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Newsletter

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Dear POS Members and Friends:

Not many commercial growers share a look into their nurseries, but Thanh Nguyen spent the evening with us doing just that. Explaining his watering system, humidifying and cooling systems as well as shading and positioning of his grow areas. It was clear that he enjoys what he does and invited us to visit Springwater Orchids. For those who didn't make the meeting he brought a great array of orchids for sale, many you do not see readily available, another good reason to attend the POS meetings.

The show table had many fine examples of the members growing successes. Congratulations to Linda Dawkins who was recognized for Best Species with her *Grammatophyllum Scriptum Var. Citrinum 'hihimanu'*. We encourage everyone to bring something from their collection to share with the club.

I noticed during the raffle the last two months that several members seem to win plants more often than others. When I looked into this I determined that the frequent winners often bought two or more cards giving their numbers more chances to be drawn. Remember this is an inexpensive way to grow your collection and help the club with its expenses. If you have a plant you would like to donate for the raffle please bring it to a meeting.

I am looking forward to hearing John Romano's presentation on Dendrobiums at the next meeting, August 2nd.

See you then,

Corky

August 2nd Guest Speaker:

JOHN ROMANO

Topic: Dendrobiums

By Cindy Thompson, V. P. Programs



John Romano will be giving his presentation on soft and hard cane Dendrobiums. John started growing orchids in 1977 at the age of 11. He worked at Waterloo Gardens, Inc. in Exton, PA. And Gilberties Garden Center in Delaware County, PA. As tropical plant expert and orchid manager and purchaser. In 2002, he was hired at JEM Orchids in Delray as their grower and worked there until 2005.

John specializes in Sobralias, Dendrobiums, Castasetinae, and unusual species. In 2014, a new species of Sobralia which was discovered in Guatemala and was named after him, “Sobralia Romanoii”.

John is a member of FOG and Newbie FOG groups on Facebook: runs the Sobralia and Brasolia group and the Dendrobium Species group on Facebook as well as runs the corresponding website www.dendrobiumspecies.com; he has the “Let’s Talk Orchids” group and hosts the YouTube show by the same name and is co-owner of J & J Unique Orchids with his business partner John Melecio. Their group on Facebook and J & J Unique Orchids and their Instagram account is [unique_orchids](https://www.instagram.com/unique_orchids). He has had several orchids awarded and entered the AOS judging program and is a third year student judge.

John has been a licensed healthcare provider since 1986, specializing in pain management and sports therapy. He also teaches healthcare modalities in schools and colleges as well as continuing education for other licensed healthcare providers and is an international lecturer, most recently presenting at the International Pain Management Symposium in the Virgin Islands in 2019. In January 2020 he won Ft. Lauderdale’s Best of 2020 for Healthcare Providers.

*****John will have a nice selection of orchids for sale*****

Previous meeting ...



Grammatophyllum Scriptum Var. Citrinum 'hihimanu'

Linda Dawkins awarded for best Species

Previous meeting ...



Papilionanthe Miss Joaplum

Presented by Ernest

Previous meeting ...



Show table

Previous meeting ...



Thanh Nguyen

News and Notes: Directions to our meeting

We're so excited to finally be back to meeting in person! Our meeting place will be at the **Plantation Presbyterian Church** which is located at 901 NW 70th Avenue. Coming from Broward Blvd. go north on NW 70th Avenue till you cross the stop light at Plantation Road (NW 8th Street). Continue about one half block and the church is the first driveway on the left hand side--directly across from the Peter's Elementary School. Coming from University turn east at the NW 5th Street light (by the church with the fountain). Proceed to the light at NW 70th Avenue and turn left. It's the first driveway about one half block up on the left.

There is plenty of lighted parking in the church lot. Go to the rear of the church area past the lighted patio area. The fellowship hall is the long building in the rear.





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Membership Form

New Member (date): _____ Renewal 2022-2023:

Annual Membership is from 1 June to 31 May the next year. Individual membership is \$25, for an additional family member in the same household the fee is \$15.

Return this form with check or cash to the Membership Chair at a meeting or mail to:
Donna McWilliams, 5931 SW 8th Street, Plantation, FL 33317

Please print legibly

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail address (to receive Newsletters): _____

Contact Phone # _____ Birthday: Month _____ Day _____

May we publish your name, address, phone # and email in our society directory? Yes ___ NO ___

About You

Please indicate your orchid skill level. Beginner ___ Skilled Hobbyist ___ Professional ___

Which areas are you interested in obtaining more information?

Orchid care ___ Propagating ___ Showing ___ Managing your collection ___

About the Society

Plantation Orchid Society relies on member participation to facilitate our meetings, events and society management. Please indicate the areas in which you would be willing to participate.

Meeting	Events	Administration
Raffle Table set up	Anniversary Party-June	Make phone calls
Silent Auction table	POS Auction	Send emails
Hospitality Table	Holiday Party – Dec.	Recruiting advertisers/sponsors
Greeter	Orchid Shows	Maintain POS Website
Show Table		Serve on Board of Directors
Take Photos for Newsletter		
Membership		
Other		



August

Fred Espendez

Orpha Hirst

Debbie Magenheimer

Susan Meyer

September

Joann Buckley

Marie Tullock

Terry Voynik

Mike Warde

October

Peter Jeannopoulos

Dullie Boxx



Hello members of Plantation Orchid Society! It's been a while since we've had an in-person meeting so we thought it might be fun to do something new, but orchid related... without leaving home. We've put together a few links to YouTube orchid videos... a great way to learn more about orchids! You can do this on your smartphone, tablet or computer.

Miss Orchid Girl- from repotting, to new blooms, experiments with different media... watering, fertilizing, etc.

Miss Orchid Girl videos <https://www.youtube.com/c/MissOrchidGirl/videos>

Miss Orchid Girl playlists (lists specific plants/subjects) <https://www.youtube.com/c/MissOrchidGirl/playlists>

Rick L. Orchids https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCY_TGXULB-XfO6g_IAKI3lw/videos

Rick really knows orchid nutrition, and orchids in general-from feed to repotting, light and temperature, etc.

Rogers Orchids- In addition to his regular videos, he does a Sunday chat video each week and on the 8th of every month he does a "What's in Bloom" video. He's very knowledgeable and frequently talks about everything from orchid culture, pests, and everything in between.

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