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Setup/Social 6:45 – 7:00 p.m.
Presentation starts promptly at
7:15 – 9:00 p.m.

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From the President

Dear POS Members and friends:

Thank you to Sandi Jones from Broward Orchid Supply for educating us on the different fungus, diseases and pests that attack our plants and explaining what to use and how to prevent the problems. Consistency is the key to growing and maintaining healthy blooming orchids.

Our August speaker is Mark Margolis who has received over 50 AOS awards for his orchids. Mark's specialty is in Catasetum orchids.

The Plantation Orchid Auction will be held Tuesday, October 7th 2014 here at Deicke Auditorium. This is the fundraiser that covers all the costs for the year. Lots of help is needed to make this a successful event. There will be flyers available so please post one at work, your church, or where ever you can.

Ways to help the Auction:

- Post a flyer
- Invite everyone you know to the auction
- Separate some of your favorite plants to donate to the Auction.

Volunteer to:

- Pick up plants for auction.
- Setup and break down at Deicke the day of the auction.
- Bring plenty of goodies and beverages for our guests.
- Help us decorate.

Members are what make the Plantation Orchid Society so special. Consider helping out to make this year the most amazing year ever.

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Rose M. Maytin
President



**Check out
the Plantation
Orchid Society
on Facebook**



**COMING
SOON,
in October
The POS
Auction!**

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JULY RIBBON WINNERS!

**We didn't have a lot of bloomers in July,
but the ones we had were spectacular!**



BLUE RIBBON
Brass. Nodosa x Richard Muller
Tracy Moulton



BLUE RIBBON
C. Wendy Patterson
Tom Van Strander



BLUE RIBBON
Blc. Taiwan Gold
'Golden Oriole'
Gigi Louis



BLUE RIBBON
L. Purpurata 'Carnea'
Phyllis Durst



BLUE RIBBON
Ocdm. Wildcat
'Golden Red Star'
Tracy Moulton



BLUE RIBBON
V. Manuvadeo x
V. Donna Roma Sanchez
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BLUE RIBBON
Enc. Tampensis
Lenide Pierre-Antoine



BLUE RIBBON
Blc. Toshie Aoki 'Pizzaz'
Joanne Buckley

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RED RIBBON
B. David Sander
Phyllis Durst



RED RIBBON
Blc. Copper Queen x
Blc. Richard Mueller
Sue Dolan



RED RIBBON
V. Pachara Delight
Lynn Molitor

As a reminder, all plants brought in for the show table should be free of pests and diseases. Take some time to stake and clean the leaves of your plants, this allows for better presentation. Also, please do not bring newly-purchased plants for the show table. The show table is an outlet for members to share the great job they have done in growing and flowering their orchids; therefore, please respect the unwritten rule of owning and growing an orchid for a minimum of 6 months.



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HOSPITALITY

THANKS to the members who brought snacks the July meeting! Judy Bontrager - oatmeal cookies, Alma Woodrow - Rum Cake, Angela Puca - Italian Biscuits, Gigi Louis - 4th of July Cookies, Jill Greenbaum - 4th of July Cookies, Chris Williams - Zucchini bread, Judy Revier - Choc Chip Giant Cookies, Tracy Moulton - Confetti Caesar Salad and Ginger Ale.

Remember, we love the treats you bring (which are not just limited to sweets) but: **PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE SHEET SO WE CAN THANK YOU IN SEPTEMBER**

Coffee and soda will be provided by the Society courtesy of Tina Pena.

AUGUST IS PAST TIME TO RENEW!

Print and fill out the attached membership renewal form and bring it, along with your check made out to the Plantation Orchid Society or exact cash to the August meeting.

HELLO my name is

New, updated name tags are available to fit in your old name badge. Don't forget to wear your name badge and pick up your new name tag!

ADVERTISING!!

We are still accepting annual advertisement ads for POS web/newsletter/membership booklet for only \$60.00. All current ads are past renewal time. If you would like to place an ad for your business and/or club please contact Angela Puca 954-791-1874. All ads will be posted on the POS website, in the monthly newsletters and the POS membership booklets running from August to August.

2014 CALENDAR

August 5th Meeting - Speaker Mark Margolis

September 2nd Meeting - Workshop

October 7th Meeting - Annual Auction

SUNDAY Nov. 2nd, SPECIAL MEETING
3:00 p.m. - Sunday Orchids with Lori Parish

December Meeting - Annual Holiday Party

January 6 - To be announced



POS Shirts

PRICE \$16.00

Elise Chapman will be taking orders at the August meeting.

