

The Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society

February 2020 Newsletter

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Meeting Location

Civic Garden Center (CGC)
2715 Reading Road
Cincinnati, OH

Upcoming Events

The next meeting of the Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society will be on Tuesday, February 11, 2020. **Meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of the month.** The February meeting will be held at the Civic Garden Center (CGC), 2715 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH. The formal meeting starts at about 7:00 PM with a few announcements prior to the start of the program. After the program, members nibble on treats and socialize. Members volunteer to bring in food and beverages. There will also be a beginner's class at 6:00 PM in the CGC library. You can bring your plant(s) in and ask any of the society's experts any question that you have. To contact the society email us at info@cincinnatiorchids.org. The link to our Society calendar is cincinnatiorchids.org/GCOSCALENDAR.html

Hospitality volunteers are still needed for most 2020 meetings. It is not required that you bring a full course meal, a lot of members bring chips, dips, fruit/veggie trays, etc. anything is appreciated. Drinks are provided by the society.

Ann Tsui, Connie Wolfson and Elaine Ramer have volunteered to bring in treats for the February meeting. Thank you!

Note: If you haven't already done so, it's time to renew your membership. You can renew your membership online at the GCOS website or by filling out the membership form and paying at the meeting on Tuesday. If you haven't renewed by the end of March, the March newsletter will be your last.

Next Orchid Plant Judging

When: February 9 (Sunday), 1:00 PM

Where: Civic Garden Center

You will note this is the second Sunday of the month. We are lucky enough to have an AOS Judging Center right here at the Civic Garden Center. Judging starts at 1:00 PM & observers are always welcome.

Next GCOS Beginner's Meeting

When: February 11 (Tuesday), 6:00 PM

Speaker: Jeanne Rhinehart, Building a Backyard Bog

Next GCOS Formal Meeting

When: February 11 (Tuesday), 7:00 PM

Speaker: Dana White, What Your Orchid is Telling You

Miami Valley Orchid Society Spring Show in conjunction with Mid America Orchid Congress

When: February 15 – 16 (Saturday – Sunday)

Where: Cox Arboretum, Dayton, OH

You can find the details about the speakers and events on the MAOC website. Attached is the registration form for attendance to the MAOC events.

Jan Yates is coordinating plants that will be on display for GCOS at the Miami Valley Orchid Spring Show in conjunction with Mid America Orchid Congress. Please contact her by email or phone with the names of the plants you wish to place in the display and coordinate with her when you can bring them to her. The deadline is by the end of the day on Thursday, February 13, 2020. She would also like to know if you are bringing them directly to the show setup on Friday, 14, 2020.

Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society Spring Show Setup

When: February 28 (Friday), 8:00 AM

Where: Krohn Conservatory

Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society Spring Show

When: February 29 (Saturday) – March 1 (Sunday), 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM both days

Where: Krohn Conservatory

Next Board Meeting

When: March 4 (Wednesday), 6:30 – 8:30 PM

Where: Slatt's, Blue Ash, OH

Greater Akron Orchid Society Spring Show

When: March 7-8 (Saturday – Sunday)

Where: Dayton Nurseries, Inc., Norton, OH

Orchid Plant Judging

When: March 8 (Sunday), 1:00 PM

Where: Civic Garden Center

GCOS Beginner's Meeting

When: March 10 (Tuesday), 6:00 PM

Speaker: TBD

GCOS Formal Meeting

When: March 10 (Tuesday), 7:00 PM

Speaker: Yvonne France, Gardeners View of Orchids

Pittsburg Orchid Society Spring Show

When: March 14 – 15 (Saturday – Sunday)

Where: Crowne Plaza Suites Pittsburgh South, Pittsburgh, PA

Potting Bee

When: March 15 (Sunday), 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Where: Krohn Conservatory

Board Meeting

When: April 1 (Wednesday), 6:30 – 8:30 PM

Where: Slatt's, Blue Ash, OH

Presidents Note

Greetings

We are days away from 2020 shows like the Miami Valley OS Spring Orchid Show in conjunction with Mid America Orchid Congress Feb 15 – 16, our GCOS Spring Orchid Show Feb 29 – Mar 1, and the Greater Akron Orchid Society Spring Show Mar 7 - 8. Please support these societies by volunteering for the many tasks required to produce a great show for everyone. Not only will you see wonderful displays but you will also get a chance to see orchid species and many of the hybrids produced from them. Many vendors will be present so bring a few extra dollars and go home with some beauties. We can all fit a few more plants into our collections. If you have any plants in bloom think about adding them to the displays. The more the merrier. The locations for these two shows couldn't be any better so come and have a good time and chat with likeminded folks. More details can be found in the newsletter or on the GCOS Calendar of Events.

The winter months are an excellent time to carefully look over your plants for pests. Eliminating them now before warmer weather and more abundant food (your plants) can further increase their numbers. Treatment for bacterial and fungal diseases due to cooler

damp conditions can also be addressed during this time depending on where your orchids are grown.

Volunteer Opportunities

Our society can't work effectively unless we have volunteers to help make it happen. Some of the ways you can help is by volunteering. We would gladly welcome volunteers who would be interested in helping. You can see any board member who would be willing to get you headed in the right direction. Do you have any experience with technology? Do you think you can help with our website or with paypal? If so, please contact us at info@cincinnatiorchids.org

NOTE: If you would like to submit an article or a picture with a write up for the newsletter you may. If submitting a picture please accompany a write up with it. We will attempt to accommodate all requests, space permitting.

The Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society

The Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society's educational meetings, orchid exhibits, and outreach events are free and open to the public. Because we are a 501(C) (3) charity, gifts to the society and annual membership dues are tax-deductible.

