



## May Newsletter

### Notice of Meeting

12:30 PM – May 12, 2024

**St. David's Episcopal Church**  
**205 Old Main St.**  
**South Yarmouth, MA 02664**

## What Is A Beth Plant: Welcome to the Weird, Wacky, World of Orchids

**Beth Davis**



Beth is a fourth-generation orchid grower from Waldor Orchids located in Linwood, NJ. Waldor is a family-owned business started in 1925 by her Great-Grandfather. She has worked at the greenhouses for over 25 years doing many different jobs and is known to grow "Beth Plants" which consist of Bulbophyllums, Maxillarias, Coelogynes, and Dendrochilums, just to name a few. Beth chaired the Ocean City Flower Show for 4 years and has worked with the International Amphibian Days Organization in Baltimore, MD. She also served on the Environmental Commission in her town and volunteered with Sustainable Monroe's Green

Team. She is an American Orchid Society judge and does freelance wedding work and floral design on the side. The title of her talk derives from the phrase "that is a Beth plant", something you are likely to hear if you spent any time in the greenhouses at Waldor. She will take us on a world tour focused on "Beth Plants", which include the following families: Bulbophyllum, from Africa, Asia, and Latin America; Stanhopea, from Central and South America; and Dendrochilum from Southeast Asia. Beth will have plants for sale.

***Members with last names starting A-K are encouraged to bring a main or side dish to share and those with last names starting L-Z are encouraged to bring an appetizer or a dessert***

As always visitors are welcome, you are encouraged to bring blooming plants for the show table and we will have raffle plants available.

## Announcements

***New position.*** The Board of Directors have developed a new position – the ***Away Display Coordinator***. This individual will be responsible for coordinating CAIOS displays at our sister-societies' shows. This will include communicating with their show Chairs indicating our willingness to install a display in their show, completing the necessary paperwork, and recruiting and aiding, where possible, a team to install each display. The away display coordinator ***Is Not*** responsible for installing displays – this responsibility still falls to individual society members who volunteer, on an *ad hoc* basis, to install a display.

***Election of officers.*** Our bylaws (<https://caios.org/bylaws/>) require annual elections to be held at either the May or June meeting and that a nominating committee put forward a slate of candidates for the memberships' approval. Members (in good standing, i.e. you've paid your dues) can nominate themselves or others for any position. After two consecutive, 1-year terms of office in the same office, the President and Vice-President are not eligible for re-election to that office until after the lapse of one year. The following members are nominated for the following offices:

President	Bob Findlay
Vice President	Brian Leib
Secretary	Lee Drescher
Publicity	Are you interested?
Directors	Mike Lincoln, Michele Wolf
Show Chair	Tina Balog
Co-Show Chair	Kelly Grinnan
Away Display Coordinator	Forest Henderson
Newsletter editor	Bob Findlay
Correspondent & AOS representative	Bob Findlay
Treasurer	Dayle Carrol-Teal
Website editor	Brian Leib
	Bob Findlay
Membership	Christine Hight
Monthly Program Chair	Millard Hennessee

*These members plus the immediate Past President of the Society comprise the Board of Directors.*

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**Preorders for June speaker.** Alan Koch of Gold Country Orchids will be our June speaker and he has provided a pre-order list for members interested in buying plants. Any pre-order of 3 or more plants receives a 10 percent discount and orders over \$150 receive a 20 percent discount. All orders receive free freight as he will bring the plants with him on the plane. All orders are to be sent to his email, [gcorchids@aol.com](mailto:gcorchids@aol.com) (*editors note - the 1<sup>st</sup> of June should be a convenient deadline*). He will confirm the order within 3 days and can invoice the order by Square for convenient payment. You can access the pre-order list via our website at <https://caios.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/GCO-Availability-List-update-2.pdf>.

