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Beginners Meeting 6:15 p.m. * Social "Hour" 7:00 - 7:15 p.m. * Meeting begins at 7:15 p.m.
Senior Adult Lounge at the Jewish Community Center, 1200 Edgewood Avenue, Rochester, NY

NEXT MEETING: JAN. 2, 2006



The holidays seemed to go by pretty quickly this year. We hope that all GROS members and their loved ones and friends had terrific celebrations! Now that we're beginning 2006, about all we can say to make sure that the New Year gets off on the right foot is: **LYCASTES!** *That's right - LYCASTES!*

Our January program will feature a slide program provided by The Orchid Digest Corporation entitled, "Lycastinae" by Helmut Rohrl.

LYCASTE is a genus of about forty distinct species, all of which may be found in Central or South America. John Lindley named the genus in honor of the daughter of Priam, King of Troy, in 1843. The first plants of *Lycaste virginalis* (née *skinneri*) were discovered in Guatemala in 1840, although there are records of these orchids blooming in cultivation as early as 1827 in England. Clearly, both botanists and hobbyists have been enchanted by the genus almost as long as people have cultivated orchids. *Lycaste powellii*, shown above, is a sub-tropical species from Panama, first published in 1922.

The Show Table has had a rollicking holiday season, and is ready to go for the New Year, so please remember to bring in your flowering plants. Start the year off right and join your fellow GROS members for the first meeting of 2006. We'll see you there!

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Beginners Meeting Set for Jan. 2

The beginners meeting will start at 6:15 p.m. and end just before 7:00 p.m. so that members may attend the regular meeting. We will meet in the classroom on the North side of the West Lobby entrance near the computer lab. Since we have a limited time slot try to be there on time.

- Jim Marlow

Rhizome Clip Demo Planned for Jan. 2

As she promised in November, Jeanne Kaeding will be demonstrating how to make rhizome clips at the January meeting. Jeanne would prefer to do the demo just before the January meeting. Plan to arrive a bit early to see Jeanne present "Anchoring Your Orchids," a hands-on demonstration on making custom rhizome clips using wire and pliers.

Lights & Greenhouse Group Plans Trip

The Lights & Greenhouse Group invites all GROS members to join them in a guided tour of Jim Marlow's greenhouse, during Marlow Orchids' Open House, on January 7th.

Jim will conduct tours for GROS members at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The tours will be from thirty minutes to an hour in length. Jim will point out unique and varied orchids, hybrids & species, describing their care, and answering any questions the participants may have. If you're interested in attending the tour please contact me for further details, or just plan on being there. My phone number is: (315) 597-6778. This is a great opportunity to ask an expert about the care and feeding of your orchids. See you all on the 7th of January!

-Diane Bernard



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Meeting Minutes for Dec. 18, 2005

Our annual Holiday party was held on Sunday December 18th at Valicia's Ristorante. It was a wonderful meal with 26 people in attendance. There was a show table with many beautiful orchids in bloom. Members also held a gift exchange. Many thanks to Rose Moscato for organizing the party for all of us.

-Barbara Benedict
Secretary

Orchid Divisions for Sale

☛ 8 plants of *Brassavola nodosa* 'Linda' for sale at \$10 each. Five are quite large divisions in 5 and 6" pots. This clone has large flowers for its type, is very fragrant at night, and grows well. It has won numerous awards for me, including an HCC/AOS and the Jim Rice Memorial award. It wants bright light to grow well.

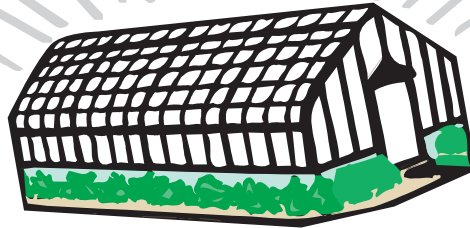
☛ 2 large divisions of *Encyclia tampensis* var. *alba* at \$10 each. This has small white and green flowers that are very fragrant in the daytime. It also wants bright light.

Call Bob Wyman at 872-3323 if you want one or more of these.

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Open House!

Sat. Jan. 7, 2006



at Marlow's
Orchids

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Refreshments & Specials on orchid plants all day!

We need to make room for our latest 2006 stock.

Mounted Orchids Seminar 9:30 -10:30a.m.

Cost for seminar is \$16 and includes one plant suitable for mounting along with materials and instructions. Preregistration required; Seminar limited to the first 12 registrants. Please register by phone by Jan 6th at the latest. We will offer a choice of 3 different plants suitable for growing in your specific growing environment (including windowsill.)

Repotting Orchids Seminar 2p.m. - 3p.m.

Bring in your orchids for repotting and we will guide you through the process. \$5-\$8 per orchid depending on the size of plant. Limit 3 plants per person.

Cheese and Wine Tasting party 3p.m. - 5p.m.

Door prize drawing 4p.m. (need not be present to win!)

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Feb. Meeting:

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Newsletter deadline:

Jan. 26

