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

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From the President

Hello Members and Friends,

We want to express Thanks to our October speaker, Axel Cahiz, from Amazonia Orchids, for his excellent orchid advice. The more I know, the more questions I have. Our club is very fortunate to have great speakers that are willing to take the time to explain solutions to our orchid problems. Kudos to our board members, who do a great job of providing these knowledgeable speakers. We appreciate all their help. Remember: Orchids weren't grown in a day. Be patient and be consistent.

At our November 1st meeting, John Budree will be explaining and demonstrating how to get our plants ready for the January Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Show - "Celebrating Orchids - 2012". POS, as a club, will have the opportunity to show what we grow. Let's show everyone how its done.

Congratulations to Carole Schwimmer for answering the October Members Trivia Question of the Month. Answer: Krull -Smith has 12,000 AOS awards. Check out our website www.plantationorchidsociety.com for this month's question. And don't forget, you can now see pictures of our meeting on Facebook.

Congratulations to Karen Reynoldson who won the Member's Choice for her Blc. Hawaii Stars Paradise. The November meeting will be the last chance to reserve your seating for the Annual Holiday Party. Please mark you calendar for Wednesday, December 7th, 2011. Let's all get together for an evening of fine cocktails, dining, entertainment, friends and of course orchids. Seating is limited.

See you at the next meeting

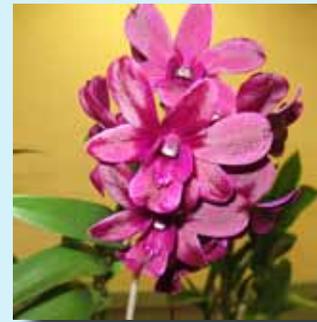
Sincerely,

Rose Maytin

GET WELL WISHES!

To Marcia David,
Joe Mihalic and Stacey Russell!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR OCTOBER RIBBON WINNERS!



BLUE RIBBON WINNERS

BLC.
DEN.
VASCOSTYLIS
DEN

Hawaii Stars 'Paradise' "MEMBER'S CHOICE"
Emma Burana White
Vinta Blue
Densiflorum x Den Griffithianum

Karen Reynoldson
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Jeff Tucker
Phyllis Durst

RED RIBBON WINNERS

DEN.
Y CAT.

Copper Queen x Takami Kodama
RSC. Spanish Eyes 'Tian Mu'

Karen Spiotta
Phyllis Durst

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.

OCTOBER MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



SHE'S A WINNER

Congratulations to Karen Reynoldson for winning the October Members Choice Award, for her BLC Hawaii Stars 'Paradise'



Angela Puca & Judy Bontrager



Jan Mink, Beth Langenthal & Vanessa Duquesnay



Margaret Peter & Nadara Ali



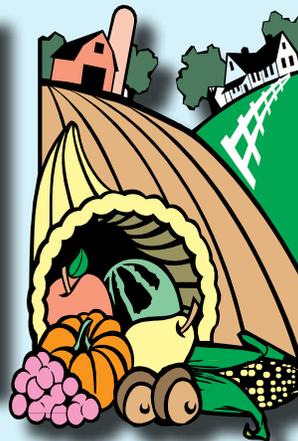
Raffell Winner Janet Jewell



Trevor Cha Champ & Cynthia Lawrence



Georgia Isacc & Judy Bontrager



Vanessa Duquesnay, Dorothy Gautlett & Audrey Bell

HOSPITALITY

Thanks to everyone who brought food to the October meeting. Elise Chapman - Pumpkin cake, Nancy Draper - Cookies, Angela Puca - Banana Bread, Bill David- Cookies, Judith Bontrager - Lemon Bars, Christine Williams - Fruit & Cheese Tray, Phyllis Durst - loaf with Dried Fruit, Ester Reales - Chocolate Cookies, Karen Reynoldson - Chocolate Chip Bars, Mary Lee Tabeling - Chocolate Chip Cookies. Remember, we always love the treats you bring but:
PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE SHEET SO WE CAN THANK YOU IN DECEMBER.
Coffee and soda will be provided by the Society courtesy of Judy Revier.

THANKS TO OUR OCTOBER SPEAKER Axel Cahiz from Amazonia Orchids

Axel spoke to us in October about his specialty, *Cattleya* hybrids and *Cattleya* species plus other genera. He gave us some great tips on caring for our orchids, but his best tip was, if something works for you keep doing it! He began his talk by saying that at Amazonia, they repot their cats every 3 years. However, you should not repot a cat is when it is in sheath or in bloom.



Axel insists that our tools must be kept sterile, a rule that all good growers live by. He prefers a propane torch to sterilize, but agrees that using Clorox or TSP is adequate. When a cat needs it's roots cut way back he suggests using a very small bit of sphagnum moss on the cut end before planting. Clay pots are best for cats because they breath well, but plastic ones can be used if they have good holes for drainage. Axel likes to fill the pot about halfway with Styrofoam peanuts. His favorite medium for cats is Sterilite. He likes it's irregular shape and price. When repotting, he makes a small hill on one side of the pot with Sterilite and uses a rhizome clip to secure the plant in the pot. He also slides a plastic soda

straw over the clip to prevent damage to the plant from chemicals as the clip rusts. After potting, he adds about 1/2 tsp. of Dynamite fertilizer to the plant.

