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Setup/Social 6:45 – 7:00 p.m.
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7:15 – 9:00 p.m.

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From the President

Dear POS Members and friends.

Thank you Hyla from Green Barn Orchids for your presentation on potting mixes, pest control and fertilizing. A consistent maintenance routine is crucial to plant health and blooms worthy of AOS awards. A lot was learned, whether you're a hobbyist, grower or new orchid lover.

We are looking forward to hearing from Jim Watts, our September speaker, who will be doing a presentation on leafless orchids such as the ghost orchid. I personally find them extremely interesting.

Don't forget our annual Auction will be October 6th, 2015. The monies raised at this event funds our operating costs for the entire year. Plants and volunteers will be needed to make this event successful. Please contact me if you are available to help.

Rose M. Maytin
President



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

THE POS NEEDS YOUR EXTRA PLANTS!



Our October Auction is almost here! Please, everyone, 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!

Special Thanks to Gigi Louis, and our new members, Paul Gebrian and Francisco Lambert for their donation of plants to the Auction!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AUGUST RIBBON WINNERS!



BLUE RIBBON
C. Show Time
Mireille Jeannopoulos



BLUE RIBBON
Blc. Elaine Spotted Star x Lc. Island Breeze
'Sweet Acolade'
Linda Sultzer



BLUE RIBBON
Asctm. garayi
Mireille Jeanopoulos



BLUE RIBBON
C. Wendy Patterson
Tom & Barbara Van Strander



BLUE RIBBON
Brassia Eternal Wind
Mary Lee Tabelaing



BLUE RIBBON
Den. Caesar Green
Maureen Reily



BLUE RIBBON
Zygo. Debbie De Mello
x Arthur Elle
Peg Geria



BLUE RIBBON
Recc. Frances Fox 'Richard'
Phyllis Durst

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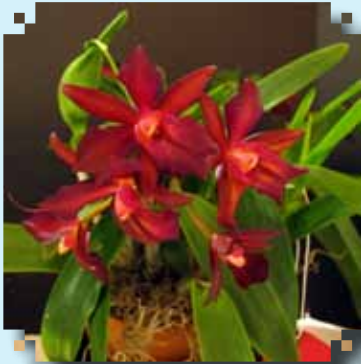
RED RIBBON
Blc. Dora Louise Capen 'Lea'
Phyllis Durst



RED RIBBON
Wils. Sunny Daze
'Mauna Loa Dawn'
Lynn Mollitor



RED RIBBON
Blc. Wainae Leopard
'Ching Hua'
Paul & Francisco



RED RIBBON
C. Chocolate Drop 'Kodama'
x Cnta. Keith Roth
Tom & Barbara Van Strander



RED RIBBON
Den, Sonia 'Earsa Kul'
Lorna Diaz



RED RIBBON
V. Mokara Moonlight
Tom & Barbara Van Strander



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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Orchid Auction

October 6, 2015 at 7:00 pm

Open to the Public

Preview at 6:45 pm

Cash, Checks and Credit Card Accepted

**Deicke Auditorium
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**Our September Program
“Leafless Orchids,
Fascination and Frustration!”
will be Presented by
Jim Watts**

Our September program will be presented by Jim Watts. Jim will present a program titled “Leafless Orchids, fascination and frustration!” Probably one of the most famous leafless orchids, a native to Florida, is the Ghost Orchid, or *Dendrophylax lindenii*. Jim’s program is a review of the various leafless genera and their species, discussing the habitat and growth habit of these fascinating orchids.

Jim Watts has been growing orchids for 20 years and is a Probationary Judge for the AOS. His small collection of orchids is mostly species. One of his first orchids was an equitant oncidium, now *Tolumnia*. He still has a large collection of them despite the best (worst) efforts of Hurricane Wilma. Hurricane Wilma was less gentle with the leafless, and he was reduced from 17 species to 3. He is rebuilding his collection, but it is difficult to find some of the species. Several were from overseas orders, and are no longer available.

One of his favorite orchid types is the leafless genera. In 2003, he tried to get the AOS to run an article on leafless lovelies. One of the editors, Susan, turned it around on him and told him if he wanted an article, he could write it himself. So he did, and it was published in the March 2003 issue. It has been excerpted in society newsletters around the world, including the Canary Islands and Australia.

One of his new interests is vanilla, especially since he found some leafless species of vanilla including two leafless Florida natives.

In his spare time from orchid growing, Jim is a tax accountant.

Many of the members of our society have a leafless orchid or two and have brought them in for our ribbon judging. And for those who do not have one in your collection, you are missing out on a fascinating species.

Come to the meeting and learn more about these leafless wonders from an expert!

HOSPITALITY

A big Thank You to the members who brought snacks to the August meeting!

