Naples Orchid Society

NEWSLETTER

The Naples Orchid Society is a non-profit organization, devoted to the promotion of, interest in, and the appreciation of orchids and the preservation of our native orchids. It is also our aim to disseminate information pertaining to their culture and hybridization.

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Come to the February Meeting Thursday February 7, 2013 At the Moorings Presbyterian Church

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Mini Orchid Class 6 p.m.
Flower Registration 6:30 p.m.
Flower Judging 7:10 p.m.
Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Program 7:45 p.m.

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Our February meeting will be "Get Ready for our NOS Orchid Show,

Our February 7 meeting will be all about our upcoming show. We will have demonstrations on floral arrangements, containers, and cleaning & staking plants. You will see the correct way to fill out a green registration card and learn about rules and regulations. This will be a very informative meeting to make you more comfortable about participating in our show.

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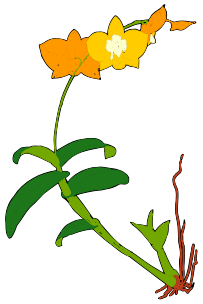

Upcoming Events

March 7, 2013
"Orchid Fragrances"
Dr. Harold Hills
Also NOS Members plant sale

NEXT NOS SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING
February 12, 2013
Moorings Presbyterian, 7 pm
Classroom B upstairs
All are welcome

Basics of Orchid Culture
Continuing through February 16, 2013

NOS 40TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW & SALE FEBRUARY 22-24

NEXT NOS BOD MEETING
March 21, 2013
Moorings Presbyterian, 7 pm
Classroom B upstairs
All are welcome

AOS JUDGING
WPB Judging Center next judging date is February 23
Flamingo Gardens
3750 S. Flamingo Rd.
Davie, FL 33330

Deadline for entries in the Newsletter are due the 15th of each month, 3 pm.
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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, DICK PIPPEN, RPIPPEN@COMCAST.NET

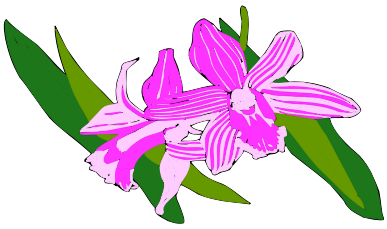
Greetings Orchid Lovers—I think that we got 2013 off to a good start. Our January meeting was well attended, with about 80 people, to hear Jim Roberts of Florida SunCoast Orchids tell us all about *Dendrobium anosmum*, a neat deciduous *Dendrobium* with lots of pink flowers (if you grow them right ☺). His talk was so convincing that he sold out all the *Dendrobium anosmum* plants that he brought—and he brought a bunch!!! ☺ Anosmum, I discovered, means "no scent. Remember—he says to get *Den. anosmum* to flower you have to give it a dry resting period, so "stop watering them on Thanksgiving Day!!" ("stuff yourself and starve your plant") and wait for buds in February before you start watering again. Look for Jim to be here again as one of our vendors at the Show in February.

Speaking of the Show—it's SHOWTIME!!! Our 2013 Orchid Show is February 22-24 (with preparations on February 20-21. We need all of your help to make the show a success, so be sure to volunteer to help (contract Kris Morton, Volunteer Coordinator). And we need all of you to "spruce up your plants," "brush off" your containers, and get creative with orchid flower arranging so you can enter them all in the show. We want to give the judges lots of opportunities to award lots of ribbons and awards, and we want lots of nice displays for the public. Be sure to tell your friends all about the Show and invite them to come see it. Remember—February 22-24, 2013 in the gym at Moorings Presbyterian Church.

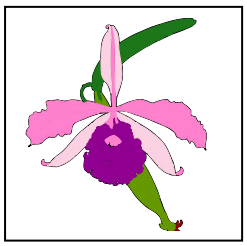
Congratulations to Suzanne Fundingland who submitted the winning Show Theme—"A Tisket A Tasket." (I'm expecting lots of "green and yellow baskets at the show.") Also congratulations to our 2012 Plant Table winners: First Place—Ralph Brand, Second Place (a tie)—Jose Davila and Eunice Walker. Keep bringing those plants in for competition every month, and don't forget to vote for your favorite.

We look forward to seeing you at our February meeting on Feb. 7. We have an exciting program consisting of workshops to help you get your plants ready for the Show. Also don't forget our new "added attraction" every meeting night from 6-6:30 PM when Bill Overton presents his workshop—"Growing Your Orchids Better." This month's topic will be "How To Make Your Own Rhizome Clips And Pot Hangers." See you all there.