Axel also reinforces the rule of putting the name and date of repotting on the newly potted plant and keeping a record in a notebook. He likes tied on labels best and records on the label with a #2 pencil. He reminded us that a plant cannot be shown in an AOS competition without a valid name. Axel fertilizes two times a week at his nursery and suggests at least once a week for the home grower, using a 20-20-20 fertilizer such as Peter's. He says that it's important to water and fertilize on a consistent basis. Orchids do not like change. He also suggests carefully using Superthrive once a month with your regular fertilizer... (no more than 2 drops in a gal of water). He also uses a fungicide such as Physan, Captan or Copper Sulfate once a month. Note that copper sulfate will kill bromeliads. With all the rain we have had, you need to watch for rot. When the bulb of a cat turns black, it is a sign of excessive water and disease. Move that plant away from all others and cut off everything bad. Make a paste of your fungicide and put on the cut edge and hope for the best.

Scale looks like white powder on the bulb. Wash off and then use an insecticide like Orthene or Malathion, Permatrol or just plain isopropyl alcohol once a month.

You can reach Amazonia Orchids, Inc. in Homestead and the phone number is 305-248-6557



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NOVEMBER SPEAKER John Budree

John will be telling us all about the Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Show "Celebrating Orchids 2012" on January 20, 21, & 22. The Plantation Orchid Club is being given a show space and we need to prepare. We need your best plants, so get out the bloom booster and clean up those orchids. John will be giving us specific details and giving us hints on how to prepare and volunteer.

DON'T FORGET THE NOVEMBER TRIVIA CONTEST

Look on our Website to get the trivia question. A plant will be awarded to the first member that answers the question correctly.
by e-mail to John Budree. ramjohn@yahoo.com

BRING YOUR PLANTS IN FOR THE NOVEMBER SHOW TABLE

A prize plant will be given to the best plants!
Remember: All plants must be grown and bloomed by the member for at least 6 months

PLEASE - WE NEED YOUR HELP

As with most clubs we have a very few people trying to do all the work. Now is the time to step up to the plate and it's a great way to get to know your fellow members!
Please call Rose Maytin at 954-401-3171

1. We need someone with some graphic skills to design a postcard
2. We need someone to take charge of advertising
3. We need people to help with the Holiday Party
4. We need people to man the raffle table at the meetings
5. We need people with cameras to take pictures.
6. We need help with the Ft. Lauderdale show.



Bill David

CURRENT EVENTS

October is auction month at Miramar Orchid Society!

Thursday, October 6th! Come early to view the plants at 6:30 pm at the Taft Street Baptist Church, 7241 Taft Street (NW Corner of Taft & 72 Ave), Hollywood, 33024. Cash, check, Visa, MasterCard, AMEX, & Discover accepted.

Broward County Plant Affair

Saturday & Sunday, October 23 & 24, 2011 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Plantation Heritage Park 1100 South Fig Tree Lane Plantation, FL For more info call: 954-797-2722 or visit their website calendar (go to the event dates for information).

Delray Beach Orchid Society 20th Annual Show

October 28 - 30, 2011 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Old School Square Gymnasium. 51 N. Swinton Avenue Delray Beach, FL. For more information: visit their website.

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JOIN US FOR
THE PLANTATION ORCHID SOCIETY
ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

Wednesday, December 7th, 2011
 from 7 p.m.

at the
Fort Lauderdale
COUNTRY CLUB



415 COUNTRY CLUB CIRCLE
 PLANTATION, FL 33317
 954-587-4700

Menu

Appetizer
Fruit and Cheese Platter

Soup:
 Choice of:
Caldo Gallego (white bean, ham and collard greens)
 or **Grilled Chicken Orzo and Vegetable soup**

Salad:
House Salad
 Choice of: **Blue Cheese** or **Balsamic dressing**

Entree:
Snapper
 with lemon caper sauce,
 steamed spinach and mashed potatoes
Chicken Parm Marinara
 over angel hair pasta with julienne veggies
Petite Filet (6 oz)
 with red wine demi glaze,
 grilled asparagus and roasted red bliss potatoes

Dessert:
Creme Brulee or a sherbet trio with berries
 1 Free Cocktail or 1 Free Soda,
 Coffee and Tea after dinner
Entertainment Provided

First come, first serve basis, space is limited. Bring your checkbook to our Sept. meeting and purchase your ticket.

PRINT THIS FORM AND BRING TO THE MEETING TUES.!
2011 Plantation Orchid Society Annual Holiday Party Registration Form
Wednesday, December 7th.
Price per Member is \$30.00 Price per Guest is \$65.00

	Check your choice of soup		Check your choice of entree			Check your choice of dessert		
	White Bean Soup	Chicken Orzo Soup	Snapper	Chicken Parm	Petite Filet	Creme Brulee	Sherbet Trio	
Name:								Amt. Paid:

If possible seat me with: _____

Print out this reservation form and bring to the meeting or send with your check to:
 POS c/o Sybil Le Blanc at 9711 N. New River Canal Road #215 Plantation, FL 33324 no later than Nov. 5, 2011.