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Beginners Meeting 6:30 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: MAR. 2, 2009

Disa Foam
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We've decided that investing in futures is the way to go. No, not pork belly futures or soybean futures - more in the way of *Brassia* futures, *Phalaenopsis* futures, *Cattleya* futures, *Masdevallia* futures, *Paphiopedilum* futures, *Dendrobium* futures - you get the picture. There's nothing like the approach of our Spring show to stoke our interest in futures!

Before the Show takes center stage, join us in March as Wally Orchard, a self-styled "certifiable Disamaniac" from Yachats, Oregon presents a special talk on *Disas*. The genus *Disa* consists of 169 terrestrial orchid species in tropical and South Africa, Madagascar and along the Western Indian Ocean. Most of the cultivated species are from South Africa.

Walter does have a list of *Disas* available for pre-order on his website - from seed and flasks through blooming-size plants. Have a look at his website, "Afrodisa," Home of *Disas* and other South African Terrestrials. You'll also find the "Holy Grail of Disadom" (did you ever realize that there was such a thing? ...) on the site, along with a lot of useful links and other information about growing this unusual genus. If you're looking for something specific, please don't hesi-

tate to inquire. You can get in touch with Wally via email at worchard@peak.org, or by phone at 541-547-5474. The website URL is <http://worchard.home.comcast.net/~worchard/>

We will be taking Wally out to dinner at Bugaboo Creek Steak House (Jefferson Road) at 5pm on the night of the meeting. If you're interested in joining us, (everyone pays for his or her own meal) please contact Diana Polle so that we can make sure we have enough space. Just send her an email at dpolle@gmail.com.

The Legendary Show Table will be back! Now's the time to bring in your flowering orchids that won't hold their blooms 'till the Show! (You might even see them later on our website.) We'll see you there!

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Meeting Minutes for Feb. 2, 2009

President **Jeff Snyder** called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. He welcomed guests, in particular the ladies from the Ikebana Rochester Chapter.

Our treasurer, **Judy Ekberg**, gave her report for the last month's activity. We have deposits from show vendor payments, dues, and raffle sales totaling \$760.50. Our expenditures totaled \$537.80 for program expenses, post office box rental, and our AOS annual magazine subscription. Our bank balance to date is \$16,038.22.

A motion to approve the January meeting minutes was made by **Jeanne Kaeding**, a second by **Dwaine Levy**. The Motion passed by a show of hands.

Ruth Espinosa-Barone, Show Chairlady, brought us up to date on the following plans for the 2009 show:

An example of the photograph that will be used for the poster was shown. Posters for framing will come in two sizes – 8 ½ × 11 and 11 × 17. Something new this year, the posters with photos only (no text) will be available at the show as fundraisers for the club.

Fliers and posters will be available at the March meeting to distribute to all the usual businesses, churches, etc. If you need fliers before the March meeting, please contact Ruth.

The annual Awards Reception will be held on Friday evening, April 3rd. Ruth has reserved a new location for the reception. It will be in the Planetarium gallery, which is adjacent to the Museum. Both front and rear entrances may be used, she noted. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be available from 5:30 p.m. until 6:15 p.m., followed by dinner from 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., after which members may tour the orchid exhibits in Eisenhart Auditorium until 10:00 p.m. There will be the usual dining stations (main course, salad, dessert) and the cost will be \$18.00 per person (member) or \$35.00 (non-member.)

You may want to bring your membership up to date beforehand to avoid paying the higher

amount. Judges who will have spent the day evaluating our orchids will be guests of our Society for this event. You may reserve your spot at this wonderful dinner and awards presentation by checking the GROS website or using the form that will appear in the March newsletter. Reservations needed by Monday, March 23rd.

Ruth noted that the Classifications and Rules & Regulations sheets were published in the February newsletter and are also available on the website. Paper copies will be available at the next meeting.

Exhibit space forms are available for reserving a place to have your own exhibit. Check the website soon. A deadline of March 7th is necessary to enable Ruth to arrange the displays and order tables.

