



The Plantation Orchid Society

An affiliate of the American Orchid Society

June 5th, 2018

From the President

Dear POS members and friends:

Thank you to Gail Miller for teaching us your "Tricks of the Trade." Everyone learned so much. We all look forward to having you again in the future.

June is our 50th anniversary potluck photo contest registration and election. June is also our renewal deadline for all members. Fill out the membership application with your check or cash payment and bring it with you to the meeting to receive your membership plants. Bring your favorite main course, appetizer or salad and come hungry for the potluck extravaganza. You must be a member to enter the photo contest and have a digital high-resolution photo so that we may feature it on the October auction poster. If you are interested in running for a position on our board you still have time to throw in your hat. There are positions available. If you are interested in assisting one of our board members to help get job done please let us know. We are in need of a holiday party chair person. No experience necessary.

See you at the meeting.

Rose Maytin

President

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



Tuesday June 5th, 2018

Setup/Social 6:45 – 7:00 p.m.

Meeting starts promptly at

7:15 – 9:00 p.m.

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Please welcome our newest members and guests

New members

Evette Roberts-Foster

Anne Marie Miles

Guests

Maxine Malcolm

Susan Hall

P. Aarons

Micheline Aarons

Lea Seymore

Congratulations to our May ribbon winners

Bc. Jose's Sugar Plum	Rho De Borja	Red
Phal. Pylo's Sensation 'Jess' AM/AOS	Gigi Louis	Blue
Enc. Rioclarensis	Tom & Barb Van Strander	Blue
Epy. Serena O'Neill	Phyllis Durst	Blue
Rlc. Beauty Girl	Peg Geria	Red
Brassia Rex 'Christine'	Karen Reynoldson	Blue
Gram. Jumbo Grand	Gigi Louis	Blue
Schom. exaltata	Rho De Borja	Blue



Red Ribbon
Bc. Jose's Sugar Plum
Rho De Borja

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 BEAUTIFUL RIBBON WINNERS



Blue Ribbon
Epy. Serena O'Neill
Phyllis Durst



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Phal. Pylo's Sensation 'Jess' AM/AOS
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POS CALENDAR OF EVENTS



June 5th:	50th Anniversary Potluck
July 3rd:	Movie Night
August 7th:	Romano presentation on Nobile Dens (To be confirmed)
September 4th:	Catherine Mannion Orchid Pests
October 2nd:	Annual auction
November 6th	No meeting (Due to mid-term voting)
December	HOLIDAY PARTY

Our members do a wonderful job of providing delicious snacks

Peter & Mirielle Jeannopoulos	Soda, Chips, Shrimp and Salsa
Donna McWilliams	Cheezits
Lorraine Crosby	Ginger Cookies, Chips & Pepsi
Angela Puca	Tomato Basil Salad
Marie Tulloch	Cookies
Terry Voynick	Prosciutto/Mozzarella skewers
Cindy Thompson	Cupcakes
Corky Lewellyn	Soda Cookies

Remember, we love the treats you bring (which are not just limited to sweets)

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE SHEET SO WE CAN THANK YOU. IN OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER

The Plantation Orchid Society

Support your Orchid Society

We need active participation from more of our members!

- **Join the Board: Board member elections are this month**

Please nominate yourself or a friend to be on the board or serve on one of our committees. No experience necessary.

- **Offer to Join one of our committees**

we need participants for the holiday party and auction display committees.

**If you would like to serve on the board or volunteer to help out please contact
Cindy Thompson at 954-668-7974.**



**June Photo contest
Join the fun!!**

**Two 8 X10 prints
per person of named orchids**

Florida Orchid Growing

This is a group for residents of Florida to come together and share their experiences and tips for growing orchids in our unique environment which allows us to grow beautiful orchids year around. Please go to Facebook and search for Florida Orchid Growing and read the guidelines for this informative group. And JOIN!

Newbie Florida Orchid Growers

This group is for beginner and novice orchid growers in Florida to show your success or question what you are doing right or wrong. Go to their Facebook page and read their guidelines.

NOTES FROM OUR MAY 2018 SPEAKER GAIL MILLER

The Art of Growing Orchids

Gail Miller of Miller's Way Orchids gave a very interesting talk about the art of growing orchids. The most important tips for successful growing are:

Know your light and water – that is 90% of good growing

Grow in layers: plants requiring higher light are grown at the top layer, shading plants with lower light requirements below. For Example, vandas at the top, Cattleyas underneath and phals below that.

