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NEXT MEETING: Monday, Mar. 5, 2018

Orchids 101 - 6:00 p.m. ❁ Social "Hour" 7:00 - 7:15 p.m. ❁ Meeting begins at 7:15 p.m.
Louis S. Wolk Jewish Community Center, 1200 Edgewood Ave., Rochester, NY



It could be that Spring is just around the corner. March is the month of our annual Spring Show this year, and judging from our recent string of mild days, maybe the month will come in like the proverbial lamb - and skip the lion that's inevitably waiting around the same corner, pawing the ground, just in case...

Our speaker for March will be Donna Lipowicz, president of the Niagara Frontier Orchid Society in Buffalo, NY. Donna will be discussing her trip to the 22nd World Orchid Conference held in Ecuador last November, and to the Galápagos Islands. According to Wikipedia, the Galápagos Islands is

a volcanic archipelago in the Pacific Ocean, considered to be one of the world's foremost destinations for wildlife-viewing. A province of Ecuador, it lies about 1,000km off its coast.



By Mfield, Matthew Field, <http://www.photography.mattfield.com> - Own work, CC BY-SA 3.0, <https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=4210424> Geochelone elephantopus, Galápagos giant tortoise.

She has been growing and showing orchids for over 24 years while living in the western NY area, with a collection of 100 orchids, including Ladyslippers, Vandas, Phalaenopsis, and Cattleyas. We will be taking Donna to dinner at Sticky Lips in the Genesee Regional Market, 830 Jefferson Road, at 5:00pm the night of the meeting. If you'd like to join us, contact Kim Hober, 585-383-1994 or email Kim from our website. Donna will be NOT be selling orchids at the meeting - so members are free to bring in their own plants for sale or trade. The Show Table will be back, so please don't forget your flowering plants.

We'll see you there!

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GROS Meeting Minutes - Feb. 5, 2018

President Jeanne Kaeding called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Thanks to all who brought refreshments: Margaret Folwell, Jen Lang, Audrey & Jerry Behlau, John Kellas, Mark Gillette..

No visitors or new members present..

There being no corrections to the minutes of the January 8, 2018 meeting, Jonathan Jones moved to accept, Jerry Behlau seconded, and the minutes were accepted.

Treasurer Denis Monefeldt reported balances as of February 4, 2018:

Cash on hand: \$21,062.09

Included in above:

Income since last meeting: \$ 1,711.03

Expenses paid out: \$ 247.30

The Veterans Outreach center thanked us for our donation through Fran Murphy.

Jonathan Jones gave a show report. He brought postcards and flyers for members to put up at garden centers and other public spaces, along with a sign up list to take responsibility for a particular location and a list of garden centers already spoken for. Jonathan is getting more show signage. The show will be in the Gardeners' Journal next month, and is on-line now.

We are working on getting notice in the City Newspaper. Most vendors have confirmed, waiting to hear from one more, for a total of six. There may be one more spot available. The show will be open to the public 2-5 p.m. Friday March 23 – new this year. Set up is Thursday, March 22, with Judging Friday.

Sue Ackerman is putting together a preview party for 6 p.m. Friday, March 23. Tickets are \$25 per person. The menu provided can be modified for gluten-free diets. The ticket price is based on fifty people attending. Final count needed after March GROS meeting. The party will include awards and thanks, people talking about their displays, and a cash bar. Phil Matt will post a form on our website for people to buy tickets.

Signups are still needed for admission and hosting volunteers. Mike DeVito volunteered to run the member sales table for the Friday afternoon shift. There was discussion as to revising the limit to how many plants a member could sell due to the extra sales hours. The limit will remain 30 plants per member, with a limit of 15 on Saturday and 15 on Sunday.

A repotting and plant diagnosis station is expected to bring in revenue at \$5 per repot. Marlow orchids is sponsoring by donating bark. We can buy additional potting mix from show vendor Kelley's Korner.

For promo, we will be sending 588 postcards and 1600 emails.

Jeanne stressed we are pushing hard on the show and need volunteers. Jeanne has a sign-up sheet for clerks and lay judges.

Jonathan also had information about Gardenscape. We can get in. It is a 4 day show from 9 am to 9 pm March 8-11. Need to know who is available to put up display and answer questions. We don't have a straight answer yet from the Gardenscape organizers what volunteers will have to pay to get into the venue. Set up is Thursday, March 8. With shifts of 3 hours, we are looking for 16 volunteers.

Noel Krzesinski, who is in charge of our participation in the annual Dutch Connection exhibit at the Eastman House February 9-25, 2018 reminded those dropping off plans to exhibit that drop off Thursday, February 8 is at the security entrance to the Eastman.. Pick-up is February 26.

Jeanne and Carole Butcher will be setting up our display in the Southern Ontario Orchid Show in Toronto which is February 9. Members with plants to for a GROS exhibit at the SOOS show should contact Jeanne, who will be taking down our exhibit on February 11.

Jeanne and Program Chair Kim Hober have begun preliminary discussions about programming for the 2018-2019 season.

Do we want an auction? Would attendance be better on a different date for the September meeting? Do we want a December party? People indicated they enjoyed it. Should we cancel the January meeting which was poorly attended? It seems the

program speaker determines attendance, not the date.

There being no other business, Fran Murphy made a motion to adjourn the business part of the meeting at 7:58 pm. Mark Gillette seconded, and the business meeting was adjourned.

Fran Murphy presented his program on Hawaii, part 2, this part focused on Newman's Nursery. He has donated his speaker's stipend to Veterans Outreach.

