



The GCOS Newsletter

May 2007

Officers:

President:	Toni Doty	Program director:	Larry Sanford
Vice-president :	Alexa Noel	Show Chair:	Pat June
Secretary:	Jeanne Sanders	Members-at-large:	Darin Clapp, Linda Knab
Treasurer:	Dana White		Mark Paul, Ron Miller

The next meeting of the Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society will be on **Tuesday, May 1, 2007**. Note that this is the first Tuesday of the month. The meeting will be held at the Civic Garden Center on Reading Road across from Bethesda Hospital. The meeting is scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m. There will be time to socialize from 7:00 to 7:30. The Beginners' class starts at 7:00

Program

May's program is Linda Knab on "Tokyo Show" and Larry Sanford on "Eric Young Visit". The refreshments are by Don Lubbering, Stan and Elaine Better. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5.

Raffle plants are from the MidAmerica Orchid Congress.



Betty Forker Auction Plants

Last month's auction of the donated plants from the Betty Forker estate was extremely successful. The total received was \$2841. The proposal from the steering committee is that this money be used to create a perpetual cattleya trophy in Betty's name.

A Letter from the President

To be in compliance with the GCOS constitution and bylaws, a proposed amendment, endorsed by the steering committee, has been made concerning the Members at large. Per our constitution we are to have 2 (we presently have 4 function as members at large) The amendment below is posted for review by all members. Proposed changes are in (). We will vote on the proposed amendment at our June Meeting.

ARTICLE IX STEERING COMMITTEE

Section 1. The Steering Committee shall be the governing body, empowered to carry out the goals and policies of the Society as reflected in the discussions of the members. The Steering Committee is composed of the current officers, past president of the Society a (minimum of 2 and a maximum of 4) active members chosen at large, Program Committee Chair, Show Committee Chair and Hospitality Committee Chair.

Section 2. The (minimum of 2 and a maximum of 4) at-large members shall be elected in November from the ranks of members in good standing to serve on the Steering Committee.

Additional note.

The plant sale from the donation of plants from Betty Forker's estate went well. Thank you to all who bought plants and are giving them good homes. The Orchids meant a lot to her and it is great that they will live on. The sale generated \$2841. In her memory the steering committee is proposing a perpetual trophy (Cattleya alliance). How this works will be discussed at the May meeting and voted on.

Also, there are members who haven't renewed their membership for this year. We will have forms for those who need them at the meeting. If you haven't renewed please do so this month. We are trying to compile a roster and membership cards and don't want to omit someone. A membership does get you a discount at some places (Smith and Hawkins for one) and it never hurts to ask wherever you shop for your gardening needs.

Toni Doty, President

Nearby Shows/Events

May 5 - 6	Three Rivers Orchid Society Show	Franke Park, Ft. Wayne, IN
May 12	Open Green House	Steve Helbling
June 16	Picnic with MVOS	Sharon Woods
July 7	16th Ohio Valley Seminar	Civic Garden Center, Cincinnati, OH
August 9 - 11	Indiana State Fair	Indianapolis, IN
September 29-30	Kentucky Orchid Society Show	Louisville, KY
October 20 - 21	Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society Show	Krohn Conservatory, Cincinnati, OH
November 4	Potting Bee	Krohn Conservatory, Cincinnati, OH

CARTER & HOLMES ORDER – Last October, the Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society (GCOS) placed a Society order with Carter and Holmes. Seven members participated as well as the Krohn Conservatory. Now that the Spring 2007 calendar is out, GCOS is planning to do this again and is inviting the Miami Valley Orchid Society (MVOS) to join in the event.

Society orders over \$200 are offered a 25% discount. After the 25% discount is subtracted from the total, a 5% packing fee is assessed and Shipping & Handling is added as well. For last years order of 55 plants, Shipping and Handling worked out to about \$0.50 per plant.

In addition, Carter and Holmes adds a free plant for every five that is ordered. They pick the free plant. Several were donated to GCOS as raffle plants.

They may also substitute a similar plant if they don't have the one you ordered. There wasn't once case of this happening last year.

Anyone interested in ordering plants through this Society order should contact Ron Miller at orchidad@cinci.rr.com. He will be at the May MVOS and May GCOS meetings and will bring copies of the Carter and Holmes Spring 2007 catalog. You can also go online at www.carterandholmes.com to see what plants are available.

In placing an order, you will need to list the plant identification number, name, pot size and cost listed in the catalog. For example:

M7272 Iwanagara Apple Blossom 'Mendenhall' 2.5" Pot \$15.00
(The "M" denotes that the plant is a mericlone)

Also, please note that there are dug up plants available. You get one dug up plant for every five dug up plants that you order. When ordering dug up plants, replace the pot size with the characters, "D/U".

16th Ohio Valley Seminar July 7, 2007 at the Civic Garden Center

Speakers will be Dennis D'Allesandro on New Vietnamese Paphiopediums and Larry Moskowich on New Guinea Dendrobiums. Order forms will be in next month's newsletter and on the web site.

Hospitality List – to bring snacks, ice (in cooler) and drinks for the meetings

We will need people to sign up for hospitality for next year. We need two people for each month. Sign up sheets will be out at our meeting. You can also email Jeanne Rhinehart if you have a month you would be willing to do the hospitality.

