



Gleanings

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This issue includes Karyn Cichocki's photos of gesneriads at the Mid-Atlantic AVS Flower Show, photos of plants blooming now, and The Annual Appeal.

Hope you enjoy **Gleanings!**

Mel Grice, Editor

Karyn Cichocki sent this photo of *Aeschynanthus humilis* grown by Paul Sorano from New York, USA, and exhibited at the recent Mid-Atlantic AVS show.

See more photos from the show on the following pages.

Karyn Cichocki photo



Mid-Atlantic AVS Show photos



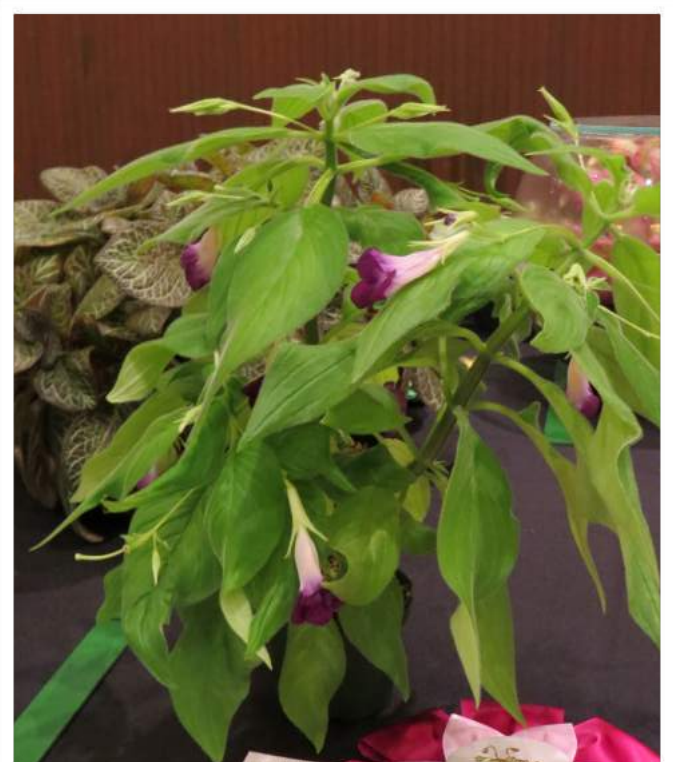
Best Other Gesneriad

Streptocarpus 'Heartland's White Gold'
Linda Abplanalp

Karyn Cichocki photos



Henckelia walkarae - Rodney Barnett



Sinningia cardinalis peloric hybrid

Kitty Hedgepeth

Karyn Cichocki photos



Episcia 'Karlyn'

Tammy Dubois





Columnea 'Midget'

Paul Sorano

Karyn Cichocki photos





Str. ionanthus ssp. *orbicularis* cl. *orbicularis* - Rodney Barnett

Karyn Cichocki photo

Blooming now...



Oreocharis pankaiyuae

Purchased at the 2022 Gesneriad Society convention and grown outside.

Mary Schaeffer



It's very rare for a *Streptocarpus* to sport. Paul Sorano (Lyndon Lyon Greenhouses) asked me if I wanted to name the sport he got from my hybrid *Streptocarpus* 'Dale's Polar Canary.' He's so good with names that I wanted him to name it. He chose, *Streptocarpus* 'Morning Magic.' The sport has the same faint yellow patches on the upper two lobes. The ancestry includes *Streptocarpus lilliputana*, 'Heartland's White Gold' and the Dibleys bi-color hybrid 'Harlequin Blue.' I

love the interview Peter Shalit did with me that's on YouTube from the 2014 Gesneriad Society convention when *Streptocarpus* 'Dale's Polar Canary' got Best in Show:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SfFYb8lyGKE>

The above photo is *S.* 'Morning Magic' in a Solo cup for size perspective, so at maturity it will be a compact size plant. I'm short, so I have this plant on a lower shelf in order to view it in all its bright colored glory. The most interesting thing about this sport is that the stigma is normal. *S.* 'Dale's Polar Canary' has a stigma that is slightly deformed, enough that it can't accept pollen. Many of the *Streptocarpus* 'Silvia' bi-color hybrids have strongly deformed stigmas, and the pollen parent of *S.* 'Dale's Polar Canary' was a bi-color.

