



Connecticut Orchid Society

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The First, Original Orchid Society in Connecticut

Affiliated with the American Orchid Society and Orchid Digest

Next Meeting

Wednesday, Mar. 8th, 2017,

(See last pg. 7 for map & directions)

Cheshire Senior Center

240 Maple Ave., Cheshire, CT

6:30 pm.: Doors open. Socializing begins. Come early and help set-up for the meeting.

7:30 pm: Business meeting begins

8:00 pm: Featured speaker and/or presentation begins.

Members with last names beginning with "A" through "M", please bring goodies for this month's refreshment table.



Connecticut Orchid Society (COS) is an incorporated non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization founded in 1959. Please consider making a charitable contribution to COS. Most donations made to COS are tax deductible.



For notice of last-minute or inclement weather cancellation, visit our website www.ctorchids.org.

This Month's Featured Event

Chinese Cymbidium— The King of Fragrance

Presented by Richard Ho

"Richard Ho works as a project manager with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, managing the cleanup of hazardous waste sites. He has been the president of the North Jersey Orchid Society for the past three years. He has chaired numerous shows and is active in several orchid societies. Richard has been growing orchids of all kinds for close to 30 years. His collection consists of primarily species with special interest in Asian species including Chinese cymbidiums—all grown indoors under lights." **Richard will be bringing plants for sale.**

Refreshment Host/Hostess Needed

**COS is in need of a
volunteer to take on the duties of the
Refreshment Table.**

**If you can help with this important job,
please contact Dave Tognalli at (860)
521-7249 or dtog54@sbcglobal.net.**

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Connecticut Orchid Society Mission Statement

The Connecticut Orchid Society is an incorporated, non-profit association for the preservation and extension of knowledge concerning the conservation, ecology, science, cultivation, hybridization, appreciation and uses of orchids; and to carry on such activities as may be necessary or desirable to effectuate such purposes.

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Upcoming Events



Mar. 8 Connecticut Orchid Society Monthly Meeting, Topic TBA, 7:00 pm, Cheshire Senior Center, 240 Maple Ave., Cheshire, CT

Mar. 25 Connecticut Orchid Society will host orchid workshops at Sam Bridge Nursery. See page 3 in this newsletter for more details.

Mentor List



The following COS members are available to answer your culture questions and help you with any orchid growing problems you may have:

Judy Becker judybecker40@att.net (860) 824-0561 (8:00--8:00 pm) Greenhouse growing methods: Wide variety of species & hybrids

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Sharon SmithDelisle editor@ctorchids.org (203) 744-1849 (Contact anytime) Under lights & windowsill growing methods: Bulbophylums, Cymbidiums, Dendrobiums, Paphiopedilums, Miltoniopsis & mixed genera.

David Tognalli dtog54@sbcglobal.net (860) 521-7249 (Contact evenings & weekends) Windowsill & outdoor growing methods: Warm growers, Cattleyas, Dendrobiums & mixed genera.



COS Membership Information : \$20/yr. Individual \$25/yr. Family \$200 Individual or \$250 Family Lifetime Membership (never pay dues again!) Visit www.ctorchids.org to apply for/renew membership. We accept Paypal. Contact Membership Chairperson Mary Rampone at www.COSMembership@earthlink.net for more details.

Membership Policy Membership is open to anyone interested in orchids. Members join the Society by payment of annual dues. Memberships may be individual, student, family, life or honorary. Honorary membership is for life and is made by nomination of the Board of Directors and majority vote of the membership present at a regular meeting. The newsletter is published each month except July and August. Annual membership includes electronic delivery of the newsletter.

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Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the February 8, 2017 meeting were unavailable at press time.

President's Message

There was no President's Message available at press time.



Cheryl Mizak

News, Notes & Happenings

Orchid Workshops and Sale
Hosted by Sam Bridge Nursery
437 North St., Greenwich, CT 06830
(203) 869-3418
Presented by
The Connecticut Orchid Society

Members of The Connecticut Orchid Society will be on hand to hold an orchid class, plant sale and repotting clinic on Saturday, March 25, 2017. Snow date (hopefully not!) will be the following Saturday, April 1.