Beth Bieck ran the raffle. We used the format pioneered at the December meeting of having separate bags for each raffle plant, where members would deposit their ticket stubs into the bag of their preferred prize.

Mike DeVito and Phil Matt presented the show table, concluding just after 9:00 pm.

- Margery Greene
GROS Secretary

2018 SPRING SHOW MEMBERS' SALES TABLE

Planning to sell some of your extra plants on the Members' Sales Table this year? Make sure to pick up your plant labels and listing forms - and to sign the agreement - at the March meeting!

See Phil Matt, Members' Sales Table chairman, to get your forms and labels. If you can't attend, make sure to contact Phil via the website to arrange to get your materials.

Blank forms are also available on the website Show page.

GROS Show Table - February, 2018

Plant	Genus Synonym	seed parent	pollen parent	grower
Cattleya Alliance				
Cattleya (C.) Beaufort		C. coccinea	C. luteola	Mike DeVito
Rhyncattleanthe (Rth.) Gerogia Peach		Rth. Love Sound 'Dogashima' AM/AOS	C. Smile Again 'Hawaii' AM/AOS	Margery Greene
Cymbidium Alliance				
Cymbidium (Cym.) Mellie Cruz		Ruby Baker	Ben Singer	Sue Garrow
Dendrobium Alliance				
Dendrobium (Den.) Australian Artist		Cobber 'Violet Gold'	speciosum v. curvicaule ¹	Constance Anglin
Den. Micro Chip		normanbyense	aberrans	Constance Anglin
Oncidium Alliance				
Arthurara (Aru.) Amy Roth ²	Bakerara (Bak.)	Bratonia (Brat.) (=Miltassia (Mtssa.) Charles M. Fitch ³	Oncostele (Ons.) Black Beauty 'Hawaii'	Margery Greene
Oncidesa (Onসা.) Sweet Sugar 'Lemon Drop'	Oncidium (Onc.)	Oncidesa Aloha Iwanaga	Gomesa (Gom.) varicosa ⁴	Gretchen Beaver
Onc. Sharry Baby		Onc. Jamie Sutton	Onc. Honolulu	Joe Galley
Miltoniopsis (Mps.) Maui Mist 'Golden Gate'	Miltonia (Milt.)	Mps. Gascogne	Mps. Martin Orenstein	Gretchen Beaver
Comparettia (Comp.) macroplectron ⁵				Carolyn Edwards
Vandaceous				
Phalaenopsis (Phal.) no name #1				Diane Bernard
Phalaenopsis (Phal.) no name #2				Diane Bernard
Phalaenopsis (Phal.) no name #3				Diane Bernard
Miscellaneous				
Stenosarcus (Stsc.) Vanguard 'Red Stripe'		Sarcoglottis (Srgt.) speciosa	Stenorrhynchos (Strs.) albidomaculatum ⁶	John Kellas III
Notes				
¹ Kew disregards variety names ² Arthurara = Brassia × Miltonia × Oncidium × Rhyncostele. Oncostele = Oncidium × Rhyncostele ³ Bratonia = Brassia × Miltonia. Miltassia = Miltonia × Brassia. Why the 2 names is beyond me - names don't usually distinguish between seed & pollen parent, so it shouldn't be that. ⁴ Brazilian Oncidiums are now Gomesas ⁵ Carolyn had to leave before the show table was presented, but many of you saw this small flower with the very large bubble-gum pink lip. ⁶ Stenorrhynchos is also sometimes abbreviated to Sten.				
- Margery Greene				



*The GROS Exhibit at
SOOS Show
Feb. 10-12, 2018*

GROS Exhibits at SOOS Orchid Show

The first orchid show of the New Year in our area, the Southern Ontario Orchid Society Show and Sale, was held the weekend of February 10, 11, and 12, in Toronto, Ontario.

Carol Butcher and Jeanne Kaeding gathered GROS members' plants, wrote the CITES, had the plants inspected, and drove the plants to Toronto on Friday, February 10. They set up the exhibit, then stayed overnight to judge the show the next day. Carol remained in Toronto until Sunday to take the exhibit down and bring the plants back to Rochester.

Nine GROS members participated, with a total of 25 blooming orchids taken to Canada. Contributing members were: Constance Anglin, Diane Bernard, Carol Butcher, Carolyn Edwards, Susan Garrow, Kim Hober, Jeanne Kaeding, Allan Sowinski, and Robert Wyman.

A nice surprise was an AOS award given to one of Kim Hober's plants. Burrageara Sunkissed 'Butter Cup' received a 76 point HCC/AOS. There were many other ribbons in the exhibit, including a second place ribbon for the exhibit itself. Here are the ribbons that were awarded:

Carol Butcher:
1st Brassia arcuigera

Carolyn Edwards:
1st Lysudamuloa Red Jewel
2nd Brassidium Gilded Urchin 'Ontario'
HCC/AOS

Susan Garrow:
3rd Cymbidium Mellie Cruz

Kim Hober:
1st, 76pt. HCC/AOS Burrageara Sunkissed 'Butter Cup'
1st Rodrumnia Apple Hollow
3rd Rodrumnia Northern Sun
2nd Caulaelia Mizoguchi 'Cloud Cover'
HCC/AOS

Jeanne Kaeding:
2nd Cymbidium Banana Split
2nd Cymbidium Frog Prince 'Kiss Me' AM/
AOS

Allan Sowinski:
2nd Cattleya Pink Opal 'Rose Orb' HCC/AOS

Robert Wyman:
1st Rlc. Toshie Aoki X Slc. Final Touch

Thank you to all who contributed plants.

- Jeanne Kaeding



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