Paul gifted me several of my hybrids after the INSV disaster that happened to my plants this past April. Around a dozen people have gifted me plants or leaves. So I'm starting over again.

Dale Martens



Sinningia lineata hybrid on the left and *Sinningia canescens* on the right.
Alcie Maxwell

Alcie Maxwell photos





Alcie Maxwell photos

Sinningia aghensis × *Sinningia* 'Owlsee Red Hot' - Alcie Maxwell



The Gesneriad Society Annual Appeal

The [Annual Appeal](#) helps support gesneriad research, education, and conservation by ensuring that grant money is available for eligible applicants. The target fund for 2022 is **The Nellie D. Sleeth Scholarship Endowment Fund**. This fund provides scholarships to students of gesneriad botany or horticulture. All gesneriad lovers will benefit from the technical research from these students. Donate now! You may make a donation on line by using the link above.

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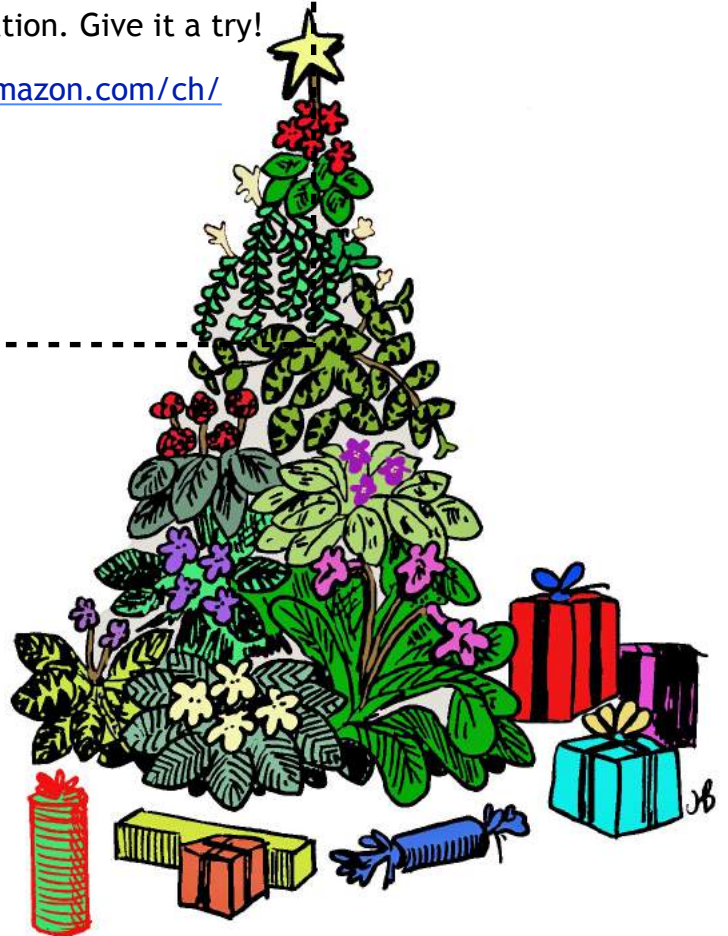
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Happy Holidays!

John Beaulieu created this holiday tree originally in black and white and Stan Sudol added the color a few years later.

Thanks to both for sharing!





From the editor —

Thanks to Karyn Cichocki for taking photos at the Mid-Atlantic AVS Flower Show!

If you have suggestions, comments, or items for possible inclusion in future issues, please feel free to contact me at melsgrice@gmail.com

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