“It NEVER rains on picnic day!”-Janet Vinyard

I have to admit, Janet is right. In the years I have been with NENYOS, it has always been beautiful...though sometimes hot...on our August picnic.

This year was no exception. Despite a number of us driving through downpours and dark forbidding clouds to get to Stan and Fern’s house, the event was lovely. Stan has the grounds in pristine condition and there were orchids aplenty.

With over thirty people in attendance, the food was wonderful, the conversation varied and the sun and blue sky smiled all afternoon.

For the snake charmers, there was some disappointment our friend was not out sunning himself. However, Fern was excited to be told we were watching a frog or two hanging out around the water feature. The fish watched in envy as the group snagged plates of goodies off the buffet line on the porch.

Elaine Grega commented “The gardens are outrageous!”

Other newcomers enjoyed the tour and discussion with Stan about all of the features and work that has been done.

After lunch and shopping at the Member Plant Sale, the group gathered for the gift plant giveaway. Drawing names from the bag held by Janet V., members got their chance to pick out a plant one by one. Mark Conley was the lucky lead off chooser this year followed by Kristie Center and the rest of the pack.

Several plants were out for display on the ‘Show and Tell’ area but there was no formal presentation. Fred Plant discussed some of the features of his mounted contribution with one of the members. The plant is interesting because of the flat bulbs. (Continued pg 4)
Upcoming Meetings
September 10—co-hosting International Phalaenopsis Alliance meeting in Voorheesville
October 7—Tom Biggart, Granite Hills Orchids at William Sanford Library in Colonie
November 4—Annual Auction in Colonie
December 2—Holiday Event in Colonie
January 13—Annual Luncheon at Woolfert’s Roost
February 3 - TBA
March 3—TBA

The Newsletter is looking for other members interested in being columnists, photos or helping out. Please email buxton-sandy@gmail.com if you are interested!

Directions for September IPA Meeting

Directions to CCE office for IPA

From the end of Route 155:
Proceed through the roundabout in Voorheesville. Bear right on Route 85A West. Travel approximately 2 miles. Turn right on Martin Road. CCE Albany County is on the right.

From the North: Take I-87 (Northway) South to the end. Turn right onto Route 20 West. Turn left onto Route 155 South. Follow the above route from the end of Route 155.

From the South: Take I-87 North to Exit 24. Bear right toward Route 20, then turn right onto Rte 20 West. Follow, turn left onto Route 155 South. Follow the above route from the end of Route 155.

From the East: Take I-90 West to I-87 South. Take I-87 South to the end. Turn right onto Route 20 West. Turn left onto Route 155 South. Follow the above route from the end of Route 155.

From the West: Take I-90 East to I-87 South. Follow I-87 South to the end. Turn right onto Route 20 West. Turn left onto Route 155 South. Follow the above route from the end of Route 155.

Beginner Talks – with Alex Shepherd are a chance for members to learn some basic information to help improve their orchid growing habits and knowledge. The programs take place before select meetings.

Here’s what’s we have for Beginner Talks in 2017:

October    Leaves They provide tons of info which can help you understand your plant and what it wants

Show Off Extra Blooms
If you have plants in bloom which didn’t get a chance to visit the Show Table for your moment of fame, take heart.
Alex is willing to prep photos that are emailed to her so they will be visible before the next meeting. Just email shepherd@nycap.rr.com the information.
AOS webinars

Thursday, Aug 17, 2017 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT Join us for an American Orchid Society judging webinar with Rob Griesbach, AOS Accredited Judge from the National Capital Judging Center, on Inheritance and Genetics in Orchids. **Members only.** [https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5539845738505511681](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5539845738505511681)

Thursday, Sep 7, 2017 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT Please join David Janvrin, AOS Accredited Judge from the Atlanta Judging Center, as he takes us through the steps of AOS exhibit judging. Open to all. [https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4152830511639542785](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4152830511639542785)

10% Discount for Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies pre-orders at the IPA Speaker's Day

Prepaid pre-orders to be delivered to you at the IPA Speakers Day on September 10 are eligible for a 10% discount. When checking out on the website simply enter Coupon Code IPA2017 and 10% will be subtracted from your total purchase. We will have a limited selection of supplies for sale. Pre-orders are highly encouraged so that we can bring the supplies you'll be looking for. Best of all you can now save on your purchase and we'll have it packaged and ready for you to pick up at your convenience during the day. This coupon code is only good for supplies to be delivered to you at the Voorheesville Cooperative Extension. (Pre-orders must be received before September 8 to allow time to prepare and package your supplies)

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AOS Book Review:

There has long been a need for an authoritative monograph on the Neotropical slipper orchids in English and this want has now been beautifully filled by this new book by Cribb and Purver. Phillip Cribb needs no introduction as he is perhaps the most reputable taxonomic authority on all of the slipper orchid genera. His previous books on Cypripedium and Paphiopedilum are the standard reference works and have gone through a number of editions. Now he covers Mexipedium, Selenipedium and Phragmipedium. Chris Purver is director of the Eric Young Orchid Foundation on the isle of Jersey. He is well known as a cultivator and hybridizer of both phragmipediums and paphiopedilums, earning awards for his slippers from the RHS. Chris discusses the culture and breeding of phragmipedium.

