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The Orchid Grower

Orchid Growers' Guild of Madison

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Meeting Dates Meetings on Zoom at 1 PM

- May 16
- June 27, Picnic
- September 19
- October 17
- November 21
- December 19

Meetings start at 1:30 pm at Olbrich Gardens unless otherwise noted

Up-Coming Events

- August 27-27, Ohio Valley Orchid Fest, sponsored by Miami Valley Orchid Society
- September 18-19, WOS Fall Show
- September 24-26, Chicagoland
- October 10, Fall Orchid Sale, Olbrich
- 2022 February 5 & 6, Orchid Quest

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NEXT MEETING, June 27

Public Health Madison & Dane County will lift all mask requirements and gathering and capacity limits on June 2.

65.8% of Dane County residents have received at least one dose of vaccine and 57.0% have completed the vaccine series. 76.0% of the eligible population (ages 12+) have received at least one dose of vaccine, and 65.8% of the eligible population have completed the vaccine series. The CDC reports that there is no current evidence to support the transmission of COVID-19 associated with food.

In view of this good news, the Board decided that the next OGG meeting will be our June picnic and we will have our usual pot-luck. Jeff and I

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi OGG members,

Welcome to our new Secretary Lynn West and to our continuing Vice President Cynthia Wadsworth, and continuing board member, Carrie Weisman! Thank you for offering your valuable time to volunteer with the OGG organization!

Thank you to all who donated plants, attended, or bid at the spring auction! We made about \$300! (This will cover the cost of our Zoom subscription and one speaker's fee.)

We are starting our Orchid Quest 2022 planning meetings. So far they are on Zoom to make it easy to attend. If you would like to attend, please let me know and I will send you an invitation. Our next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, July 27 by Zoom at this point. We will have some in-person meetings in a location convenient to attendees and observing the latest COVID requirements.

We will not be doing a Show & Tell in June, so please take your photos for sharing at the July Show and Tell (second Tuesday of the month).

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will be hosting it again. We hope everyone will be able to attend. It will be great to get together again, even if it will not be like it was before. Everyone should bring a mask to wear. We have plenty of room outside so there will be lots of room to "socially distance." Being outside, some may feel a mask isn't needed when socially distanced. People certainly may wear a mask if they are more comfortable with one on. Some members may have underlying health concerns. Please consider the feelings of others and their approach to wearing a mask. We must respect everyone's personal healthcare choices.

Orchid Quest-Update

Planning for OQ 2022 has already begun. Please set aside the dates of Friday, February 4th for set-up, Saturday and Sunday February 5-6 for Orchid Quest. The new things coming this year: A brand new workings and look for the Auction, New ideas for Speakers such as "Don't Ice be Nice," another rearrangement for the displays (again) and who knows what else??? Our next planning meeting will be July 27 at 7 pm. If you would like to attend and you want a reminder, call Terri at 608-592-7906 or email lodi-joz@charter.net

Thanks, Terri

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Jeff and Denise Baylis are hosting the June picnic on the 27th, and then our next scheduled meeting is September 19, the weekend of the Milwaukee Orchid Show where we will have a display.

October will be busy with a sale of orchids from Hausermann's at Olbrich on Sunday October 10 for which we will need volunteers, followed by our meeting on October 17.

The speakers are still being planned and a fall auction being considered.

Summering some of your tougher orchids outside is a good way to fulfill their light requirements. Some to consider putting outside would be cymbidiums, cattleyas and the catasetums. Hanging some others might protect them from too much light and rough weather.

I am still in the repotting phase. So on that note: There will be clear pots and net pots for sale at the picnic. The Guild has a number of pots from 2 inches up to 7 inches clear plastic and net pots 2 inches up to 6 inches. If there is a certain size and number that you want, please contact me. That way I can make sure to have enough pots on hand. [See price list on page 3]

I hope that many of you can attend the picnic and have a great summer!

--- Sue Reed

We will have ribbon judging so this is the time to show off your plant to an actual "live" audience. For the pot luck please bring a dish to pass however you may bring your own food to eat if you prefer. Bring your own beverage of choice. We will have plates, cups and utensils. Everyone will need to bring a lawn chair for their personal use. If you have an extra card table it would be a great help. If you would like to walk around there are mowed trails on our property.