Ron Uhlig will be in charge of registration again this year. He encourages on-line pre-registration for your entries. Stay tuned for more information on this.

Lori Bayer had her clipboard with her and enlisted many volunteers for hosts and hostesses. This is a great chance to talk with show visitors and to answer their questions.

We still need housing for one vendor, Edgar Staley, who will be coming from Ohio (Windswept in Time Orchids) for the two nights (April 3-4.)

A volunteer is needed to head up the refreshment committee at the show. Food is made available to vendors and members working at the show. A little planning and shopping is all that's needed. See Ruth or give her a call.

Noel Krzesinski reminded us that Thursday, Feb. 5th is when orchids need to be brought to the Eastman House for Dutch Connection.

Phil Matt, Editor in Chief of this newsletter, thanked Ron Uhlig for all the work he has done on the database for the Society. It makes his job so much easier, Phil said, and GROS is probably the only orchid society that has something as valuable and advanced as this.

Jeff announced that the GROS has ceased to exist. As a result of the steps necessary and fulfilled by Ron Uhlig for the Society, GROS, Inc. has been created. We are now officially a Not

for Profit NY State corporation. Tax Exempt status is next on Ron's list.

Gardenscape is coming up March 12-15. We have space #102, next to Marlow Orchids again. **Alan Salzman** volunteered to work with Ron and Sandi Uhlig on organizing this event.

Jeff noted that the policy on sales at meetings which was discussed last month has been published in the newsletter as a proposed change to the Bylaws. It will be published again next month and voted on at the March meeting.

Dwaine Levy commented on the great pictures of the Show Table plants that Ron Uhlig has taken and sent by email to the membership. She said it's a very effective way of sharing pictures of orchids brought in by members.

Program Chair **Diana Polle** introduced our February speakers, several members of the Rochester Chapter of Ikebana Society International. Headquartered in Japan, this society's goal is to educate people on their art of Japanese flower arranging. Our thanks go to: Karen Napoli, President of the Rochester Chapter and expert on the Ichiyo School of Ikebana design; Saskia Eller of the Ohara School of design; Yasuko Spence of the Higiri Ikenobo School, Ann Nash (narrator); and Padmini Madura. At least six beautiful arrangements (most using white *Dendrobiums*) were made with detailed narrative by each expert.

The Show Table was presented by Phil Matt and Jeff Snyder

Our meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Sandi Uhlig
Secretary



GROS, Inc. Holds First Board Meeting

The newly-incorporated GROS, Inc. held the first meeting of its executive board, February 2, 2009. Those in attendance were: Initial Directors Margery Greene, Judy Ekberg, Jeff Snyder, and Kim Hober. Also in attendance were Ron Uhlig and Sandi Uhlig.

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FEBRUARY SHOW TABLE

Cypripedium Alliance

<i>Paph.</i> Hsinying Alien (Raisin Pie × Supersuk)	Butcher
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<i>Phrag.</i> Hanne Popow	Uhlig

Cattleya Alliance

<i>Rhynchovola (Rcv.)</i> Fairy Queen (Jimminey [sic] Cricket × <i>Rl. glauca</i>)	Butcher
<i>Guarisophleya (Gsl.)</i> Magic Bell (<i>C. loddigesii</i> × <i>Srt.</i> Trick or Treat)	Uhlig
<i>Prosthechea (Psh.)</i> Green Hornet (<i>cochleata</i> × <i>trulla</i>)*	?
<i>Epicatanthe (Ett.)</i> Don Herman (<i>Gsl.</i> Gold Digger × <i>Epi. stamfordianum</i>)*	Levy
<i>Rhynchosophrocattleya (Rsc.)</i> President's Fortune (Fortune × Richard Nixon)	"
<i>Brassanthe (Bsn.)</i> Maikai (<i>B. nodosa</i> × <i>Gur. bowringiana</i>)	Hober
<i>C. intermedia</i>	"
<i>Lc.</i> Puppy Love (<i>C. Dubiosa</i> × <i>L. anceps</i>)†	"
<i>Sc.</i> Tangerine Imp × <i>Thw.</i> Burana Beauty	"
<i>Rolfeara (Rolf.)</i> Hoku Gem (<i>Sc.</i> Tangerine Jewel × <i>Bnts.</i> Richard Mueller)	"

