



# The Orchid Collection

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## NEXT MEETING: APRIL 2, 2012

*“Orchids 101” 6:00 p.m. ❁ Social “Hour” 7:00 - 7:15 p.m. ❁ Meeting begins at 7:15 p.m.  
Senior Lounge, Jewish Community Center, 1200 Edgewood Ave., Rochester, NY*



Princess of Wales Conservatory, Kew Gardens, London.  
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It would be nice to be able to get off of the weather rollercoaster we’ve all been riding of late. Better to close one’s eyes before that precipitous drop, and only open them again when one’s stomach has returned to its customary position. But the outlook for our Spring Show is encouraging: nice enough to get folks out of the house, but still too cold to putter around in the garden.

After the Show closes, it’s always relaxing to kick back and relax a bit - the next day! Did you ever wonder what the immense orchid collection at Kew Royal Botanical Gardens in England looked like? Now is your chance! Krum Sotirov will present “Orchids at Kew” at our April 2nd meeting.

While living in the UK from 1996 until 1999, Krum was given the responsibility to take care of the South American and South African section of the orchid collection at Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, London UK – the largest privately owned collection of plants in the World. Species under his care include Cattleya, Encyclia, Laelia, Oeceoclades, Epidendrum, Dendrobium, Aerangis, Angraecum and many others with similar requirements from different parts of the planet. His work there included working with living material in the Living Collection Department and research in the famous library and The Herbarium, classes to orchid hobbyists, making displays for special events – such as the Kew Orchid Festival.

Since 1996 Mr. Sotirov has maintained a web site devoted on education about orchids: [lonopsis](http://lonopsis). It’s purpose is “to preserve the orchids and the arts through education.” Krum will be selling at the meeting so there will be no members sales this month. Plans for dinner prior to the meeting TBA! Watch the website for late-breaking dinner plans the night of the meeting. Don’t forget your flowering plants and any Show ribbons they’ve won! We’ll see you there!

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## Meeting Minutes for Mar. 5

The meeting opened with Bill's Monolog. He began by thanking **Ron & Sandi Uhlig**, and **Ann** for bringing refreshments. Thank you to everyone who brought in plants to display at the George Eastman House. Thank you to **Noel Krzesinski** for coordinating it.

Tonight's Beginners Meeting was on how to set up an orchid display. Thank you to **Joe Kunisch** for presenting it.

GROS has offered complimentary memberships to the Lambertson Conservatory, Sonnenberg Gardens, and to Strong Museum. We hope to encourage more interaction with these local organizations.

**Carol Butcher** is still looking for a Program Chair for next year. It's a great opportunity for someone to get involved! She's willing to offer her help, but we really need someone to step in now.

If your name tag has a yellow sticker on it, or if your not getting the newsletters, we need you to check the email address we have. We voted on whether to change the raffle tickets from 1 ticket per dollar, or should we keep 2 tickets per dollar. The vote was close, but it was voted to keep it at 2 tickets per dollar.

**Natalie Auburn** passed around the sign up sheets for Gardenscape volunteers.

**Josh Vince** presented the Treasurer's Report. Not many changes are anticipated until after the GROS Show.

Spring Show: You should have seen the clip boards fly! We need people to sign up for everything. A special Thank you to **Ellen Linger** for taking all the attendee info from last years show, and entering it into our database. It was a Huge job, and much appreciated! Entrance to the show is free for members, but you need to be current with your dues in order to have a current nametag for entry. Saturday morning from 9:30 to 10:00 members only can purchase plants from the vendors. **Mike DeVito** is chairing the member's sale table, and has registration forms for those who wish to sell plants. We're discussing whether the year should be included on the ribbons for judg-

ing. This will not affect this year's show, but we should think about it, for next year. We're looking for the show display equipment and supplies for the show. If you have anything lurking in your garage, or closets, we'd like to locate it, and figure out our current supplies.

Ron Uhlig discussed several options for new growers who want to try entering orchids. You can be adventurous and try your own exhibit, or join the GROS society's display. He discussed several changes for the GROS cultural award, Jim Marlow Award, and Best Windowsill Grown Award. All of these plants you must have been growing for at least a period of six months.

