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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: NOV. 5, 2007



Cypripedium parvifolium, in the Uhlig's backyard
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This time of year, we're accustomed to admiring the Fall foliage as the crisp weather marks the change of seasons. There's nothing more unsettling to a denizen of the Genesee Region than a patch of balmy weather the week before Halloween. Compared to wildfires and monsoons, I suppose we really have nothing to complain about.

Rep your interests focused on the outdoors as we welcome William Mathis, Ph.D, as he presents "Gardening with Hardy Perennial Orchids: The Best Kept Secret in the Gardening World." This program will feature a general overview of the cultural requirements for successfully growing hardy perennial orchids, including upland, wetland and transition species, and soil amendments, soil mixes, fertilizer use, watering requirements, etc. for the specific groups.

William Mathis has long been interested in native terrestrial orchids. He has worked as a research scientist and manager for 25 years. In 2001 he started The Wild Orchid Company, focusing on the production and sales of a variety of terrestrial orchids (North American, European and Asian species) that are hardy in Southeastern Pennsylvania. Currently, he is working with hybridization and induced polyploidy of several *Bletilla*, *Cypripedium*, *Calopogon*, *Arethusa* and *Calanthe* species in an effort to select specific plants for horticultural use. Dr. Mathis is the author of *The Gardener's Guide to Growing Hardy Perennial Orchids*, which is a 'How to' book using a non-technical and practical approach to present the basic requirements for successfully growing hardy perennial orchids. His website is www.wildorchidcompany.com

Dr. Mathis will accept pre-orders from GROS members; please visit his website and make your own arrangements. He will also be bringing a limited number of plants to sell at the meeting. We will be taking Dr. Mathis to dinner at 5:15 p.m. (before the meeting) at Mamasan's Noodle Caboodle, 2800 Monroe Avenue; if you'd like to join us, (everyone pays for his or her own dinner) please call Program VP Jim Marlow at 585-889-7983 to make sure there's enough space. The Show Table, just back from a stint serving chowder between innings at Fenway Park, will be back, so please bring your flowering plants! We'll see you there!

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Meeting Minutes for October 10, 2007

The meeting was called to order by president **Jeff Snyder**.

The first order of business was to ask for any correction to the Meeting Minutes. The Minutes were accepted as submitted.

The second order of business was the treasurer's report, which was given by Jeff Snyder for Judy Ekberg.

The third order of business was a call for volunteers for the various committees and outstanding positions. The positions needing to be filled are Show Chair, Membership Committee, Nominating Committee, Monroe County Liaison, and Librarian,.

Jeremy Bechelli and **Dave Hayes** volunteered to assist at the Highland Park greenhouse.

Kim Hober then discussed the Auction. It was determined that budget for the Auction be increased to \$1,000.00 in order to improve the quality of the plants. This was voted on and passed. A more varied selection of plants was acquired, based upon a survey of the membership. The list of vendors now includes Andy's Orchids, Cal-Orchid, Cloud's Orchids, H & R Nurseries, with plants donated by members **Dwayne Levy**, **Jeff McKee** and **Fran Murphy**.

To further improve the auction, we will attempt to shorten the selection, provide more species plants, provide pictures of what the plants look like in bloom, and post a list of the plants on the GROS website.

There was a request for assistance to store the plants and to help with additional food at the Auction. **Sandy and Ron Uhlig** agreed to organize the tables. Setup will be at 11:00 a.m. Oct. 21, 2007 at the JCC; the actual Auction begins at 1:00 p.m. in the JCC auditorium.

We recognized the members of the Niagara Region Orchid Society (Canada) and of the Niagara Frontier Orchid Society (Buffalo) who were in attendance.

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OCTOBER SHOW TABLE

Please note especially all names and abbreviations in boldface, and correct or **complete** your records, including parentage and new registrations. Next time you present this plant, kindly include the name and the correct parents.

Cypripedium Alliance

Paph. sukhakulii Butcher

Cattleya Alliance

Prosthechea cochleata Espinosa-Barone
E. diota subsp. atrorubens Kaeding
Rsc. Egyptian Queen (*Esther Costa* × *C. bicolor*) "
Marriottara (Mrr.) Hawaiian Leopard
 (***Rsc. Waianae Leopard*** × ***Bnts. Richard Mueller***) Uhlig
Sc. Beaufort (S. coccinea × *C. luteola*) Snyder
Sc. Seagulls Mini-Cat Heaven (*Beaufort* × *Tangerine Jewel*) "
B. flagellaris Wyman