Maureen Reily - Tea Cake and Ginger ale, Sallie Sheroud - Watermelon and Strawberries, Linda Sultzer Vanilla Cream Glazed Cake, Lenide Pierre-Antoine - Soda, Karen Reynoldson - Pecan Pie Squares, Alma Woodrow - Doughnut Holes
Remember, we always love the treats you bring but:

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE SHEET SO WE CAN THANK YOU IN OCTOBER!

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

*We Wish
a big
Get Well
to
Rose's Father,
Daniel Saroza*

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POS 2015 CALENDAR

September 1

Jim Watts
Leafless orchids

October 6

Annual Auction

November 3

To be Announced

December

Holiday party

PLACE AN AD

We are still accepting annual advertisement ads for POS web/newsletter/membership booklet for only \$60.00. All current ads need to be renewed June. 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 for one year.

Membership Directories

The new 2015-16 inserts to the membership directories will be available at the September meeting at the membership table. These will replace the 2014-15 portion of advertisers as well as current membership.

New members will receive a complete booklet.

Help and Volunteer!

Due to travel plans,
HELP and backup is sometimes needed
photographing the orchids and meetings.

Do you have a camera?

Can you please help out?

Contact Mary Lee at 954-473-0456

We Are Still Accepting Renewals For Your 2015-16 POS Membership

Cost for renewal is \$25.

Additional family members are \$15.

Just print out the separately attached
registration form, fill it out and
bring it to the meeting.



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Presents

The 69th Miami International Orchid Show

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**Our August Program
“Better Blooms
with the Right Products”
Was Presented by Hyla Levine
of Green Barn Orchid Supply**



Hyla and Silas gave great presentations of the different types of products to be used in our orchid care and how to repot.

Hyla began her presentation with a discussion of the various orchid mixes and how to use them. Cattleyas and other orchids with big pseudobulbs like encyclias and digbianas, store water in their bulbs and should be planted in a mix that is drier. A drier mix is one that is made up of Hydraton, Charcoal, and a little Cocoa Husk. This type of mix won't rot or decompose. A mid range of light is usually what this type of plant will like. Dendrobiums take a higher light with a drier mix also and like to be very tight in their pot. Hyla prefers to plant dendrobiums in clay pots because they tend to be top heavy. Clay pots dry out faster whereas plastic pots hold water better. Translucent plastic pots allow you to see how the roots are doing. Vandas take the most amount of light, most amount of water and need the most air movement. Phalaenopsis orchids, with their thinner leaves, need a moisture holding mix. They also need much lower light.

Orchids need air, water and food. A good balanced fertilizer to use is Jack's 20-20-20. (originally called Peter's) It comes in a powdered form but is also available in a liquid. Jack's also makes a blooming fertilizer 20-30-20. Hyla recommends that you use the grow, grow, grow, bloom method of fertilizing. Use the balanced fertilizer every 7 to 10 days (grow) 3 times and then use the Blooming fertilizer the 4th time (bloom). Hyla also recommends a product called Maxicrop. This is a seaweed based nutrient that gives instant gratification. Roots seem to grow like mad after just 2 weeks of using Maxicrop. It can be mixed with your other fertilizer at a rate of 2 Tablespoons per gal for first 3 applications and then back off to 1 Tablespoon per gal. Another product that Hyla likes is called Magical. It is a liquid Magnesium and Calcium additive which also can be added to your fertilizer potion at 1 teaspoon per gal.

After Memorial Day, Florida summers brings rainy weather to our orchids and Hyla suggests a once a month application of a fungicide like Physan, Captan or Dithane to prevent rot. A systemic fungicide is "Thiomyd Systemic Powder Fungicide" or Banrot. "Safer's 3 in One" is another more natural spray that you can use.

To prevent thrips on blossoms use Ortho Flower Fruit and Vegetable Insect Killer at the first sign of a bloom sheath. Bonide Systemic Insecticide is another liquid spray (without a bad smell) that can be used like Orthene. Aphid traps can be used in your shade house. Orange Guard is a great product used to repel ants.

TSP can be purchased from Home Depot and should be mixed to the point of saturation for sterilizing your stainless steel or titanium cutting tools.

We all enjoyed the great demo of repotting given by Hyla's son Silas

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CURRENT EVENTS

American Orchid Society Judging Educational Presentation

Saturday, August 22, 2:00 - 4:00

Visit www.wpbjudging.org for plant entry procedures and more information

West Palm Beach Judging Center at Flamingo Gardens

Contact Carol Holdren at (561) 212-4876 or email cjholdren@gmail.com for more information.

Mounts Botanical Garden Orchid Sale & Shady Affair

Saturday and Sunday, September 12 & 13, 2015

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

559 N. Military Trail West Palm Beach, FL

More Info: 561-233-1757 or visit their website

South Florida Orchid Society presents the 69th Miami International Orchid Show ORCHID FIESTA

October 9th -11th 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission \$10.00

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Broward County Plant Affair

Saturday, October 17, 2015 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, October 18, 2015 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 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).

Delray Beach Orchid Society 23rd Annual Show

October 30 thru November 1, 2015 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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