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September 2021 Newsletter

The Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society hopes everyone is staying healthy. We are having our first in person meeting back at the Civic Garden Center, we plan to offer online with Zoom also. We will be emailing Zoom meeting information for our society and for other societies as they offer their meetings to our members. We are also sharing members' orchids with an online Show-and-Tell.

Presidents Note

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Greetings
Hope everyone is doing well
and keeping cool since
summer has really now
arrived.

Our joint summer picnic with MVOS was a success and many of us walked away with a bundle of plants. Can't have too many.

Our first Ohio Valley Orchid Fest was also a success. I would like to thank everyone who took the time to come out and help from Greater



Photo by Rick Noel

Cincinnati Orchid Society, Miami Valley Orchid Society, Mid America Orchid Congress and especially to the Emmanuel Lutheran Church for providing support and a great place to host our first fest. We are already planning for round two of next year's orchid fest. Your comments are welcome for making the next fest even better.

As summer goes on, don't forget to keep a close eye on those outdoor orchids for damage from sunburn and critters. The cicadas are gone now but we still have the grasshoppers. Shade conditions may change and you don't want your plants in direct sunlight for long or they may sunburn. Take a few moments and inspect them regularly before you have an out-of-control problem. This will result in less stress for you and your babies. And don't totally rely on rain to water your plants so keep the hose handy as needed.

Starting in September (knock on wood) we will be back at the Civic Garden Center and will have Arthur Chadwick talking to us on Cattleyas. He will also be bringing plants for sale all the way from Virginia. More info is in the newsletter about his visit. Speakers will presenting live and in Zoom format for those that can't attend. Hope to see many of you again.

Please read the upcoming newsletters, emails and website for society updates. Until next time, Happy Orchid Growing and Good Health.

John Jaworski

GCOS September 14 Meeting A. E. Chadwick



Meeting starts at 6:00 with a Beginners Meeting "Bring in Your Orchids Questions" and what would you like to have covered in Beginner's meetings.

Talk starts at 7 on "First Lady Orchids".

Art holds a BS in Electrical Engineering from North Carolina State and an MBA from James Madison University. He founded Chadwick & Son Orchids Inc in 1989 with his father who has been growing orchids since 1943.

'The Classic Cattleyas' is widely considered to be the

definitive book on large-flowered Cattleya species and was written by Art and his father. Martha Stewart favorably reviewed the now-sold out book and had both Chadwicks on her TV Show. A 2nd edition is planned for January 2020.

Art has the distinction of naming Cattleya hybrids after the wives of the last five U.S. Presidents and personally presenting the flowers to most of the honored recipients. He has spoken at two World Orchid Conferences - France 2005, Ecuador 2017 and his popular orchid advice column appears each month in many newspapers around the country.

Chadwicks operates 11 greenhouses in rural Powhatan County, a retail store in Richmond, and boards over 13,000 orchids for local clients. The company was recently featured in Southern Living magazine, The New York Times, the Washington Post, CBS Sunday Morning, and O Magazine.

GCOS September 14 Zoom Meeting Login

Time: Sep 14, 2021 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89449927367?pwd=SStJRjFTd05RZW1vSGtROU5ENTZEUT09

Meeting ID: 894 4992 7367

Passcode: 245558



 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Ohio Valley Orchid Fest August 27-29} \\ \textbf{Many people attended our first Ohio Valley Orchid Fest. Here are some photos from the} \end{array}$ event.













Upcoming Meetings and Events

September GCOS meeting	Sept 14	A E Chadwick
		In person / Zoom
		Plants for sale
October GCOS board meeting	October 5	Zoom
October GCOS meeting	October 12	Windswept in Time "Tolumnias"
		In person PIZZA PARTY/ Zoom
		Plants for sale
Orchid Sale at Krohn	October 16-17	
November GCOS Board meeting	November 2	Zoom
November GCOS meeting	November 9	Cordelia Head
		In person / Zoom
		Plants for sale
December GCOS Board meeting	November 30	Zoom

GCOS Conservation Committee

GCOS has been involved with conservation efforts since 2009. So, the Conservation Committee of GCOS proposes actions for the remainder of 2021 and for 2022.

"Conservation Moments" during GCOS monthly meetings will acquaint or remind members of conservation issues. These will be brief educational comments, on a variety of topics.

A field trip to Syndi Wilhelm's property is planned for June, 2022, to view native orchids in bloom.

The best way to learn about and recognize invasive plants that are threatening our native plants (including Ohio's native orchids) is to participate in an organized plant pull. Other societies, such as ONAPA and the Cincinnati Wildflower Preservation Society, organize invasive plant pulls. Often GCOS can send volunteers to assist them.

We requested information from a group photographing pollinators of Platanthera. They provide cameras, and societies provide people to monitor the equipment. We have not heard back from them.

GCOS has been part of the 1% Orchid Conservation Coalition since 2008. Recommendations are being gathered for this year's \$100 donation. We decided to concentrate on environments rather than a species, but local or worldwide? We have a few appropriate candidates but would welcome suggestions from GCOS members.

