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Editor's Note:

Contributions to the Orchid Enthusiast by members of the CNYOS are welcome. Articles, pictures, or ideas for discussion subjects should be submitted by the first week of the month before the next meeting to:
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It's time to pay your annual dues: \$20 for single memberships, and \$22 for family. Send checks to Carol Haskell
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Next Meeting: Sunday December 7, 2 PM, Holiday Covered Dish Party.



We've had a wonderful Fall, but all good things must come to an end, so it's time for our annual Holiday Covered Dish Party. For those whose names begin with the letters A-L, please bring a main dish. Letters M-R please bring something to drink. S-Z please bring a dessert to pass. The weighting of the first group is to make sure we aren't top heavy with desserts. Please bring your own glasses, plates, cutlery, and napkins.

Our program for this meeting is the AOS webinar on Dendrobium Orchids, which we can watch while we nibble on our dinner. The webinar is presented by Ron McHatton and is a wonderful overview of this diverse genus of orchids. I saw it when it was originally presented, and it provides a real learning experience. Bring items for the raffle table, and your blooming beauties to show off at the show table. I hope some of the plants we were not able to discuss at the last meeting are still in bloom so that we can admire them this month.

President's Message

I hope everyone has had a great beginning of their holiday season. Wonderful time to spend hours with your family and friends.

Jim Marlow's Open House was today and he certainly has out done himself again.

Many, many new plants in the greenhouse and some very good sales going on.

Thoroughly enjoyed our visit there!

Programs are being lined up for the upcoming months and we've had to adjust our meeting dates due to everything going on. Just a couple of dates can be found in this newsletter and the rest will be appear later when we are sure of the availability of the church.

Of course the December meeting is our dish-to-pass day and just visiting with friends. It always is a wonderful afternoon to spend time with your friends and we will have a program also which will run while all are enjoying the great food!

See you in December.

Sue Finger

November Show Table

Please note all names, accent marks, and abbreviations that are in boldface.

Kindly update your labels with registered names or parents. Bring the information to the show table next time.

<i>Paph.</i> Dreaming Emerald (Dreaming Green × Emerald Lake)	Ditz
<i>Paph.</i> Fred's Moon (Oriental Moon × Fred's Ghost)	"
<i>Paph.</i> <i>charlesworthii</i>	"
<i>Paph.</i> appletonianum	"
<i>Paph.</i> Dreaming Mele (Dreaming Green × Mele Pops)	Finger
<i>Paph.</i> Memoria Jim Asher (Judge Pinocchio × <i>henryanum</i>)	"
<i>Phrag.</i> Perufflora's Cirila Alca (<i>kovachii</i> × [<i>besseae</i> var.] <i>dalessandroi</i>)*	
<i>Phrag.</i> Sedenii (<i>longifolium</i> × <i>schlimii</i>)	Galson
<i>Phrag.</i> <i>schlimii</i>	"
<i>Paph.</i> <i>exul</i>	Witkin
<i>Phrag.</i> <i>schlimii</i>	"
<i>Phrag.</i> Olaf Gruss (<i>pearcei</i> × <i>besseae</i>)	"
<i>Paph.</i> Fred's Lady (Lady Macbeth × Friedrich von Hayek)	Woodworth
<i>Paph.</i> Deperle (<i>primulinum</i> × <i>delenatii</i>)	"
<i>Paph.</i> <i>spicerianum</i>	"
<i>Paph.</i> Porcelain Treasure × California Girl	"
<i>Paph.</i> Magical Venus (<i>venustum</i> × Macabre Magic)	"
<i>Paph.</i> <i>spicerianum</i>	"
<i>Paph.</i> <i>liemianum</i>	Cohen
<i>Paph.</i> Magically Wood (Magic Pops × Wood Wonder)	?

CATTLEYA ALLIANCE

<i>Oe.</i> <i>centradenia</i>	Finger
<i>Rlc.</i> Auburn Fire (<i>C.</i> Bright Angel × <i>Rlc.</i> Little Toshie)	Cohen
<i>B.</i> <i>nodosa</i>	"
<i>Brassocatanthe</i> (<i>Bct.</i>) Punakea (<i>C.</i> Lulu × <i>Bsn.</i> Maikai)	Ditz
<i>Ctt.</i> Chocolate Flirt (<i>C.</i> Flirtie × Chocolate Drop)	"

