



The Cape and Islands Orchid Society Newsletter

Affiliated with the American Orchid Society & Orchid Digest Corp.

Next meetings:

Sunday MAY 13, 2012, at 1:30 PM AT THE

Green Briar Nature Center, East Sandwich MA 02537

6 Discovery Hill Rd, (see map)

AND -

Sunday MAY 20, 1:00 PM AT THE ADMINISTRATION

BUILDING OF THE BARNSTABLE COUNTY

FAIRGROUNDS

1220 Nathan Ellis Hwy, (Rt. 151) East Falmouth MA 02536 (White fences on North side of Hwy.)

Now is the month of Maying, when merry lads are playing! Fa la la la la!
Each with his bonny lass, a-dancing on the grass, fa la la la la!

The Spring, clad all in gladness, doth laugh at Winter's sadness! Fa la la la la!
And to the bagpipes' sound, the nymphs tread out the ground! Fa la la la la!

Fie! Then why sit we musing, youth's sweet delight refusing? Fa la la la la!
Say, dainty nymphs and speak! Shall we play barley break*? Fa la la la la!

(*In Elizabethan England a supposedly innocent couples chasing game, with 3 pairs running and avoiding being caught)

So---- CAIOS is having a Double Header for May!

Michael Sinn of Canaima Orchids, Palmetto Florida

“Venezuelan Species - Mostly Cattleyas” - Sunday May 13 at 1:30 PM

And

The CAIOS Giant Potting Workshop on Sunday, May 20 at 1:00 PM

MAY 13, will be at the **Green Briar Nature Center**, 6 Discovery Hill Rd., East Sandwich, MA 02537. Its best described as cosy, but just enough space for the group (see map or Mapquest). Raffles, friends, small space for pretty Show table and vittles from members **S thru Z or anyone inspired**. Nature Reserve with old nice buildings and very friendly folks running it. Park wherever, cosy though. Adjacent to Green Briar is the 57-acre Briar Patch Conservation Area, home of Peter Rabbit and many of the other Thornton Burgess animal characters. Walking trails are open to the public.

Michael Sinn was twelve years old and living in Venezuela when he took over the care and culture of his mother's backyard orchid collection of over 120 plants, primarily Cattleyas and Oncidiums. When he purchased his own first plant, a blooming *V. sanderiana*, he knew he'd been hit with orchid fever.

Growing up, Michael hiked the jungles of South America whenever he could in search of Cattleyas in their natural habitats. Following graduation from *Universidad Metropolitana* in Caracas where he received a degree in civil engineering, Michael worked for four years in the Venezuelan Amazon State as a contractor. The work afforded him the opportunity to observe the habitat of the *C. violacea*. Fired by what he believed was an urgent need for conservation of the precious orchids, he spent personal time teaching local people how to pollinate the plants, impressing upon them the need to let the plants remain in their natural habitat.

For the past three decades, Michael has made numerous excursions to Brazil, Colombia and Venezuela to observe Cattleya habitats. Witnessing their dwindling numbers has only strengthened his resolve and endeavor to produce the finest cultivars of Cattleya species possible.

Michael's deep commitment to conservation and preservation instinctively drew him toward the breeding of Cattleyas and Laelias. In 2003, Michael brought his wife and three children to Florida and worked to make the next phase of his dream come true. His vision remains constant: to conserve native species by creating superior plants from seed-raised populations, producing rare and unusual color forms that were only a dream a generation ago. He created and continues to grow and develop his own nursery business – Canaima Orchids. Some of his unique plants will be for sale and can also be pre-ordered from list below.

A popular speaker at orchid societies around the country, Michael contributes most of his speaker fees to the continuing efforts of Venezuelan habitat conservation. He serves as Judging Chairman for the Venezuelan Orchid Association, and is a Certified Judge with the American Orchid Society.

AND on May 20, the GIANT Potting Workshop, 1 PM!

Once again this is the opportunity to repot numbers of your plants. Daryl Yerdon of Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies will be here to sell to CAIOS, and each of us, needed potting media, tools, fertilizers, pots and even books ("Orchids for Dummies"). With help from more experienced growers, each member can pot and have potted a reasonable number of plants, using materials supplied by CAIOS. Bring your stuff, even bring special pots to use. Expect to get your hands dirty and dress warmly as needed for this outdoor (under the tent) affair. Please warn the Society (Tom G. 508 540-2054) if you have a giant Cymbidium to repot so that a BIG machete and big pots can be brought. Bring boxes to carry your plants home in; crumpled newspaper in box will reduce tip over and careful labeling will prevent LOLAS and lost value.

If you need bark or any orchid supplies, sprays, fertilizer etc., you can *Pre Order* from Kelley's Korner and save shipping cost, which can be brutal for bark. KK has a good catalog, so ordering anything ahead will ensure delivery at the meeting. -- <http://www.kkorchid.com/> -- Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies, PO Box 539, Milford, NH 03055-0539 Phone: (603) 673-9524 Fax: (603) 673-9524.

E-mail info@kkorchid.com **Plz note** 📞 **1:00PM**, no Raffle or Show Table.

