## The Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society 8767 Apalachee Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45249

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October 2014 Newsletter

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The next meeting of the Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society will be on Tuesday, October 6, 2014. 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.

A note about parking for the meetings: When the Civic Garden Center's parking lot is full, we are allowed to park in the Hand Surgery parking lot. This lot is directly across Oak Street from the CGC. Also, it might be helpful to bring a flashlight.

**Beginners Class – October –** Starts in the Library at 6:30 PM. Another two parter. First a discussion of humidity and air movement. Second part will the care of young plants - flasks, compots and young seedlings. Like people baby orchids need different care than the old guys. Since sometimes you can only find your next favorite orchid as a seedling this could be good to know. Second will be a discussion of Soft Leaf orchid culture. Ask Brian what soft leaf orchids are.

**Beginners Class – November –** Starts in the Library at 6:30 PM. The program this month will be the last of the two parters. Culture discussion of pests and diseases (no not Rick). Second topic is yet to be determined but I'm sure it will be great.

**October Speaker –** Jason Fischer of Orchids Ltd in Minnesota will visit us this month to discuss Phals and Phrags. You can learn more about Orchids Ltd at orchiweb.com

**November Speaker –** The program this month will be presented by our old friend Russ Vernon of New Vision Orchids in Indiana. Russ will talk on Cool vs Warm Growing Oncidinae Hybrids. Don't forget everyone should wear Maize and Blue in honor of Russ' visit and always greet him with Go Blue.

**GCOS Fall Show** – The GCOS Fall Show will be on October 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, and has been confirmed with Krohn. Our vendors are: Russ Vernon, Windswept in Time, Natt's, Porter's, Oak Knob, Jim France, Orchid Inn and probably Erich Michel.

As you know, our fall show is quickly approaching! I am reaching out to you today in the hopes of recruiting your help! We are in need of food items for hospitality. On Friday we usually provide a dinner, Saturday Breakfast and Lunch and Sunday Breakfast and Lunch as well. As always, we appreciate the monetary donations but if any of you would be interested in providing an item for these meals we would very much appreciate it! Please contact me if you would be willing to help. Thanks so much for your support and have a good day! -Amy Gondosch-

There will be sign-up sheets at the meeting so come prepared to help. This is a Society event so we need everyone to do their part.

**Kentucky Orchid Society Show –** See inserts from Jan about the show.

**Central Ohio Orchid Society Show and MAOC** – The COOS will host the fall MAOC meeting this fall. It will be held at their traditional location, Franklin Park Conservatory. Speakers will include Alexej Popow of Popow Orchids, Germany, Andrea Niessen of Orchideas del Valle, Columbia and Patricia Harding. The show will be at

the Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, East Broad Street, Columbus, OH. See the GCOS calendar for more details.

Our membership chair has asked that we do the following:

## 2014 GCOS Membership Survey

Please click on this link <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NHBD7J2">https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NHBD7J2</a> to take a very brief survey from the Board of Trustees. Your response will help us with our fiscal planning for the future. The survey will be available for one week following the October 7th meeting.

**GCOS** hosting the 2016 MAOC Show in the spring: MVOS people expressed willingness to combine efforts with us. Discussion ensued about the possibility of an MAOC/AOS combination show and briefly what that entails. More details will be forthcoming.

**Cincinnati Judging Center –** The October date is Sunday the 12<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.

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

**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 (<a href="www.aos.org">www.aos.org</a>). **Every month –** And if the articles & pictures don't get you the ads certainly will!!

Wisdom from the Prez – Yikes, where did the summer go!! One moment your in Africa, the next in Cincy and it's time for plants to come in. Time flies. Speaking of flys there were some nifty Bulbophyllums at the Louisville show this past weekend. Two just plain weird and one weird and stinky. Weird brings us into Oct. with spooks and things that go bump in the night and our Show. Yes, our Show is coming up and we need you. Help bring in plants for people. Help by providing food. Help by greeting people and being a friendly voice in the orchid wilderness. Your help will make our show a success. Most close for now. Time to bring in some more plants. See who has gotten bigger and who has gotten smaller. Even in my world smallerness is not always a good thing. Give someone a smile today. And be good to yourself. TaTa All for now—Da Prez

The GCOS exhibit won the AOS Show Trophy at the Kentucky Orchid Society show in Louisville last weekend – it was a group effort by Steve Helbling, Jan Yates, Ed and Mary Anne Foss, Alexa Noel, Larry Sanford, Hideka Kobayashi and Jeanne and Barry Rhinehart.

A few plants gathered the 'oohs and ahs', particularly a large orange *Habenaria rhodocheila* from Jordan Hawley which was awarded an AOS Award of Merit and Steve Helbling's Blc. Eagle Island 'Sangria', a dark velvety red cattleya cross. Larry Sanford also grew gorgeous masdevallias in many colors.

Here are the plants and how they fared:

Prosthechea trulla	Blue	Ed & Mary Anne Foss		
Onc. Twinkles	Blue	u		
C. labiata rubra	Red	Steve Helbling		
Blc. Eagle Island 'Sangria' AM/AOS	Red	u		
Paph. Jade Dragon 'Mem. Roger June' AM/AOS Red "				
Phrag. Fox Valley Fireball	White	íí		
Eulophia euglossa 'Thanks Eric' AM/AOS	Blue, Best of	Class "		
Mediocalcar decoratum	Blue, Best of	Class "		
Ctsm. bergoldii x pileatum	Blue			
Paph. Hsinying Agogo	Red	ű		
Dendrochilum glumaceum		u		
Paph. Temptation	White	Jeanne & Barry Rhinehart		

Paph. Mem. Bryden Nicholson Blue Jan Yates Phrag. Mont Remon Blue Larry Sanford Phrag. Les Dirouilles Blue " Onc. (syn. Oda.) Patience Blue Masd. Golden Sun Masd. Paul Martinod 'Marsh Hollow' HCC/AOS Blue, Best of Class " Masd. Geneva Spots 'Mem. Wanda Rohs' AM/AOS MAsd. Redwing 'Patience' AM/AOS Red, Blue in first blooms,

Best of Class in first blooms

Ascf. Moonlight Firefly Blue Hideka Kobayashi

Habenaria rhodocheila Blue, Best of

Class, AM Jordan Hawley

(I couldn't get the pictures to load for some reason. I'll try again for next month.)