

Platinum Coast Orchid Society The Rhyzome

October 2012 Edition



President's Message:

We hope to see you at our next two meetings. At the October meeting we will have a brief discussion about our show venue for 2013. The November meeting will be highlighted by the election of officers for 2013 and a plant sale hosted by Adamson's Orchids. Jim promises some outstanding plants at reasonable prices. The December meeting will be the holiday party announced elsewhere in this issue. You must be a member in good standing to participate in the election, plant sale and party. If you would like to be a key player on the show committee please step up and be counted. If you are more comfortable just being on the team that's ok, too. Just drop me a note and let me know what you can contribute. We will need every member's help to make this show a success. Last year was an awesome experience and we look forward to an even better show for our 50th.

Dennis.

Sunshine

Speedy get well wishes to Glenda Titler as she recovers from her surgery. We were pleased to have new member Marie Choate at our meeting and learn that she has recovered from her heart surgery.

Deepest sympathy to Tom Chitty (Greater Orlando Orchid Society) on the passing of his wife, Sally. Sympathy is also extended to the families of Bob Burkhalter (Volusia County Orchid Society) and Joe Church (Palm Coast Orchid Society).

THREE'S A CHARM—No, this isn't the same picture from the last two newsletters. Elaine Chambers brought in this third Pot. Egyptian Queen 'Desert Eve' to September's meeting.

Mark your calendar

- Oct. 10th Board Meeting
Kiwani Island**
- Oct. 10th 6:30 pm outside the
meeting room
Back to Basics with Bob**
- Oct. 10th Meeting 7pm
Slide presentation from
AOS**
- Nov. 14th Orchid sale and elections**
- December 8th—Holiday Party**

SLATE OF OFFICERS

to be voted on at the November meeting
Nominations will also be taken from the floor

President	Dennis Gollehon	
Vice Pres.	Joyce Schofield	
Treasurer	Margaret Croucher	
Secretary	Camille Theobald	
Director	Sally Pancoast	2013 + 14
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Director	Nadine Kern	2013
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BACK TO BASICS (Apr.-Oct.)

Bob Libbey

PCOS Embroidered Shirts
Platinum Coast Orchid Society with flower
in the center.

Available at :

Robin's Nest Embroidery
1314 Clearlake Rd., Ste. 4
Cocoa, FL

Phone: 321-636-4320

Sizes Small-XL \$28.00

2X \$30.00 3X \$34.00

If you bring your own shirt, embroidery
charge will be \$10.



Good prizes!

Good food !

Good fun!



Good snapshot!

GREAT PICNIC



Good bingo!?!

Good friends!



Good concentration on bingo cards!



HOLIDAY PARTY

When: December 8, 2012
6 p.m.

Where: Cocoa Rockledge Garden Club

Who: All members and their guests

Cost: \$15 per attendee
The actual cost is offset by the society

Details: Gift exchange, if you want to participate.
\$15 orchid related gifts

You may bring your own spirits.

Each member will receive an orchid
from the society.

R.S.V.P. At the meetings to Denise Baumann,
Judy Zercher, or Shearer Kennedy.
Please be sure to give them your check at
the November meeting, or mail it to
Treasurer, Margaret Croucher by Nov. 30.

More Raffle Fun

Everyone who wears a nametag to the meeting will receive a raffle ticket for an orchid drawing. If you never received your PCOS nametag, please let Joyce Schofield know at least one week prior to the meeting, so she can have it ready for you.

SHOW THEME

If you have an idea for the show theme, please submit it to Patti, Joyce, or Nadine by the October meeting. Remember that our 2013 show will be our Golden Anniversary.

Entries will be listed in the November newsletter and voted on at the November meeting. The winning entry will be our show theme and will receive a prize.

Deadline for entry: October 10th



C. Green Emerald 'Orchid Queen'
Grower Charlie Scholes

A big **Thank You** to all of the members who have taken a position in the society this year.

Please be thinking about what job you would like to do as we enter the 2013 year. We want everyone in the society to be involved in some way, even if it's just to store some audio visual equipment and bring it to the meetings.

Thank you to Judy Zercher and Shearer Kennedy who stepped up at the last meeting to help Denise plan the Holiday Party this year.



