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NEXT MEETINGS

January 15, 2:00 First United Methodist Church of Endicott

February 19, 2:00 First United Methodist Church of Endicott

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- Joe Kunisch, owner of Bloomfield Orchids with us to give a talk on "Growing Orchids Under Lights in the Home".
- Featured are some photos from our members of the beautiful orchids they received as gifts at our holiday party!

JANUARY PROGRAM NOTE

Joe Kunisch from Bloomfield Orchids will give a talk on "Growing Orchids Under Lights in the Home"!



EDITOR'S NOTE

Contributions, including pictures, to the STOS newsletter from members are welcomed. Contributions must be submitted by the 5th day of each month to the editor. If you have difficulties with the electronic format of this newsletter, please contact the webmaster at: southerntierorchidsociety@gmail.com

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President's Message

Happy New Year fellow orchid growers! I hope everyone enjoyed the holiday season.

This month, we are very fortunate to have Joe Kunisch, owner of Bloomfield Orchids with us to give a talk on "Growing Orchids Under Lights in the Home". Joe will be offering orchids for sale at our meeting next Sunday.

Joe has been a grower of orchid plants for over 30 years and has been a commercial grower for the last 15 years. Joe is the owner/operator of Bloomfield Orchids, a 2,000 square foot greenhouse in Pittsford, New York.

He has done extensive speaking at orchid society meetings and symposiums throughout the US, Canada and the UK. Joe has held many positions in a local orchid society, from President on down.

Joe believes strongly in educating the public on orchid habits and their growing requirements.

Please join us for this informative program and to also purchase some lovely orchids for your collection.

See you at the meeting!

Anne

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Minutes for December 18, 2011

Anne Tinker called our meeting to order at 2:15 p.m. Our President noted that the meeting would be brief, because of the Holiday Party to follow. Peter O'Connell, STOS Treasurer, gave a brief accounting of the financial standing of our organization. More information will be forthcoming at our January 15, 2012 meeting.

Linda Mandeville gave a synopsis of where we are with officers for 2012. President, Anne Tinker and Vice President John Zygmunt will be serving for 2013. LuAnn Myers will be assuming Peter O'Connell's position as Treasure, and Carol Browne will continue as Secretary. Current AOS Representative, Luis Matienzo will continue to serve. The current Members-at-Large, Bob Howe, Pat Lapierre and Paula Matienzo, will remain in their current positions. Information was presented with regard to speakers who will, or will try to be included in our 2012 schedule.

Peter O'Connell and Colin Dimon conducted the "free raffle". Each person in attendance at today's Holiday Meeting received a free orchid. All were very happy with the beautiful "holiday gift" we each took home! Next, a few beautiful orchids were auctioned off.

Luis Matienzo gave our members insight as to what he's done to get STOS, "out there" on several of the web offerings for the orchid lovers. Thank You, Luis! Paula Matienzo gave us a heads up on places on line to check our orchids for up-to-date orchid names, corrections and changes. Thank you, Paula!

Several people mentioned that 2012 dues are due for the 2012 membership. Our members need to know that the \$15.00 yearly membership is due no later than March 2012. Forms are available to members at

our monthly meetings. They are also included along with the monthly newsletter. Please take advantage of these opportunities to be a current paid up member. We want all our current members to still be a part of our organization, next year! And....invite your friends and family to join!

The Show Table was next. Offerings were by: John Z, Linda M, Peter O, Luis M, Pat L and Charles U. Thank you one and all.

Our short meeting came to an end. All members were invited to partake in the beautiful and delicious food supplied by all the members in attendance.

Thank you to ALL members for making our 2011 December Holiday Party a fun experience and a great success. We all wish each other "Happy Holidays" and Seasonal Greetings andwe hope to see you all in 2012!

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Browne, Secretary

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Treasurer's Report

Peter O'Connell, STOS Treasurer, gave a brief treasurer's report, but indicated that more information will be forthcoming at our January 15, 2012 meeting.

