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.

www.naplesorchidsociety.org

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

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Flower Registration 6:30 p.m.
Flower Judging 7:10 p.m.
Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Program 7:45 p.m.
Our featured speaker Rafael Romero will talk about "Growing Schomburgkias."

Our Mini Culture Class starts at 6 PM. Bill Overton will be the Orchid Doctor. Bring in your problem orchids for diagnosis.

NOS Annual Orchid Sale
November 9
Moorings Presbyterian Church. Noon–sell out. Info: www.naplesorchidsociety.org

November 2013 NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events

December 5, 2013
Our annual Christmas potluck dinner. Broward Orchid Supply will be there with pre-orders & supplies.

NEXT NOS BOD MEETING & SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING
November 21, 2013
Moorings Presbyterian, 7 pm
Classroom B upstairs
All are welcome

AOS FALL MEMBERS' MEETING
November 13-17 @ Fairchild Tropical Botanical Garden with orchid show & sale, AOS judged, & sponsored by Orchid Society of Coral Gables, FL
See page 4 & 5 for more info.

AOS JUDGING
WPB Judging Center next judging date is November 23
Flamingo Gardens
3750 S. Flamingo Rd.
Davie, FL 33330
Info: www.wpbjudging.org

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: Wooden baskets and rafts, tree fern bark slabs and tree fern bark pots, cypress, driftwood—there are lots of options for mounting instead of potting many type of orchids according to Michael Polen of Art Stone Orchids, our October Speaker. He also likes coconut fibers as a substitute for sphagnum to "cushion" the plants when he mounts them. He gave a delightful presentation/demonstration of orchid mounting techniques, which was enjoyed by all.

Thanks and Congratulations to Maria Davis for agreeing to become our 2nd Vice President. The Board of Directors approved her appointment to fill this vacancy for the rest of the year. Maria has also agreed to "run" for the position for next year, too!

Remember our 2014 Orchid Show is "just around the corner," 21-23 February. We need to select a Theme for the Show. Those at the October Meeting had an opportunity to submit their suggestions for a Theme, and the "Show Theme Box" will be available again at the November meeting, so put on your "Creative Thinking Caps" and write down those Theme ideas. As a reminder here are the Show Themes for the past several years: 2006 Orchid Fiesta, 2007 Orchid Expedition, 2008 Orchid Oasis, 2009 Orchid Treasures, 2010 Jewels of Paradise, 2011 Orchid Fantasy, 2012 Orchids on Parade, 2013A Tisket A Tasket. The Board of Directors will pick the theme from your suggestions and the person who submitted the winning theme will receive $50 (to spend at the show, of course ☺).

As Autumn approaches I am seeing more and more orchids sheathing up and budding. Just the other day I counted about 75 orchids in bloom in my collection. Hope yours are all doing well, too. Looking forward to seeing all of you at our next meeting. Until then, keep thinking orchids!! ***Dick***

ATTENDANCE: 81 ***RAFFLE TABLE: $274*** ***SPECIAL RAFFLE: $44***

Speaker Mike Polen
Art Stone Orchids

Photos by Dick Pippen

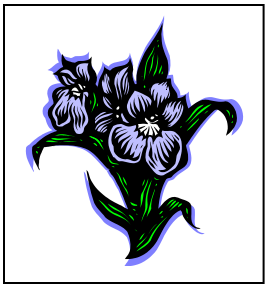
Mini Culture Classes with Bill Overton

Please welcome new members Christine Jaross, Veronica Catrombon, Ramon Chiapa & Merle & Don Payne.

OCTOBER PLANT TABLE WORKERS: **Dave Orr & Sheila Demkovich**
OCTOBER RAFFLE TABLE WORKERS: **Corrie Van Caulil & Sue Roehl**
OCTOBER COOKIE BAKERS: **Deborah Gallagher, Corrie Van Caulil, Barbara Nichols, Joy Corritore & Twyla Leigh**
REMINDER TO NOVEMBER COOKIE BAKERS: **Deborah Gallagher & Debbie Starret**
THANK YOU TO OUR OCTOBER REFRESHMENT PROVIDER: **Michelle & Rose Anthony**
REMINDER TO OUR NOVEMBER REFRESHMENT PROVIDER: **Kay Stubli**
WE NEED MORE COOKIE BAKERS! PLEASE CONSIDER BRINGING IN SOME BAKED GOODS PLEASE CONTACT MICHELLE SUPPES IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING SOMETHING FOR NOVEMBER OR LATER ON. EMAIL justsaynoalways@mac.com OR PHONE # 216-0025.