**Message from Bob Winkley, Vice-Chair, Northeast Judging Center.** I'm writing to let you know that the New England site for monthly orchid judging will be moving effective June 2024. The May 4th judging at New England Botanic Garden in Boylston, MA will be our final judging there. We learned this past January that our rental rate was going to at least double per month and unfortunately it is not a sustainable increase. We are sad to part ways with NEBG, however we've heard from many other plant societies that they too are facing large increases in their rentals there.

We have been in negotiations with First Parish Northborough Unitarian Universalist to rent their meeting hall on the first Saturday of each month. They are located at 40 Church Street in Northborough MA; it is about 6 miles from our current site and very easy to get to off of I 290. More details will follow once the contract is finalized.

## Upcoming Events

### **Meetings:**

May 12, 2024 – Beth Davis, Waldor Orchids  
Jun. 9, 2024 - Alan Koch, Gold Country Orchids  
Sep. 8, 2024 – Annual Cookout  
Oct. 13, 2024 – TBD  
Nov. 10, 2024 - David Sorokowsky  
Dec. 8, 2024 – Annual Solstice Party/Auction

### **Judging:**

May 4, 2024, 10am – 3pm - Northeast Judging Center - Boylston Site. *Websites -*  
<https://www.facebook.com/AOSNortheastJudging>,  
<https://www.nejcaos.org/home>; *email - Robert Winkley*  
[northeastjudgingcenter@gmail.com](mailto:northeastjudgingcenter@gmail.com); *phone 617.282.7351*

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## Past events

**April meeting.** Thirty members attended our April meeting and were treated by



Jean Stefanik to an exhaustive program detailing the temperate orchids of North America. Jean clearly has a great passion for our native orchids and has spent a great number of years finding and photographing these orchids. It was a highly informative and entertaining program. Thanks Jean!

The display table was particularly full of great plants and a nice mix of species and hybrids. The following plants were displayed:

1. Joe Marcoccia, Phal No ID; 2. Larry Finley, Mps. Lemon Fill 'Delicious' x *roezlii* var. *xanthine*; 3. Keith Tibbetts, *Dendrobium thysiflorum*; 4. Millard Hennessee, *Dendrobium gregulus*

Tina Balog	<i>Dendrobium dichaeoides</i> , Galeopetalum (Gptm) Starburst 'Parkside' AM/AOS, Phal Natusume's Berry 1 & 2, Phal Haur Jin Fancy 'Red', Phal Yaphon Black Snake '#2', Phal Yaphon Cupid 'Yaphon', Phal Lioulin Sparrow 'Taida Violet Butterfly', Z Artur Elle 'Tombstone'
Bob Findlay	Onc Heaven Scent 'Sweet Pea', Mps No ID, Pharg Sergeant Eric, Z Artur Elle 'Tombstone', Zygosepalum (Zsc) QF
Larry Finley	Mps. Lemon Fill 'Delicious' x <i>roezlii</i> var. <i>xanthine</i>
Bill Golden	Rhyncattleanthe Topaz Impact, Enanthleya Magic Wand, Phal No ID, Phal No ID, Phal No ID
Tom Gregg	Cym Red Beauty 'Evening Star'

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Kelly Grinnan C Canhamiana var. coerulea 'Azure Sky' AM/AOS, C C. G. Roebling (1895) var. coerulea 'Beechview' AM/AOS, Phal Jewel Pink, Onc Sharry Baby

Forest Henderson Mps Lennart Karl Gottling 'Red Rim', Oip Onolicious 'Vivid', Phal Ox Bravo

Millard Hennessee *Cochlioda beyrodtiana* (Current accepted name *Oncidium noezlianum*), *Dendrobium gregulus*, *Dendrobium hekouense*