Basics of Orchid Growing Class – 11:00 am to noon. This class is geared towards beginner and hobby orchid growers. Expert growers from the Society will cover the basics of growing orchids and share tips and techniques they have learned to grow them well and get them to re-bloom year after year. Audience participation and questions are encouraged. Curious about orchids and how to grow them well? Wondering how to get that orchid you received as a gift to bloom again? This class is for you.

Orchid Repotting Clinic – 12 PM through 3:00 PM. Need some help repotting your orchids? Want to learn the ins and outs of repotting? Anxious about tackling the job yourself? Bring your orchids that need repotting and a clean pot for each. The Society will do the rest and you'll go home with a freshly repotted orchid. The cost starts at \$5.00 per orchid in pots up to 6" and varies for larger pot sizes.

Orchids for Sale – 10 AM through 4:00. Looking for an interesting orchid to add to your collection? The Society will have a wide variety of orchids for sale that are different than those typically available in the big box and grocery stores. All sale plants will be blooming or in-bud to bloom soon and are appropriate for all growing conditions and beginner growers.

(Proceeds from plant sales and the repotting clinic benefit The Connecticut Orchid Society.)



February Show Table —



~ Dave Tognalli

<u>Genus/Parentage</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Culture</u>
<i>Brassada</i> hybrid ig.	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Brassavola</i> Little Stars	M. Sabolcik	w,g
<i>Brassocattleya</i> Binosa	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Brassocattleya</i> Marcella Koss 'Pink Marvel' syn. <i>Brassolaeliocattleya</i>	M. Sabolcik	w,g
<i>Brassocattleya</i> Yellow Bird syn. <i>Brassolaelia</i>	M. Sabolcik	w,g
<i>Cattleya</i> Circle of Life 'Mesmerize' syn. <i>Sophrolaeliocattleya</i>	T. Zamojski	i,l
<i>Cattleya</i> (Cosmic Delight 'SVO' HCC/AOS syn. <i>Sc.</i> x Circle of Life 'Trailblazer' AM/AOS syn. <i>Slc.</i>)	T. Zamojski	i,w
<i>Cattleya percivaliana</i> 'Chi Chi'	J. Arth	i,w
<i>Cattleya coccinea</i> syn. <i>Sophronitis</i>	T. Zamojski	i,w
<i>Ceologyne</i> Unchained Melody	W. Wilson	i,l
<i>Cymbidium</i> hybrid ig.	J. Arth	c,w
<i>Cymbidium</i> Ming 'Manchu'	C. Koch	c,g
<i>Cymbidium</i> Murasaki	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Dendrobium atrovioleaceum</i>	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Dendrobium auriculatum</i>	W. Wilson	w,l
<i>Dendrobium</i> Gilleston's Gold 'Natalie' AM/AOS	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Dendrobium</i> ((Gilleston Jazz x Rutherford Blushing Bride)J. Lesnikoski x (SVO x Dunokayla Tuyet AM/AOS))	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Dendrobium</i> Gold Star 'Orange Royal'	T. Zamojski	i,l
<i>Dendrobium</i> Remy Hartman	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Dendrobium rhodostictum</i>	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Dendrobium</i> Roy Tokunaga	M. Sabolcik	w,g
<i>Dendrobium</i> (Sunny Vista 'Sunblast' x Dunokayla Tuyet AM/AOS)	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Dendrobium</i> Super Ise	M. Sabolcik	w,g