And our annual orchid sale will be held on Saturday, November 9. We need donations from members to increase the number of orchids on our sales tables. We are collecting at our November monthly meeting, the day before our sale, Friday November 8 from 4pm - 7pm, & the morning of the sale. Please make sure your plant is clean and free of any insects/diseases. If you have a photo please include with the plant. And we can also use boxes so please bring those if you have them. Save those divisions as we need all the plants we can get to make the sale successful. This is our only fund raiser of the year.
Contact Sue Roehl at 404-1916 for more information.

Below are only some of the orchids we will be offering at our sale. From L-R: Bl. Yellow Bird, Bc. Maikai Mayumi, B. Little Stars, Schombocatonia Garnet Glory



AOS CORNER

Marilyn Moser, AOS Rep.
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I sure got spoiled by all the rain we got in September. I didn't have to water my orchids for weeks. One day we got 3-1/2" of rain!! And I was very fortunate that none of my plants fell to the dreaded black rot. My orchids are now enjoying a good drying out.

At our October meeting 33 orchids were shown and 46 people voted. At least we had some species plants compared to last month when none were brought in to show.

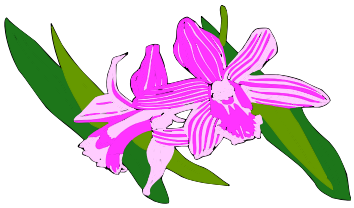
Remember our annual plant sale is near. Save those divisions as we need all the plants we can get to make the sale successful. This is our only fund raiser of the year.

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden will be in full bloom when it hosts the American Orchid Society's Fall 2013 Members Meeting, Show and Sale from November 14-17.

The speakers at this event bring a wide range of subject expertise on various orchid topics. Dr. Kiat Tan of Singapore, Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids in California, and Munekazu Ejiri of Suwada Orchids in Japan will share a wealth of knowledge about genera-specific and region-centered orchid species and hybrids.

Walking the sprawling grounds at Fairchild not only will bring you smiles, enjoyment and pleasure, but it provides a wonderful opportunity for you to visit our new AOS home and meet our staff.

Info. at www.aol.com



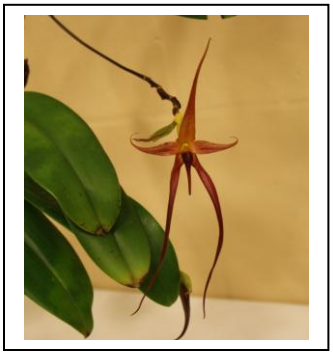
We are planning a silent auction at our annual Christmas pot luck. Items to be auctioned are orchid trophies donated by members. Here are pictures of some of the pieces.

Photos by Marilyn Moser

UPCOMING EVENTS

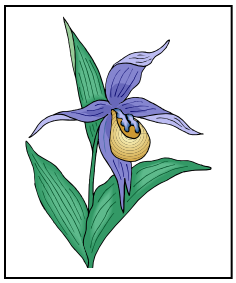
November 9: NOS Orchid Sale 12 noon – sell out. Moorings Presbyterian, Baker Gym.
November 15-17: Orchid Society of Coral Gables "AOS Fall Show & Members Meeting," Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables, FL; Contact: Melana Davison, 760-212-8919; orchidiva@att.net
November 16-17: Naples Botanical Garden Fall Plant Sale
December 7-8: Caloosahatchee Bromeliad Society Annual Sale, Saturday 9am-4pm, Sunday 10am-3pm. Terry Park, 3410 Palm Beach Blvd., E. Ft. Myers, FL
January 9-March 13, 2014: Master Gardener Educational Garden Workshop Series, Thursdays 10am-11:30am, Unity of Naples, 2000 Unity Way, Naples. Info: http://collier.ifas.ufl.edu
January 8-9, 2014: Boca Raton Orchid Show
January 17-19, 2014: Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Society Show
February 21-23, 2014: Naples Orchid Society Show & Sale

Here are some of our First Place winners from the October meeting, L-R:
Large Cattleyas-Blc. Merlin, Owner: David Orr; Small Cattleyas-Bc. Hawaii Stars 'Paradise,' Owner: Eunice Walker; Large Species-Bulb. basisetum, Owner: Barbara Crist
Photos by Marilyn Moser