Vandaceous

<i>Ascda.</i> Princess Mikasa (Royal Sapphire × <i>V. coerulea</i>)	Levy
<i>Phal.</i> Golden Sun (Salu Spot × Sentra)	Uhlig
<i>Phal.</i> Jackie Debonis (Ruey Lih Stripes × Chih Shang's Stripes)	Bechelli
<i>Prra.</i> Motes Leprechaun (<i>V. Paki</i> × <i>Prra.</i> Luke Thai)	Batz

Oncidium Alliance

<i>Oncidumnia (Ocd.)</i> Carnival Costume (<i>Onc.</i> Sarcatum × <i>Tolu.</i> Red Belt)	Bechelli
<i>Wils.</i> Bonne Nuit (<i>Onc. sphacelatum</i> × <i>Oda.</i> Eric Young)	Levy

Dendrobium

<i>Den.</i> Christina (Hanafubuki × Everest)	Uhlig
<i>Den.</i> Chiengmai Pink (Kasem White × Tomie Drake)	Bechelli

Miscellaneous

<i>Rstp. sanguinea</i> ‡	Uhlig
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***Take note of the correct genus name.** *Epidendrum* Green Hornet is an entirely different cross. There are several Cattleya alliance hybrids named after Don Herman.

†In case you are wondering, the Mexican *Laelias* are still *Laelias*.

‡Every orchid genus that has been used in hybridizing has an official abbreviation. The list can be downloaded at the RHS registration site.

Please note especially all names and abbreviations in **boldface**, and correct or **complete** your records, **including parentage** and new registrations. The judges will appreciate it if your orchids in the upcoming Spring show are correctly labeled.

Please note: if there are any names you have questions about, don't hesitate to call or e-mail me.

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- GROS, Inc., from previous page

Ron Uhlig announced that The NY Department of State has accepted and approved our application to become a Not-for-Profit Corporation in the State of New York.

Thus, the unincorporated Genesee Region Orchid Society ceases to exist and the Genesee Region Orchid Society Inc. has been born.

Jeff Snyder called the meeting to order. He designated Sandi Uhlig to take the minutes. A copy of the incorporation papers will be sent to each board member by Ron Uhlig.

Ron Uhlig produced a copy of a set of proposed bylaws. He stated that they were identical to the bylaws previously adopted by the

unincorporated society with the exception of a name change.

A motion to approve these bylaws was made by Judy Ekberg and seconded by Kim Hober. It was approved by a unanimous vote. A copy of the approved bylaws will be attached to these minutes and put on the society's website.

A motion was made by Kim Hober to elect the following slate of officers of the Society with duties as prescribed by the bylaws:

President - Jeff Snyder
Executive V.P. - Debbie Johnson
Program V.P. - Diana Polle
Treasurer - Judy Ekberg
Secretary - Sandi Uhlig
Member at Large - Alan Salzman

The motion was seconded by Judy Ekberg. The motion was unanimously approved.

Jeff Snyder accepted the action item to apply for a new EIN. Ron Uhlig will supply the necessary form to Jeff.

A motion made by Margery Greene to adjourn meeting, it was seconded by Kim Hober and unanimously approved.

Next items for Ron Uhlig to attend to: 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Status and State of New York Tax Exempt Status.