All of the species are illustrated, many with the beautiful botanical paintings of Carol Woodin, who is currently one of the top botanical artists in the USA. There are also close up photographs and in habitat photos of the plants in the wild. Line drawings are used to display the finer points of each species and there are even locality maps if you wish to try and find them in the wild. To say this book is well illustrated is an understatement. It is superbly illustrated.

Not only is this book a great reference but it is readable and beautifully put together; there is even a fixed ribbon to help keep your place. The book was published as a limited edition and is expected to go out of print in the near future. It will surely increase in value. The book is highly recommended for all lovers of the slipper orchid alliance and anyone who has an library

VENDORS WHO HELPED WITH THE 2016 AUCTION & Activities

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of THE TROPICAL AMERICAS

Philip Cribb and Christopher Purver

and prises excellent books on orchids.

Harold Koopowitz, Professor Emeritus, UCI Ecology and Evolutionary Biology.
Picnic—page 1

After all of the active events, Janet V. and friends worked on some orchid potting (or re-potting). Several members brought plants in need of assistance while Janet also had a flask to put into compots and an overgrown beauty.

I missed the hammer swing (because I was taking pictures of Stan’s Parkside beauty in the greenhouse). But I think you can understand why sometimes you have to be ruthless and provide some tough love. The shake up often reminds the plant about what it is supposed to be doing. Treating it with kid gloves does not always get you the reaction you want….killed with kindness.

As always a great day, full of information and opportunity. Please remember our next meeting is a joint all-day one with the International Phalaenopsis Alliance (IPA) at Cornell Cooperative Extension’s office, 24 Martin Road, Voorheesville, NY 12186.

Elaine Grega brought sale plants among others.
Mid-Hudson Orchid Society Show and Sale
Saturday, October 14, 2017,

Mid-Hudson Orchid Society Fall 2017 Orchid Show and Sale from 11am – 3pm at Union Presbyterian Church, 44 Balmville Rd, Newburgh, NY. Contact: Ruth Nattras 845-343-2901

Stan’s Parkside beauty which he has divided at least once!
Join us for the 7th annual:

INTERNATIONAL PHALAENOPSIS ALLIANCE
“FOCUS ON PHALS” DAY
Co-hosted by the North Eastern New York Orchid Society

Sunday, September 10, 2017
AT SAME LOCATION AS LAST YEAR!
Cornell Cooperative Extension-Albany Cty
24 Martin Road, Voorheesville, NY 12186

In conjunction with the North Eastern New York Orchid Society, IPA is pleased to present its 7th Annual Speakers’ Day, “Focus On Phals”. This day-long event will include three presentations: Alan Koch, from Gold Country Orchids, on the new trend in breeding for Phalaenopsis intergenerics. Joining him will be Dotty Woodson, a Certified Nursery Professional & water resource specialist for Texas A&M, who is an expert on Pests & Diseases and how to effectively treat them. Carri Raven-Riemann of the orchidPhile, Past IPA President & current Regional Director, will cover the whys & hows of New Zealand moss culture.

The day will also include a Q&A opportunity and a mini-auction of select plants. The Registration Fee just covers the cost of morning refreshments and a light lunch. We invite all orchidists, IPA members & non-members alike, to join us for this very special Speakers’ Day. Vendors will be: Gold Country Orchids, the orchidPhile, Piping Rock Orchids and Kelley’s Korner Orchid Supplies.

ALSO, PLEASE NOTE: We now have a new Director for this Region, Mitch Paroly, whom many of you already know

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*** PLEASE NOTE: EARLY & FULLY PAID REGISTRATIONS BY AUGUST 28th ARE REQUIRED TO ASSURE WE HAVE ENOUGH FOOD FOR EVERYONE! ***

REGISTRATION FORM: Must be received no later than August 28, 2017
IPA/NENY Orchid Society “Focus on Phals” for Sunday, September 10, 2017

NAME(S): ____________________________________________ TELEPHONE: ___________________
ADDRESS: ______________________________________ CITY: _______________ STATE: ____ ZIP: _______
E-MAIL: ________________________________________ HOME ORCHID SOCIETY: ____________________

NENY Orchid Society Members Only: Enclosed is my check for _____ registration(s) at $15 each (payable to IPA)
Non-NENY Orchid Society Members: Enclosed is my check for _____ registration(s) at $18 each (payable to IPA)

Send form with check, Payable to IPA, to: IPA, c/o Mitch Paroly, 109 Pinewood Drive, Levittown, PA 19054

For Vendor Pre-Orders - Please mention "IPA Regional Pre-Order" in subject line:
Kelly’s Korner Orchid Supplies: www.kkorchid.com
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Gold Country Orchids: http://www.goldcountryorchids.com
Piping Rock Orchids: www.pipingrockorchids.com
Picnic Table Tales

Above plants are from Raffle

Vandirea Newberry Jasmine

Encyclia tampenses

Oncidium
Congratulations

Raffle Winners!

Val Trzcinski
Gil O’Brien
Janet Wierzchowski
Lisa Adami
Carole Serras
Virginia Graney
Mary Menzies
Patti Wilson

Don’t forget, Raffle winners are asked to bring a “goodie” to the next meeting (October) to help celebrate their good fortune.