



CAIOS September Newsletter

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Cape and Orchid Society Meeting

Sunday September 9

1:30 PM

at the

Administration Building
of the

Barnstable County Fairgrounds,
Rt. 151, 1220

Nathan Ellis Highway,
Falmouth MA

Members A-M bring refreshments

Gene Crocker of Carter and Holmes Orchids "Cattleyas"



Gene is the proud ambassador from Newberry, S. Carolina, and rejoins us to Show & Tell about the Queen of orchids, the Cattleyas. His firm is known for some of the finest standard Catts bred today. I'm sure that members will enjoy seeing the bright colors of modern breeding as shown in his slides. Sale plants and preorders will be available from the Carter & Holmes Catalog or on line. Don't Forget! There will be raffles, a show table, refreshment, books, and your orchid growing friends.

Preorder Orchids from Carter and Holmes at 25% off

CAIOS members have a special offer from Carter and Holmes. A 25% discount is offered for preorders that are received by Sept 2 and prepaid. When you order, don't forget to indicate that you are with Cape & Islands Society because Gene Crocker is speaking to several Orchid Societies in the area.

How to get your discount

1. Get ahold of Tina Balog who has catalogs. Her number is 508 540 5006.
2. Visit the Carter Holmes web site because more plants are on the web than in the catalog. www.carterandholmes.com or by email gene@carterandholmes.com or by phone at 800-873-7086

Remember that the cutoff for prepaid preorders for Carter & Holmes is Sept 2nd.

Membership Renewal Time

If you have received a preprinted return envelope with this mailing, it is time for you to renew your membership in CAIOS. \$20 is the fee for renewal for all members.

If you did not receive a preprinted envelope, you have already renewed for the 2007-2008 year, so do nothing.

October 14th Meeting The Great Orchid Sale

The Caios October 14th meeting is the Annual CAIOS Auction. Please note that for once the auction DOES NOT fall on the Columbus Day weekend which is the 9th. This is an excellent opportunity to obtain fantastic orchid plants at a reasonable price. Many times some of the latest hybrids and unusual species are on the Auction block at this event. A list of the available orchids will be included in the October Newsletter.



19th World Orchid Conference is being held in Miami from January 23 to Jan. 27, 2008. There are many speakers, a fabulous show (if past experience is a guide) tours of orchid nurseries and many other doings. Nearby hotels are filling up and the registration fee for the Conference goes up \$50 after June 20, 2007. Yr Pres. plans to go, others are urged to call me if coordination of hotels etc. is a good idea (508 540-2054)

Sheraton Miami Mart Hotel
& Exhibition Center
777NW 72nd Ave
Miami, FL
web info -- www.19woc.com

Victoriana The CAIOS Show January 9-13

The CAIOS Show dates are January 9-13. It is open to the public on Jan 12 & 13. The show is earlier than usual due to the fact that the 19 World Orchid Conference & Show is being held in Miami, Florida on January 23-27, 2008. We can not have an AOS judged show at the same time hence the date change.

Our show theme is "Victoriana". The volunteer sign up sheets are ready for you to put your name down where you think you can help. There are many tasks that do not require lots of orchid expertise. Please call Tina (508) 540-5006 if you will not be at the next few meetings to sign up or if you have questions or ideas about anything.

There are several different things happening this year at the show. First this year's preview party (held Friday night) will be offering a multiple station buffet this year with a wide variety of menu choices. Dinner will be followed by a shortened Award ceremony. Then we will have a Mini Auction featuring the beautiful blooming plants which are donated by our loyal vendors. This will be a fund-raising event for the society, so please bring cash or a check if you wish to participate. After dinner and the mini auction, we have another special event for the 2008 preview party. We have arranged to have Ronald Burch, from The Gardens at Post Hill, give his excellent visual presentation on growing native cypripediums in your garden. Finally to end the evening, the sales area will be open for the remainder of the evening.

Also we are hoping expanding the cut flower displays in 2008 by having individual judging for a mature and professional floral exhibitors. There are several categories for floral designs:

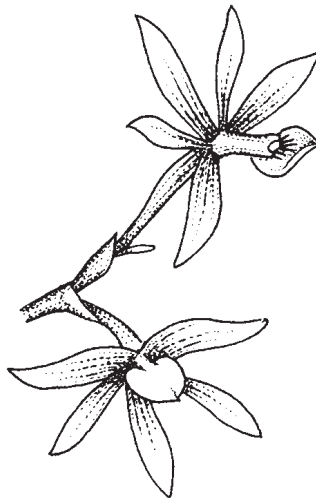
Wearable orchids: corsages, hairpieces, wristlets etc.

