Platinum Coast Orchid Society Brevard County, Florida

The Rhyzomo March 2011 Edition



President's Message

Hi Folks.

Everyone is expected to promote the upcoming show and give the society some time during the show. There's lots to be done, and I guarantee our show chairmen can find a job for every single one of you. Let's all work hard and put on a show that's even better than last year, which is the best show we've ever had.

Jim Adamson

**If you have any signs from last year, please contact Patti Scholes at 459-9327.



We send our sympathy to member, Margaret Croucher, whose dear mother passed away at age 106.

Best wishes to Ruth Larson as she recovers.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 9th 6:15 pm Board Meeting Kiwanis Park

March 9th 7:00 pm
Business Meeting
Kiwanis Park
Important show meeting for all members

A huge thank you to member

Barry Kennedy of Thunderbird Printing,

who printed all of our tickets, flyers,

sponsor forms/letters, and publicity

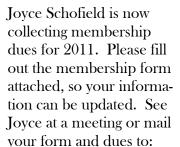
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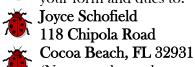
March 23rd 6:30 pm
Cocoa Beach Library
Back to Basics Meeting
Niche Demonstration

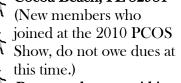
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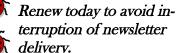
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BCOS is putting together a bus trip to Fairchild Gardens Orchid Festival and would like to invite members and friends of PCOS. There will be 50 vendors and the gardens are breathtaking.

Date: Sat., Mar. 12th, 2011
Time: Pick up at 6:30 AM
Returning between 8-9 PM

Pick up Location:

Perimeter Office Plaza at the NE corner of Eau Gallie Blvd. & John Rodes Blvd.

Cost: \$43.00 for non-AOS members; Includes bus transportation, bus driver's tip, refreshments and discounted entry into the Festival \$25.00 for AOS members to

\$25.00 for AOS members to cover bus transportation related cost only. Festival entry is Included in AOS membership.

Please contact trip planners, JoAnn Amos(259-8585) or Elaine Chambers (243-8000) for reservations and information. Trip fees can be mailed to Elaine at 3113 Grayson Dr., Melbourne, FL, 32940.

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April 29 through May 1

SHOW THEME: Orchid Rendezvous

SPONSORS: Every member should try to find at least one sponsor for the show. If you know of any business or individual who would like to sponsor our show winners or give a door prize, pick up the forms from Marsha Lovas or Karen Snee at a meeting. Have the sponsor fill out the form and return it to you, so recognition can be given.

PUBLICITY: If you have any connections to any publications in the area that can provide advertisement for us, please contact Patti Scholes. Magnetic signs, posters, publicity flyers, and ground signs will be available at the meetings for you to take. Plan to get the word out by distributing and displaying this information.

CLERKS: Would you like to know what the judges are looking for? Consider being a clerk. You assist the judges in locating orchids to be judged at the show. Orchids are numbered and labeled. Please contact Jan Castillo if you are interested in clerking.

REGISTRATION & CLASSIFICATION: Prior to the show, individual orchid entries are registered. If you did not attend Betty and Susan's workshop on registering orchids, don't worry. There is always help needed at the desk accepting entries, and a runner to place entries.

PRESALE TICKETS: We would like for every member to take at least 10 tickets to sell prior to the show. You can pick up your tickets at either of the meetings in March.

POTTING TABLE: This provides a great service to beginning orchid growers in the community, and it's an opportunity to recruit new members. For those of you who are great potters, this is a perfect place for you to help.

SET UP/BREAK DOWN: This is an important job and lots of help is needed to do the layout and table set up for the show. Set up takes place two or three days before the show, and break down takes place right after the show on Sunday. Most of the work is physical, but covering the tables can be done by anyone. Please contact Patti Scholes at 459-9327 if you can participate in set up or break down.

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NICHES: Do you love the exhibits? A niche is a mini-exhibit. This is a rewarding way to use your creative spirit to help make our show more beautiful, and you might win an award. A niche demonstration will be done at our March Back to Basics meeting. Each member who enters will be given guidelines and a niche box to use. If interested contact Judy Law.

PEDESTALS: Do you love flower arranging? This event is for you! Contact Elaine Chambers, if you're interested.

ENTER YOUR ORCHIDS: If you have a blooming orchid, be sure to enter it in the show. An entry form will be included in next month's newsletter. You may register several orchids on the same sheet. Please try to neatly fill out all of the information on the sheet before bringing it to the show on Thursday, Apr. 28th for registration.