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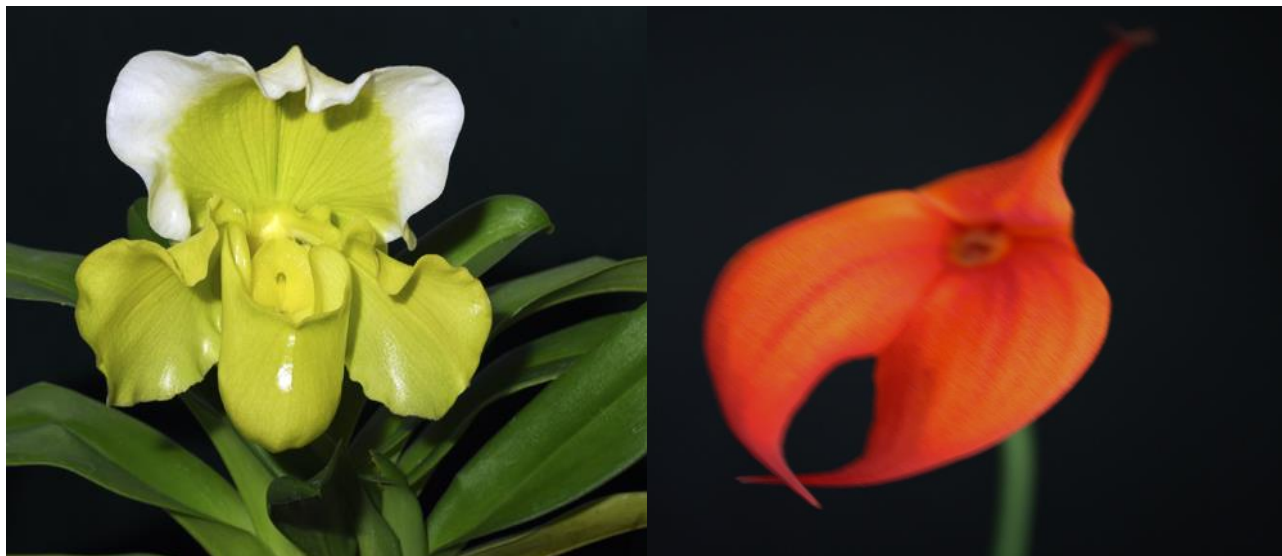
Holiday Party Treasures!

We had a wonderful time at our Holiday Party last month! We certainly enjoyed sharing all the delicious food, as well as some holiday merriment with our fellow members. Everyone in attendance received a free orchid as a holiday gift! We thought it might be nice to include some photos of the beautiful orchids members were given for their holiday gift in this month's newsletter!

Kenneth Hull: Phaphiopedilum Lynleigh Koopowitz (flash and backlit by sun):



Geoffrey Gould (Below Left): Paph. Mele Star (Mele Pops 'Golden Flourish' x Telstar 'Orbit')
Luis Matienzo (Below Right): Masdevallia Heathii (ignea x veitichiana).



Linda Mandeville: (Left: Paph. Magic Leopard 'Midnight Magic' x Paph. Hsyinying Glory '#8'
(Right: Paphiopedilum Spots Galore (Magic Spots 'Major Spots' x Lady Macbeth 'Out, Out')



Bill O'Connell also submitted a photo of his Stanhopia (April Fool) which opened in the 2nd week of December. This was the piece he got from Pete in the May 2010 repotting meeting. It really does smell like root beer when it opens! The dried flowers still smell like it too!



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Show Table

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2011

Thanks to the following growers for bringing plants to decorate the tables at our holiday party in spite of wintry conditions outside. Here's hoping that I've listed all of you whose beautiful plants made our party even more enjoyable. Apologies to those of you whom I may have missed.

As usual, the following show table list contains abbreviations for unfamiliar genera, which are enclosed in parentheses. Entries in boldface indicate corrections, mostly to genus or hybrid names found in the RHS International Orchid Hybrid Register.

We hope that your holidays were happy and wish you and your orchids a happy, healthy new year. Looking forward to seeing you all again in the New Year. -- Paula

PAT LAPIERRE Brassidium (Brsdm., syn. Odontobrassia=Odbrs.) Kenneth
Bivin 'Santa Barbara,' HCC/AOS

LINDA MANDEVILLE Den. (Kultana Blue x Mollisa Beauty) - not registered with
RHS
Phal. Hybrid

LUIS MATIENZO Paph.Maudiae 'Los Osos,' AM/AOS
Paph. Saigon Pearl
Paph. Hellas 'Westonbirt,' AM/RHS

PETE O'CONNELL Masd. Tortoise

BOB RUDIN Cattleya (C.) Debra Calvet (C. Carl Bornshine

'Mendenhall' x C. Leora Hewlett 'Summit')

CHARLES UFFORD Paph. spicerianum

JOHN ZYGMUNT Oncidium (Onc.) cheirophorum
Rhyncholaeliocattleya (Rlc., formerly Blc.) Liberty
Creek, registered with RHS 1/17/2011
(C. Red Empress 'Lakeview' x Rlc. Mem.
Crispin Rosales)

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Upcoming Meetings

January 15 ~ To be announced

March 18 ~ To be announced

February 19 ~ To be announced

Please remember that these are tentative and subject to last minute change.

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Refreshment Volunteers

More than one person may sign up for an individual meeting so that the cost and work can be shared among members. Please note that volunteers are still needed for several upcoming meetings, so be sure to sign up if you haven't already. Just let Anne Tinker know if you can help. Her contact info is on the front page.

Current refreshments list includes:

January 15 ~ We Need Your Help!

March 18 ~ We Need your help!

February 19 ~ We Need Your Help!