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NEXT MEETING: November 9, 2026

Beginners' Meeting 5:30 p.m.
Social "Hour" 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. ❖ Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.
Louis S. Wolk Jewish Community Center, 1200 Edgewood Ave., Rochester, NY

As we drift into Fall on a warm breeze of good weather, it's hard to believe that we are done with not only our annual Auction, but with Halloween and Election Season as well. Whether you think you got tricked or treated, it's on to more orchid activities nonetheless.



Our speaker for the November meeting will be Dennis Steinbeck of Flask and Flora Orchids in Columbus, Ohio. Dennis has been a lifelong gardener, but when a friend gave him a dying Cattleya it opened up a whole new world of plants. After nursing it back to health, he went full on into the orchid hobby and opened Flask & Flora a few years later. Dennis travels the world sourcing new and interesting varieties and runs his nursery with a focus on equipping newer growers with the knowledge and tools to succeed.

Flask & Flora has a website - *flaskandflora.com* - but the best way order orchids is through their weekly Facebook sale. Simply read the comments on the weekly post and type "sold" under the plant you want. Dennis will also be bringing plants to sell at the meeting.

The doors open at the JCC at 6:00 p.m., and the meeting will get under way at 6:30 p.m., as usual. Bill Renick will host the Beginners Meeting in the JCC Library at 5:30 p.m. Since Dennis will be selling plants, you might want to arrive early for the best selection. Don't forget to bring in your own flowering plants for the Show Table - and plants for our club's NFOS Show display, coming up on November 13-15.

We'll see you there!

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GROS Meeting Minutes for Oct. 5, 2026

35 members present. (1 new member joined tonight.)

Austin Miller was out sick tonight , so Jean Marie stepped in to start the meeting. There were several announcements about upcoming dates.

- April 8-11 will be GROS's 51st show; it will be held at the RMSC in the Eisenhart Auditorium.
- October 17, 2026 is the GROS auction from 9-2:00. We need 3 people to help Judy with sign in and check out. (Sign up genus is up on our web site to sign up) We also need 1 more plant runner. Weâ€™d love to have members also bring in food and refreshments for it.
- Date Correction for the Niagara Frontier Orchid Society Fall show at the Buffalo and Eerie County Botanical Gardens. Set up- Nov. 13, 2026 from 12-5:00 We need 2 volunteers for set up. The show is Nov. 14 &15, and we also need 2 members to take the display down.

We voted tonight on 2 proposals to make changes to our bylaws. There were some issues with the projector so we voted on Proposal #2 first. This proposal was to remove Article 6- Sales at meetings Section 5 that says:

"Except for members who are the speaker, all members will submit 15% of their sales revenue to the Society except at the annual picnic when the 15% commission is waived."

Natalie Auburn proposed it, Fran Murphy seconded it. A vote was taken and 35 members voted for it. No one objected. It passed.

Proposal #1 This proposal was to change from Article 7 section 2 a shifting the financial handover dates from July 1-15 to July 15-31. The purpose is to allow financial records to arrive after the June 30 fiscal year. This is the added information:

"The newly appointed Auditing Committee shall receive the Society's financial records for auditing purposes by July 15.The audit is to be completed by July 31, at which time the report shall be presented to the new President, and the new Treasurer will receive the books and a copy of the report."

Judy Ekberg proposed the motion. Fran Murphy seconded the motion. A vote was taken, 35 members voted to pass it. No one objected. It passed.

Treasurer Judy Ekberg presented a brief budget. The USB drive did not work, so she gave a quick verbal presentation. Doug Fleischman asked about our Cd (which will be renewed mid month). Bill Renick made a motion to pass the budget, Claire Cordero 2nd the motion. The budget passed.
Doug Fleischman also asked about GROS club lights. We discussed looking in to getting some supplemental lights for use with the show table, as well as for our group displays.

Noelle introduced our speaker Edgar Stehli from WindSwept in Time Orchids. Edgar gave a wonderful talk on Angraecoids. He also brought some amazing plants for sale!

- Natalie Auburn

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GROS Show Table - November, 2026

Plant	Genus Synonym (name in hort. use)	seed parent	pollen parent	grower
Cattleya Alliance				
Cattleya (C.) June Bug		C. bicolor	C. Beaufort	Carol Butcher
Cattleya Pink diamond		C. Orpetii	C. wittigiana	Sue Ackerman
Rhynchobrassoleya (Rby.) Nosy Williette		Rhyncholaeliocattleya (Rlc.) Williette Wong 'The Best'	Brassavola (B.). nodosa 4N'1713'	Sue Ackerman
Oncidium Alliance				
Aliceara (Alcra.) Marfitch 'Howard's Dream' AM/AOS	Beallara (Bllra.)	Bratonia (Brat.) Charles M. Fitch	Oncidium (Onc.) Fremar	Maureen Churan-King
Prosthechea (Psh.) radiata	Encyclia (E.)	natural species		Jean Marie Mangione
[1]Psychopsis (Pyp.) Mariposa 'Special'		Psychopsis papilio	Psychopsis Kalihi	Jean Marie Mangione
Paphiopedilum				
Paphiopedilum (Paph.) Toni Semple		Paph. lowii 'Compact'	Paph. haynaldianum 'Tyler'	Margery Greene
Vandaceous				
Vanda (V.) Lous Sneary 'Bluebird'	Neofinetia (Neof.)	V. falcata	V. coelestis	Sue Ackerman
Zygopetalums				
Zygolum (Zglm.) Rhein Moonlight		Zygosepalum (Zspm.) labiosum	Zygopetalum (Z.) Artur Elle	John McIntyre
Zygopetalum Jumpin Jack		Z. Skippy Ku	Zygopetalum Artur Elle	John McIntyre

NOTES

Corrections are in bold. For simple spelling correction, only the corrected letters are in bold. Correct genus abbreviation in parentheses after first appearance. All spellings per Royal Horticultural Society (official hybrid registrar) RHS does NOT register forms, only genus and species. Anywhere a plant is labeled 'coerulea' or 'fma coerulea' or 'alba' or 'fma alba' etc. that part of the information is omitted from the RHS registry.

I have included the form names as horticultural identifiers. "Hort." stands for horticultural form. A year or number in parenthesis means there is another hybrid of the same name and the year of registration, or sometimes a number, is used to distinguish them. Frequent cause of name duplication is hybrids reclassified from original genus.

If no genus name is listed with the name of the species in the parentage columns, the Genus is the same as for the hybrid. Standard designation for natural hybrids uses an "x" before the species name. Genus is always capitalized. Man-made species names are capitalized. Natural species and natural hybrid species names start with lower case letter. Cultivar names are always indicated by single quote. E.g. Aranda Noorah Alsagoff 'Blue Giant' NOT "Blue Giant." Man-made genus names are not in quotes. E.g. Zglm. Rhein Moonlight NOT Zglm. 'Rhein Moonlight'

[1]Psychopsis (Pyp.) Mariposa 'Special' is the peloric form of this cross.

- Margery Greene