TIPS FOR NOVEMBER ORCHID GROWING

- **Cut back on watering and fertilizer.**
- **Use Potassium Nitrate & Epsom Salts with one of your waterings.**
- **Segregate dormant orchids in bright dry area for the Fall/Winter season so that you are not watering with other orchids. They should only be getting rainfall. Hold off on fertilizing.**
- **Watch out for bacterial diseases with symptoms of pale brown color, softening tissue & foul smell. Treat immediately!**
- **With this drier period watch out for mites, usually found on underside of foliage. Wash off with warm soapy water or pesticide products that specifically target mites.**
- **If your plants are just finished blooming you may repot if you see new growth & roots.**



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

President Dick Pippen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm, reviewed the emergency exit procedures, and thanked the refreshment providers. He announced that Maria Davis has agreed to serve as Second Vice President. Show committee meets next Tuesday at 7pm in the board room in Baker Hall. Please come if you are interested in helping plan this year's show. He announced that it is time to submit ideas for the Show theme. The winner gets $50.
Dick announced that the Culture Class will start in January. Jan 11 – Feb 15, every Sat morning from 9:30 to 12:30. Participants will receive a handbook and blooming size plants. Sign up sheets are available. Cost for members is $50, non-members $60.
The November meeting speaker will be Rafael from Plantio la Orquidea, talking about Schomburgkias.
Monica Higgins announced that there will be a speech by Roger Hammer to speak about Orchids of Florida at a meeting of the Florida Native Society, Oct 15th at 6:30 at Naples Botanic Gardens. There is no charge for this event, although donations are welcome.
Michelle announced that she needs more people to sign up for bringing refreshments.
Nanett Boerner announced that membership is currently 234.
Treasurer Bill Overton reported that accounts $10,602.54 in checking and 14,814.78 in savings.
Nominating Committee presented its proposed slate of officers for 2014:

President: Dick Pippen

First VP: Norm Dolder
Second VP: Maria Davis
Treasurer: Bill Overton
Secretary: Cynthia Carlson
Newsletter Editor: Kris Morton
Membership Chair: Nanett Boerner
Publicity Chair: Laura Stacell
Director 3 year: David Orr
Director 2 year: Lanelle Bishop
Director 1 year: Ralph Brand
AOS Representative: Marilyn Moser
Webmaster: Sue Roehl

Sue Roehl announced that she still needs more volunteers for the Sale. See the website or call Sue. Plant donations should be brought in Friday. Sale is on Sat, Nov 9 from 12-3.
Norm Dolder announced that volunteers are needed on the morning of the sale to clean plants.
Director Norm Dolder introduced the speaker, Michael Polen of Art Stone Orchids, St. Petersburg, who spoke about basketing and mounting orchids.
The plant table winners were announced.
Raffle winners were announced.
The meeting was adjourned at 9pm.

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An Orchid Vignette— Three Great Whites—Not Sharks, But Dendrobiums

There are over 1000 species of *Dendrobium* and many, many hybrids. Dendrobiums are native to Southeast Asia with the center of distribution in New Guinea, so they are warm growing and thus do well here in SW Florida. The only thing they really don't like is cold weather, prolonged periods below 50F, then they will lose some leaves—or worse. Dendrobiums are great orchids to have in your collection. They are easy to grow (relatively), flower for a long time, and have very attractive flowers that come in a variety of colors. While the deep burgundy-reds and some lavenders are my favorite colors, there are three whites that are definitely worth noting.

Dendrobium Burana White (*Den*. Adisakdi White X *Den*. Hirota White) (photo 1) is a hybrid in the "Phalaenopsis" section of the genus which is characterized by large, flowers with broad sepals and petals (that resemble *Phalaenopsis*). It was created by Mr. Buranaraktham, of Nopporn Orchids of Thailand, and registered by him in 1999. It has earned only one AOS award, a HCC, but it has been used as a parent in 33 crosses.

Dendrobium Emma White (*Den*. Singapore White X *Den*. Joan Kushima) (photo 2) is another outstanding white, not as "full-flowered" as Burana White, but the petals and sepals overlap enough to give it the appearance of fullness. This hybrid is a cross between two different sections of *Dendrobium*, the "Phalaenopsis" section and the "antelope" section (because the lateral petals "stand up" like antelope horns). Emma White is more than 60 percent the "Phalaenopsis" section, so the petals are still broad with no noticeable difference. Despite the opinion of many that this is a "most excellent" white *Dendrobium*, it has not received any awards, but it has been used as a parent in eight crosses.