Call Patti Scholes at 459-9327 if you would like to help during the show and haven't already signed up.

Awarded-It's easier than you think



first place niche at the 2010 show.

AOS CORNER

By Susan Taylor

SPRING FORWARD! We are always reminded of this catch phrase as we approach the beginning of Daylight Savings Time. You might also use it as a reminder to spring forward -- i.e. stepping up during National Volunteer Month (April).

The rewards of volunteerism are abundant but perhaps the biggest payoff is the satisfaction of knowing you have contributed your time, talent and energy to a good cause. In addition, it provides social activity where you are with other like-minded people sharing a common bond or passion. Certainly the orchid world is filled with volunteer opportunities at your local society level or within the regional and national organizations to which you belong. You might consider taking refreshments to your society meeting, exhibiting your blooming plants or greeting visitors at a local orchid show or helping to repot orchids at a nearby botanical garden. All regional and national orchid organizations need volunteers to serve on committees or to assist in planning meetings or speaker days. The American Orchid Society depends on national volunteers to serve on the many committees that make the organization function and prosper. Our entire judging system is made up of dedicated volunteers who spend years preparing for and later conducting the business of the many judging centers around the country in such a professional manner. Please consider being a volunteer.

SPRING TIME IS PRIMETIME FOR ORCHID

SHOWS! Check the AOS site (www.aos.org) for an updated listing of orchid shows and events. Get involved if your society is hosting a show....you will enjoy the backstage peek at what it takes to produce these events. If you can't volunteer your time at a show, you can support local shows by attending to listen and learn from the speakers and workshops plus shopping to support the show's vendors.

SPRING AOS MEMBERS MEETING

Orchids á la Louisiene April 27-May 1 Shreveport, LA will be hosted by The Shreveport Orchid Society whose volunteers have been working hard to plan a schedule for your enjoyment. For more information and registration, check their website at http://www.shreveportorchidsociety.com/aos-show.html. By attending this special event you will be supporting not only the AOS, but the local society that is sponsoring it. Members meetings provide the perfect opportunity to find out what's new in the orchid world, hear first-class speakers, purchase plants from select vendors and enjoy meeting your orchid friends in a collegial atmosphere.

Lynn Fuller, Chair

Affiliated Societies Committee

UPCOMING SHOWS

Mar. 4-6
Martin County Orchid Society Show
Martin County Fairground
Stuart, FL

Mar. 11-13
Orchid Society of Coral Gables Show
Fairchild Botanical Garden
Coral Gables, FL

Mar 12-14
Port St. Lucie Orchid Society Show
Port St. Lucie Community Center
Port St. Lucie, FL

Mar. 19-20
Jacksonville Orchid Society Show
Garden Club of Jacksonville
Jacksonville, FL

Mar. 25-27 Naples Orchid Society Show First Presbyterian Church Naples, FL

Mar. 25-26

Englewood Area Orchid SocietyEnglewood United Methodist Church
Englewood, FL

Apr. 2-3
Central Florida Orchid Society Show
Maitland Civic Center
Maitland, FL

Apr. 16-17
Tallahassee Orchid Society Show
Doyle Conner Bldg.
Tallahassee, FL

Apr. 22-23 Vero Beach Orchid Society Show Riverside Park Dr. Vero Beach, FL

Apr. 29-May 1
Platinum Coast Orchid Society Show
Cocoa Expo Sports Arena
Cocoa, FL



Publicity

Patti and Jim set up a booth at the Boomer/Senior Expo on February 23rd to introduce PCOS to the community, offer orchid advice, and talk about our upcoming show. If you hear of a great publicity venue, let us know. We 'II help you set it up.

This was great fun and we received positive feedback.



Platinum Coast Orchid Society MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION for 2011

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NAME:			
ADDRESS:			
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:	
TELEPHONE:	E-MAIL:		
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ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE AMER	RICAN ORCHID SOCIETY	'?Yes,	No.
THE MEMBERSHIP FEE IS \$15.00 PI JUNIOR MEMBERS (UNDER 16 YEA checks payable to the "Platinum Coas	RS OLD). Please pay by o	cash or check. Make) \$3.00 FOF
The membership fee is for one calendator for new members who join at the 2011 after Oct 1, 2011, who will be member	PCOS Orchid Show or th		
AMOUNT PAID: CASH:	CHECK NO		
Give or mail this completed form with one stated above to Joyce Schofield, your	Membership Chairman, ad	ddressed below:	
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Home: 321-783-5200, Cell: 321-960-4	536		
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