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EDITOR'S NOTE

Contributions to the STOS newsletter from members are welcomed, however, in order to meet publication deadlines, articles must be submitted by the first day of each month.

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Cynoches Jean E. Monnier

We encourage members to submit their digital images and a brief writeup about their plant for inclusion later in the newsletter.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

After a fairly busy summer, we initiated our STOS activities with an excellent selection of plants for our annual plant auction. The remaining stock, little in comparison to previous years, is offered by silent auction just as it was last year. If you missed the opportunity to obtain some plants last month, you may submit a bid on items in the listing found in this newsletter. The highest bidder will receive the plants at our meeting on Sunday, October 21, 2007.

It is only by the effort of a few STOS members who made the auction possible, and I must thank all of them for their assistance with the details of this dynamic event. In addition, my special thanks go to those members who donated plants and to Paul Sheetz from JustPat Orchids and Mary Ann Garceau of Black Meadow Orchids for their generous contributions. Finally, my thanks go to our commercial suppliers: H&R Nurseries and Arnold Klehm for sending wonderful selections of material that some of us took home. If you have not ever participated in the preparations and structure of the auction, I encourage you to sign up as a helper for our next event.

Our speaker on October 21 is John Sullivan, an accredited AOS judge and friend who will present a program on growing miniature orchids. Further details on his presentation can be found in the body of this publication. Because it is important to involve more members in the selection of fine speakers and programs like October's, I ask you to speak to me or John Zygmunt, our programs chair, to aid in the preparation and schedule of future programs. This is the only way we can make the meetings exciting and something that all will be looking forward to see and hear. Suggestions and contacts for speakers for the months of January through March 2008 are needed.

With the end of the year approaching, it is time to form a committee to nominate the 2008 slate of officers. Some of you will be volunteered, a new slate presented to the membership at the November meeting, and the election at our meeting on December 16.

I will be asking for assistance with our next issue since Paula and I will be out of the country for the first half of the month.

We hope to see you all at the next meeting.

Luis J. Matienzo

STOS Treasurer's Report

Current balances as of September 16, 2007 are as shown below. Total funds available are \$5,204.44, plus CD of \$2108.39. CD was renewed on July 31, 2007. New interest rate is 4.55%, for a 10 month term, versus last year's 5% for 13 months. It is still a good rate and we made 108.39 on the \$2,000 over the last 13 months.

Peter O'Connell

A SPECIAL PRESENTATION

October 21, 2007

JOHN D. SULLIVAN

A SHORT TRIP INTO THE WORLD OF MINIATURES

If you are fascinated with orchids and their variety, miniatures offer the opportunity to grow a myriad of plants in a reduced space environment. This presentation will be given by one of our best specialists in the field. The lecture will be illustrated with a series of beauties that will only whet your appetite and make you a devotee of these plants

A BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

John has been involved with orchids since December 31, 1972. He has been active in the North Jersey Orchid Society, Ramapo Orchid Society and Greater New York Orchid Society, serving on the boards of all three and as President of NJOS. John was one of three growers featured in the AOS video on growing under lights. He was one of the founding members of The Pleurothallid Alliance, has been an accredited AOS judge since 1998 and has served as AOS Judging Chairman for several years at the annual show of the Southern Tier Orchid Society. A retired high school mathematics teacher, John and his wife Jane are the parents of 2 sons, 2 daughters. John and Jane live in Wyckoff, New Jersey.

SILENT AUCTION OF STOS PLANTS FOR OCTOBER 21, 2007

You may still make a bid on the following plants/seedlings remaining from the auction in September. The suggested starting bid is given. Please send your bid to L. Matienzo at lmastienzo@stny.rr.com or by calling 607-754-5702. The highest bid for each item will be announced at the meeting. Payments should be made on cash or by check payable to **Southern Tier Orchid Society**.

