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## NEXT MEETING: December 7, 2015

“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



Macodisia 'Spiderman', jewel orchid hybrid.  
Grower: Windswept In Time, GROS Spring Show 2010.  
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Noted orchidist and photographer Leon Glicenstein joins us in December to present “Jewel & Painted Leaf Orchids.” His presentation will highlight the exotic world of orchids grown more for their attractive foliage than for their flowers. Culture will be emphasized, and both species and new hybrids will be shown.

Leon was assistant to the curator of orchids - Carl Withner - at the Brooklyn Botanic Gardens from 1957 to 1960. He then worked as a plant breeder for five years at Linda Vista S.A. in Costa Rica, where he photographed, in the wild, approximately 80% of the then known orchid species of that country. He also found new species such as the eponymously-named *Telipogon glicensteinii*, *Macroclinium glicensteinii*, *Pterichis leo* and *Lepanthes glicensteinii*.

Leon has photographed many of the orchids in the Northeastern United States, Florida, and all of the orchids in California, where he located some taxa not formerly known to exist there. As a respected lecturer, has given numerous conservation-oriented programs both nationally and internationally, showing orchids growing in their native habitats.

Leon has advanced degrees in Chemistry and Horticulture, with an emphasis on plant breeding, cytology, and cytogenetics. He joined Hoosier Orchid Company in September 1998. As a breeder, as well as a grower of orchids at Hoosier, Leon specialized in working with members of the Pteruothalidae, Zygopetalinae, Gongorinae, Angraecoid, Jewel and Painted-leaf orchids, as well as with other orchids. Since the demise of Hoosier Orchid Company Leon has been consulting with other orchid companies on growing orchids from seed.

Plans for dinner the night of the meeting are still pending. Check the website for further details as they develop. The speaker will not be selling orchids at the meeting, so orchid sales by members will be allowed. The Show Table will be back, so please don't forget your flowering orchids. We'll see you there!

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## Meeting Minutes for Oct. 5, 2015

Bill opened the meeting and welcomed new members and guests to the meeting. He indicated that this is the first of his last eight monologues as president.

Thank you's to: Clare Cordaro, Kate Ricard and Pam Doore for the refreshments tonight.

Bill thanked those that set up and tore down the Society's exhibit at the CNYOS show at the end of September and showed a picture of the display.

Upcoming events:

*November 2, 2015*  
GROS Auction

*November 14 & 15, 2015*  
NFOS, Buffalo NY

We need your orchids in bloom – Contact Bill to schedule pick up.

Set up on November 13, tear down Nov. 15 - volunteers needed for both-contact Bill.

*June 2016*

Picnic at same Pond View Shelter in Mendon Ponds Park.

Bill Introduced Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids who presented a fabulous slide show and talk on Australian Dendrobiums.

Bill presented the show table.

The meeting was adjourned.

*-JoAnn Roberts*  
*GROS Secretary*

## GROS Exhibits at NFOS Show in November

The Genesee Region Orchid Society was happy to participate in the Niagara Frontier Orchid Society Show held the weekend of November 14 and 15 at the Buffalo Botanic Gardens. Many thanks go to Kim Hober and Jeanne Kaeding for setting up the exhibit on Friday afternoon, finishing in almost total darkness, and to Bob Pfromm for taking it down on Sunday afternoon. The Botanic Garden greenhouses are showing the work that has been put into them over the years. There were many orchid plants, in bloom and out, growing on trees in several rooms. There was a large display of blooming orchids grown at the greenhouse that took up a whole corner of the room, floor to ceiling. That display went on to win the AOS Show Trophy.

On a more local note, the GROS exhibit was covered with ribbons after judging. Everyone who sent plants to display won a least one ribbon. Of particular note was Judy Wischoff's unnamed hybrid of *Aerides lawrenceae* × *Vandachostylis* Sasicha, awarded an 80 point AM by the American Orchid Society judges at the show. It had one beautiful blue/purple, many-flowered inflorescence. The ribbons and awards are listed below. Setting up this exhibit was fun and educational. Thank you to all who contributed plants!

*- Jeanne Kaeding*

### Judy Wischoff

*Aerides lawrenceae* X *Vandachostylis* Sasicha: 80 point AM/AOS  
Best Hybrid in Show  
Best Blue Orchid  
Best Vandaceous Orchid

Slc. India Rose Sherwood 'Kiilani': Best Hybrid Cattleya  
1<sup>st</sup> place in class  
*Angraecum comorense* (aka *Ang. eburneum*): 1<sup>st</sup> place in class

### Carolyn Edwards

*Lycaste skinneri* var. *ipala*: Best Lycaste  
1<sup>st</sup> in class  
*Oncidium ornithorhyncum*: 1<sup>st</sup> in class

### Kim Hober

*Catyclia* (Cty Middleburg X *Enc. alata*): 1<sup>st</sup> in class

*Paphiopedilum* Doll's Kobold: 2<sup>nd</sup> in class

### Molly Weimer

*Oncidium* Sweet Sugar 'Lemon Drop': 2<sup>nd</sup> in class

### Jeanne Kaeding

*Oncidium* Autumn Splash: Best Plant in Show  
Best *Oncidium*  
1<sup>st</sup> in class

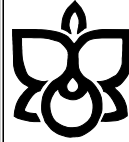
Sc. Crystelle Smith 'Meadow Rue' HCC/AOS: 1<sup>st</sup> in class  
*Paphiopedilum* Honey 'Cherry Blossom': 1<sup>st</sup> in class  
*Cattleya araguaiensis*: 2<sup>nd</sup> in class  
several other ribbons

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