sent out by AOS and there is a great article by Better Gro/Sun Bulb Company. Check out what's coming up for our next meetings and be sure to sign up for refreshments.

Our VPs, Jack and Lorie, have an interesting program for September so be sure to look for information on what they're doing.

Happy Growing,
Sue Finger

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

September 5, 2018 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Greenhouse Chat September 2018
Ron McHatton

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

September 18, 2018 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Judging the Oncidinae
Ron Midgett
(Member-Only Webinar)

October 9, 2018 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Orchiata Bark,
What is Everyone Talking About?
Garry Clark
(Public Webinar)

Minutes: June 10, 2018

No Updates

Treasurer's Report: June 10, 2018

No Updates



Seedlings for the September 9th Workshop. See page 8 for **IMPORTANT** details!

Show Committee REMINDER:

There will be a Show Committee meeting at 1:30 before the regular Club meeting at 2:00 PM

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Show Table Plants for May 6 and June 10, 2018

~ **JUDY SETLA** ~

Rlc. Hawaiian Prominence 'America' AM/AOS
(Rlc. Hisako Akatsuka x C. Wendy's Redstone)

~ **JAN WOODWORTH** ~

Zsc. Zesty Kaila
(Zglm. Louisendorf grex x Zgt. Midnight Blue)
Paph. Toni Semple
(haynaldianum x lowii)
Phal. I-Hsin Ice Coke 'Maui Sunrise' AM/AOS
(Sogo Lisa x Taisuco Firebird)
Phal. cornu-cervi
C. Tiny Titan 'Orange'
(Precious Stones x Beaufort)
C. kerrii
Phal. Sogo Julice
(Sogo Lawrence x Zuma's Pixie)

~ **LORI BURRITT** ~ (all on Windowsills)

E. cordigera f. semialba
C. Bryan Wheeler 'Grandson' AM/AOS
(Irene Finney x Harold Carlson)
C. Kathleen Clarke 'America'
(Excellency x Suavior)
Bc. Yellow Bird
(B. nodosa x Bc. Richard Mueller)
Rlc. Yen Corona 'Green Genie' AM/AOS
(C. Brazilian Treasure x Rlc. Memoria Helen Brown)

~ **JUDI WITKIN** ~

Bulb. falcatum 'Standing Tall' AM/AOS
Dda. zebrina
Epi. amethystinum
Bulb. phalaenopsis
Ste. nanegalensis
Den. cuthbertsonii
Sns. fragrans
Phal. parishii
Zyt. alleniana

~ **JACK HASSE** ~

Un-named Mother-in-law's Phal.
 Den. Green Lantern 'Red Carpet' HCC/AOS
 (Dawn Maree x cruentum)
 Oip. Pacific Waters 'Paul's Pride'
 (Onc. Issaku Nagata x Mps. Hawaiian Waters)
Osp. Sunkissed 'Buttercup'
 (Oip. Living Fire x Ons. Catatante)
 B. nodosa under lights
 Phal. samera under lights
 Trgl. pusilla
 Masd. floribunda
 Paph. (Hsinying Majakun x fairrieanum alba)

~ **SUE & JERRY FINGER** ~

Onc. Volcano Hula Hulau L/Outside
 (Isaku Nagata x Kileuea)
 Van. Pine Rivers L/Outside
 (Van. Peggy Foo x Rhy. coelestis)
 Prra. LeBeau Blue L/Outside
 (Aer. lawrenceae x Van. Sasicha)
 B. nodosa 'Linda' HCC/AOS L/Outside
 Phal. Little Gem Stripes Lights
 (Taisuco Stripe x Taisuco Gem)
 Rstp. brachypus 'Floribunda' L/Terrarium
 C. luteola Lights
 Masd. Heathii 'Sherry' Lights
 Den. Pumpkin Patch Lights
 (C.K. Ai x canaliculatum)
 Masd. Ziegler's Love 'Pink Panther' HCC/AOS Lights
 (Pixie Lavender x Falcon Sunrise)
 Den. aphyllum 'Jim Rice' was pierardii Lights
 Den. chrysotoxum L/Outside
 Mps. Lennart Karl Gottling 'Red Rim' Lights
 (Timberline x Pearl Ono)
 Phal. Sogo Yenlin Lights
 (Sogo Vivien x Sogo Berry)
GESNERIAD - Siningia Deep Purple Dreamin'

Thank you all for bringing in plants to show off. Please check the listings for any changes to your plant's genus or name spelling and awards which should follow that particular clone.