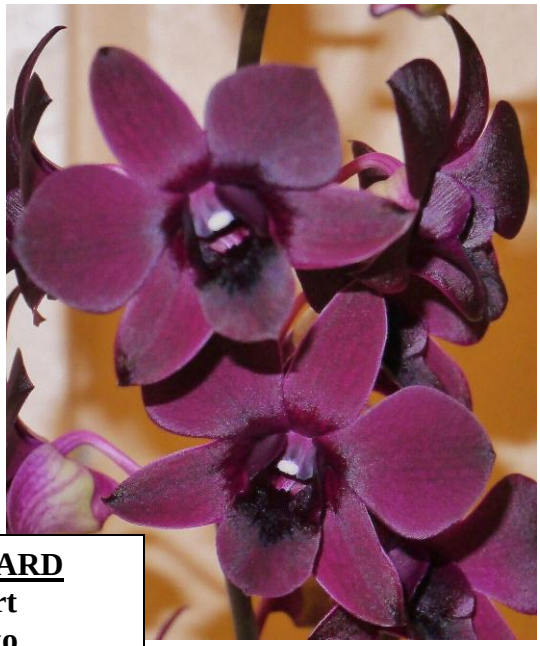
Then we come to *Dendrobium* Jaquelyn Thomas (*Den*. *gouldii* X *Den. phalaenopsis*) (photo 3). This grex was created by R. K. Thomas of Hawaii and registered by him in 1949. This particular *Dendrobium* was the basis of the development of the *Dendrobium* cut-flower industry in Hawaii because of its long-lasting flowers. *Den. gouldii* is from the "antelope" section and *Den. phalaenopsis* is (obviously) from the "Phalaenopsis" section. You can see in this flower that the lateral petals are not as broad, and tend to "stand out" like big ears. This grex (which comes in pinks and reds as well as white) has earned 16 AOS awards and been a parent in 136 crosses, and has about 1500 "grandkids!" So if you like white orchid flowers and Dendrobiums, these three are worth considering. All three are available at Jade Orchids. (P.S.—they tend to get quite tall, over 3 feet, and "keiki" a lot, so be prepared).

--Contributed by Dick Pippen

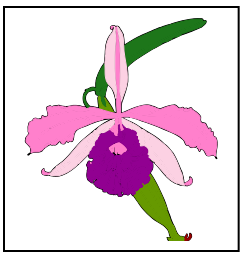
OCTOBER 2013 PLANT TABLE AWARDS

Photos by Susan Roehl

SPECIAL SPECIES AWARD
Aerides quinquivulnera v. calayana
Owner: Eunice Walker



SPECIAL HYBRID AWARD
***Den.* Jaquelyn Concert**
Owner: Lola Monesko



Plant Table Results
October 03, 2012

Large Cattleyas
First Place: Blc. Merlin
Owner: David Orr

Small Cattleyas
First Place: Bc. Hawaii Stars 'Paradise'
Owner: Eunice Walker
Second Place: Blc. Little Mermaid
Owner: Nanett Boerner
Third Place: Epc. Plicaboa 'Dancing Queen'
Owner: Barbara Crist

Large Vandas
First Place: V. Josephine van Brero x V. Varavuth
Owner: Eunice Walker

Dendrobiums
First Place: Den. Jaquelyn Concert
Owner: Lola Monesko

Phalaenopsis
First Place: Phal. Freckle Face
Owner: Twyla Leigh

Large Species
First Place: Bulb. basisetum
Owner: Barbara Crist
Second Place: Bulb. grandiflorum
Owner: Marilyn Moser
Third Place: Angraecum scottianum
Owner: David Orr

Medium Species
First Place: Aerides quinquivulnera v. calayana
Owner: Eunice Walker
Second Place: Aerides lawrencea
Owner: Twyla Leigh
Third Place: Phal. pulchra
Owner: Marilyn Moser

Small Species
First Place: Tolumnia lucayana
Owner: Gayle Dorio

Oncidium Alliance
First Place: Bllra. Tahoma Glacier
Owner: Mary Steinberg

Special Species Award
Plant Name: Aerides quinquivulnera v. calayana
Owner: Eunice Walker

Special Hybrid Award
Plant Name: Den. Jaquelyn Concert
Owner: Lola Monesko

Green Tag Winner:
Plant Name: V. Pachara Delight
Winner: David Orr

SPECIAL NOTE TO PEOPLE ENTERING PLANTS FOR MONTHLY COMPETITION:
Please be very careful to enter your plant in the proper category AND to complete the green entry tags as accurately as possible, especially the Number assigned to your plant. This will assist the Plant Table People to accurately assign ribbons to the correct plant. Thanks.