Leslie James Onc No ID, Phal No ID

Joe Marcoccia C No ID, Phal 'White Dream' AM/AOS, Phal No ID

Ellie Phillips C Jose(?) Martin

Nur Terpis Phal No ID, Phal Carrotcake, Phal Perfume Gold, Phal Photo Pink Peach

Keith Tibbetts *Dendrobium anosmum*, *Dendrobium parishii* var. *alba*, *Dendrobium thyrsiflorum* 1 & 2, *Paphiopedilum micranthum*, *Pleurothallis rubella* (Current accepted name *Platystele aurea*), *Schomburgkia tibicinis* (Current accepted name *Myrmecophila tibicinis*)

**Connecticut Orchid Society Show and Sale.** CAIOS placed a display at the April Connecticut Society show in Bristol. Tina Balog, Randy Black, Bob Findlay, Larry Finley, Tom Gregg, Kelly Grinnan, Forest Henderson, Millard Hennessee, Keith Tibbetts, Nur Terpis contributed plants to the display. Tina Balog, Forest



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Henderson and Tom Gregg groomed plants for display. Forest Henderson, and Tom Gregg traveled to West Hartford on Friday afternoon and installed the display. Forest provided the picture of their handwork – nice job guys! Forest & Eilene Henderson and removed the display Sunday afternoon and arranged return of the plants. Thanks to everyone who contributed to the effort. Results of ribbon judging are listed below.

<u>Plant</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Owner</u>
<i>Prostechea trulla</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Encyclia species	Millard Hennessee
<i>Laelia sincorana</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Laelia S, H & I	Charles R. Black
Iwanagara Apple Blossom	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cattleya H & I – White	Tom Gregg
Lc. C.G. Roebling var. coerulea 'Beechview'	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cattleya H & I – L, P or Blue	Kelly Grinnan
Lc. Dorothy Warne 'Favorite' FCC/AOS	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Cattleya H & I – L, P or Blue	Tom Gregg
Phrag. Sergeant Eric	1 <sup>st</sup>	Phrag H w <i>besseae</i> or <i>kovachii</i> < 3.5"	Bob Findlay
Phal. Ign	1 <sup>st</sup>	Phal/Dtps hybrids - Pink – Standard	Nur Terpin
Phal Ox Bravo	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phal/Dtps H – Harlequin – Standard	Forest Henderson
Phal. Perfume Gold	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phal/Dtps Hybrid Miniature – Y or G	Nur Terpin
Phal. SOGO Relax x F1661	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phal/Dtps Hybrid Miniature – R/V/P	Forest Henderson
Phal. Haur Jih 'Taida Red Jewel'	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Phal Home Grower	Forest Henderson
Phal Ox Bravo	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phal Home Grower	Forest Henderson
Miltonia Lennert Karl Gottling 'Red Rim'	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Miltonia/Miltoniopsis S & H No Intergen	Forest Henderson
Mps. (Lemon Fill 'Delicious' x roezilii v. xanthina)	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Miltonia/Miltoniopsis S & H No Intergen	Larry Finley
Oips. Oncolicious 'Vivid'	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Miltonia/Miltoniopsis intergeneric	Forest Henderson
Oncostele Cherry Fudge 'Winter Garden'	1 <sup>st</sup>	Oncidium Intergenerics	Tom Gregg
Oncostele Carolina Jijon	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Oncidium Intergenerics	Forest Henderson
Onc. Heaven Scent 'Sweet Pea'	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Oncidium hybrids	Bob Findlay
Mps. (Lemon Fill 'Delicious' x roezilii v. xanthina)	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Oncidium Alliance – Home Grower	Larry Finley
Miltonia Lennert Karl Gottling 'Red Rim'	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Oncidium Alliance – Home Grower	Forest Henderson
<i>Pinalia eriopsidobulbon</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Allied Dendrobium Genera, S, H, I	Bob Findlay
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Miniature Dendrobium S, H, I Rosette – Best Dendrobium Alliance Best in Show – All exhibitors CBR/AOS (provisional)	
Zygosepalum QF Amanda	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Zygopetalum, allied genera S, H, I	Bob Findlay
<i>Arpophyllum spicatum</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Miscellaneous Genera, Species not covered elsewhere	Tom Gregg

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