Sue Finger, Registrar



THE August 2018 AOS CORNER

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

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

We're finding that many AOS Members may have unknowingly opted-out of receiving all AOS e-mails. With the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the European Union's new privacy law, having come into effect the rules about e-mail consent have changed. With every e-mail we send out from the AOS there is now an option asking, "Are you getting too much mail?" or "Unsubscribe". Please mention to your AOS members that if they've recently noticed they are no longer seeing AOS e-mails, like Orchid-grams, this could be why. If any member would like to opt back in, they need to send an e-mail request to:

TheAOS@AOS.org requesting their account be re-added, sent from the account they would like the e-mails addressed to. They will need to watch for a confirmation e-mail and once it's confirmed/received the address can be re-added to the recipient list.

SAVE THE DATE & REGISTER: The meeting site is now active & we invite you to register and join us at The American Orchid Society 2018 Fall Members Meeting, which is being held in conjunction with the 19th International Slipper Orchid Symposium on October 31 - November 3, 2018, in Apopka, Florida. If you love Paphs, this is a meeting you won't want to miss. There will be an AOS judging of individual plants (bench judging) as part of this event and a private BBQ at Krull-Smith Nursery. Let your friends know that all AOS members are welcome to join us. Get your registration in and remember to put the dates into your calendar. You'll have to check back for a finalized schedule of events but you can register for text message notifications and you won't miss anything. Make sure to take a look around the site to check out info on nearby accommodations, speakers, vendors, etc. Online registration is at: <https://aosmembersmeeting.com/>
Information on the symposium venue is here: <https://www.slippersymposium.com/>

We hope that you received the new and much requested AOS "Orchid-gram", which will become a regular thing, and include bulletins of events, webinars and activities. Please ask all AOS members to check for it. If they can't find it... it's possible that aos.org has been marked as spam or you may have unknowingly opted out of AOS emails. If you would like to opt back-in, you need to send an e-mail requesting that your account be re-added to: TheAOS@AOS.org from the account you would like e-mails to be sent to. Watch for the confirmation e-mail and once it's confirmed/received the address can be re-added to the recipient list.

Remember to check-in on our [Facebook Group Page for Affiliated Societies of the American Orchid Society](#). Let us know how your show went and what was successful for you or what didn't quite make the mark. We always help each other by sharing. Our administrator, Chad Brinkerhuff, monitors the feed and is a great resource for all that the AOS has to offer. Keep us up to date on what's going on at your local society and let us know how we can help you.

Let's grow together, Denise Lucero

August: A Warming Trend: Modifying Care Plans to Deal with the Heat of Summer ~ Thomas Miranda

This is a re-print of an article from [Orchids](#) magazine, August 2007.

As the temperatures wax across North America this month, our productivity tends to wane. In August, most people, it seems, take off for someplace cooler, such as the beach, an air-conditioned mall or Antarctica. Hobbyists weren't meant to swelter in 95-degree heat and, similarly, any orchids blooming this month tend to fade more quickly due to the high temperatures and light levels they receive. In August, it's easy to imagine what the earth will be like if it continues its current warming trend. No one really knows, specifically, what global warming may wreak upon us.

It is always my aim to make this column positive, uplifting and, occasionally, a bit inspiring, but the heat of August scares me as I imagine a future world where that might be the norm and I work harder than ever to keep my orchids and my garden from stressing out. My latest pet peeve is that the media is doing stories about the "positives" of global warming for gardeners, for example, that USDA zone 5 regions are having successes overwintering zone 7 plants. Don't buy into this baloney and become complacent about the issue. As the world warms, many plants (and animals) that can't adapt or migrate quickly enough will no doubt go extinct. Distribution of rainfall and other environmental conditions will change unpredictably, with resulting parched forests, wilted jungles and swampy deserts. So, as we struggle to keep our collections cool this month, think about what we can personally do to slow down this warming trend and keep the world safe for our children and our beloved orchids.

COOLING Many intermediate- and cool-growing orchids have been feeling the stress of summer heat for more than a month, and signs of trouble, which can be slow to appear in orchids, are starting to reveal themselves. Stressed-out plants will often appear flaccid and limp or a blanched-out yellow-green color. Pleurothallids may even start dropping leaves when they overheat. Examine these plants carefully, above and below the pot. Often, all that is really necessary is to move the plant to a shadier, or cooler, spot in the growing area, but some are just not able to tolerate the heat for such a long period, especially when temperatures don't drop at night.

Collections of portable miniatures can be brought into the air conditioning on such nights, but a large collection must be cooled with air flow, misting and increased shade. Make sure these stressed plants are properly potted and have any necrotic tissue removed; dead leaves and pseudobulbs are vectors for many pathogens.