Dick



DUES FOR 2013 ARE NOW DUE. PLEASE PAY BY MAILING CHECK PAYABLE TO NOS, PO BOX 7998, FL 34101, IN PERSON AT OUR NEXT MEETING, OR ON OUR WEBSITE @ www.naplesorchidsociety.org SINGLE MEMBERSHIP $40, FAMILY $50



AOS CORNER

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In the January issue of Orchids magazine is an article about scale in the Fakahatchee. Photographed while they work are two undergraduate college students who received scholarships from our society both in 2011 and 2012. The article states "We express gratitude to the Naples Orchid Society for funding Illinois College undergraduate student researchers." We should be very proud that some of our surplus funds have gone to such worthy research.

Our annual show is almost upon us. Please do your part to help out in any way you can to volunteer your time for set up, take down or to be a host or hostess during the event. It is a fun way to meet and learn from fellow members.

If you are not already a member of the American Orchid Society, plan to join this year. As a member of the AOS you are part of something bigger. You are part of a community. A community of like-minded people……the orchid community.

Thank you to our January cookie bakers, Michelle Suppes, Maria Davis & Alice Thorne.
Reminder to our February cookie bakers Eunice Walker, Barbara Crist & Gayle Dorio.
Thank you to Mark Hudak for organizing beverages & cookie bakers for 2013.

Thank you to our Plant Table workers David Orr & Kim Pendleton.
Thank you to our Raffle Table workers Denise Sapia & Bertha Chinn.

Welcome to our new members Susana Rogers, Larry & Robin Weber, Roger Dunlap, Joanne Force-Apgar, Sandra Norton, John Baier, Jerry & Lori Williams, Colin Mathieson, Griffith Mark, Kathleen Rogan, & Culture Class Scholarship winners Mike Brewer & Nina Iraggi.

Note: We will no longer be putting additional contact information of new members in our Newsletter. Our 2013-2014 NOS Directory will be going to print in March. Please contact Nanett Boerner, Membership Chair, if you do not want your address, phone or email listed.

Attendance at January meeting: 80
January raffle profits: $183

Please support our generous 2013 Show Sponsors:

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Venice Area Orchid Society Show & Sale, February 2-3. Info: cwood12@msn.com

Huge Orchid Sale on Sat. and Sun., Feb. 9 & 10! 10 am to 2 pm at David Genovese's home 147 Flame Vine Dr., Naples, FL 34110. Many genera, both species and hybrids available!

Boca Raton Orchid Society Show February 9-10. Info: www.BocaRatonOrchidSociety.org

NOS 40TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW & SALE FEBRUARY 22-24

UPCOMING EVENTS CONT.

Please join the Naples Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society for an evening of fun and education during their Fourth Annual Banquet on Friday, February 22, 2013. The event begins with a wine and cheese reception at 5:30 p.m. A silent auction with a selection of special native plants and landscape services will be offered to attendees. A full dinner is followed at 7 p.m. with a presentation by world-renowned plant taxonomist Dr. John Kartesz. The event will be held at Naples Botanical Garden in the Kapnick Auditorium. Tickets are $35 for the full evening or $20 for the lecture only and are available by contacting Jean Roche at #239-597-7222. Please join us.

And for our returning NOS Snowbirds, from the Community Foundation of Collier County, responsible for our grant to start new NOS website:

On February 11, 2012, the people of Collier County received a new service, Collier 211 Information & Referal (I&R) system, an effort headed by the community Foundation of Collier County & supported by many community partners. Many agencies have helped to populate the database. It has now been a year & 211 is working! Collier 211 is a federally designated phone number & works like 911, but for non-emergency calls. It runs 24/7 using multi-lingual operators or case managers for citizens needing resources & connecting them to appropriate providers. Please spread the word of this service.

And from AOS…

AOS has gone digital. Starting with the January issue, "Orchids" is available for download to your computer, smart phone, pad or tablet. All you need is a valid email address connected to your membership and your personal login. If you have explored the members only section of the AOS website, you are all set! If not, there are instructions on the site how to set up your own account.

And from your NOS Newsletter Editor & Volunteer Coordinator for the 2013 NOS Show/Sale

Please contact me if you are interested in volunteering for Host/Hostess, along with set up & take down. Email me at NOSnewsletter@gmail.com. I will also be passing around the sign up boards at our monthly meeting February 7. Thanks, Kris

Growing Your Orchids Better

By Bill Overton

The First Session

Last meeting we began the "Growing Your Orchids Better" sessions that will occur at the start of every monthly meeting. After beginning with just two interested members, we quickly ended up with ten or so people listening to the presentation. As we go forward with this feature of our meetings we can only hope that our members increase their orchid knowledge by growing bigger and healthier plants that produce bigger and better flowers! More flowers would not be too bad either.

