

**The Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society**  
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June 2013 Newsletter

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**The next meeting of the Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society will be on Tuesday, June 4, 2013. Note that this is the first Tuesday of the month. The meeting will be held at the Civic Garden Center (CGC) on 2715 Reading Road. The formal meeting starts at about 7:30 PM. There are a few announcements then the program. There will be time to socialize earlier. There will also be a Beginners Class at 6:30 PM in the CGC Library. You can bring your plant(s) in and ask any of the Society's experts any question that you have.**

**Summer picnic, 2013** – We have reserved the Council Bluff Shelter at Sharon Woods in Sharonville for **SAURDAY JUNE 15<sup>th</sup>**. We have not been to this particular shelter before but Sharon Woods is easy to find. There is a permit needed to drive into the park. They cost \$3 per car for a one day pass & are available at the entrance to the park. For Hamilton County residents (or anyone else) who wish there is an annual permit available for \$10. All information & maps are on the website - <http://cincinnatiorchids.org/index.html>

**Beginners Class – June** – Starts in the Library at 6:30 PM. Come to our discussion on Growing Orchids Outside. Share what's working for you and ask for ideas on things that aren't working.

**Beginners Class – September** – Starts in the Library at 6:30 PM. The Beginners Group will be discussing terrestrial orchids this month.

**June Speaker** – The program for the meeting will be Jan Yates will present this month's program. Title of her presentation is "Cattleyas - What I Learned While I was Weeding Bob Sanker's Greenhouse" . Note that's Catts not cats. (No plant sales)

**NO MEETING IN JULY OR AUGUST but don't forget the seminar!!**

**September Speaker** – Program will be by Tom Harper of Stones river Orchids in Nashville. Tom is a Phal expert but his expertise extends to orchids in general. He will speak on Phalaenopsis: 12 Most Important Species Influencing Today's Modern Phal. Hybrids.

**June Refreshments – ????**

We will need volunteers to bring refreshments for the meetings for next year. A sign-up sheet will continue circulating at the meetings until filled for the 2013 year.

**Annual Summer Orchid Seminar** – Don't forget to register for the seminar (form attached). For only \$15 you get **4, yes four**, programs from 2 speakers AND you get to buy from 2 vendors. Also, Jan has once again arranged for box lunches to be delivered for only \$7 each. Even if you forget to fill out the form, come anyway, bring a lunch & pay your \$15 at the door.

**Conservation Committee** – The chairperson of the Conservation Committee, Teresa Huesman, said there is a field trip being planned for June 8<sup>th</sup> to Cedar Bog. **If you are interested but not yet signed up please call Teresa at 513-673-5434 or see Teresa at the meeting.**

The trip to The Edge of Appalachia Preserve on May 11 with Peter Whan was very good! We saw many beautiful species of orchids, violets, ferns & more. Thank you to Teresa for organizing it!

**Our Web Site** – Go to: <http://www.cincinnatiorchids.org>. Contact our Publication Chair, Brian Spitler, at [publicationschair@cincinnatiorchids.org](mailto:publicationschair@cincinnatiorchids.org) if you would like to add to the site.

**Fall 2013 MAOC** – The dates are October 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, with set up on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup>. The name of the MOAC will be “Orchids N Art”, very clever Eric & Barry! We now have an agreement in writing with the Dayton Art Institute.

**Speakers** – The following speakers have been confirmed for Saturday:

Angela Mirro, from New York will be the keynote speaker after the banquet. Topic: Orchids in Art & Illustration.

Chris Purver, from the Eric Young Orchid Foundation in England. Topic: Oncidinae including recent name changes & Miltoniopsis, Ocnidium, Oncidopsis, Brassidiums, etc.

Holger Purner, from China. Topic: Chinese Paphiopedilums & Cypripediums.

Erich Michel. Topic: The genetic relationships of Phalaenopsis species, their culture & hybrids.

**Speaking on Sunday will be:**

Lynn O'Shaughnessy. Topic: Orchid photography especially the little ones.

Holger Purner speaking at the hotel on Dendrobiums.