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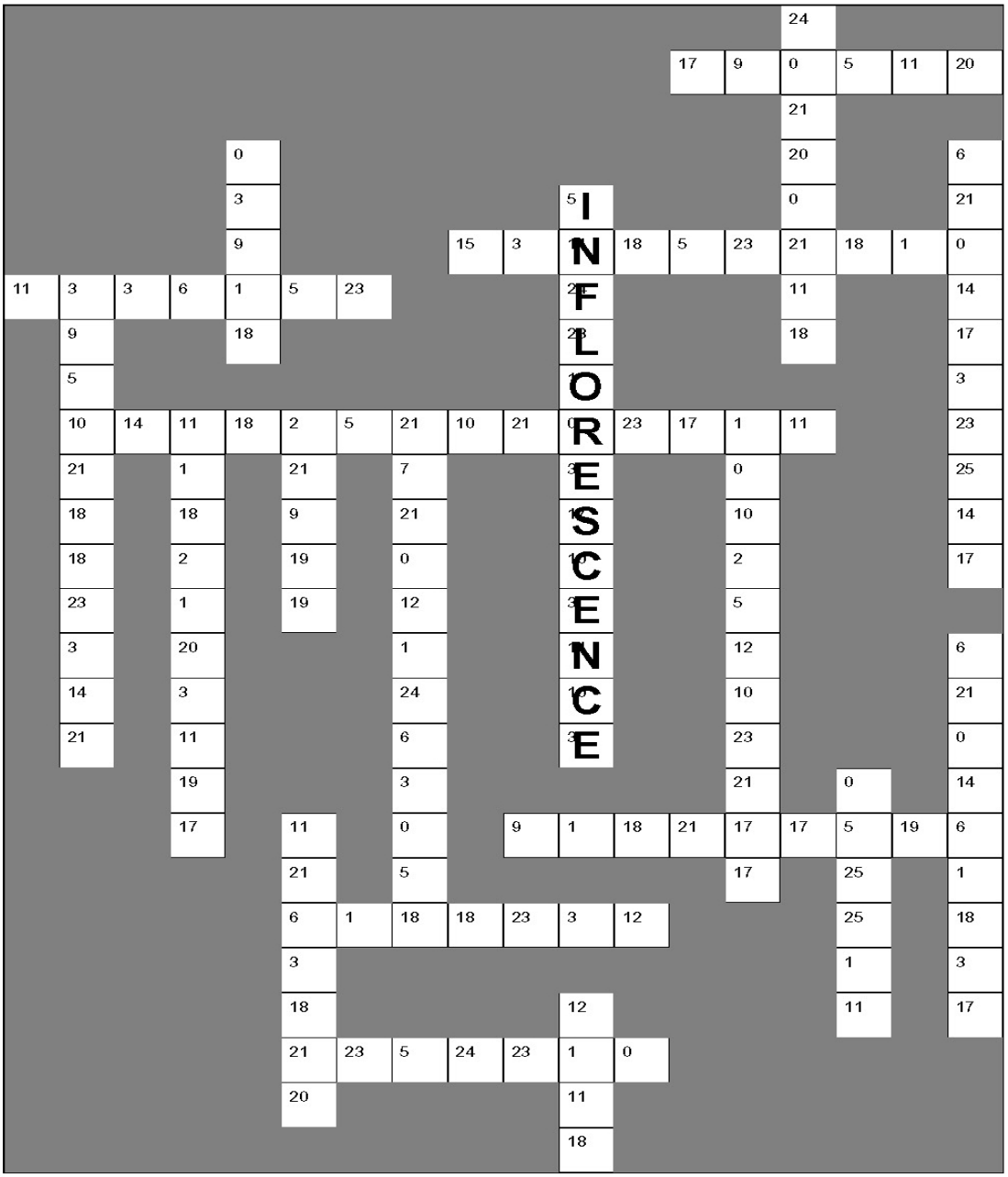

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NOS NUMBERS NOVEMBER 2013

created by Nanett Boerner

Every number represents a letter, if you fill in all the known letters you can guess some other words which will give you more letters to fill in...

Enjoy!

October puzzle solved