



# The Plantation Orchid Society

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*Happy  
Valentine's Day*



**Tuesday February 4, 2014**

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,

Alex Lamazares aka "The Orchid Doctor" is scheduled to be the speaker for our February meeting. He is well known for his lively and informative presentations so don't miss him on Tuesday.

We want to thank our January speaker Dan Christensen, from Dan and Margie Orchids for his presentation on Mini Cats and his tips on preparing our orchids for the cold weather. We always appreciate the quality of speakers that we have access to.

Congratulations to Joan Viggiani, for the Blue Ribbon awarded to her Paph. at the Ft. Lauderdale Show. We are very proud of the great job done by Karen Reynoldson, Phyllis Durst and Bev Warde in setting up the beautiful society display for our club. Thanks to their efforts, we were able to take the Second Place Ribbon for a society display in the competition. Thanks also to the members who brought beautiful plants for the display.

We are happy that Tina Pena has volunteered to take over the Hospitality/Sunshine position on the Board from Judy Revier who is stepping down. We still need someone who can assist Tina when work prevents her from attending the meetings.

Rose Maytin,  
President



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

## **HELP NEEDED!**

**Many Thanks to Tina Pena who has volunteered to take over the job of snack coordinator, Hospitality/Sunshine Trustee from Judy Revier beginning in March. Because there may be times when Tina cannot be at our meeting due to work, POS needs a volunteer to assist Tina and fill in for her. Can You help? Please contact Rose at 954-401-3171.**

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JANUARY RIBBON WINNERS!

Another month, another wonderful array of orchids grown by our talented members.



**BLUE RIBBON**  
Blc. Fuch's Orange Nugget  
Lori Parrish



**BLUE RIBBON**  
Vanda Pat's Delight  
Lynn Molitor



**BLUE RIBBON**  
Ascda. Kulwadee Fragrance  
Bob Bekoff



**BLUE RIBBON**  
Paph. Holdenii  
(callosum x maudiae)  
Joan Viggiani



**GREEN RIBBON**  
Ascda. Charlie Barg X  
V. Thailand Gold  
Karen Reynoldson



**BLUE RIBBON**  
Cynoches warszewiczii  
Joan Viggiani



**BLUE RIBBON**  
Onc. Psychopsis Mariposa  
Lori Parrish



**BLUE RIBBON**  
Den. White Grace  
Bob Bekoff



**BLUE RIBBON**  
Blc. Toshie's Magic 'Doris'  
Karen Reynoldson



**RED RIBBON**  
Onc. Twinkle  
Lynn Molitor



**RED RIBBON**  
Den. Blue twinkle  
Phyllis Durst



**RED RIBBON**  
Paph. Deedmannianum  
Joan Viggiani



**RED RIBBON**  
Onc. Pacific Sunrise  
Phyllis Durst

Thanks to Lorna Reyes Diaz for providing the photos

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.





### OUR FEBRUARY SPEAKER Alex Lamazares "The Orchid Doctor" from OrchidMania

Alex Lamazares aka "The Orchid Doctor" will be operating at our February meeting. We last had Alex in March 2012. He was funny entertaining and informative. All our members enjoyed his visit.

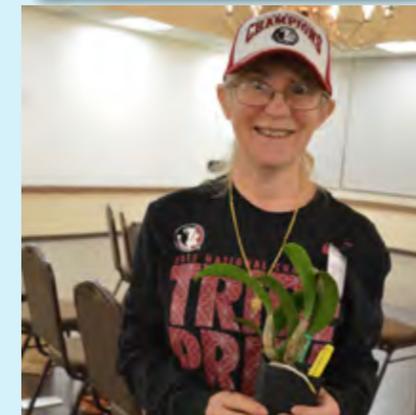
Donated by Fairchild Tropical Garden, OrchidMania's 3,600 sq. ft. greenhouse facility is where Alex houses the plants that are donated throughout the year. This is also home to their permanent collection of rare and endangered species that have been donated by growers from all over the world. Alex Lamazares, known as The Orchid Doctor, has been the president of the organization since 1997. He is considered a respected authority amongst his peers for his no-nonsense approach to growing and caring for orchids. He delivers orchid workshops and presentations at orchid clubs and private homes, all over the state of Florida throughout the year. His latest achievement was to be invited to give a talk on orchid care and repotting at the 2008 World Orchid Congress held in Miami, Florida.

Some facts about OrchidMania are: The primary mission of OrchidMania South Florida is to provide financial and moral support to grassroots AIDS prevention and relief organizations, without discriminating on the basis of race, religion, age, national origin, sex, sexual preference, or physical handicap. Moreover, it is our goal to encourage interest and enthusiasm for orchid cultivation in public areas, conservation, and appreciation while providing a positive vehicle for ANYONE to donate their time and talents to AIDS relief.

The money generated by the various fund-raising activities of OrchidMania South Florida, is used to fund the needs and activities of Project Cradle, an affiliated volunteer organization of the University Of Miami Miller School Of Medicine's Department of Pediatrics.

