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Don't Forget the Auction!

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TUESDAY, April 6, 2010

**Auction Preview 7:00 p.m.
Auction 7:15 – 9:00 p.m.**

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From the President

Hello Members and Friends,

I hope you all will attend and support our auction this month, it is our main fund-raiser for the year. Without the funds raised at the auction, we would not be able to provide the club with expert speakers each month, anniversary and holiday plants and subsidize the holiday party. If you have a plant you would like to donate, please bring it to the auction. Also please try to bring a friend or help advertise our auction.

Our anniversary and board member election is coming up in June. The nominating committee is already working on looking for new blood to add to our board. Please let Sybil know if you are interested in joining the board. We are planning a potluck dinner party for the anniversary in June. We will have a sign-up sheet at the auction for what you would like to bring. We are looking for appetizers, salads, main dishes and side dishes. Desert will be an anniversary cake which will be provided.

I am very excited to tell you that very shortly Plantation Orchid Society will have its own web site. This is thanks to Cynthia Deming who has volunteered to set up the web site for the society. We can't thank you enough. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the auction.

Sincerely

Pat Payette

**We send our Condolences to
Rose Maytin on the death of her
Mother.**

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MARCH RIBBON WINNERS!

GREEN RIBBON WINNER

PHAL.

Mary Lee Tabeling

BLUE RIBBON WINNERS

LC Bonanza Queen 'Panamint' AM/AO

Allan & Jan Mink

BLC. Lily Marie Almas 'MGR'

Phyllis Durst

PHAL. Sogo Grape

Phyllis Durst

POT. Burana

Rose Maytin

(This was not found as an LC)

YAM. Clarissa Caguauan 'Kiilani'

Phyllis Durst

(The full name of this genus is YAMADAARA which is in the Cattleya alliance)

RED RIBBON WINNER

BLC. Fuch's Orange Nuggett 'Lea'

Allan & Jan Mink

CLTY. Channtily Lace

Rose Maytin

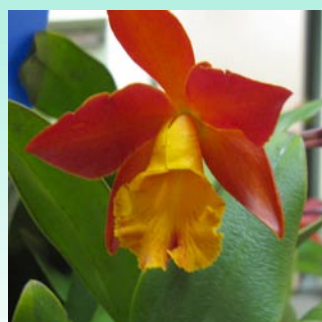
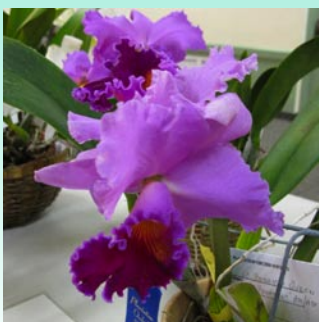
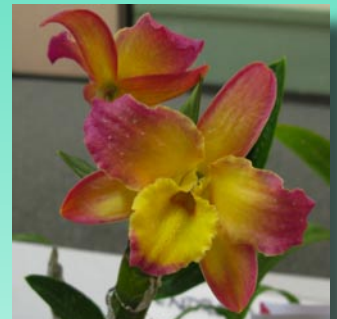
(The full name of this genus is CAULOCATTLEYA which is in the Cattleya alliance)

DEN. Oriental Smile

Rose Maytin

ONC. Sweet Sugar X Aloha Iwanaga

Bill W. David





PLANTATION ORCHID SOCIETY ANNUAL AUCTION

APRIL 6, 2010

**PREVIEW STARTS AT 7:00 P.M.
AUCTION STARTS PROMPTLY AT 7:15 P.M.
Cash, Checks & Credit Cards Accepted**

**DEICKE AUDITORIUM
5701 CYPRESS RD.
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(To get to Deicke, take Broward to Fig Tree Lane,
Go north 1 block to Cypress Rd. then turn right and Deicke is on the left.)

**FOR MORE INFO CALL PAT PAYETTE 954 472 8861
OR PHYLLIS 954 584 4796**

**UP FOR AUCTION WILL BE MANY BEAUTIFUL ORCHIDS
FROM BOTH LOCAL AND HAWAIIAN GROWERS**

PLEASE BRING YOUR FRIENDS

March Speaker, Ed Bugbee Presentation Summary



Ed Bugbee of Featherstone Orchids began his presentation by giving us a handout sheet with the most commonly asked questions about orchids. He then described how orchids in the wild get beaten and abused by the elements and treetop creatures. He recalled a trip to St. Kitts when he was on a hike in the forest and spotted a large and beautiful orchid in a tree. No sooner than he spotted it, the orchid was crushed by a monkey swinging thorough.

He informed us that although Florida has about 189 orchid species, Minnesota has 240. He noted that epiphytes grow on trees, while Lithophytes grow on debris on rocks.