The session was on repotting a Cattleya type orchid. Since I am also an Orchid Doctor, these sessions can be a bit difficult when it comes to staying on topic. However everyone seemed to learn something about potting Cattleyas and potting orchids in general. The questions were both numerous and thoughtful as I tried to quell everyone's fears of repotting their own plants for the first time.

We talked about different containers, medias, watering conditions, light levels, roots and proper techniques. But more important I think was that all of those members who sat in on the session got to see how I repot orchids. Every step was carefully explained and I thought that everyone got to see firsthand just how it is done. Since we were seated around a table, everybody got a chance to see things close up. I hope now that they will all get their courage up to try and utilize what they learned and try to repot their own plants.

Just in case you either missed the meeting or missed the session, remember these sessions will be held the night of every general meeting. The session will run from 6:00pm until 6:30pm. We will meet back at the Orchid Doctor table. The topic for February's session will be "Making your own rhizome clips and pot hangers." Please try to join me if you can and learn how to make both of these useful orchid culture items.

Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Show & Sale, Jan. 2013
Photos by Dick Pippen

An Orchid Vignette--A Passionate Orchid

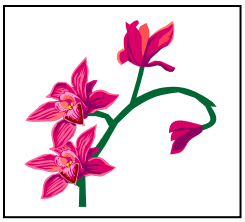
I like *Laelia anceps* (photo left), one of the Mexican-Central American Laelias, with its striking 1–2 foot long spikes with several pink or white flowers clustered at the top, and that neat distinctive lip, narrow and tubular, but with a "wide-open" mouth. So I like to look for hybrids that display the "anceps" characteristics (*L. anceps* is a parent or grandparent of more than 800 offspring!!). Thus I was very pleased in early 2010 to find a delightful "anceps" hybrid at Jade Orchids. That plant is *Potinara* Ancep Passion, (photo below right) a cross between *L.* anceps and *Potinara* Love Passion. *Pot.* Love Passion is a cross between *Pot.* William Farrell and *Lc.* Trick or Treat. I think that the Trick or Treat grandparent is responsible for the increased number of flowers, and both Trick or Treat and William Farrell have the yellow-orangey flowers

Like its *L. anceps* parent the flowers of Ancep Passion are borne on long spikes that extend well above the leaves and form a cluster of 4-6 flowers of delightful orange/fuchsia art shades. The flowers are a blend of colors from both parents; the pinkish flowers of *L. anceps* and the orange flowers of *Pot.* Love Passion.

***Pot.* Ancep Passion was registered by Ching Hua Orchids of Taiwan in 2006. The originator of the cross is not known. It is still a "new kid on the block" and has not been used as a parent in any cross, nor has it received any AOS awards. But, I don't think it will be long before such a neat flower is recognized as a winner by some AOS panel of judges. It was recognized by the Taiwan Orchid Growers Association with a Third Place Award in 2008.**

***Pot.* Ancep Passion is a medium sized plants, the pseudobulbs and their two leaves are less than a foot tall while the flowering spike may reach a foot to two feet or taller. So far my plant has only bloomed once a year and that is in January or February, but the flowers last for a couple of months. My plant appears to be content in a clay pot in a mix of lava rock, charcoal and Hydroton. It is growing in a west-facing pool cage and gets fertilized about "weekly, weakly."**

As you might assume, being a *Potinara,* which is a blend of plants from four or more genera, the genus name has been changed (although *Laelia anceps,* being from Mexico and Central America, is still a *Laelia*), so that now Ancep Passion is in the genus—are you ready for this—*Rechingerara*!! Despite that, I still like it and know that you will, too. *Contributed by Dick Pippen*



Minutes of the NOS Monthly Meeting
January 3, 2013
Submitted by Cynthia Carlson, Secretary

President Dick Pippen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Kit Kitchen-Maran, Crowd Control Manager, pointed out the exits and instructed the group on emergency procedures.

Dick pointed out the article in AOS magazine on the Fakahatchee Strand in which NOS is credited for our support of the interns there.

Plant Table rules were published in the January Newsletter.

Plant Table winners for 2012 (highest total of points for plant awards):
1st place – Ralph Brand
2nd place – tie: Jose Davila and Eunice Walker

Show theme winner: "A Tisket a Tasket" – submitted by Suzanne Fundingsland

Dick thanked the refreshment providers. He also thanked David Orr for the new plant hangers.

Mark Hudak announced that he would like one more person per month for refreshments.

Show is Feb 22, 23 & 24. Culture class starts Jan 12 and runs every Sat morning for 8 weeks. There are a few spots still available.

Nanette Boerner, Membership Chair, introduced new members and reminded members to pay their 2013 dues. $40 for individual and $50 for family.