June – Ron Miller and NEEDED	September – Steve Helbling, Jeanne and Barry Rhinehart
October – NEEDED	November - NEEDED

Next Meetings

.* Speaker brings plants for sale. No silent auction plant	
June 5, 2007	Steve Helbling Spathoglottis & Habenerias Beginners class "Summering Out Your Plants" Larry Sanford
July and August, 2007	No Meeting – Seminar and Picnic
September 4, 2007	Dixie McCulloch – "Growing Vandas" Beginners class Larry Sanford "Bringing Plants In"
October 9, 2007	Alexa Noel – "Cymbidiums" Beginners class Larry Sanford
November 11, 2007	Steve Benjamin Beginners class Larry Sanford
December 7, 2007	No Meeting – Christmas Party

Steering Committee:

The next Steering Committee meeting will be held at 6:00 pm. on Monday, March 12 at the Panera on Winton Road. Officers 2007 should attend: Mark Paul, Steve Helbling, Pat June, Jeanne Rhinehart, Larry Sanford, Toni Doty, Ron Miller, Alexa Noel, Daren Clapp, Linda Knab, and Dana White. Tuesday 5/15 – Grand Buffet at 6:30

Central Indiana Orchid Show – April 14th – 15th Garfield Park

Plant Name	Clone & Award	Awards
GCOS 50 SQ FT Display		1 st , Trophy, and AOS
Ron Miller		
Tolu. Magic	'Hildos'	
Lc. Lucinda Lachelin		3 rd
Pptm. Bumble Bee		1 st
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Larry Sanford		
Onc. Highland	'Jesse' AM/AOS	2 nd
Onc. Highland	'Jesse' AM/AOS	1 st
Brs. Rex	'Lexies Num Num' FCC/AOS	
Oda. Chanticleer		
Masd. veitchiana	'Betty' AM/AOS	2 nd
Masd. veitchiana	'Williams' AM/AOS	3 rd
Masd. Hana Nguyen	'Melissa' HCC/AOS	2 nd
Masd. Golden Sun		1 st and Trophy

Plant Name	Clone & Award	Awards
Rick & Alexa Noel		
Paph. Hybrid		
Dendrobium harveyanum		1 st and Trophy
Phrag. Ruby Cascade		3 rd
Tolu. Kitty Crocker	'Rose Giant' AM/AOS	1 st
Tolu. Phyllis Envy		
Steve Helbling		
Vuyl. Cambria	'Orchidheights' Am/AOS	3 rd
Encyclia cordigera		1 st
Paph. Pisar		1 st
Encyclia Species		
Encyclia randiana		3 rd
Phrag. St. Peter		
Milioniopsis Red Tide		3 rd
Vanda cristata		1 st

Odm. Pesky Point	'Patience' HCC/AOS	1 st and Trophy
Polystachya bella		3 rd
Dtps. Minho Princess	'Water Color Artist'	
Milt. Hajima Ono		
Paph. Delophyllum		2 nd
Den. densiflorum		3 rd

Burr. Nellie Isler	'Pololei Flame'	
Den. Mingle's Sapphire		1st
Liparis Species		

Trophy plants

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Larry Sanford Masd. Golden Sun

Larry Sanford Odm. Pesky Point 'Patience' HCC/AOS

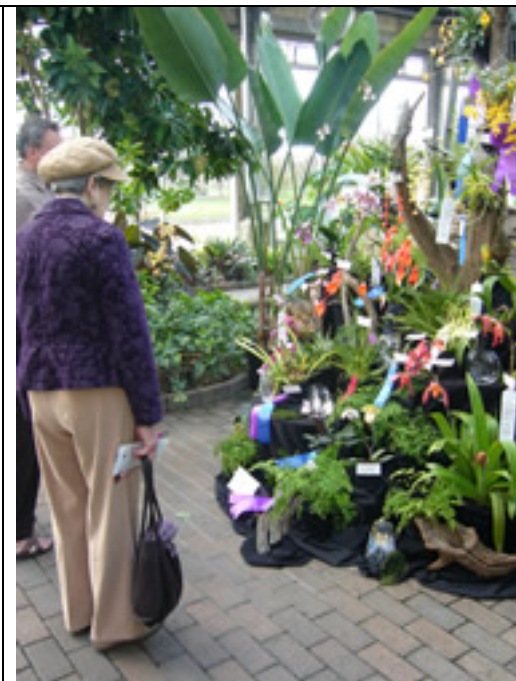


Rick & Alexa Noel Dendrobium harveyanum

Ron Miller Pptm. Bumble Bee

Exhibit Shots





At the left:

The Garfield Park Conservatory which was the site of the Central Indiana show has a gramatophyllum scriptum, which is one of the largest, if not the largest orchid.

Plant Judging

AOS Judging of plants is done at the shows listed under Nearby Shows as well as at the regularly scheduled judging sessions listed immediately at right. These sessions begin at 1:00 p.m. at the Civic Garden Center. You are welcome to bring a plant to be judged or just to observe the judging. Be a little early; plant registration is from Noon to 1:00 p.m.

May 13, 2007
 June 10, 2007
 July 8, 2007

Internet The GCOS web site is <http://www.gardenersutopia.com/GCOS/>.

Newsletter Circulation Policy

The newsletter is sent to all members whose membership is current and to other orchid societies by reciprocal agreement. Non-members who request a newsletter will receive a maximum of three issues. Questions about the newsletter may be directed to Jeanne Rhinehart, 513-232-6097 (evening). Email: jsanders1@fuse.net