ONCIDIUM ALLIANCE

<i>Mps.</i> Saffron Surprise (Snohomish × Lixos)	Finger
<i>Gbt.</i> Hilo Ablaze (<i>Brat.</i> Olmec × <i>Gom.</i> <i>mantinii</i>)	"
<i>Xyl.</i> <i>squalens</i>	"
<i>Brat.</i> Memoria Donald Christian (<i>Brs.</i> Rex × <i>Milt.</i> Honolulu)	"
<i>Brsdm.</i> Nittany Gold (<i>Brs.</i> <i>verrucosa</i> × <i>Onc.</i> <i>ghiesbreghtianum</i>)	Coleman
<i>Orpha.</i> <i>radicans</i>	Ditz
<i>Mlca.</i> <i>ringens</i>	Weller

VANDACEOUS

<i>Phal.</i> Unknown	Galson
<i>Vandachostylis</i> (<i>Van.</i>) Lou Sneary (<i>V.</i> <i>falcata</i> × <i>Rhy.</i> <i>coelestis</i>)	Ditz
<i>Van.</i> Lou Sneary, 2 plants	Coleman
<i>Phal.</i> <i>equestris</i>	"
<i>Aër.</i> <i>lawrenceae</i> × <i>Van.</i> Sasicha	Finger
<i>Albm.</i> <i>pumilum</i>	Cohen
<i>Clctn.</i> <i>gokusingii</i>	Woodworth

DENDROBIUM ALLIANCE

<i>Den.</i> <i>oligophyllum</i>	Finger
<i>Den.</i> Burana Doll (unregistered) probably 'No. 32'	"
<i>Den.</i> Thailand (Busaba × Hickam Deb)	"

<i>Den. auriculatum</i>	"
<i>Den. antennatum</i>	"
<i>Den. bracteosum</i>	"
<i>Den. moniliforme</i>	"
<i>Den. Burana Doll</i>	Cohen
<i>Den. Baby Pink (dicuphum × lithocola)</i>	"
<i>Den. Enobi Purple (Enobi Komachi × Laguna Princess)</i>	"
<i>Den. Burana Doll 'No. 41'</i>	Coleman
<i>Den. Bali Kupinglantang (antennatum × capra)</i>	"
<i>Den. moniliforme</i>	"
<i>Den. Baby Pink</i>	"
<i>Den. rigidum</i>	"
<i>Den. Lucky Charms (Peter Shen × Roy Tokunaga)</i>	Woodworth
<i>Den. bulbophylloides</i>	Weller

PLEUROTHALLIDS

<i>Rstp. sanguinea</i>	Finger
<i>Diodonopsis (Ddo.) erinacea</i>	"
<i>Pabstiella tripterantha</i>	"
<i>Masd. Panguña (peristeria × uniflora)</i>	Weller
<i>Rstp. muscifera</i>	"
<i>Stelis adrianae</i>	"
<i>Masd. tuerkheimii</i>	Capella
<i>Pths. sp.</i>	Ditz

MISCELLANEOUS

<i>Angcm. Lemförde White Beauty (magdalenae × sesquipedale)</i>	Finger
<i>Gal. baueri</i>	Coleman
<i>Ob. cuneata</i>	Capella

* This is one of those cases where a variety of great horticultural importance lacks equivalent taxonomic status. Therefore the RHS designation differs from the Kew Checklist, at least for the present. The plant answers to either name.

Iris Cohen

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me, iriscohen@aol.com or 315-4

CNYOS Meeting November 2, 2014

Krum Sotirov made a presentation on water and plant nutrients. It was very informative, and all of us learned a lot.

As you can see from the Show Table list, there were a huge number of blooming plants, so many, in fact that we did not describe them individually, but just admired them from afar.

Carol gave a Treasurer's report: We came close to breaking even on the Show. We are still waiting for a check, but the vendors seem to have done better than usual.

The nominations for next year's officers are:

President	Sue Finger
Vice president and program chair	Honey Goshorn
Treasurer	Carol Haskell
Secretary	Dolores Capella with fill-in help from Sue and Judi When needed

There are some changes in our meeting calendar due to a change of date by SEPOS which led to changes by all the clubs:

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- December 7th – CNYOS Meeting - Covered dish party (see “next meeting” pg1)
- January 4th – CNYOS Meeting – Member Silent Auction
- February 1st – CNYOS Meeting – TBA –possibly Jim Marlow of Marlow Orchids
- March 1st – CNYOS Meeting TBA
- April 5th – CNYOS Meeting TBA (we will have a meeting in April due to GROS moving their show into March)
- May – Meeting cancelled (STOS show is the first Sunday in May, and our show crew needs to be there. Any help in tear down would be appreciated)
- June – TBA (Will likely be a week later than usual due to Piping Rock’s auction program)

All of the above dates are subject to change except December and January depending on the availability of the church.

