



The Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society
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September 2011 Newsletter

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The next meeting of the Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society will be on Tuesday, September 13, 2011. Note that this is usually the first Tuesday of the month. The meeting will be held at the Civic Garden Center (CGC) on 2715 Reading Road across from Bethesda Hospital. There will be time to socialize from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM. There will also be a Beginners Class at 7:00 PM in the CGC Library. You can still bring your plant(s) in and ask some of the Societies experts any question that you have regarding your plant(s). The formal meeting is scheduled to start at 7:30 PM.

2012 Proposed Budget

Margaret Cullen will be presenting the proposed budget for 2012 at the September meeting. The Society will then vote on this budget at the October meeting.

Our Web Site

If you can, take a look at our Web Site at: <http://www.cincinnatiorchids.org>. If you have any material or ideas to add to the Web Site, please contact our Publication Chair, Brian Spitler, at publicationschair@cincinnatiorchids.org.

Beginners Class

Dana White will be presenting a Beginners Class in the CGC Library at 7:00 PM. This class will discuss how to register your plants for our Orchid Shows.

Program

The September program features Harry Phillips of Andy's Orchids located in Encinitas, CA (check out their Web Site at <http://www.andysorchids.com>). Harry will be talking about, "Growing Mounted Species Orchids" or "Orchids On A Stick" as the Web Site claims. In addition, he will be bringing plants for sale. You can contact Andy's Orchids if you want to purchase plants in advance and have Harry bring them to the September meeting.

Refreshments for the September meeting

Stan & Elaine Better and Milton Schwartz will be providing refreshments for the September meeting. At this time we only need two people to sign up for the November meeting.

A Word from the President

The July Seminar was a great success with two great speakers and a fantastic turnout. Thanks go out to all that helped put this event together and especially Jan Yates for being in charge once again. Note that our Fall Show is not that far off (October 21 – 23) so start getting your plants ready. Stan Better will be putting out sign up sheets at the September meeting. These cover donations, clerking, set up, tear down, host table, and hospitality. There will also be an orchid display table for members who have never won a blue ribbon. Stan will provide the details at the September meeting.

Society Order - Margaret Cullen has volunteered to put together another society order from Roberts Flower Supply. If you need potting material, pots or other orchid supplies, this is a great opportunity to purchase quality potting material at a nice price. See Margaret at the September meeting because the deadline to place an order is September 17.

Conservation Committee Report

Pat O'Connor is scheduling a Committee meeting for August 27 at 3:00 PM at Willie's Sports Café just behind the Kenwood Mall. Contact Pat if you want to attend.

CGC Plant Sale

There will be a plant sale at the Civic Garden Center on September 17 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. GCOS will have a table with more than 40 orchids for sale.

Plants for Silent Auction

A past member has donated some orchids back to the Society. We will use these for silent auctions whenever we have a speaker with no plant sale.

MAOC

The Fall 2011 MAOC Conference is coming September 16 – 18 in Milwaukee, WI. For more details and registration forms, go to the MAOC Web Page at: <http://midamericanorchids.org>. We are also starting talks about hosting a MAOC Show and Meeting in 2013. If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact me, Ron Miller, at: orchidad@cinci.rr.com. We have a Kickoff meeting tentatively scheduled for September 10.

Chicagoland Orchid Festival

The Central Indiana Orchid Society (Indy) is planning an all day bus trip to this Festival on September 23. Cost is \$35. For more information, contact Michael Hinshaw at 765-913-4032 or email to mehinshaw@hotmail.com. MVOS may also be arranging for a bus to leave Dayton.

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The newsletter is sent to all members whose membership is current and to other orchid societies by reciprocal agreement.



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Orchid of the Month

This month features *Cattleya bicolor* variety *brasiliensis*. Grown by Ron Miller under the following conditions:

Summer – On screened porch with good morning light. Heavily misted every other day and put out in the rain. Brought inside when night time temperatures get down into the mid to low 50's.

Winter – Inside on window sill with almost the same exposure. Daily misting and drying

If you have a good orchid photo that you would like featured in the Newsletter, send it to Ron Miller at orchidad@cinci.rr.com.

