



# Central Jersey Orchid Society Newsletter

April 2026 Issue

## President's Message

What a great time to be part of the Central Jersey Orchid Society! We are coming off a fantastic meeting where we had the pleasure of hosting *the man, the myth, the legend*, Leon Glicenstein. His presentation was truly enjoyable and showcased an incredible abundance of both hybrid and species orchids—especially those wonderfully odd and unusual varieties that keep our hobby so exciting.

Looking ahead, we have another excellent program lined up. Our April speaker will be Beth Davis of Waldor Orchids, presenting "*Dendrobiums: Graceful Beauties, Tiny Treasures, Unforgettable Wonders.*" This promises to be a deep dive into one of the largest genera of orchids, covering characteristics, culture, and care across 10 of the 30 dendrobium groups. Whether you're new to dendrobiums or have been growing them for years, this is one you won't want to miss.

We are also just coming off the heels of the South Eastern Pennsylvania Orchid Show—one of the largest and most impressive shows on the East Coast. I hope many of you had the opportunity to attend and take in the incredible displays and vendors.

A sincere thank you to Anne Skalka for her generous donation of plants for our club raffle. Contributions like that go a long way in supporting our activities and are truly appreciated by all.

As we look ahead, our annual auction in June is fast approaching. This is our club's primary fundraiser and plays a crucial role in supporting speakers, events, and programming for the coming year. I encourage everyone to get involved—whether by volunteering your time, donating plants, or helping spread the word. Let's make this year's auction our best yet.

I continue to be proud of how we are growing, learning, and pushing forward together. We have a fantastic group of members, and it shows in everything we do. Let's keep that momentum going!

Lastly, hope everyone had a very Happy Easter and Passover to those celebrating. May it be a joyful and meaningful season for you and your families.

See you all at the next meeting.

— Chris

Presidente, Central Jersey Orchid Society



Cat. maxima Ecu - Joe Thomas

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**Meeting Location**  
**Trinity Church 33 Mercer St,**  
**Princeton, NJ 08540-6893**

**Meetings and Events 2023**

**Arrive at 6:30.**

Meeting will start at 7:00PM

Meetings are held the **Third Thursday**  
of the month.

**November: Nicholas Rust (RustyExotics)**  
**on Habenaria Orchids**

**December 2024: Holiday Party**

**January 15: Q& A Our Panel of Experts**  
**to answer your orchid growing**  
**questions**

**February: 19 Carlos Macku - TBA**

**March 19: Leon Glicenstein**  
**Glicenstein's Monsters**

**April 16: Beth Davis - Dendrobiums:**  
**Graceful Beauties, Tiny Treasures**

**May: TBA**

**June 27 (Saturday): CJOS Auction**  
**No regular meeting**

**Officers and Committees:**

**President – Chris Bevins**

**Vice President – George Wallace**

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# CJOS Member AOS Awards

**Congratulations David and Joan Rosenfeld**

## **WOW Four Amazing Awarded Plants**



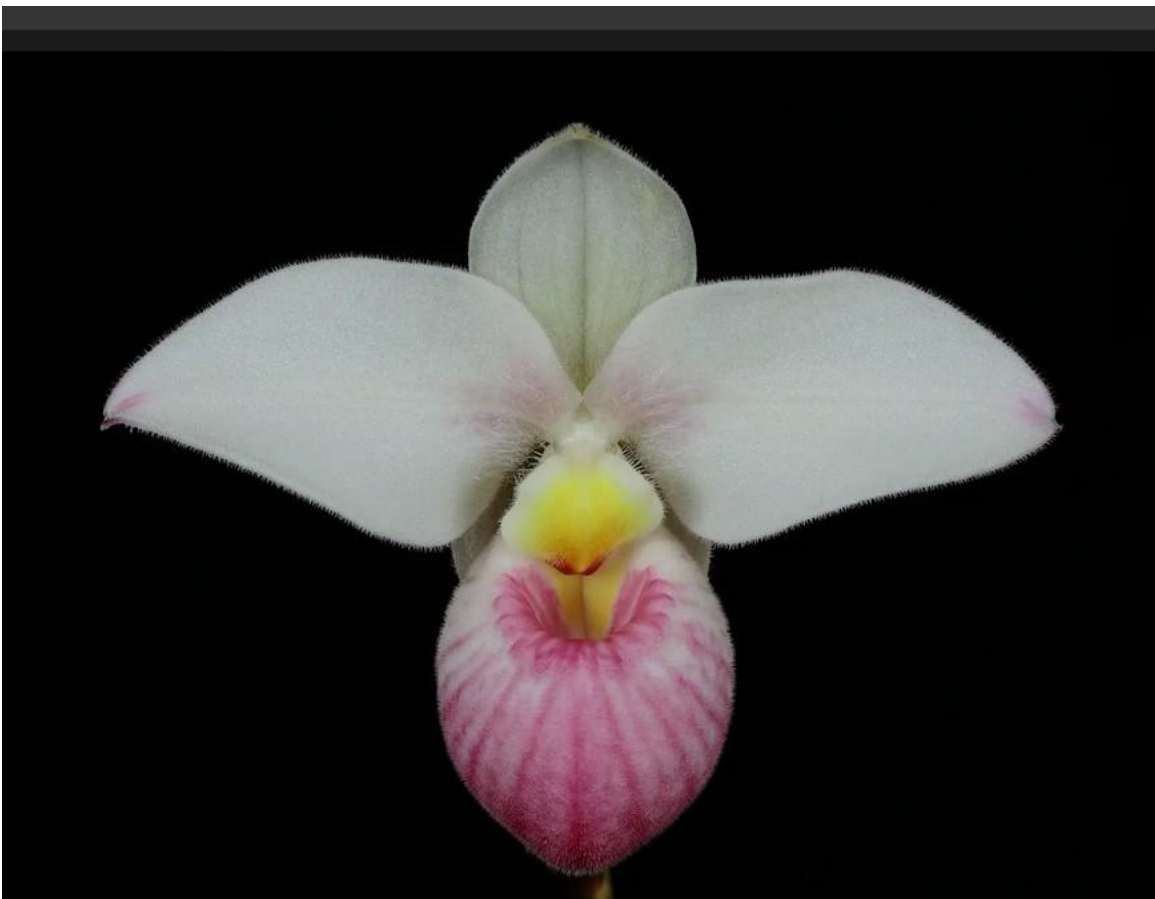
**Blc (Rth) Mary Vaux Walcott 'Pi Day' Am 81 pts. (Rth Caroline Orange D'or 'Lenette #2' x Ctt Trick or Treat 'SVO'**