Respectfully submitted by
Sandi Uhlig
Secretary

EXHIBIT SPACE REQUEST FORM

Genesee Region Orchid Society Show — April 3-5, 2009

Please complete this form and return it by March 7, 2009 to:
Ruth Espinosa-Barone, 1134 Jackson Rd., Webster, NY 14580

Name that will appear on your exhibit sign: _____

Check here if you prefer to use your own sign and do not need the GROS to provide one:

Contact name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

Exhibit type: Plant display Cut Flowers Educational
 Art or photographs Other (describe) _____

Placement:

- Table provided by GROS (30" x 96")
 Wall space Corner Space
 Open floor space (dimensions) _____

Does your exhibit require electricity? Y N

Does your exhibit have sides which might obscure the edge of a neighboring exhibit (e.g. frame cutting diagonally to a table edge)? Y N

Number of sides from which your exhibit should be viewed (1-4) _____

Expected height above the surface (floor or table) _____

Is your exhibit "unusual"? If so, please provide us with a sketch of your exhibit, showing anything that might help the setup chairman to decide where to place your exhibit. **Please note, our contract with the Rochester Museum & Science Center forbids the inclusion of water devices.** Special items such as corner positions, electricity, backdrop space and central floor space may be limited. Assignment of scarce items will be made by the setup chairman to the best advantage of the overall display area.

Setup begins at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 2, and will continue until 9:00 p.m. Last minute setup will be permitted on Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. ONLY. **All plants and exhibits must be registered by 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 2nd – NO EXCEPTIONS!**

All plants and exhibit materials must be removed immediately after the show closing at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 6th. You are responsible for cleaning your exhibit area after removal of your show materials.

**If you have any questions, contact Ruth Espinosa-Barone at 585-872-5658 or
show2009@geneseeorchid.org**



I WANT YOU FOR GARDENSCAPE!

Bring your flowering plants to the Dome Arena at the
Monroe County Fairgrounds, booth 102 in Minette Hall

Wed., March 11, from 9 a.m. to Noon.

Plant pickup Sunday, March 15, at 5 p.m.

More info: Alan Salzman, 585-377-3213 or
Ron/Sandi Uhlig, 585-387-9940.

Volunteers needed for 2-hour timeslots to staff our
booth from Thurs.-Sun (March 12-15)

Free Gardenscape Admission for all booth workers!

GROS Proposes Changes to Society's Bylaws

Ron Uhlig, our Director of Special Ops, has been working on a set of guidelines regarding member plant sales. As discussed at our meetings, here is the final draft of this work. Note: ***Bold italicized text*** is material being proposed to be added.

ARTICLE 3 - OFFICERS AND DUTIES Section 3

(a) **President:** The President shall have general supervision over all affairs of the Society. The President shall preside at the regular meetings of the Society, and at the Executive Board meetings. The President shall appoint all committee chairpersons, not otherwise designated in the Bylaws, and shall be a member *ex officio* of all committees except the Nominating Committee. The President shall sign or authorize another officer to sign all legal contracts. The President shall also be authorized to sign checks in the absence of the Treasurer.

(b) **Executive Vice President:** In the absence or disability of the President, the Executive Vice President shall perform the Presidential duties. The Executive Vice President shall supervise the preparation of meeting facilities and hospitality arrangements for the Society's meetings.

(c) **Program Vice President:** The Program Vice President shall plan and/or arrange the programs for each monthly meeting. These may include lectures, demonstrations, auctions, panel discussions and other similar activities. ***The Program Vice President shall determine a speaker's intention to sell or not to sell plants and shall publish that information with the meeting notice.***

(d) **Secretary:** The Secretary shall keep a written record of all business transacted at meetings of the Society and of the Executive Board. The Secretary shall submit minutes of all meetings in a timely fashion for publication in the newsletter for membership approval. The Secretary shall prepare correspondence requested by members of the Executive Board. The Secretary shall maintain a written inventory of all property of the Society and its location.

(e) **Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall be custodian of the *funds* of the Society, shall receive all dues and other monies due it, shall sign checks and disburse funds as authorized by the Society or by the Executive Board, keep a correct account of all monies received and expended, and shall give a financial report to the members at each regular meeting. The Treasurer shall maintain a list of members in good standing and submit the list for publication in the newsletter each September for the October issue.