Check the attachment to this newsletter for our address and additional contact information. We hope to see you here!

Jeff and Denise Baylis

ORCHID SUPPLY PRICE LIST, JUNE 2021

Clear plastic pots (inches)

Pot Size	Pot Price
2 x 3	\$0.50
3 ½ x 4	\$1.00
4 ½ x 4	\$1.25
5 ½ x 4	\$1.50
6 ½ x 4	\$2.00
7 (6 ¾) x 4	\$2.50
Small green pot 2 x 2 5@	\$1.00

Clay pots

3 x 3	\$0.50	#
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Net Pots

2 x 2	\$0.25
5 x 4	\$1.00
6 x 4 ½	\$1.25

Dragonfly clips

12@	\$2.50	
20@	\$4.00	#

Wooden baskets (inches) #

4	\$4.00
6	\$6.00
8	\$8.00
10	\$10.00
12	\$12.00

Tree fern #

4	\$4.00
6	\$6.00
8	\$8.00

Orchid moss # \$6.00

Those items with # are NOT on hand. IF you want them you will need to notify Sue by **June 24**. She will check the locker for the availability of those items.

If you want more than one or two pots, it would be best to let her know, so she can be sure to have enough at the Picnic.

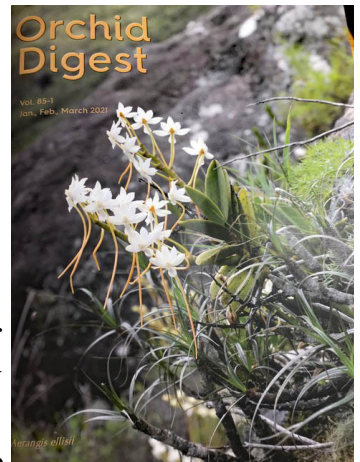
Members' Auction:

Our Spring Auction was a success with about 17 people in attendance and 42 plants, many of them species, finding new homes. It is hard to find orchid species in the Madison area due to the popularity of the phaleanopsis to the general public. Our auction is one of the few venues for finding species as well as unusual hybrids. The orchids ranged from *Ancistrochilus* to *Zygopedium*!

Thank you all again for making this a success and please look forward to attending and donating to our future auctions!

Orchid Digest

Orchid Digest has a facebook page and you don't have to be a member to join the group or to post photos. You can post your orchid photos and they will use some of them in their magazine with credit given to the grower and photographer! The Magazine comes out quarterly and has great photos and informative articles.



Eric Sauer who spoke to us about Phragms has an great article on *Maxillaria*'s in the first quarter *Orchid Digest Magazine* 2021.

Catasetum Project Update

Recently, one of our members voiced concerns about the shriveling of the pseudobulbs on his project plant. Unfortunately, the roots of the immature new shoot weren't long enough (must be at least 3 inches) to start the watering process which would plump the pseudobulbs. Here is a photo of the plant in question.



own and will resume active growth when they darn well please. Here is a photo of my lot of catasetums resting during dormancy about two months ago.



It is not unusual for pseudobulbs to dehydrate during dormancy and during the period when new shoots appear draw moisture from the older bulbs. I have found that spritzing the bulbs with a mist of distilled water can moderate some of the shriveling. There is bound to be some dehydration but the bulb should firm up when watering commences.



Recent photos show some plants with active growth. Notice the various stages of new growth among the lot of plants. Some plants are still dormant. are helpful when cultivating catasetums.

Another question came up regarding the timing of new shoot production. From my experiences, the plants have a mind of their

The key word is 'Patience.' Patience and faith are helpful when cultivating catasetums. Hope this info helps. Happy growing!
Gary
Lensmeyer



Views from the Northwoods

Photographs and text by Nancy Thomas



May 22: These small yellow lady slippers were growing in the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway. Unfortunately the next photo shows the ditch trenching they've done on the road right up to where the lady slippers are. I don't know how many lady slippers they plowed under in the process. There's incredible rich wildflower growth all along that stretch with large bellflower, miterwort, hepatica, nodding trillium, blue cohosh starting to flower and many lilies coming up, presumably wood lilies.