<i>Epidendrum rousseauae</i>	T. Russell	i,
<i>Fredclarkara</i> After Dark x <i>Cycnoches warscewiczii</i>	M. Sabolcik	w,g
<i>Mormodes</i> Painted Desert x <i>Catasetum spitzii</i>	M. Sabolcik	w,g
<i>Oncidium cheiroporum</i>	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Oncidium</i> hybrid ig.	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Ornithophora radicans</i>	W. Wilson	w,l
<i>Paphiopedilum delenatii</i> var. <i>vinicolor</i>	W. Wilson	w,l
<i>Paphiopedilum</i> (S. Gratrix x Conco Lucia 'Imagine')	M. Sabolcik	w,g
<i>Paphiopedilum</i> (Sylvan Vale x Hama Chillwin)	J. Arth	c,w
<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Green Pixie 'Evergreen'	W. Wilson	w,l
<i>Phalaenopsis</i> hybrid ig.	C. Koch	w,w
<i>Phalaenopsis</i> hybrid ig.	T. Zamojski	i,l
<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Sogo Fantasy	W. Wilson	w,l
<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Yu-Pin Burgundy	W. Wilson	w,l
<i>Rhyncattleanthe</i> Cameron's Magnetism syn. <i>Potinara</i>	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Rhyncattleanthe</i> Triple Love 'NN' syn. <i>Potinara</i>	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Rhynchostylis gigantea</i> var. <i>rubrum</i>	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Zelenidium</i> Kukoo	J. Lesnikoski	i,l
<i>Zygonisia</i> Maui Melody 'Indigo' AM/AOS	J. Lesnikoski	l,l
<i>Zygopetalum</i> (Artur Elle 'Randy' x Kiwi Dusk 'Sweet Pea')	J. Lesnikoski	i,l

Culture is as noted: *c* – cool *i* – intermediate *w* – warm
g – greenhouse *ws* – windowsill *l* – lights



Dendrobium aggregatum

Your editor reports that her mounted dendro. finally bloomed this year, at long last.

Photo credit: Sharon SmithDelisle



COS display table at the 2017 Amherst Orchid Show

Many thanks to David Tognalli for setting up this beautiful display. Dave reports that COS members took many ribbons & rosettes at the show.
Photo credit: Dave Tognalli



COS display table at the 2017 Deep Cut Orchid Show

Many thanks to Cheryl Mizak for setting up this lovely display.
Photo credit: Cheryl Mizak

AOS corner



Upcoming Webinars:

American Orchid Society: Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton

Tuesday, March 14, 2017@ 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EST *Everyone invited*

Please join Ron McHatton, American Orchid Society Director of Education and science Officer, who will discuss a variety of topics on orchid culture based on questions submitted by attendees. Please send your questions by Sunday, March 12th to stillisch@cox.net.

Register now using this link:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7136953445473612291>

Note: After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Directions to Cheshire Senior Center 240 Maple Avenue, Cheshire, CT 06410

From New Haven, CT:

- Take I-91 North to exit 10 (Route 40)
- Follow Rt. 40 to the end (last exit—for Mount Carmel/Cheshire)
- Turn right onto Route 10 North (Whitney Ave.)

At the traffic light for the intersection of Rt. 10 and Routes 68/70 West

Turn left onto Main St. —which runs into Maple Ave. at the next traffic light.

Proceed straight ahead on Maple Ave. Cheshire Senior Center is # 240 on the right after the Victorian House Restaurant.

From Waterbury:

- Take I-84 East to Exit 26 (Cheshire/Route 70)
 - The Exit ramp automatically forces you to go right and follow Rt. 70.
 - At the end of Rt. 70 (facing the Cheshire Post Office) turn left at the light onto Maple Ave.
- The Cheshire Senior Center is # 240 on the right after The Victorian House Restaurant.

From Hartford via I-91:

- Take I-91 South to Exit 18 onto Route 691 (Meriden/Waterbury)
 - Take Exit 3 off Rt. 691 and turn left at the traffic light onto Route 10 South.
 - Continue through seven traffic lights. At the 8th traffic light bear right onto Maple Avenue.
- The Cheshire Senior Center is # 240 on the left after the Cheshire Fire Department.

From Hartford via I-84:

- Take I-84 West to Exit 27 onto Route 691 (Meriden)
 - Take Exit 3 off Rt. 691 and turn right at the traffic light onto Route 10 South.
 - Proceed through six traffic lights.
 - At the 7th traffic light bear right onto Maple Ave.
- The Cheshire Senior Center is # 240 on the left after the Cheshire Fire Department.