(f) **Member at Large:** The Member at Large shall attend Executive Board meetings, chair the Nominating Committee, and chair the Auditing Committee.

ARTICLE 6 - SALES AT MEETINGS

Section 1 — ***The only items that may be sold at meetings are orchid plants and orchid-growing supplies. Other orchid-related items (e.g. shirts with the society's logo) may be sold if they are approved by the executive board.***

Section 2 — ***Other than the speaker, only members may offer items for sale.***

Section 3 — ***It is understood that the sale is strictly a transaction between the member and the buyer. The society is not a party.***

Section 4 — ***If the speaker, whether a member or not, has plants or supplies for sale, then there shall be no other sales at the meeting.***

Section 5 — ***Except for members who are the speaker, all members will submit 15% of their sales revenue to the society.***



WYSL 1040 AM
Saturdays from 9-10 a.m.
Live on the Web at
www.SavorLife.com



A live gardening program hosted by
Michael Warren Thomas

GROS Sends Best Wishes to Members

Recently, several members of our Society have experienced significant challenges to their health. The Board has sent cards to John Ellenberger, to Debra Johnson and to Linda Wyman & family.

We all send our best wishes for speedy recoveries to John, Debra and Linda.

- Alan C. Salzman,
Member at Large



**GROS
NEW WEBSITE
coming soon!**

Same old
address,

Brand new
look!

Lots more
features!

GROS Spring Show Awards Reception

Friday, April 3, 2009

**RMSC Strassenburgh Planetarium
657 East Ave., Rochester, NY**



- ✿ *Hors d'oeuvres*: 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. in Planetarium Gallery
- ✿ *Dinner*: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. in Planetarium Gallery
- ✿ *Awards Presentation*: 7:30 – 8:15 p.m. in Planetarium Gallery
- ✿ Eisenhart Auditorium open 8:30 – 10:00 p.m. for vendor sales & exhibit viewing

Menu

Hors d'oeuvres - An extensive display of cheeses & vegetables garnished with fresh berries and grapes, served with dips and crackers. Hot *hors d'oeuvres*.

Dinner (“*Dining Stations*” style - self-serve with *Dining Table Seating*).

Salad Station - Mixed greens & Romaine salad; assorted toppings, dressings, relishes. Tomato & mozzarella salad; Italian pasta salad.

Vegetable Station - Steamed fresh seasonal vegetables; herb roasted potatoes; mashed sweet potatoes w. assorted toppings & condiments.

Pasta Station - Penne & linguine; Marinara sauce; Alfredo sauce; cheese; crushed peppers & toppings.

Carving Station - Chef-carved roast brisket of beef; roasted ham; cedar plank grilled salmon; assorted rolls & condiments.

Beverage Station - Wine, soda, coffee, tea.

Dessert Station - Mini cheesecake with assorted fruit toppings. Cookies, mini pastries, cakes/tortes.



NAME: _____

Member/Vendor @ \$18.00 _____ How Many?

Non-Member @ \$35.00 _____ How Many?

AOS Judge (Complimentary) _____ How Many?

AWARDS RECEPTION PRICING

Members, Vendors:	\$18.00
Non-Members:	\$35.00
AOS Judges	No Charge

Total cost: _____

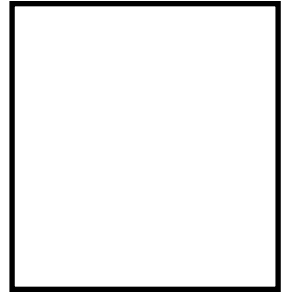
Please complete & mail this form (or bring to the March GROS meeting), along with your check payable to *The Genesee Regional Orchid Society* by **Monday, March 23, 2009**. Questions? Call Ruth at (585) 872-5658 (evenings).

Mail checks to: Ruth Espinosa-Barone
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