**Phrag Beauvalande flavum 'Scott & Gretchen' AM 85 pts. (Don Wimber 'Spring Coulee Creek' AM x Eric Young 'Mont Pinal'**



Phrag QF Kaleikaumaka 'D's Birthday' AM 84 pts (Peruflora Cirila Alca 'North Fork x fischeri) 7618



Phrag. Willow Spring Creek 'Valentine' HCC 79pts (St Ouen flavum 'Top Yellow' x columbianum 'Manzur')

## CJOS Members Show Table

# Cattleya

1. **Cat. maxima Ecu Joe Thomas**



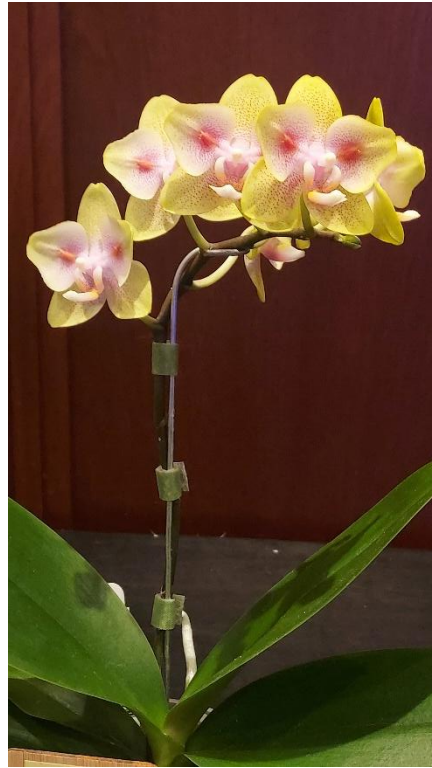
2. **Cat. LC Brenda Muse x B. Digbyana**  
(showtable card not signed)

3. **Cat., SLC 'Life's Melody' Jim Murtha**



# VANDA/PHAL

1. Phal. Yaphon Green Batman - Carlos Macku



2. Phal. Zheng Min Anaconda 'Wilson' – Jeff Tyron



3. Phal. NOID - Barbara Lear

# Species

## 1. *Maxillaria scalariformis* x S.B - Joe Thomas



## 2. *Cyclopogon lindleyanus*, Joe Thomas



## 3. *Ionopsis stricarioides* - Joe Thomas

# OTHER

1. **Miltoniopsis Rene Komoda 'Pacific Clouds'**  
Joe Thomas



2. **Gprm. Arlene Armour 'Conching' x self** –Jeff Tyon



# Den./Onc.

1. *Oncidium ligiae* – Joe Thomas



2. Den. Misty Mountain Pink

3. Den NOID - Pam and Ed Frankel



## Paph/Phrag

1. Phrag 'Sorcerer's Apprentice' *sagentianum* x *longifolium*  
Pam and Ed Frankel



## Orchid of the Month



**Cat. maxima Ecu - Joe Thomas**

## CJOS March Speaker

Leon Glicenstein "Glicenstein's Monsters"





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## Upcoming Webinars



### **Growing Cattleya alaorii and its hybrids with Jojo deBeaubien**

Jojo deBeaubien



Tuesday, April 21st, 2026  
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EST

Jojo will be speaking about the dwarf Cattleya alaorii and its hybrids.



### **Catasetum Culture with Scott Elliott**

Scott Elliott



Thursday, June 11th, 2026  
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EST

Join Scott Elliot of Maneki Hill Orchids, who will talk about hybridizing and growing catasetums.



### **Greenhouse Chat May 2026**

Ron McHatton



Tuesday, May 5th, 2026  
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EST EST

Join Dr. Ron McHatton as he answers your questions about all things orchids. Please send your question and pictures to Sandra Svoboda at [greenhousechat@aos.org](mailto:greenhousechat@aos.org) by May 2, 2026.

**Go to [AOS.org](https://www.aos.org) for Webinar links and information on orchid culture and care. While you are visting their site, please join AOS. Support this worthy organization.**

Our previous CJOS President, Anne Skalka needs to greatly reduce the contents of her greenhouse. Anne is a consistent award winner at our show table.

Here are the details:

### **Greenhouse Inventory Sale – Ewing, NJ**

In preparation for an extended overseas stay, I am offering the complete contents of my greenhouse for sale. This is an excellent opportunity for gardeners, hobbyists, and plant enthusiasts to acquire quality materials at affordable prices.

Available Items Include:

- Healthy, well-maintained plants – \$15 each
- Greenhouse benches
- Pots and planters
- Hanging baskets and hangers
- Plant clips, tags, and various supplies
- Select items available at no cost

Location: Ewing, New Jersey (near The College of New Jersey)

Contact: 609-865-2031

Details: By appointment only

Serious inquiries are welcome. Please call or text to schedule a visit