Voice Mail (305) 667-2992 Web site is <http://orchidmaniafl.org/>

### JANUARY RAFFLE WINNERS!



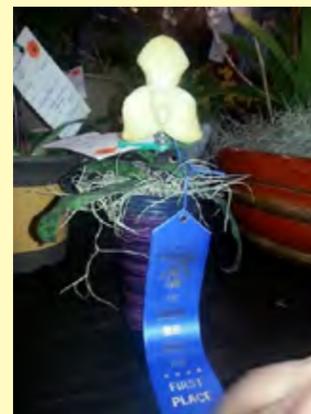
### PLANTATION ORCHID SOCIETY at the FT. LAUDERDALE ORCHID SOCIETY SHOW



Many Thanks to Karen Reynoldson, Phyllis Durst, Bev Warde, for their hard work in setting up the display and thanks to all the members who donated plants. It's a lot of work but well worth it.



The Plantation Orchid Society took a 2nd place win in the society display category at the Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Show which took place from January 17 to 19.



Congratulations to POS member Joan Viggiani for your Blue Ribbon at the Fort Lauderdale show.

### HOSPITALITY

THANKS to the members who brought snacks to the January meeting!  
Elise Chapman - Popcorn and Hershey's Kisses, Karen Reynoldson - Banana Bread,  
Judy Bontrager - Orange Raisin Cake, Tina Pena - Cookies and Toffee

Remember, we always love the treats you bring but:  
PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE SHEET SO WE CAN THANK YOU IN MARCH!  
Coffee and soda will be provided by the Society courtesy of Judy Revier.



## January Program Was Presented by Dan Christensen from Dan & Margie Orchids

by Karen Reynoldson

Our January speaker was Dan Christensen, a local grower who specializes in Vandas and Mini cats. With a cold front approaching, Dan gave us some tips on getting our orchids ready. He said that Vanda's are especially sensitive to the cold so it's important to keep the wind off them. So make sure they are protected on the north and west sides. He recommends watering two days ahead of the cold weather. It's important to keep water off of the plants---but the area under them can be watered to raise the air temperature a couple of degrees.

Dan reported that all Vandas, Ascocendas, Aerides and Rhy-nchostylis will now be called Vandas.

Dan spoke about the 5 elements that orchids require---sun, air, water, medium and fertilizer. Vandas can handle the most sun with Cattleyas next. Cattleyas require a lot of sun to bloom properly---they may even burn. Mini cats, Oncidiums, and Dendrobiums are next in requirements with Phalaenopsis needing the least. Air movement is vital to orchids as it helps prevent bugs and fungus. It's best to run a fan if orchids are in an enclosure. Watering depends on the type of medium you use. Dan waters his Vandas every other day and everything else once a week. Oncidiums like to be dry. Dan warned us to check the plants purchased at shows. Growers put the plants in sphagnum for their convenience but they should be repotted very soon. Dan recommends no medium for Vandas as that usually just causes problems. Dan uses a mixture of 25% Aliflor, 25% bark, 25% charcoal and 25% medium sponge rock for his Cats. This mix only requires repotting every 2 years. Dan recommends fertilizing weekly, weakly year round.

Dan stated that his love for Mini cats, (Slc's) comes from that fact that they stay small, they bloom 2 - 4 times per year, they require less light to bloom than large Cats. and they have more flowers.

Tony noted that mini cats are good "window sill" orchids as they can be grown inside very successfully. You can reach Dan and Margie Orchids 18700 S. W. 69th St. Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33332

FAX/PHONE 954-252-8116 E-mail : damorchid@aol.com.

The nursery is currently open Tuesday thru Sunday, 12 noon to 5 p.m.

## Animal Rescue

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.



## CURRENT EVENTS

### Boca Raton Orchid Society Show

Saturday, February 8 and Sunday, February 9, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The Department of Safe Schools Institute  
1790 NW Spanish River Blvd.  
Boca Raton, Florida 33431

Admission \$5.00. For more info, [www.brosnline.org](http://www.brosnline.org)

### Flamingo Gardens Garden Festival & Bonsai Show

February 22 & 23, 2014 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

3750 South Flamingo Road, Davie, FL 33330

For more information call: 954-473-2955 or visit their website.

### Fairchild 12th Annual International Orchid Festival

March 7 - 9, 2014 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Gardens, 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables, Florida

For more information call 305-667-1651 or visit their website.

### Tropical Plant Affair

Saturday, March 15, 2014 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

and Sunday, March 16, 2014 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The Pride Center, 2040 North Dixie Highway, Wilton Manors, FL

For more information call 954-257-2317 or visit their facebook page.

### Gardenfest 2014

Saturday, March 22, 2014 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 23, 2014 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Volunteer Park 12050 W. Sunrise Blvd., Plantation, FL 33232

More Info: 954-530-0076 or visit their website

The GFWC, Plantation Woman's Club and the Bromeliad Society of Broward County present Gardenfest 2014 at Volunteer Park. Free Parking - Free Admission - Great Food.

### Flamingo Gardens Orchid & Bromeliad Expo & Sale

April 19 & 20, 2014 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

3750 South Flamingo Road, Davie, FL 33330

For more information call: 954-473-2955 or visit their website.

### Mounts Botanical Garden Spring Plant Sale

Saturday, April 26, 2014 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 27, 2014 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Mounds Botanical Garden, 559 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL

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

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