AILMENTS Hot weather can increase the reproduction of some of the worst pathogens in orchids. Erwinia bacterial rot can "melt" a phalaenopsis collection in just a few days. It is more important now than ever to observe plants daily and take corrective actions. While it's tempting to drench your plants with water on hot days, constant watering and puddles of standing water on plants are vectors for these pathogens. On hot days, light misting combined with good airflow are the keys to keeping all your plants healthy.

INSECTS Hot temperatures also translate into increased insect activity. Check any plants summering in the yard for insects. Ant colonies will often invade the coarse, airy medium in orchid pots. Plants in such pots often decline quickly due to the change in pH that happens when ants exude their waste around orchid roots. *Myrmecophila* (which means "ant lover" in Latin) thrive in such acidic conditions. In nature, they live symbolically with ant colonies inside their hollow pseudobulbs. Other orchids collapse under these conditions. In addition, ants farm out other insects, such as scale, aphids and mealybugs, carrying young insects throughout your collection and returning later to harvest their sweet exudates. In general, they cannot be tolerated in an orchid collection. Immediately repot any plants that look as if ants are living in them.

FERTILIZING Many lowland species are thriving now while the upland species are struggling. The warm-growing plants

require copious watering and fertilizing and should be kept separate from cooler-growing plants. Take full advantage of the warm conditions for these plants. Vandas, ascocendas, many angraecums, standard and nobile-type dendrobiums, myrmecophilas and those laelias that used to be schomburgkias, encyclias, psychopsis, *Cattleya violacea* and *Brassavola nodosa* and its hybrids are among the orchids that are rapidly growing in the intense heat. *Catasetums*, *cycnoches* and their allies need fertilizer to fill their growing pseudobulbs. *Stanhopeas*, *coryanthes* and their ilk are producing their exotic pendulous spikes, filling the greenhouse with delicious aromas. Make sure you have a camera handy to capture images of their luscious but deliquescent blooms at their peak. — Tom Mirenda has been working professionally with orchids for over three decades and is an AOS accredited judge. He coauthored *The Book of Orchids: A life-size guide to 600 species from around the world*.



During the hot days of August, make sure correct temperatures are provided to all orchids including *Masdevallia* Setting Sun 'Free Spirit' AM/AOS; Photographer: Lynn O'Shaughnessy.

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

September 9, 2018 - 2 pm
Potting Workshop: Variety of Seedlings
from Carmella Orchids, Hawaii

September 28, 29, 30, 2018
CNYOS Annual Fall Show
Beaver Lake Nature Center

October 7, 2018
Meeting & Guest Speaker

Refreshment Volunteer List:

September 2018 - Chris Smith & ???
Please contact Chris Smith if you would like to bring something.

At the September 9th Meeting there will be a Refreshment Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet for the 2018 Fall Show and Future Meetings.

~ September 9, 2018 CNYOS Meeting ~

CNYOS Annual Fall Show Discussion:

Discussion to include: how to prepare and register your plants, volunteer sign-ups for monitoring, society table, food, setup/breakdown, etc.

Notes on Potting Workshop: Variety of Seedlings

- For the last few weeks Jack has been babysitting over 100 nice sized plantlets from Carmella Orchids in Hawaii. <http://www.carmelaorchids.net>
- The plants include: RLC. Sharon Forsythe 'Orange Red', Den. Airy White, Mtssa. Dark Star 'The Orchidworks', Onc. Gower Ramsey, and Rhyncattleanthe Love Triangle.
- What to bring: Potting medium, 3-inch pots and labels. **Note: Each Member should be able to take home at least one of each plant. So be prepared to go home with at least 5 plants.**

The plants were bought by the Club for the program but any donations would be kindly appreciated to offset the cost.

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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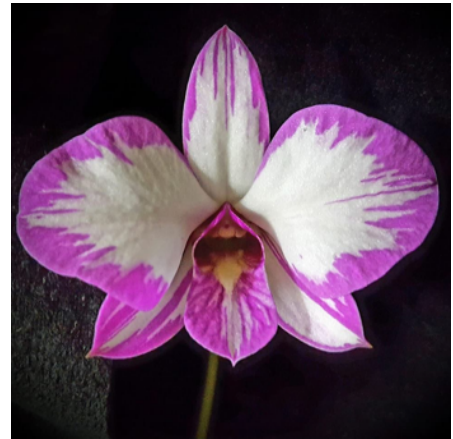
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CNYOS Facebook Page:

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<https://www.facebook.com/CNYOS/>



Reminder: Be sure to “Like” our page!

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