These Pink Lady slippers were along County Line Road between Bayfield and Douglas counties. These were the only ones we found. The far away shot is the habitat and if you magnify it in the center you can find the lady slippers. The Barrens had early blooms of plentiful birds foot violets and hoary puccoon but no phlox yet. These cute little sundews [near right] were at a spring fed creek. The Dragons-mouth was growing in a sphagnum bog near some pitcher plants.



May Show and Tell Participants

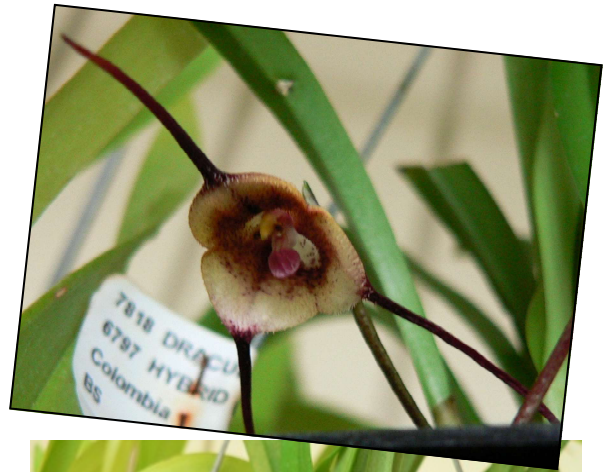
Jeff Baylis	<i>Dendrobium chrysotoxum</i>
Keith Nelson	<i>Chiloschista viridiflava</i>
Keith Nelson	<i>Leptotes bicolor v. alba</i>
Keith Nelson	<i>Oncidium sphacelatum</i>
Lori O'Neill	Oncidium unknown hybrid
Lori O'Neill	Phalaenopsis unknown hybrid
Lorraine Snyder	<i>Phragmipedium schlimii</i>
Lynn West	<i>Dendrobium aggregatum (Dendrobium lindleyi)</i>
Lynn West	<i>Paphiopedilum armeniacum</i>
Nancy Thomas	<i>Dendrobium convolutum</i> & Den. Green Flash
Sandy Delamater	<i>Aerangis hariotiana 'Gold Country'</i>
Sandy Delamater	<i>Dendrochilum apoense</i>
Sandy Delamater	<i>Diplocaulobium tentaculatum</i>
Sandy Delamater	<i>Dracula bella x nycterina</i>
Susan Reed	<i>Miltoniopsis</i> Rene Komoda 'Pacific Clouds' (Edwidge Sabourin x roezlii)
Susan Reed	<i>Phalaenopsis fuscata</i>
Susan Reed	<i>Phragmipedium</i> Paul Eugene Conroy (<i>longiflorum</i> 'Waunakee' x <i>wallisii</i>)
Terri Jozwiak	<i>Bulbophyllum falcatum</i> 'Standing Tall'
Terri Jozwiak	<i>Clowesia</i> Rebecca Northen Grapefruit Pink x <i>Catasetum</i> Mark Dimmitt 'Ed Wise'
Terri Jozwiak	<i>Encyclia cordigera</i>
Terri Jozwiak	<i>Gongora tricolor</i>
Terri Jozwiak	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Hinamatsuri 'Rainbow Star' 'Mo3' (Musashino x Naughty Pink)
Terri Jozwiak	<i>Dendrobium</i> Royal Wings (Roy Tokunaga x Silver Wings)
Terri Jozwiak	<i>Dendrodium aberrans</i> x sib
Terri Jozwiak	<i>Oncidium sphacelatum</i>



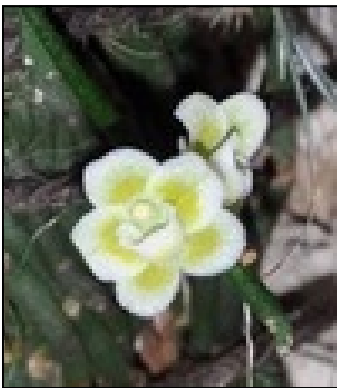
Keith Nelson's *Oncidium sphacelatum* has 105 blooms and Terri Jozwiak's from last month is still blooming with two stems in bloom right now [left]