Our Speaker For August Is Mark Margolis



Mark is a retired Dade County Public school teacher and a non-commercial hobby back yard grower of orchids. Mark has been growing orchids for over 35 years. While he grows many different types of orchids, the Catasetum group is his favorite. He has over 600 plants from this family. Over the years he and his plants have received over 50 AOS awards. He is still looking for his first FCC.



THE POS NEEDS YOUR EXTRA PLANTS!

Our October Auction will be here before you know it. Now is a great time for all good members to get those gardening gloves out, clean out your leftover pots and divide your plants! We must raise funds to pay for our wonderful speakers, meeting room rentals, along with non-profit and bank fees and other miscellaneous. The club needs your extra plants to auction at the October meeting. Please help us out and share!



**The July Program
“Prevention and Diagnosis of
Orchid Pests and Disease”
was presented
by Sandi Jones
of Broward Orchid Supply**

Sandi Jones of Broward Orchid Supply presented a great program on controlling pests and diseases in our orchids. Broward Orchid Supply carries all the products to keep the bugs, bacteria and fungus under control. Sandi began her presentation by suggesting that we should determine the type of orchids that we have and group them by their light and water requirements, being aware of the need for good air circulation and spacing.

PESTICIDES: One of the most annoying bloom busters are the tiny thrips that eat at the orchid flower spikes and roots. You can identify thrip damage when you see the edges of your blooms turn white or see black rings on the roots. Thrips can best be controlled with a systemic insecticide like Orthene. Good for also controlling white flies, Orthene should be applied twice, one week apart, then monthly to keep the bugs under control. Another pricey systemic insecticide is Merit. (\$85.00 for 2oz) Merit only needs to be applied 4 times a year. Permetrol will also provide systemic for control of thrips, scale and mealy bugs. Malathion can be used for topical insect control of scale and mealy bugs, but high ph water will cause it to break down and become ineffective faster. Try Orange Guard for organic pet safe control. It is used for topical control of ants, scale, thrips and aphids. Oils like Neem oil can be used for topical, pet safe control of most pests. Oils, however should be used only in the early morning or late afternoon when temperature are lower. Plain old dish soap, (Sandi likes Ajax Triple Action), can be sprayed on orchids for insect control and this can even be mixed with insecticides. Use 2 oz. per gal in a sprayer, but add the soap after you have mixed the chemical with water or your mix will bubble out. Remove the brown sheaths from your orchids to expose scale and remove hiding places. Ants are usually present as farmers for aphids and scale. To control slugs, Sandi recommends Sluggo bait, but cautions not to over use.

FUNGICIDES: In our wet South Florida summer, rots, fungus, spots and crud are always a problem and must be dealt with. Never be tempted to yank yellow leaves off your orchids, because the tiny tears caused by the yanking are conduits for fungus, rot and bacteria. Cinnamon can be put on cuts. Botritis shows up on flowers a tiny black spots. Black sooty mold shows up on the back side of dendrobiums. Fusarium wilt presents as a plant that won't thrive with roots and leaves that wilt. Take the plant from it's pot and inspect the roots to see how the plant is doing. All affected parts of the plant must be cut away. Rot spreads quickly and looks like a soft black spot. Straight isopropyl alcohol will make rot bubble. Full strength hydrogen peroxide can be used on Crown rot. Thiomyl is a systemic controller of fungus and is effective on brown spot. It is used at a rate of 1.5 tsp. per gal. Dithane M-45 is effective as a topical control of soft rot fungus at a rate of 1.5 T per gal. Dithane (1.5 T per gal.) can be mixed with Thiomyl (1.5 tsp. per gal.) and Orthene (at 1 tsp per gal.) for a 1 stop pest and fungus killer. This formula should be applied with a pump sprayer twice 7-10 days apart then used monthly. Always use gloves when mixing or spraying chemicals and respirators are also recommended.

SUPPLEMENTS: Sandi recommends Dyna Grow Pro-Tekt which is a silicon supplement that is used to toughen the plant to help resist pest damage and make it more heat and cold tolerant. Kiki Pro is used to promote new growth and flowers. Spreader Stickers are used with topical products to keep them from washing off as quickly. Use TSP to sterilize your pruners between plants to prevent spreading disease.

Sandi concluded by asking all members to consider a membership in the American Orchid Society and offered a 10% discount to AOS members. She also is looking for volunteers to assist with the orchid care at the Bonnet House. Sandi can be reached at: 954-925-2021 or browardorchidsupply@comcast.net, browardorchidsupply.com, 2411 Garfield St. Hollywood, FL 33020

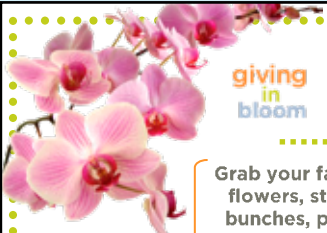
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