PCOS is an affiliate of the **American Orchid Society (AOS)**. There's an abundance of information on the AOS website. For the last few months, a selection of the articles available on the AOS website have been featured in our newsletter. Please visit www.aos.org for articles, advice on growing orchids, and lots of free information.

Check out the Orchid magazine at our meetings, so you can see the benefits of being an American Orchid Society member.

Ask Betty Adamson for an application if you're interested in joining.

For all current members, remember that your renewal notice will arrive in the Orchid Magazine prior to your month of renewal. Check the AOS CORNER at the end of this newsletter for more specific information.

UPCOMING SHOWS

Oct. 6-7 Florida West Coast Orchid Society

Minneg Hall
6340 126th Ave.
Largo, FL

Oct. 5,6,7 South Florida Orchid Society Show

Bank United Center—Univ. of Miami
1245 Dauer Dr.
Coral Gables, FL

Oct. 13 & 14 Fort Pierce Orchid Society Show

St. Lucie County Shrine Club
4600 Oleander Avenue
Fort Pierce, FL

Oct. 13-14 Gainesville Orchid Society Show

Kanapaha Botanical Gardens
4700 S.W. 58th Drive
Gainesville, FL

Oct. 19-20, 9-4 George Housmans Octoberfest

4265 Marsh Road
Deland, FL 32724

Octo. 20-21 Tampa Orchid Society Show

USF
4202 East Fowla Ave.
Tampa, FL

Oct. 27 & 28 Brevard County Orchid Society

Melbourne Auditorium
625 E. Hibiscus Blvd., Melbourne,
\$4—visit www.thebcos.org for a \$1 coupon

Oct. 26-28 Delray Beach Orchid Society

Old School Sq. Gym
51 N. Swenton Ave.
Delray, FL

Den. Burana Sunshine
Grower Margaret Croucher

BACK TO BASICS WITH BOB

Do you have a problem child, oops, I mean orchid? Do you have an orchid that needs repotting, but you are afraid to do it by yourself?

Then **Back to Basics with Bob** is for you. Bring your plants to October's meeting, and Bob Libbey will be outside at the picnic tables at 6:30 p.m. to help you. If you want help repotting, be sure to bring the potting supplies you need, because he will not have pots or medium, only lots of knowledge and know-how from growing orchids for a long time.

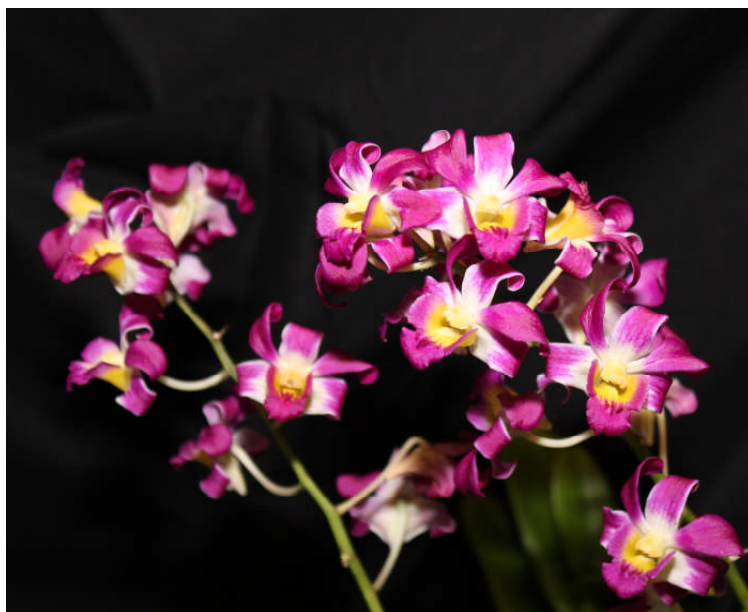
If you need supplies, you can call John Hicks at 407-493-3064 and place an order several days in advance. He will bring your supplies to the meeting, and you can pay him then.

Back to Basics is for **Members Only, and is a special benefit of membership in PCOS. This activity will continue during daylight savings hours.

SPEAKING OF MEMBERSHIP

Joyce is our membership chair. Please let her know by emailing joyceschofield1@att.net

1. if there are any changes in your information.
2. if you have not received your nametag.
3. if you are not receiving your newsletter.
For this, you may also let Patti know at orchidpat@aol.com
4. if you need a membership form for a friend.