Sandy Delamater's *Aerangis hariotiana* 'Gold Country'. "It's mounted on 6x2 1/2" cork. There are two spikes 1 1/2" each with 10 tiny flowers. First identified in 2012"



Sandy Delamater's *Dracula bella x nycterina*. "This is a natural hybrid from Colombia. Grown in a 4" pot/ sphagnum. 1x3" flower on a 2" spike, 11 spikes for first blooming."



Keith Nelson's *Chiloschista viridiflava*. "this leafless epiphyte is also known as a starfish orchid."



Terri Jozwiak's *Gongora tricolor*. "The plant itself doesn't look too good but the blooms are awesome! Very weird, just the way I like them."



Terri Jozwiak's *Bulbophyllum falcatum* 'Standing Tall'. "This has 2 stems blooming. It is a big plant and the blooms are small but so cool looking."

DENDROBIUMS



Lynn West's *Dendrobium aggregatum* (*Dendrobium lindleyi*). "It was purchased from Natt's orchids at OQ 2 years ago."



Jeff Baylis' *Dendrobium chryso-toxum*. "This came in a small plastic bag from a dime store on the Square 35 years ago."



Nancy Thomas, "On the right is *Dendrobium convolutum*. On the left is *Den. Green Flash* which is a convolutum hybrid (Andree Millar x convolutum) (note: Den Andree Millar is atroviolaceum x convolutum). Hybridizers want the hybrid to improve on the parent, and you can see this hybrid is larger, flatter, rounder than the species, but the color isn't as rich."



Terri Jozwiak's *Dendrodium aberrans* is still open from last month with 5 tiny blooms.

ENCORE!

Terri Jozwiak's *Dendrobium Royal Wings*. "... still blooming and has been for 2 or more months!!"





Terri Jozwiak's *Encyclia cordigera*. "My second plant is in full bloom! Two stems and very fragrant."



Susan Reed's *Miltoniopsis* Rene Komoda 'Pacific Clouds' (Edwidge Sabourin x *roezlii*). "It grows in the basement with cooler, constant temperature under fluorescent lights. Large fragrant flowers."



Terri Jozwiak's *Clowesia* Rebecca Northen Grapefruit Pink x *Catasetum* Mark Dimmitt 'Ed Wise'. "It has no leaves, and it hasn't been watered for months but this is the bloom. Gorgeous!"



Lori O'Neill's *Oncidium* unknown hybrid. "This was received as a gift in 2016."



Lori O'Neill's *Phalaenopsis* unknown hybrid. "I received it as a gift in 2016. It is a consistent bloomer."



Susan Reed's *Phalaenopsis fuscata*. "It is hot to warm growing, so does grow in my basement which is on the cooler side under fluorescent light. Very small plant and flowers (1 1/2" flower) only a few flowers per bract."



Terri Jozwiak's *Phalaenopsis Hina-matsuri* 'Rainbow Star' 'MO3' (Musashino x Naughty Pink). "This bloomed about 6 months ago, then got mealy bugs and I sprayed the buds with soapy water and the buds died. BUT more buds showed up and opened! I guess it just really wanted to bloom."



Lynn West's *Paphiopedilum armeniacum*. "This is its second blooming this year."

Keith Nelson's *Lep-totes bicolor v. alba*





Susan Reed's *Phragmipedium*
Paul Eugene Conroy
(*longiflorum* 'Waunakee' x
wallisii)



Sandy Delamater's *Dendrochilum*
apoense. "It is mounted on a 4 x
2½" slab, 15 two inch each spikes.
It's from the Philippines."



Lorraine Snyder's *Phragmipedium*
schlimii. "It was purchased bare
root from Ecuagenera, at Hauser-
mann's in late 2019. This is its first
bloom."



Sandy Delamater's *Diplocaulobium*
tentaculatum.
"- mounted on a 6" stick, 4 flowers."