Bill Overton, Treasurer, reported that NOS had a surplus of about $5,500. The checking balance is $16,399.35. The Investment account is now at a local bank earning a better interest rate, balance of about $14,000.

Kris Morton, Volunteer coordinator for the show, passed clipboards for volunteers for the show. Volunteers are needed! Clerks are also needed for the AOS judging on Fri morning.

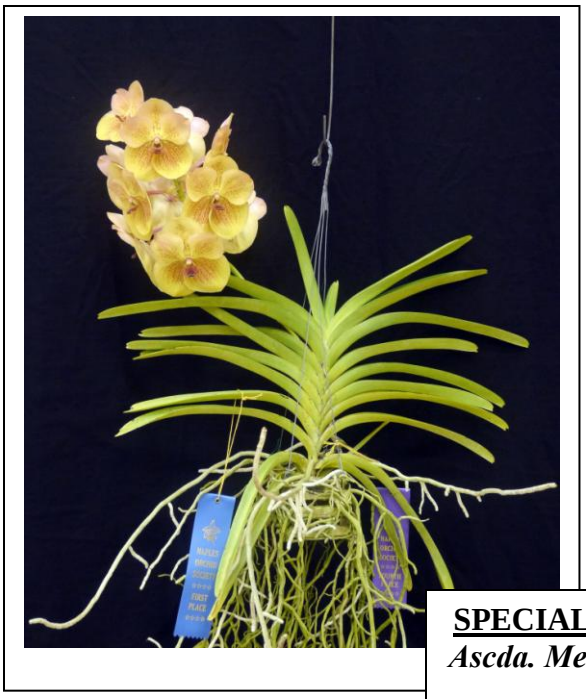
Kim Pendleton announced the new show shirts $22 and the hats $14. Orders are being taken.

Patrece Remmel announced that we need more members to show plants at the show. Please sign up or contact Patrece if you have questions. Guidelines are on the website, password is NOS 2013.

Norm Dolder announced that next month's meeting will be devoted to the process and requirements for entering your orchid in the show. Norm introduced the speaker, Jim Roberts of Florida SunCoast Orchids, who spoke about Dendrobium anosmum orchids.

The plant table winners were announced. Raffle winners were announced.
The meeting was adjourned at 9pm.

JANUARY 2013 PLANT TABLE AWARDS



SPECIAL HYBRID AWARD
Ascda. Mezzapella 'Patty's Joy'
AM/AOS
Owner: David Genovese

SPECIAL SPECIES AWARD
Gongora flaveola
Owner: David Genovese

Plant Table Results
January 03, 2013

Large Cattleyas
First Place: Bc. Hawaiian Agenda 'Florida Winter'
Owner: Twyla Leigh
Second Place: C. Crownfox Sweetheart 'Paradise'
Owner: Eunice Walker
Third Place: Blc. Morning Song 'Crownfox'
Owner: Barbara Crist

Small Cattleyas
First Place: Cattleytonia Happy Face
Owner: Gayle Dorio
Second Place: Eplc. Envy 'Carib'
Owner: Twyla Leigh
Third Place: B. Little Stars 'Yasuji Takasaki'
Owner: Eunice Walker

Large Vandas
First Place: Ascda. Mezzapella 'Patty's Joy' AM/AOS
Owner: David Genovese
Second Place: V. Kenny Bunga
Owner: Gary Whitmore
Third Place: V. Pachara Delight 'Pachara'
Owner: Gary Whitmore

Small Vandas
First Place: Ascda. Louis Hatos
Owner: Kim Pendleton

Dendrobiums
First Place: Den. Green Wonder
Owner: Barbara Crist
Second Place: Den. Roy Tokunaga
Owner: Barbara Crist
Third Place: Den. Blue Foxtail
Owner: Eunice Walker

Large Species
First Place: Gongora flaveola
Owner: David Genovese

Medium Species
First Place: Brassavola subulifolia
Owner: Dick Pippen

Small Species
First Place: Den. junecum
Owner: Freddie Brantley

Oncidium Alliance
First Place: Oncidium Tsiku Marguerite 'NN#1'
Owner: Deborah Gallager
Second Place: Colm. Wildcat 'Blood Shots'
Owner: Barbara Crist
Third Place: Alcra. Sunday Best 'Muffin'
Owner: Eunice Walker

Other Tribes
First Place: Zygopetalum Redvale
Owner: Barbara Crist

Special Species Award
Plant Name: Gongora flaveola
Owner: David Genovese

Special Hybrid Award
Plant Name: Ascda. Mezzapella 'Patty's Joy' AM/AOS
Owner: David Genovese

Green Tag Winner:
Leslie Costello

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