Warm up indoors with refreshments, coffee & tea. Goodies provided by **MEMBERS A - G PLEASE!** See the KK online catalogue and preorder if you want anything orchidaceous with **NO SHIPPING COSTS!!!**

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Slate for vote in June, new Board for 2012-2013 Same as above except

Tom Gregg – Pres. Tina Balog - VP, Jo Mayzel Director AND Joan Kozar - Publicity

Remember! Got a good plant? **American Orchid Society** Judging on first Saturdays at the **TOWER HILL BOTANICAL GARDEN**, West Boylston, MA, near Worcester. 10:30 AM - student or member presentations. Then have Lunch by Brown bag or deli sandwich (nearby farm stand) or good cafe with view. Afternoon, see/join AOS judging. Learn to speak orchid! – Walk(dance?) the grounds in the merry month of May -- Rt. 495N to 290W, off at Churchill St., Go Rt - 3.5 mi., nearly to end, Sign on Rt. Free, just say "Orchid Judging" at gate. (11 French Drive, Boylston, MA 01505 - 508 869-6111) Call Tom Gregg ? car pool

In June: Welcome our own Orchid Judge, Tim Culbertson --- "Lycastes", on June 10

Dues-- \$20 for individuals, \$30 for 2 at same address -- to Treasurer Jack Martinelli, 7 Samoset Ave. Duxbury, MA 02332-5206. Apologies for red dot on paid up folks last time. It's getting complex with paper and e-mail sendouts, some paid and some not.

With sadness, CAIOS notes the passing of Elsie Mello, a longtime member with a small collection and a feisty

spirit in the face of an unconquerable illness. CAIOS has expressed our condolences to the family.

Canaima Orchids: Plants available to **preorder** for May 13, 2012: via e-mail to - Canaima Orchids

<Canaimaorchids@verizon.net>

<u>Name / cross:</u>	<u>Propagation</u>	<u>Size:</u>	<u>Price:</u>
B. digbyana (sib. of two selected parents)	seed	4"	\$20.00
C. guttata fma. alba (sib. of two selected parents)	seed	BS - 4"	\$35.00
C. intermedia alba 'Pinecrest'	mclone	BS - 4"	\$25.00
C. intermedia fma orlata	seed	BS - 4"	\$25.00 (sib. of two selected parents)
C. jenmanii fma. coerulea	div.	3 front bulbs	\$35.00
C. jenmanii fma. s/a (‘Canaima’s Lipstick’ BM/JOGA x ‘Mantellini’)	div.	3 front bulbs	\$50.00
C. labiata fma. s/a (‘Kao’ x ‘Canaima’ AM/AOS)	seed	3"	\$15.00
C. labiata fma. rubra (‘Feitigo’ SM/JOGA x ‘Schuler’)	seed	BS - 4"	\$35.00
C. loddigesii fma tipo (‘Aranda’ x ‘Sweetheart’)	seed	BS - 4"	\$25.00
C. lueddemanniana fma. coerulea (‘Canaima’s Titi’ BM/JGP x ‘Mariauxi’)	seed	2"	\$20.00
C. lueddemanniana fma. alba [‘Candelaria’ x (‘Morocha’ x ‘Paola’)]	seed	BS - 5"	\$50.00
C. maxima fma. alba (‘Koenigin Sylvia’ SM/JOGA x ‘Hsinying’)	seed	4"	\$30.00
“C, maxima fma s/a” La Pedrena’ SM/JOGA - JGP	mc	BS - 5"	\$50.00
C. mossiae fma. coerulea (‘Andreina’ AM/SVCN x ‘Maracay’)	seed	4"	\$25.00
C. mossiae fma. coerulea	div.	3 - 4 front	\$50.00
C. percivaliana fma. alba Christmas Cheer’	mc	BS - 5"	\$50.00
L. purpurata fma. rubra Canaima’s Pechi’ AM/AOS x ‘Mem. Haetinger’	seed	4"	\$25.00
C. schilleriana (sib of two selected parents)	seed	2"	\$15.00
C. schilleriana Afri’ SM/JOGA	mc	4"	\$50.00
C. schilleriana fma. coerulea (sib of two selected parents)	seed	4"	50.00
C. schroederae (sib. of two selected parents)	seed	BS - 4"	\$25.00
L. splendida fma. alba (selfing)	seed	2"	\$10.00
L. tenebrosa fma. vinicolor (sib. of two selected parents)	seed	4"	\$25.00
L. tenebrosa fma. dark color (Rain Forest’ FCC/AOS x ‘Michael’ HCC/AOS)	seed	2"	\$15.00
C. tigrina fma albescence (selfing)	seed	2"	\$10.00
C. walkeriana fma alba	div.	mounted	\$20.00(‘Pendentive’ x ‘Canaima’s Schnee’
C. warscewiczii fma. sanderiana	seed	4"	\$25.00 (sib. of two selected parents)

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Just off Rt 6A <http://www.thorntonburgess.org/GreenBriarNatureCenter.htm>

May 20 at the Administration Bldg. of the Barnstable County Fairgrounds, 1220 Nathan Ellis Hwy. E. Falmouth, MA 02536