Carol Butcher introduced Linda Wilhelm, our speaker. Her topic was The Real Miltonias: The Differences, and Their Culture.

The meeting concluded with Linda and **Jeanne Kaeding** presenting the Show Table.

- *Natalie Auburn*  
GROS Secretary

## GROS Displays at Gardenscape 2012

I just wanted to thank everyone who helped with the Gardenscape display and booth! I thought it looked wonderful!

Thank you to Alan Salzman, Sandi Uhlig, and Jeanne Kaeding for lending your beautiful flowers! Thanks also to Alan, Sandi, and Dave Hayes for the set up!

Thanks go to the following for volunteering to take a shift or in the cases of Mariko Pollock, Bob Pfromm, Helene Novick, and Sue Flanders case - multiple shifts!!

Thursday's shift volunteers included Ron and Sandi Uhlig, Mariko Pollock, Ron Krolak, Mark Gillette, Bill Rennick, and Ellen Linger.

Friday's shifts were manned by Karen Sillitoe, Bob Pfromm, Constance Anglin, Anthony Gerardi, Sue Flanders, and Helene Novick.

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**MARCH SHOW TABLE****Cypripedium Alliance***Paph. lowii*

Gillette

**Cattleya Alliance**

*Ctt.* Hazel Boyd (*C.* California Apricot × Jewel Box) 2 plants  
*Rhyncattleanthe (Rth.)* Gold Fire (Fuchs Orange Nuggett × Love Sound)  
*Ctt.* Gold Digger (Red Gold × War Paint)  
*Rth.* Martha Clarke f<sub>2</sub> (*C.* Circle of Life × Love Sound)  
*Epi.* Annelie Wans (*ilense* × *stamfordianum*)  
*C. intermedia* f<sub>2</sub>

Wischoff  
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 Jurenko  
 Levy  
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**Vandaceous**

*V.* John Daguia (Danny German × Kasem's Delight)  
*Phal. lobbii*\*  
*Mkra.* "Salaya Gold"†

Levy  
 "  
 Pfromm

**Oncidium Alliance***Trichocentrum (Trt.) jonesianum*‡

Wischoff

**Miscellaneous**

*Rstp.* unknown hybrid  
*Angcm. leonis*  
*Den.* Red Emperor (New Comet × Benikujyaku)

Butcher  
 Levy  
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\**Phalaenopsis parishii* and *Phalaenopsis lobbii* are two separate species since 1980.

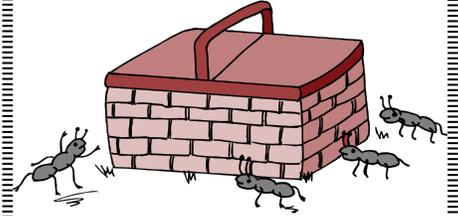
†This is an unregistered trade name.

‡The so-called rat-tail and mule-ear *Oncidiums* have been transferred to *Trichocentrum*.

Please note especially all names and abbreviations in **boldface**, and correct or complete your records. Once the parents are printed, kindly include them the next time you show the plant. If there are any names you have questions about, don't hesitate to call or e-mail me.

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SAVE THE DATE!  
 NE NY Orchid Society  
**PICNIC**



Saturday, June 2, 2012

**PIPING ROCK  
 ORCHIDS**  
 Galway, NY

Featured Speakers:  
 Darrin Norton  
 (*Mountain Orchids, Vermont*)  
 Marc Hachardorian  
 (*New York Botanical Garden*)

More Info. to follow!

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Saturday's shifts were filled by Helene Novick, Doug Fleischman, Bob Pfromm, Sue Flanders, Josh Vince and Thomas Vince (who did not miss a single person strolling through Gardenscape!), and Lewis Tandy.

Sunday's shifts included Helene Novick, Diane Bernard, Carol Butcher, and Sue Flanders.

Sunday's teardown was a breeze with help from Joe Jurenko, Alan Salzman, Sandi and Ron Uhlig, and Sue Flanders. The only catch was having to load vehicles in lightning, thunder, and a HUGE downpour!

Thank you again, I couldn't have done it without all of you!

- Natalie Auburn

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**don't forget  
 to pick up  
 your  
 nametags  
 before  
 entering the  
 show!**