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October 2009

NEXT MEETINGS

October 18, 2009 ~ 2:00 Vestal Library
November 15, 2009 ~ 2:00 Vestal Library

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Epidendrum Orchid

A friend of orchids sent me some unlabeled, unpotted epidendrum orchids - though they are labeled as to color. If you are interested in any of these, please contact me (Dee Janis) - any left over plants will be raffled off at the October meeting!

Thanks, Brad, this is much appreciated!

EDITOR'S NOTE

Contributions, including pictures, to the STOS newsletter from members are encouraged. Contributions must be submitted by the 25th day of each month to the editor.

If you have difficulties with the electronic format of this newsletter, please contact the editor at [southerntierorchidsociety at gmail dot com](mailto:southerntierorchidsociety@gmail.com)

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President's Message

I want to extend my sincere thanks to Pete O'Connell for organizing a fantastic auction for our club last month! I know a lot of hard work goes into planning and organizing this event and the end result just gets better and better each year. Between Pete and Luis Matienzo, they were able to get a wonderful selection of plants of all types to choose from so we could all find something we liked at a price that was affordable. Thanks also to our many volunteers who assisted on the day of the auction with set up, recording and tear down, helping to make the day run smoothly. Also thanks to our members who came to the auction, bought plants and supported our club.

For October, we are fortunate to have John Dunkelberger as our speaker and he will be speaking on **Considerations in Orchid Breeding - the Oncidium Alliance**. John will also be bringing plants to sell. For those who may not know John and his wife Shirley, they have been judges for the last few years at our April show at the Oakdale Mall. John has a degree in Biochemistry and Microbiology and has worked as a chemist, chemical engineer, University instructor, lumberman, logger and consultant. He presently entertains himself doing orchid breeding. We hope everyone has the opportunity to come to our meeting, meet John and Shirley and enjoy a great program.

We still need someone or multiple people to provide refreshments for our November meeting. If you are willing to help with refreshments for this meeting, please call or email Dee Janis.

See you at the meeting!

Anne

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Minutes

President Anne Tinker called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm. She thanked Bob Howe for doing the refreshments for our September meeting. She also thanked Pete O'Connell and Luis Matienzo for all the work they did for the 2009 Auction, especially the very nice plants that they acquired.

Treasurer, Pete O'Connell gave his report. It was called to approve the report and it passed.

We have a request for someone or even a few people to provide refreshments for the October meeting, contact Dee Janis if you are interested.

The Central New York Show was discussed and anyone with flowering plants was encouraged to enter them.

We broke for refreshments and the 2009 Auction.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, LuAnn Myers

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Treasurer's Report

There were no reports in June or July. The reporting period ending September 1 starts with a balance of \$8,181.32. Expenses were incurred in the show, printing (newsletter) and repotting class lines totaling \$838.94. Income was derived from memberships and plant raffle totaling \$101.00. Funds available are \$7,443.78, plus a CD of \$2227.12 for total funds available of \$9,670.50. Last year's figures were \$5,314.79 plus a CD of \$2,180.16 for a total of \$7,494.95.

We are just a few memberships short of budget. Last year a reminder was sent out and three renewals were the result of that mailing.

Pete O'Connell, Treasurer

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STOS Auction A Great Success

Thanks to all who helped make this a success. When we formulated the budget in October of last year, the extent of the economic downturn was not known but we did it!

Our thanks go to Hawaiian Floral Nurseries, Luhua Orchids Wholesale, Black Meadow Orchids, and to JustPat Orchids - an old friend of STOS for donation plants from his collection; to Luis Matienzo for helping to obtain and provide plants in addition to all his other help with the auction, and though last, certainly not least, Arnold Klehm, who gave us great discounts on wonderful new crosses. Please support him at www.klehmgrowers.com

STOS would also like to thank Pete O'Connell for all the work he has put into coordinating the Auction over the years and doing such a superb job this year.

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Next Meeting

October 18 ~ John Dunkelburger - Cymbidiums December 20 ~ Holiday party
November 15 ~ Cordelia Head / J & L Orchids

Please remember that these are tentative and subject to last minute change.

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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. Just let Dee Janis know if you can help. Her contact info is on the front page.

Current refreshments list includes:

October 18 ~ Lin Richards, Soini & Harry O'Connell December 20 ~ Holiday party - Everybody!
November 15 ~ Can you help?

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Potting Mix (or Miscellany)

Blc Jennifer Catherine Mystery

We've been contact by someone who said we had this plant at our April Show. They are looking to purchase one after having lost theirs. If this was your plant and you're willing to help or give direction as to place of purchase, please contact the editor.

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Membership!

Please note that our 2010 membership drive is now on! Fill out the attached sheet and return to Pete at the October meeting or mail to him at the listed address.

Thanks for your help!

SOUTHERN TIER ORCHID SOCIETY 2010 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Southern Tier Orchid Society (STOS) annual memberships are \$15 per individual or household, and we ask you to complete the following form to update our membership and mailing lists for the newsletter. Payments are accepted in cash at the meeting or by check or money order, made payable to **Southern Tier Orchid Society**. Please send this form and your payment to:

Pete O'Connell, STOS Treasurer
3718 West Road
Cortland, NY 13045

or

Dee Janis, STOS Membership Chair
2 Spurr Avenue
Binghamton, NY 13903

NAME: _____

PLEASE CHECK ONE:

_____ I AM A NEW MEMBER (PLEASE COMPLETE FORM BELOW).

_____ I AM RENEWING MY MEMBERSHIP AND MY CONTACT INFORMATION IS THE SAME AS LAST YEAR'S.

_____ I AM RENEWING MY MEMBERSHIP AND AM UPDATING MY CONTACT INFORMATION BELOW.

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Do you mind if we release your contact information? _____
(yes or no)

I would like to receive the newsletter (please check one):

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Please note: This form can also be found on our website (www.storchidsociety.com)

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