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NEXT MEETING: Monday, Oct. 2, 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



Cypripedium calopogon, North American slipper orchid species.
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There are over 40 Cypripedium (“slipper orchid”) species in the world. Carson Whitlow’s presentation will cover most of those in North/Central America plus many from the rest of the world. He will also discuss some of the hybrids which have been produced.

Carson became interested in orchids when he was a sophomore in college. After graduating he went to work for the prestigious California orchid firm of B. O. Bracey and Company. A year later, he changed his direction and entered upon a career in government service, from which he retired in 2005.

After leaving the Bracey firm, Carson established his own collection, mostly of blue Cattleyas, with which he undertook hybridizing in association with Fred A. Stewart, Orchids, in San Gabriel, California. From 1964

thru 1969, he produced in excess of 60 blue cattleya hybrids, many of which are still in collections, arising from the original seedlings or as mericlones. Many are still used as basic parents in today’s modern blue Cattleya breeding.

In 1973, with his move to central Iowa, Carson took a distinct change in direction, working with the hardy terrestrial orchids, primarily the Cypripediums and Calopogons. His worked resulted in the first registered artificial hybrids of Cypripedium in 1987 and of Calopogon in 1991; his hybrid work is recognized throughout the world. Carson is not bringing plants to sell, so members are permitted to bring their own plants for sale or trade this month.

We will be taking Carson to dinner before the meeting at Sticky Lips BBQ, 830 Jefferson Road, Henrietta, NY. If you’d like to go (everyone pays for his or her own meal), please contact Kim Hober at 585-383-1994 or email her from the website. The Show Table will be back, so don’t forget your flowering plants. We’ll see you there!

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GROS Meeting Minutes Sept. 4, 2018

President Jonathan Jones called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

One new member was present.

Jonathan apologized for the email regarding the current newsletter being formatted oddly. There being no corrections to the minutes of the May 7, 2018 meeting, Fran Murphy moved to accept, Jeanne Kaeding seconded, and the minutes were accepted.

Treasurer Susan Ackerman reported balance of \$18,359.88 including dues since last Friday. She is accepting dues payments now. Anyone with dues current as of two and a half weeks ago has a gold name tag. Anyone who just paid still has a green name tag, as the tag has not been switched out yet.

Jonathan will sent out the 2018-2019 budget as discussed by the Board once he makes a couple of corrections to the draft version.

Show update from Sue Ackerman – she ordered the postcards from the printer today so they will be ready to distribute at the Syracuse show. Our show will be the last weekend in March, 2019. We will be opening at 1 p.m. on Friday. Saturday and Sunday will follow our usual schedule. The awards party Friday from 4-5 is still in the thinking stage. In October we will start to circulate sign-up sheets for committees and volunteers, to get a head start on planning.

Raffle – this year will be using cups or bags to choose plants. We need a raffle coordinator to set up and collect money. At this stage the coordinator will probably not be ordering the plants. Kim orders extra when she places the Auction order, and we have received donations from Fran Murphy and others. Anyone who would like to volunteer to be raffle coordinator, contact Jonathan Jones.

The Central New York Orchid Show is at the end of this month. We need volunteers for set-up and take down. Jeanne will help collect plants and with registration, but is not available for Friday setup. Jonathan has all our risers and other display materials. Set-up and take down volunteers need to contact Jona-

than in the next week or so.

New business: Fran Murphy reported that Sonnenberg has installed new misters and has lots in bloom. He has put plants on our website.

There being no further new business, Natalie Auburn made a motion to adjourn the business part of our meeting and Bob Pfromm seconded. The business meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm.

Carol Butcher introduced our speaker, Glen Decker of Piping Rock Orchids, who presented a program on paphiopedilums.

Following this presentation, we had a break for people to purchase plants from Glen and for our raffle, which featured plants supplied by Glen.

Fran Murphy presented the show table, concluding our evening.

- Margery Greene

GROS Secretary

GROS Exhibits at CNYOS Oct. 29-30

The Genesee Region Orchid Society had a very successful exhibit at the CNYOS Show the last weekend in October. Carolyn and Dean Edwards set up the exhibit, which won first place in the Society Exhibit class. Thank you, Carolyn and Dean, for your efforts and congratulations! Bob Pfromm also deserves a big thank you. He took the exhibit down and transported it back to Rochester on Sunday evening. The show was held at the Beaver Lake Nature Center near Baldwinsville, NY, a very pretty and interesting location.

Eight members contributed plants: Carolyn Edwards, Kim Hober, Robert Wyman, Allan Sowinski, Diane Bernard, Natalie Auburn, John Kellas, and Jeanne Kaeding. We had over 30 quality plants in our exhibit. Every exhibitor received at least one ribbon on a plant with the exception of John Kellas, who would have received the "Best of the Just Faded Flowers" ribbon if one was available. His Psychopsis Kalihii alba 'Green Valley' looked just fine on Friday, but alas, was

wilting Saturday morning as judging began. Allan Sowinski and Jeanne Kaeding won big awards for two of their plants. See the award listing for details. We ask for plants to exhibit via email to the membership, so if you have a plant you would like to show off, please respond to these emails. We were fortunate to have a large number of exhibitors this time. A complete list of awards follows this article.