GCOS Board Meeting

The next Zoom board meeting will be 7:00 pm Tuesday, October 5. Anyone can attend board meetings. If interested in attending contact Jeanne Rhinehart at jeanws@me.com.

GCOS Membership 2022

Membership forms are found at the end of the document. Membership prices are listed there. Payments can be made by check or on our website with PayPal. After February's newsletter, only members will receive newsletters by email. For all others the newsletter can be found on our website.

Your Orchid Photos on Our Web

If you want to send your photos with a short description and the name of the plant and your name to Jeanne Rhinehart jeanws@me.com.

Cincinnati Judging Center

September Judging will take place in person. There will be a meeting on in person on the second Sunday of each month at 11 am. Anyone wishing to attend, contact Glenn Evans at glenn.flevans.09@gmail.com.

Orchid of the Month Dendrobium hekouense



Dendrobium hekouense

The genus *Dendrobium* is in the Tribe Dendrobieae. Similar species within the genus are placed into Sections. The species *hekouense* is in Section Dendrobium. Dendrobium has currently over 1500 accepted species. The genus was described by Olof Swartz in 1799. The name *Dendrobium* comes

from the ancient Greek words dendron (tree) and bios (life) that refers to the epiphytic habit of most *Dendrobium* species.

Dendrobium hekouense has been awarded two times by the American Orchid Society. There have been no crosses made using hekouense.

Dendrobiums are found throughout south, east and southeast Asia, including China, Japan, India, Indonesia, Australia, New Guinea, Vietnam and on many Pacific Islands growing in many diverse habitats.

Dendrobium hekouense is a cool to warm growing miniature epiphytic orchid species that is found in South-Central China in valleys at elevations from 1000 m (3280 ft) to 2000 m (6561 ft).



Dendrobium hekouense has pea sized densely clustered pseudobulbs. Deciduous leaves are dark green and approximately ½ " long. Flowers are very large as compared to the plant itself which can be very showy and measuring up to an inch natural spread. A very short inflorescence arises from the side node of a pseudobulb and produces a single tubular looking flower when viewed from the side. Petals and sepals are a pale chartreuse green with spotted wine-red midvein and wine-red picotee apically. Lip is also a pale chartreuse green with winered streaks.

Dendrobium hekouenseis is best grown mounted on cork or appropriate wood slab that resists degradation. Typically blooms during Fall-Winter but has been know to bloom

during the Summer in North America. Flowers stay open for three or more weeks. Grow in cool to hot conditions, or 40°F to 95°F with ideal conditions being intermediate to warm. Grow in bright indirect light (some shadowing) conditions between 2000-3000 ft. candles. Plenty of air movement is recommended. Relative humidity should be between 60-80%. Water and fertilizer frequency will depend on when it is actively growing and its growing conditions. Water mounted plants daily every other day or more frequently if humidity is low. Dilute the strength of the fertilizer to about ½ the strength recommended and fertilize every other week.

John Jaworski

American Orchid Society Webinars



You must register. https://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx

GCOS Social Media

GCOS Facebook Group

https://www.facebook.com/groups/687922501752919/

GCOS Facebook Page

https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=greater%20cincinnati%20orchid%20society&epa=SEARCH_BOX

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THE GREATER CINCINNATI ORCHID SOCIETY

2022 Membership Application Please Print

Although dues for 2021 are optional, regular dues and/or contributions are gratefully accepted. Judicious management of GCOS funds over the years has provided adequate fiscal stability to carry us through these "bumpy" times. We do ask that every renewing member complete this 2021/2022 form with updated information. We will have a new membership chair and he/she will need it. Thank you.

DATE	
NAME	
Names in family membership	
STREET ADDRESS	
CITY, STATE, ZIP	
PHONE Primary	
PHONE Secondary	
E-MAIL ADDRESS PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY	

Unless you ask us not to, we include your information on a membership roster that is sent to other GCOS members and to the American Orchid Society (AOS). This chapter is an affiliate of AOS.

	RATE	YOUR PAYMENT
INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP	\$25	
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP	\$30	
STUDENT MEMBERSHIP	\$10	
DONATIONS, to support GCOS (identify any restrictions)		
	YOUR TOTAL:	

You may join/renew your membership in one of two ways:

- 1) Mail the form to: Dave Allen, 3899 Sandtrap Circle, Mason, OH 45040
- 2) Take a photo of the form and email to dallen47@gmail.com

If you want to make a donation or pay for membership, you can send a check to Dave Allen or pay online via PayPal at the society's website: http://www.cincinnatiorchids.org

Our mission is to create and stimulate knowledge and interest in orchids and their culture, to demonstrate orchid culture to the public, and to preserve orchid biodiversity both in nature and cultivation by enthusiasts.

The Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society is a 501(C)(3) tax exempt organization. Dues and donations to us are tax deductible for those people who itemize their deductions.