

AGENDA
Sunday, January 19, 2020 @ 1:30
Garfield Park

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE (3rd Sunday of the month, not the fourth)

- I. Presentation. Russ Vernon will speak on “Easy To Care For Orchids For the Home.” He will address issues of temperature, humidity, light, infestation, etc. There will also be Q & A as well as plants for sale. You may also wish to bring your own plants for evaluation.
- II. Reports: Treasury and Minutes
- III. Calendar:
February = Columbus, Ohio or Dayton – You decide: See below
March = Prep for our show; hopefully Newfields meeting
April = CIOS Show at Garfield
May = Presentation on Vanilla orchids
- IV. Orchid Care: Hopefully, if you are growing phals, you have plenty of new growth from roots to a growing inflorescence (or two). Be sure to fertilize regularly – once every two weeks with a diluted fertilizer. Do not repot at this time. Keep roots green (their turning cream is a sign they need water). If pots are in the home, be sure to rotate the pot once a week. Be sure your tray gravel (or whatever you use) is always moist. The regimen is also recommend for cymbidiums.
Reduce watering and feeding for orchids with pseudo bulbs. Dormancy is key to successful re-blooming. However, if growing in trays, keep the gravel moist but do not water the plant. Even in dry climates dormant orchids receive the benefit of morning dew.
- V. New Business
 - A. Implementing guiding issues for this year, e.g., outreach – Mid America Orchid Congress, Garfield publicizing this meeting and other selective ones in the future, updating the web site, and doing research on updating website & Facebook.
 - B. A few members suggested the Bingo be moved to January, de-emphasize the need for orchids in flower, and increase variety of plants awarded
 - C. PLEASE READ BELOW and DECIDE which to go to as a CIOS field trip:
 1. The Mid America Orchid Congress is February 15 – 16, 2020 In Dayton. There will be lots of vendors. However workshops require pre reistration and workshops to attend (David Hazelton on Orchids of Columbia, Glen Deckor on growing phrags + others. (see Mid American Orchid Congress website for registration))
 2. Franklin Conservatory in Columbus Ohio is celebrating 125 years. It promises an orchid show with thousands on view. Its dates are from January 11 – March 8, 2020. Admission is \$19, \$16 for seniors.
In either case, we would leave from Garfield Park on Saturday for the Dayton show, Saturday or Sunday for the Columbus show (February 22nd or 23rd) at 9:00AM. John will drive one car which can hold a total of four + plants. With separate cars, each car can decide on a lunch stop and return time.
- VI. Snacks for next meeting (March)
- VII. Show & Tell

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 8, 2019 MEETING

- I. Presentation: Bingo
 - A. Attendance, 31
 - B. Plants c. 50
- II. Reports: None
- III. Business:
 - A. Calendar Review: Russ cannot speak in January, Newfields date and place to be set
 - B. Elections: John Francis = President
Vicki Matheaux = Treasurer
Kwen Hsu = Vice President
Rachel Walker = Secretary
 - C. Members agreed: When a speaker is selling plants, CIOS members may not sell plants
 - D. Members agreed to buy sticky putty, short wires & tape, as well as a microphone stand or coat rack from which to hang plants.

Dear Member,

We have an opportunity in February to attend a Mid America Orchid Congress Show in Dayton, Ohio. As you know CIOS, Three Rivers, Ball State and Friends of Rinard Greenhouse will host the Spring Mid America Orchid Congress show in 2021. This February show is a valuable opportunity to see what such a show looks like and how it functions as well as seeing (and buying) scores of great orchids. Arrangements to attend will be discussed at our January 19th meeting. Such an outing would be in lieu of our regular February meeting.

With such a trip you will be best able to see how you, as a member, can assist in putting on a successful show in 2021. Obviously, volunteers are needed to do various functions: the long range planning, e.g., contacting vendors, and the day to day operations of the show, e.g., registering guests.

A successful show is not possible without your input and assistance. Please look over the list below and indicate how you wish to help. Use #1 for your most desirable task, #2 for second, #3... you know the drill. Of course, we understand that this is not locked in stone. But, it helps us get an idea of where we need to concentrate in finding additional volunteers.

____ Publicity	____ Set up/down
____ Speakers/workshops	____ Hotel(s)/Transportation
____ Catering/Banquet	____ Auction
____ Registration [in advance/on day]	____ Signage

Of course, each of these is a broad category and needs to be broken down. For example: Publicity refers to outreach through social media, Facebook, print advertising, radio, tv, other orchid societies, etc. We will discuss the volunteer opportunities available to you at the January 19th CIOS meeting.

Thank you,
John Vicki, Kwen, Rachel