



Gleanings

a monthly newsletter from The Gesneriad Society, Inc.

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our journal *Gesneriads*, and original sources)

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This issue includes photos of gesneriads blooming now,
photos of entries from the African Violet and Gesneriad
Society of New Jersey Show, and The Annual Appeal.

Hope you enjoy **Gleanings**!

Mel Grice, Editor



Unnamed *Sinningia speciosa*
hybrid grown by Terri Vicenzi
from Bloomington, Indiana, USA.

Terri Vicenzi photo



Blooming now...

Petrocosmea 'Asa Blue'
Vicki Ferguson



Vicki Ferguson photos



Vicki grows her petrocosemas individually wick-watered on a window sill that faces east.



Kohleria 'Lono' is a hybrid created by the late Frances Batcheller.



Kohleria 'Lono'
Alex Yu



Alex Yu photos



Kohleria hondensis
Vicki Ferguson



Saintpaulia 'Mac's Elegant Emerald'
Vicki Ferguson

Vicki Ferguson photos



Eucodonia hybrid (Leong Tuck Lock)
Vicki Ferguson



Aeschynanthus humilis
Vicki Ferguson



Rhytidophyllum tomentosum
Joel Egan



Joel Egan photos



Joel Egan says "It is a very manageable small to medium sized sinningia species that is easy to grow and bloom."

Sinningia striata
Joel Egan

Joel Egan photos



Gesneriads at the 2025 African Violet and Gesneriad Society of New Jersey Flower Show



Primulina 'Dale's Smokey Incense' - Ray Coyle



Petrocosmea 'Helena'
Karyn Cichocki

Karyn Cichocki photos



Ornithoboea sp. - Ray Coyle

Karyn Cichocki photo



Save the date
The Gesneriad Society's
Annual Convention
June 29 to July 4, 2026
Westin Chicago North Shore
601 North Milwaukee Ave.
Wheeling, IL 60090

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 2025 is **The Nellie D. Sleeth Scholarship Endowment Fund**. This fund establishes guidelines for submitting proposals to the NSSEF committee by student researchers. One or more scholarship awards are made each year to students currently enrolled in a college or university who seek a better understanding of the anatomy, ecology, physiology, relationships, distribution, growth and development, horticultural uses, or the pests and diseases of gesneriads. Donate now! You may make a donation on line by using the link above.

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Happy Holidays!

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

Thanks to both for sharing!





From the editor —

Thanks to all who sent photos! Please keep them coming so I can share with others.

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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