Fertilize at every watering

Use time-release fertilizer in addition to your normal fertilizer

Vandas

Vandas flower best in high light. If you are growing in less than ideal light conditions, hang your Vandas upside down for about a month to help initiate a flower spike.

Cattleyas

Grow Cattleyas in any medium light that is working for you. If your Cattleyas are a deep shade of green and not flowering well, increase the amount of light. Remember, more light means your plants need more water and more fertilizer as well!

Dendrobiums

Dendrobiums are the only genera that will bloom from the same growth multiple times.

As they can become quite large and unmanageable, Gail recommends cutting off the new growth after flowering and laying it on a bed of lava rock for 6 months or so. The can will generally produce one new plant on every node. Additionally, the new growth on the mother plant will be smaller the following year so this is a good way to keep larger plants under control.

Oncidiums

This genera is very easy to grown and will bloom 3-4 times per year if you fertilize every time you water.

Phalaenopsis

Phals like to stay moist, but not wet. Do not get water on the leaves or you risk crown rot.

GAIL'S TIPS AND TRICKS

I think this was everyone's favorite part of Gail's talk! Even those of us who have been growing forever learned a few new things.

No-Fail Dividing of Cattleyas:

Divide your Cattleyas while they are still potted. Cut through the rhizome, smear the cut with fungicide paste and mark the cut with nail polish (I like to slip a plant tag into the cut). Leave the plant alone for three months or so before repotting. This will prevent the plant from going into shock and delaying the next bloom cycle. Easy!

Increasing the flower count on your Cattleyas:

Make a cut partially through the rhizome to promote new growth along the back of the plant. Remember not to cut all the way through!

Stimulate Vandas to keiki:

Crack the stem of the plant with pliers to stimulate keikis on bare stems. A great solution if you have ended up with palm tree Vandas after this past winter!

Make your own keiki paste:

Buy a tube of lanolin (available at any pharmacy) and ask your doctor for some birth control pill samples. Crush one birth control pill into 4" of lanolin. Voila, homemade keiki paste!

Controlling thrips:

Mix 3 parts 70% rubbing alcohol to 1 part water and spray on the buds. This will also help with mealy bugs and boisduval scale (the white scale, not the hard brown scale)

Homemade Superthrive:

Purchase liquid baby vitamins from the dollar store and add 10 drops per gallon of water.



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Plantation Orchid Society

Date: _____

_____ New Member: Renewal:

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: (Please Print) _____

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Are you presently an orchid grower? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please indicate your skill level:

Beginner  Skilled Hobbyist  Professional

Which areas are you interested in learning more about?

Orchid Culture  Breeding  Showing  Collecting:

The PLANTATION ORCHID SOCIETY relies on our members to participate to make meetings run smoothly, relay information, assist in fund raising and participate in orchid events. Please check the areas in which you would be willing to serve:

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The monthly POS newsletter is delivered via e-mail to all members. The newsletter is also available on the POS website: www.plantationorchidsociety.org. If you would prefer to have a copy of the newsletter mailed to you, there will be an annual printing and mailing fee of \$15 in addition to the annual membership fee. **Annual Membership Fee \$25 Fee For additional Family Member In Same Household \$15**

Paid By: Cash: **Check:**

Annual orchid auction Assist Membership

Fund raising Greeter

Holiday party Make phone calls

Upcoming events and shows

[Mounts Botanical Garden July Orchid Trilogy, Class 1 - Orchid Basics](#) July 7, 2018 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

[Mounts Botanical Garden July Orchid Trilogy, Class 2 - Orchid Repotting and Mounting Orchids](#)- July 14, 2018 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

[Mounts Botanical Garden July Orchid Trilogy, Class 3 - Training Your Eye - Orchid Pests and Diseases](#)
July 21, 2018 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

[Mounts Botanical Garden Orchid Sale & Shady Affair](#) September 16 & 17, 2018 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

[Delray Beach Orchid Society Annual Show](#) October 27 - 29, 2018 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

[Mounts Botanical Garden Fall Plant Sale](#) November 4, 2018 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., & November 5, 2018, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Place an ad in the newsletter

We are now accepting annual advertisement ads for the Plantation Orchid Society. If you wish to place an ad for your business or club please contact Angela Puca at 954-791-1894. Please have new and renewal ads by August. Ads are \$60.00 annually and will be posted on the Plantation Orchid Society website and monthly newsletter.

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