I.D. Number	Plant	Color	Suggested bid	Bid	Sold?
21	<i>C. luedemanniana</i>	Pink/select	\$12		
27	Colmanara Wildcat 'Doris'	Red/white/ yellow	\$16		
31	Wils. Lava Flow	Multifloral Red	\$10		
36	Onc. Alice Iwanaga 'Canary'	Multifloral yellow	\$14		
40	<i>Milt. warcewiczii</i> , species	Burgandy and gold	\$16		
75	Phal. Pink Luau	Pink flower	\$18		
97	Pot. Burana Netrasiri Beauty 'Burana'	Purple flow- ers	\$22		
107	Lc. Angel Heart 'Hihmanu'	Pink/white	\$24		
10	Lc. Mary's Magic	Pink/splash	\$20		

**CENTRAL NEW YORK ORCHID SOCIETY SHOW
SEPTEMBER 22-23, 2007**

Thanks to all of you who lent your flowering plants for the STOS display at the CNYOS Show at Beaver Lake Nature Center in Baldwinsville. Out of the 32 plants entered in our exhibit, ribbons were awarded to 18 of these plants, and Ken Lattimore's *Phrag. Sorcerer's Apprentice 'Fernwood'*, HCC/AOS, received the award for "Best in Alliance" "Letitia's Retreat," the miniature created by Gary Stensland, received the AOS Artistic Certificate. Congratulations to all of you!

Using the list of plants as we entered them, we have compiled the complete list of awards that follows this report. We would, however, like to draw your attention to the list of awards from CNYOS each of you has received, for plant names and parentage may have been corrected, thanks to Iris Cohen, CNYOS plant registrar. These changes represent the current taxonomy that some of the judges commended, so you may want to update your plant labels in accordance with the changes Iris has so carefully researched.

Special thanks also to Gary Stensland, who provided the artistic inspiration and know-how for the setup for our exhibit and to Ken Lattimore, Roxanne Shank, Colin Dimon, and Dick Lambertson, who assisted Gary with disassembling the exhibit and transporting plants and props back to their owners.

Luis and Paula Matienzo

	<u>Awards</u>
<u>STOS Exhibit</u> -- Orchid societies affiliated with AOS	Second
<u>Plant Entries</u> – Part I – Grown in greenhouse	
Exhibitor: Sharon Voorhees	
<i>Blc. Rustic Spots</i>	Second
<i>Bl. Richard Mueller x C. Landate</i>	
Exhibitor: David Clemens	
<i>Laelia dayana 'Hartford' AM/AOS</i>	Second
<i>Phrag. Sedenii var. Candidulum</i>	Third
<i>Phrag. longifolium x Phrag. schlimii</i>	
<i>Bulbo. echinolabium</i>	Third
<i>Zspm. Rhein Harlekin</i>	Second

C. Betty Webb Second

C. Claesiana x C. Mademoiselle Louise Pauwels

Exhibitor: John Zygmunt

Blc. (Waikiki Gold x Fringe Benefits) Third

Exhibitor: Peter O'Connell

Dtps. Kenneth Schubert 'Tetra' Second

Dor. pulcherrima x *P. violacea*

Maxillaria caespitifica Second

Trichopilia (suavis x marginata) Second

Exhibitor: Ken Lattimore

Phrag. Sorcerer's Apprentice 'Fernwood' HCC/AOS Best of Alliance, First

Phrag. longifolium x *Phrag. sargentianum*

Plant Entries – Part II – Grown under lights or in windows

Awards

Exhibitor: Luis Matienzo

Cyc. William Clarke First

(*Cyc. cooperi* x *Cyc. herrenhusanum*)

Cyc. Jean E. Monnier Third

(*Cyc. barthiorum* x *Cyc. cooperi*)

Den. Nora Tokunaga Second

(*Den. atrovioleaceum* x *Den. rhodostictum*)

Dtps. Kathleen's Ufo Second

(*Phal.* Kathleen's Fairy x *Dtps.* Happy Ufo)

Paph. henryanum First

Psh. cochleata Third

Exhibitor: Roxanne Shank

Lc. Aloha Thelma Gerhard

Third

L. lucasiana x C. loddigesii

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 21 – Guest speaker: John Sullivan. Presentation: A short trip into the world of miniatures

Sunday, November 18 – Guest speaker: Dennis D'Alessandro, collector of many new species from around the world. Presentation: The Orchids of Borneo

Sunday, December 16 – Holiday Party.

REFRESHMENT VOLUNTEERS

More than one person may sign up for an individual meeting so that the cost and work can be shared among members. Please note that volunteers are still needed for several upcoming meetings, so be sure to sign up if you haven't already.

Current refreshments list includes:

September – John Zygmunt

October – Ken and Laura Lattimore

November – Benny Osorio

December – Everyone brings a dish to pass

January – Open

February – Open

March -- Open

April – Open

May – Donna Coleman