**Vendors** – The following vendors have all been confirmed: Orchid Inn (Sam Tsui – [www.orchidinnusa.com/](http://www.orchidinnusa.com/)), Wei Chen, Holger Perner, Windswept in Time, Michel Orchid Nursery (<http://michelorchid.com/>), Andy's Orchids ([www.andysorchids.com/](http://www.andysorchids.com/)), Ecuagenera ([www.ecuagenera.com/](http://www.ecuagenera.com/)), Natts Orchids (<http://nattsorchids.com/>), Porter's Orchids ([www.portersorchids.com/](http://www.portersorchids.com/)), New Vision Orchids (<http://newvisionorchids.com/>) & Roberts Flower Supply (<http://orchidmix.com/>).

**Website** – orchidsandart.com.

**Next MOAC meeting** – will probably be Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> or June 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Bob Evans off of Union Center Blvd. just off I-75 at 6:30 PM. Any one wishing to be a part of the fun is welcome to come.

**Jobs to be filled** – There will be a list of jobs needed to be filled at the meeting. Many of these are not until much closer to show time. The following is a list of jobs for the MAOC. If you are interested in filling one or more of them please feel free to come to the meetings &/or talk to Barry Jones, Jan Yates or Dana White.  
Goodie Bags

Everyone is encouraged to think of things which are uniquely Cincinnati, Northern Kentucky &/or Dayton to go into the bags handed out to every registrant. Things like refrigerator magnets from local companies, brochures from local attractions, etc. They need to be free or VERY cheap since we need about 120 of each of them.

Hospitality

People will be needed to man information tables for societies. We will also have a place to keep plants that have been bought & paid for people away from public. Also people for the

registration table to hand out the goodie bags, badges, etc.

Show

All the jobs associated with any orchid show, including but not limited to the show schedule, display area layout, trophies, invitations to individuals & nearby societies, plant & display

registration, coordination of the Friday night preview party including celebrity invitations & ticket sales.

**Cincinnati Judging Center** – The June date is Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup>. You will note this is the second Sunday of the month. We are lucky enough to have an AOS Judging Center right here in Cincinnati. They meet the second Sunday of every month at the Civic Garden Center. Judging starts at 1:00 PM & observers are always welcome.

**Board of Directors** – The next meeting of the Board of Directors is set for Tuesday May 21<sup>st</sup> (I think). Any one who is interested in the inner workings of the GCOS is welcome to attend.

**AOS "Orchids" magazine** – "Orchids" magazine is sent to all American Orchid Society members each month and we encourage all GCOS members to join our national affiliate organization ([www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org)).

I did the May magazine last month because it had Bulbos in it & that was our speaker's subject. Stay tuned for the June issue highlights.

**Every month** – And if the articles & pictures don't get you the ads certainly will!!

**Volunteer opportunities** – just tell us what you're interested in and we will get you plugged in. These are the jobs we need to have filled as soon as we can. You will find a longer list on the back of the 2013 membership form.

\_\_\_\_ **Hospitality** (those goodies we all love to eat) at meetings and shows

\_\_\_\_ **Registering plants for shows** – Assisting & learning how to register plants for shows, both at home & away – the biggest qualification for this job is not being afraid of all of those orchid names!

\_\_\_\_ **Show Chair** – Assisting and learning how to chair/organize an AOS sanctioned orchid show

\_\_\_\_ **MAOC** – We are hosting a major regional show to be held in collaboration with the Dayton MVOS in October 2013 at the Dayton Art Institute. Help will be needed with directing visitors during the event, “park a plant” (for show visitors who bought plants but don't want to carry them around), society table, show clerking, general promotion, fundraiser auction items, getting items for goody bags for registrants...many, many more opportunities.

We always welcome input on speakers, field trips, newsletter items, beginner culture group & other program options so please share your ideas with any member of the Board (see top of newsletter for names).

**Wisdom from the Prez** – It's been a quiet month in Cincinnati...birds buzzin', bees chirping away. Oops wrong Cincinnati. But you can't go wrong with our program this month from Jan Yates. Cats, and not the furry kind. What she's learned over the years about her most fave group. Dana has promised a wonderful weather day on June 8<sup>th</sup> for our piggynicky. Good food. Good people. And the chicken!!! What more can we ask for? How about the July seminar. As usual great speakers and greaterer plants to buy. Then we will be off till Sept. to enjoy the heat, humidity and cicadas. Hope this finds all well and happy. Bee all you can bee just watch out for stings.

All for now—Da Prez

*(Funny, I don't remember making that promise! But we are usually very lucky weather wise.)*