Carol Butcher and I helped to judge the show, along with four Canadian judges: Joyce Medcalf (Toronto JC, same center as Carol and I), Andre Couture, Laura Bonnell, and Michel Tremblay (all of the Montreal JC). We selected five plants for AOS judging and awarded one. Phalaenopsis cornu-cervi var. chataladae from Main Street Orchids received an 83 point CCM. After judging I was pleased to see many GROS members there who took the time to visit the show.

Highlights of the show for me were the gorgeous (and delicate) little beaded box with an orchid motif made by Judy Witkin and the giant ball of huge flowers on the Cattleya maxima exhibited by Marlow Orchids.

Awards in GROS Exhibit:

Carolyn Edwards: 1st Masdevallia floribunda fm. purple

2nd Dyakia hendersoniana

2nd Angraecum distichum

2nd Kefersteinia perlonga

3rd Anectochilus chapaensis

Kim Hober: 1st Phal. Sogo Julice

1st Rrm. Cherry Hollow

2nd Tolu. Northern Lights

2nd Restrepia sp.

3rd Tolu. Northern Lights 'Red Lace'

3rd Vandachostylis Viboon Velvet

Allan Sowinski: Best Amateur Grown

Species, 1st Paph. leicochilum

2nd Paph. bellatulum

2nd Cattleya labiate rubra

Robert Wyman: 2nd Cattleya Amphion 'Cherry Pie'

2nd Cattletonia Jill sidran

3rd Rlc. Kurt Studier

3rd Brassavola nodosa 'Linda' HCC/AOS

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GROS Show Exhibit at CNYOS Show - Photo courtesy Carolyn Edwards



September Show Table

Plant	Genus Synonym	Seed Parent	Pollen Parent	Grower
Cattleya Alliance				
Cattleya (C.) Hausermann's Sultan 'Summer Spectacular'	Laeliocattleya (Lc.)	C. Kencolor	C. guttata	Fran Murphy
Cattleya (C.) Petticoats 'CanCan' AM/ AOS	Laeliocattleya (Lc.)	C. Pirate King	C. Colorama	Margery Greene
Domingoa (Dga.) purpurea	Nageliella (Ngl.) pur- purea			Fran Murphy
Rby. Golden Tang 'Penfield'	Brassolaeliocattleya (Blc.)	Rlc. Waikiki Gold	Bc. Richard Müller	Natalie Auburn
Rhynchobrassoleya (Rby.) Copper Queen	Brassolaeliocattleya (Blc.)	Rhyncholaeliocattleya (Rlc.) Toshie Aoki	Brassocattleya (Bc.) Richard Müller	Margery Greene
Rlc. Petite Stars	Brassolaelia (Bl.)	Bc. Richard Müller	Laelia (L.) rubescens	Margery Greene
Rlc. Susan Fender 'Cinnamon Stick' AM/ AOS	Potinara (Pot.)	Rlc. Caesar's Head	C. Mary Ellen Carter	Natalie Auburn
Oncidium Alliance				
Bratonia (Brat.) Estrelita 'Sweet Senorita'	Miltassia (Mtssa.)	Brassia (Brs.) maculata	Miltonia (Milt.) regnellii	Fran Murphy
Erycina (Ercn.) pusilla	Psygmorchis (Psyg.) pusilla			Carol Butcher
Miltonia Earl Dunn 'Dark Lip'		Miltonia Goodale Moir	Miltonia Minas Gerais	Fran Murphy
Oncidium (Onc.) Golden Afternoon 'Rich Yellow'	Wilsonara (Wils.)	Onc. Tigrina	Onc. sphacelatum	Fran Murphy
Oncostele (Ons.) Wildcat	Colmanara (Colm.)	Oncostele Rustic Bridge	Onc. Crowborough (1965)	Fran Murphy
Vandaceous				
Dimorphorchis (Dimo.) lowii				Alan Salzman
Dyakia (Dy.) hendersoniana				Carolyn Edwards
Phalaenopsis (Phal.) lindeni				Carol Butcher
Vanda (V.) (unnamed cross)		V. Reena Chai (not registered)	V. Doctor Anek (registered with "doctor" spelled out)	Natalie Auburn
Vanda (V.) S. y N. Panambí Diciembre		V. Sumon Spot	V. insignis	Fran Murphy
Miscellaneous				
Habenaria (Hab.) medusa				Carolyn Edwards
Habenaria rhodocheila				Carolyn Edwards
(Thank you to Jonathan Jones for the ID on the Domingoa purpurea.)				
- Margery Greene				

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Diane Bernard: 2nd: Vanda Gordon Dillon
3rd Vanda (Varakorn X merrillii)

Natalie Auburn: 3rd Rth. Babu Love
3rd Phal. equestris

Jeanne Kaeding: Best Hybrid in Show, Best Amateur
Hybrid, Best of Miscellaneous,
1st Habenaria Erich's Pink Thing
Best Cymbidium, 1st Cym. Solar Wine

'Dawn's Blush' AM/AOS
2nd Gomesa Boissiensis

- Jeanne Kaeding