As temperatures go up, so should the amount of

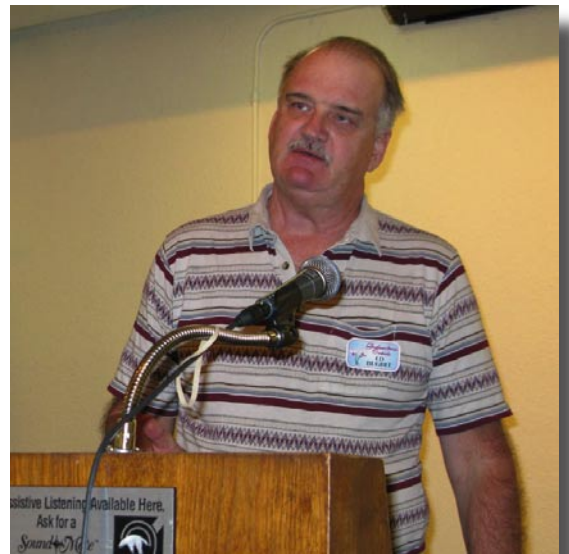
light, water and fertilizer that orchids need. Conversely as the temperatures drop, and daylight becomes shorter, water and fertilizer should be reduced. Dendrobiums don't need much fertilizer in the fall and winter. Overfertilizing during this time will cause the plant to make kakis instead of blooms. Dendrobiums don't like to be repotted. They like to be tight in their pots and won't bloom well if over-potted. Dendrobium 'Andree Miller' is almost always in bloom. All orchids want to be wet, then dry out. Vandas like to be wet every day and dry out every day. Orchids should be planted in media that suits their conditions. Phals kept outside should be in a media that

won't rot the roots. When in doubt, he said don't water.

Phals like bright shade and Paphs like a little extra sun.

He had several fertilizer tips. First, he said to fertilize weekly. He said that the manufacturer usually recommended using 1Tbs. fertilizer per gal. He uses 1 tsp. fertilizer per gal. He also uses dynamite or Nutracote slow release fertilizer, He puts 1tsp of dynamite in a 6-8 inch pot and hangs little bags of dynamite over vandas. Yellow leaves are an indication of too much light and dark green leaves indicate too little light. Bark usually breaks down in 6 months to a year. He recommends Aliflor for plants planted outside here in south Florida.

Featherstone Orchids of Crystal River 7014 N. Goldleaf Point Dunnelion, FL 34433 Phone: (352) 795-4614 E-mail: featherstone@xtalwind.net



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Stacey Ann Russel



Members check out the ribbon winners



Christine Pardo & Bill David



John Budree brought some stunning Paphs., that he grows, to sell at the meeting.



Phyllis picks a Paph.

HOSPITALITY

Thanks to Lori Harris for the cookies Christine Williams for the healthy apples, grapes and fruit, Pat Payette for the Brownies and cookies and Stacy Ann Russel for the Boston Cream Pie. Coffee and soda will be provided by the Society courtesy of Katie Reed. Remember, we always need more food, so if you bring something to the Sept. meeting, **PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE SHEET SO WE CAN THANK YOU NEXT MONTH.**

CURRENT EVENTS

SPRING ORCHID FESTIVAL **Presented by St. Germain Orchids**

Apr. 16-18, 2010 • 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. • 18290 SW 254 Street • Homestead, FL 33031

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BOB FUCH'S SPRING ORCHID SALE

Apr. 16-18, 2010 Homestead, FL

FLAMINGO GARDENS

Orchid/Bromeliad Expo & Sale and Meet The Bunny

Saturday & Sunday, April 3 & 4 Orchids/Bromeliads 9:30 am to 4:30 p.m. The Bunny 10:00 am to 4:00 p.m. The finest orchids and bromeliads at fantastic prices with advice from expert growers.

SPECIAL 1/2 PRICE ADMISSION is only \$8.50 ages 12+, \$4.25 ages 4-11, under 4 free Not valid with any other offer. Tour by Tram on the hour from 11-4 (at additional cost) ADMISSION ALSO INCLUDES botanical gardens native wildlife exhibits with panthers, bobcats, otters, alligators, free-flight aviary with more than 40 species of native birds of prey exhibits including golden and bald eagles live Wildlife Encounter Shows guided tours of historic 1930's Wray Home 10-4.

MOUNTS BOTANICAL GARDEN SPRING PLANT SALE

Saturday, April 24, 2010 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, April 25, 2010 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mounts Botanical Garden 559 N. Military Trail West Palm Beach, FL More Info: 561-233-1757 or visit their website

BROWARD COUNTY PLANT AFFAIR

Saturday & Sunday, May 1 & 2, 2010 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Plantation Heritage Park 1100 South Fig Tree Lane Plantation, FL More Info: 954-797-2722 or visit their website calendar (go to the event dates for information).



Animal Rescue

Thanks to Christine Williams for her donation of blankets and comforters for the animals. Phyllis Durst is still collecting old towels and blankets for animals in rescue shelters. If you have any towels or blankets that you would like to get rid of, please bring them to our meeting Tues. and give them to Phyllis.

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