Thanks to Dolores Capella and David Ditz for providing refreshments for the meeting

Refreshment Volunteers

<i>December</i>	<i>Holiday Party</i>	<i>Everyone contributes (see page 1 of newsletter)</i>
<i>January</i>	<i>1. Sue and Jerry Finger</i>	<i>2. Barbara Weller</i>
<i>February</i>	<i>1. Donna Coleman</i>	<i>2. Jan Woodworth</i>
<i>March</i>	<i>1. ?</i>	<i>2. ?</i>
<i>April</i>	<i>1. ?</i>	<i>2. ?</i>

Treasurer’s Report

Net Worth

Assets

Cash Account

115.00

Key Bank

3657.66

Total

3772.66

Summary Report 1/1/09 – 11/1/09

Inflows

4,016.79

Outflows

2,716.45

Net Inflows/Outflows

1,300.34

Message from Charles Ufford

This link <http://cnyos.org/showpics/index.php> is where our orchid show pictures are. I only have brief descriptors of the flowers but will continually update them. Editing, uploading the pictures and then adding the names and other information takes quite a while.

Thanks and regards,
Charles

Tom Miranda's Top 20 Windowsill Wonders

Orchid Digest published an article by Tom Miranda with the above title. I picked 4 to describe:



Cattleya bicalhoi – Also known as *Cattleya* or *Laelia dayana* this lovely Brazilian mini-cat has a lot going for it. For a miniature plant it has terrific flower power, with nice, if typical, purple cattleya flowers with eye catching nectar guiding keels on its tubular lip. This one is vigorous, growing quickly into multi growth, rambling specimens in intermediate conditions in clay pots or baskets of medium grade mixes. While they tend to bloom just once per year, the flowers are reasonably long lasting and thrillingly showy. Like most cattleyas there are also some interesting and varied color forms (such as semi-albas) out there if you can't limit your self to just one.



Dendrobium laevofolium – This fabulous shiny miniature, native to warm, lowland, southwest Pacific Islands, may be the easiest of the showy oxyglossum section of *Dendrobium*, most of which are finicky, higher elevation cool growers. The comparatively large colorful flowers are also extremely long lasting and eye catching, though for me it can be a shy bloomer. Its miniature size and vibrant large flowers earn it a place in everyone's collection. It grows well in intermediate to warm temperatures in small pots or baskets of well drained orchid mix supplemented with some spaghnum moss for extra moisture. It should never dry out when in active growth, but a short dry rest in winter may help it bloom better.



Macroclinium aurorae – Another amazing plant from Central America, this micro-miniature fan shaped plant in the oncidium alliance makes frequent and fantastic "Crystal Chandalier" type inflorescences on a relatively tiny plant. I've found them quite easy to grow in intermediate conditions on cork or tree fern mounts. Over time, they often become multigrowth highly floriferous plants. The translucent crystalline flowers flecked with amethyst are simply delightful and astonishingly beautiful when examined closely in their tiny awesomeness. In the wild these are twig epiphytes and probably short lived as a result. The inflorescences re-bloom sometimes for many months, and therefore, if allowed, they have been known to sometimes bloom themselves to death. Allow the plant to grow into specimens by detaching inflorescences before they bloom too many times. Do this and your plants will gain great strength, and produce outstanding flushes of bloom as they mature.



Vanda falcata – More familiar to the orchid world as *Neofinetia falcata*, this is the famous Samurai orchid from Japan, China, and Korea that is revered in the orient and increasingly coveted and enjoyed by enthusiasts around the world. Eminently collectible, this species has myriad forms, some of which are greatly prized, and have been passed down through many generations. Kept as house plants for centuries, there are a variety of ways these plants can be grown, but perhaps the traditional way in specially designed ceramic pots with roots wrapped in spaghnum may be the most aesthetically pleasing. They are reasonably easy growers when given good water and intermediate conditions. I suspect many enthusiasts are livid regarding the name change, but this reflects its genetic affinity to vanda, and indeed, they are simply vandas that exhibit a moth pollination syndrome with their deliciously night fragrant white spurred blossoms.

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