Vandaceous

Dtps. Yu Pin Lady (Yu Pin Lover × *Chain Xen Pearl*) Espinosa-Barone
Phal. pulchra Anglin
Ascda. Karen Ono × *Princess Mikasa* Uhlig
Ascda. unknown Kaczynski
Ascda. Princess Mikasa (Royal Sapphire × *V. coerulea*) Levy & Wischoff
V. Tokyo Blue (Chindavat × *V. coerulea*) Wemett
Ascda. Princess Mikasa Wyman

Oncidium Alliance

Pyp. krameriana × ***versteegiana*** Uhlig
Onc. Sharry Baby (Jamie Sutton × *Honolulu*) Cannizzaro
Bllra. Peggy Ruth Carpenter (Tahoma Glacier × *Milt. Purple Queen*) Levy

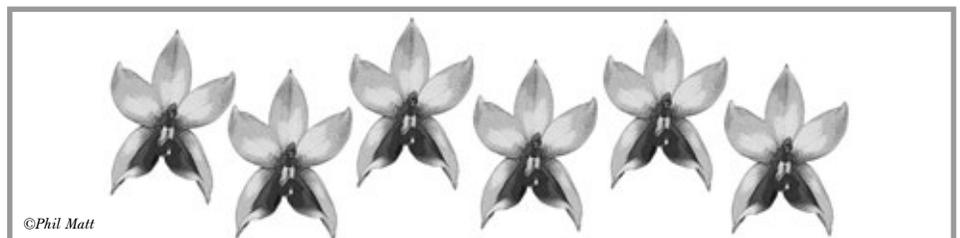
Dendrobium

Den. Hisako Haraguchi (Pink Victory × *affine*) Kaczynski

Miscellaneous

Coel. usitana Wischoff
Coel. speciosa "
Nba. gracilis Anglin

- Iris Cohen



GROS Exhibits at Buffalo Show

Once again the GROS participated in the Niagara Frontier Orchid Society Show in Buffalo, NY, September 28-30, 2007. Kim Hober and Judy Wischoff set up our award-winning exhibit while Carolyn and Dean Edwards took it down. Many thanks to those four from the Society for their efforts. In this case, the effort had its extra reward.

All parties reported that the Botanical Gardens where the show was held is a beautiful building with very interesting plant exhibits of its own. Much of the extensive renovations that have been taking place there are now complete. Below is a detailed list of the show ribbons won by our exhibit.

- Jeanne Kaeding

Exhibit:

Kim Hober & Judy Wischoff: 2nd in class

Judy Wischoff:

1st in class, Best Cattleya in Show:
C. Marjorie Hausermann
2nd in class:
Blc. Ports of Paradise 'Emerald Isle' FCC/AOS

Mark Kaczynski:

2nd in class, 3rd Best Specimen Plant:
Den. Hisako Haraguchi
2nd in class: *Den. Manoa Sunrise*

Sarah Wemett: 1st in class, 3rd fragrance:
Neofinetia falcata

Robert Wyman:

1st in class: *Phal. Ember 'Carmela' AM/AOS*

Kim Hober:

2nd in class: *Ascda.* (Bigness x Fukunaka Eisenhower)
2nd in class: *Dtps.* (Maiden's Blush x *Phal. Senator Larry Plummer*) x *Dtps. Kiska*

Carolyn Edwards:

1st in class, 2nd Best Specimen Plant:
Phal. hieroglyphica

Fran Murphy:

1st in class: *V.* (Sumon Spot x *insignis*)
2nd in class: *Milt. Earl Dunn 'Dark Lip'*

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Jeanne Kaeding:

1st in class: *Enc. diota var. atrorubens*
1st in class: *Pot. Egyptian Queen 'Black Diamond' HCC/AOS*
2nd in class: *Lc. Plumberry Glow 'York'*
3rd in class: *Brs. Chieftain*
1st in class: *Milt. clowesii*
1st in class: *Milt. Bluntii 'Original'*



GROS Welcomes New Members

Please add these new members to your membership roster:

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8219 Remsen Rd., Akron, NY 14001



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Our Guest Speaker was Mr. Robert Fuchs, owner of R.F. Orchids, who presented a program on "Vandaceous Orchids and the World Orchid Conference."

Bob Wyman presented the Show Table.

- Reggie Coleman
Secretary



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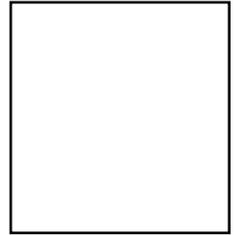
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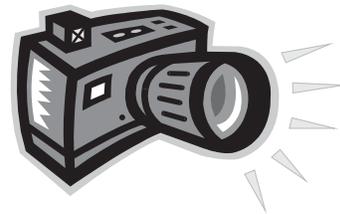
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GROS PHOTOS!



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