I hope your summer has been going well. Gearing up for the upcoming fall season, I thought I would focus on a few news items and reminders from AOS Headquarters.

1. The special supplement this year is on the genus *Cynoches*, its species and hybrids. This special supplement is becoming a favorite tradition and extra benefit of being a member of the American Orchid Society. The supplement is underwritten by a combination of advertising and members' donations. More information about the supplement, its costs and your opportunity to underwrite some of the expense of its publication and distribution may be found on the AOS website (<http://www.aos.org/Default.aspx?id=226>). Donations of any size are appreciated. The continuation of this supplement on an annual basis will be dependent on its appeal to and the support of AOS members. Please be generous in your support of these special supplements.

2. Did you know that liability coverage for your meetings and shows is available through the AOS at a competitive fee? We are pleased to announce that we are again able to offer this benefit of affiliation for \$250. As last year, a single fee can now cover both your society meetings and your show. More information about this benefit and the procedure for procuring it may be found on the website under the Affiliated Societies tab (<http://www.aos.org/Default.aspx?id=44>).

3. Another benefit of being an affiliated society is that your society can host one of the two meetings per year of the American Orchid Society's members and trustees meetings. Hosting the AOS as part of your annual show can be a rewarding experience for your society as well as taking your show to the 'next level' having international or national prominence. AOS is looking for locations for upcoming meetings starting in the Fall of 2014 and beyond. Other orchid Alliances that often join the AOS at many of these shows are the Orchid Digest, the Slipper Orchid Alliance and the Phalaenopsis Alliance. These joint meetings are an incredible opportunity to learn about the fascinating world of orchids.

4. As fall is approaching, the AOS is getting this year's Orchid Source Directory ready for printing. Each affiliated society will be listed at no cost with the information on file with the AOS. If your society has changed your meeting locations, dates, times, addresses, website or email, please let Membership Services (theAOS@aos.org) at AOS know so the most up-to-date information is printed. In addition if you have an orchid related business and want to be included in the directory contact John Wrench at AOS (jwrench@aos.org) for the form. The cost for a business listing is \$150 and includes both the printed listing as well as our online directory. August 31 is the deadline for these listings.

5. Do you know what your society's renewal date is? Starting three months prior to expiration, a renewal notice for all membership levels is included in the magazine polybag. If you or your society happened to have missed these, we'd love to have you back. Please contact the office at theAOS@aos.org or by phone at 205-740-2010 to inquire about expiration dates.

Lynn Fuller, Chair
AOS Affiliated Societies Committee

August & September AOS Corner - FYI

Has your society moved its meeting locations or times? Changed its AOS Representative, phone number or website? Headquarters has been calling the affiliated societies to confirm their information for the upcoming Orchid Source Directory. They expect this task to be completed by the middle of September. One of the many benefits of being an affiliated society of the American Orchid Society is a free listing in the Orchid Source Directory. This directory is mailed to all members and is available electronically on the AOS website. Some members have told me that they leave their copy of the OSD in their car so they will know what vendors or societies are in the area when they are traveling.

I also heard from headquarters that societies are taking advantage of the benefit of the insurance certificates that were mentioned in last month's communication— it's a great deal for the societies and for AOS. It only takes a couple of days to secure the certificate for your society. Call Melana Davison at headquarters at 305-740-2013 to get more information on this benefit or to apply for the insurance certificate.

The 2013 AOS Calendars are available now! A portion of the purchase price of each calendar this year will go towards AOS conservation projects. If a society purchases 12 or more, the cost will be \$8.97 each plus shipping. Call the main number at AOS headquarters and Naya Marcano can take your order! The phone number for headquarters is 305-740-2010.

Portland Orchid Society invites you to join them with at the Fall AOS Trustees and Members meeting in Portland, Oregon, November 13-18, 2012. With internationally-known speakers, exceptional vendors, locally participating nurseries, eye-catching displays and world-class hospitality, you will remember the experience for years to come. Registration is now open on their website at www.portlandorchidsociety.org. I hope you will support your fellow society and attend the meetings. It provides the perfect opportunity to network, meet internationally known orchidists or to discover what is truly new and trending in the orchid world.

Lynn Fuller, Chair