Orchid Wedding Bouquet: orchids predominating.

Individual Orchid: solitary orchid or orchid stem uniquely featured

Flower arrangement: floral design featuring multiple orchid stems.

All entries will be judged based on originality, color, harmony, balance, mechanics and overall design of each arrangement. We are hoping to see some of our members participate in this new exciting aspect of our show. So if you are interested in entering or have a favorite florist please give me a call so I can contact them about participating.



CAIOS and What We Do

The Society exists to popularize orchids to members and the public. CAIOS helps growers by presenting ideas at meetings. Dues, the Auction, raffles, and the Great Annual CAIOS Show provide dough for events, library and newsletter. The latter is a members forum for articles, orchid news, plants and/or related items for sale or trade, want ads, show announcements and anything that you think you can sneak past the editor, contributions welcome! Jim Talin 508 896 2794 (email jimtaln@cape.com).

Meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month mostly, usually at 1:30 PM, are open to the public and are handicap accessible. Locations will vary as per newsletter and map. The business portion of the meeting is followed by the featured lecture, the raffle and then by the Show & Tell for all plants brought in by members or public. Members may bring any plants to show and tell about, all questions gently answered. Each plant shown gets a Show Table Raffle ticket! Other raffle tickets may be purchased. The Society uses group purchases or donated plants for raffles, so if any members wish to contribute plants, feel free to do so, but call the Pres. Tom Gregg, 508 540-2054) to let him know.



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CAIOS Member Profile

This is a new feature, which will run more or less monthly in the CAIOS newsletter. The purpose is to introduce members to each other, and to open the way for members to contact other members who might have similar growing conditions or types of orchids. The selection of who will be featured is solely at the whim of the author, though I do intend to try to highlight a variety of members – long time members, new members, greenhouse growers, window sill growers – you get the idea. I take sole responsibility for doing my best to represent the member featured. I will appreciate feedback to tell me if you like the idea and the article. Yours truly, Eleanor Phillips

Member: Alison Arrouet

Lives in: West Falmouth

Growing orchids: for about 5 years

Became interested in orchids: Had been doing volunteer work in a greenhouse in Greenwich CT, their orchid expert went away for a few months and they asked her to take over the orchids.

Grows orchids in a sun room. She has about 70 orchid plants, cattleya, oncidium, and several other varieties.

Favorite orchid: fragrant orchids; e.g. brassia

Favorite potting media: diatomite mix with charcoal, which she gets from Green Barn orchids in Delray Beach, Florida.

Happiest orchid moment: This year an oncidium that she got 2 yrs ago bloomed, with at least 100 blooms

Anything else? All of her plants “vacation” outside from June 15 to Sept 15. She then keeps the oncidium and odonts in a cool garage until they go into spike

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Orchid News

Ron Stewart tipped us off about a news item (Assoc. Press) describing a new rare and stinky bog orchid (now *Platanthera yosemitensis*) found in Yosemite Park in California. The plant has minute yellow flowers and an aroma of sweaty feet or “a horse corral on a hot afternoon”. The locations are secret but I guess you just follow the “Hircose” (goatlike) odor Ron says he has some nice multi growth yellow *Cymbidiums* from Wyman’s Nursery he’ll bring to the meeting and sell for \$10 apiece. Bargains for the high light grower!

Don’t forget: American Orchid Society Judging is the first Saturday of each month at the Beautiful Tower Hill Botanical Garden, West Boylston, Mass, 10:30 AM -Awards review and Student Presentations, AOS Judging after lunch: brown bag or as available at the Tower Hill dining room.

CAIOS mourns for the passing of our beloved past president **Laura Slavin** last month. She and Ovid were founders of CAIOS, setting a tone of informality and pleasure in orchid culture that has lasted to this day. She’ll be remembered by all of us old timers as a solid supporter of the Society and Ovie. God bless her.

The CAIOS Schedule

September 2	The deadline to preorder Orchids from Carter and Holmes for delivery at our September 9th meeting
September 9	Gene Crocker from Carter and Holmes presentation on Cattleyas
October 14	The Giant Orchid Auction
October 26-28	Massachusetts Orchid Society Show at Tower Hill Botanic Garden in West Boylston, Mass. Details to be announced
November 11	Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids Cycnoches, Mormodes & Catasetums, Recent Trends” Will include the amazing black orchid Fredclarkeara After Dark ‘Juliana Marie’, FCC/AOS
Dec 9, 2007	Annual Winter Solstice Party
January 12 & 13	CAIOS Show - Victoriana no regular meeting
January 23 - 27	19th World Orchid Conference is being held in Miami.

