

Platinum Coast Orchid Society The Rhyzome

May 2013 Edition



Tolumnia Genting Orange
Grower: Dennis Gollehon

President's Message:

There's never a dull moment around the PCOS. Even before we've set up for the show there are plans forming for the annual family picnic in Cocoa Beach on September 29th. We need a chairperson to lead the group of volunteers that put it together. Please contact me or Joyce to step up early to chair or be on the committee. Our next meeting's program will be a wrap up of the show and an AOS program. By the time this edition is published we will have begun the final week of preparation for the show. If you haven't figured out how you are participating in the success of the show call me at 427-6959 or Cathy at 536-2095 to be added to one of the teams. We need lots of help in all areas such as set up on Wednesday and Thursday, clerking for the judges Friday morning and as greeters and raffle table attendants all three days. For the first time we are having non-orchid vendors (artists and landscape items) and food service outside under the oak trees. There is a link to a printable discount coupon and flyer on the Show page of the website to share (http://www.platinumcoastorchidsociety.org/PDFs/show_flyer_2013.pdf). Tell everyone you know so we can make this 50th Anniversary show a tremendous success. Wear your name badge to the show so the public can recognize you as an Ambassador of PCOS. As always, those members who work the show or are Ambassadors will have free admission.

Dennis

CALENDAR

May 3,4,5th	PCOS Show
May 8th	Board Meeting
May 8th, 6pm	Back to Basics in the Pavilion outside .
May 8th, 7pm	General Meeting
May 10th	Exhibit set-up for Volusia Show Please take your blooming plants to Sally by Thursday.

Sunshine

Continuing get well wishes to member, Cathy Virata's husband, as he recovers from his heart surgery. Lois Hicks is improving and we're looking forward to having her back with us soon. Deepest sympathy to former member, Toby Tobyansan, on the passing of his beloved brother.

Golden Anniversary Celebration

My assemblage of the anniversary donations is carefully packed and ready to go to our show. Thanks again to all who contributed. Hope you'll take note of how cleverly we will display them. It's been fun and we will definitely be letting the attendees know what we are celebrating!!! See you at the 50th. Betty

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BACK TO BASICS (Apr.-Oct.)

Bob Libbey

SHOW CHAIRS

Cathy Virata
Dennis Gollehon

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.

SHOW SCHEDULE

Please be sure to wear your nametag, so you will be easily identified as a member and receive free admission.

Please use this schedule for volunteering. Your help is needed whenever you can come:

Wed. May 1 SET UP

9 AM General help and society exhibit set-up.

11 AM All set up committee at Kiwanis to begin setting and covering tables.

Thurs. May 2 REGISTRATION

9AM—6PM Society exhibit volunteers

9AM—6PM Installation of Niche or Pedestal

2PM—5PM Registration of orchid plants for judging. Plants accepted earlier, if necessary. Individual plant placement.

Fri., May 3 JUDGING

8:00-8:30 AM All clerks arrive.

Clerks will work with judges until about noon.

9AM—5PM Ticket booth and courtesy table workers arrive according to scheduled time. Extras always needed.

Sat., May 4

9AM—5PM Ticket booth and courtesy table workers arrive according to scheduled time. Extras always needed.

Sun., May 5

9AM—4PM Ticket booth and courtesy table workers arrive according to scheduled time. Extras always needed.

4:00 PM All individual plant, niche, and pedestal entries must be picked up.

4:00 CLEANUP—Arrive to break down tables, gather signs, fold tablecloths, etc. Lots of help needed.

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE

If you have not paid your 2013 membership dues, please give them to Joyce Schofield. If you have had any change of information, please let Joyce know that when you pay your dues. Those members who joined at the 2012 Show are paid through 2013. \$15 per member, \$25 per duo in same household.

BACK TO BASICS WITH BOB

Back to Basics with Bob will continue at the May meeting. **Please meet outside in the pavilion area with your plant and supplies, if you would like to learn how to repot.** Bob Libbey, Jim Adamson, and Charlie Scholes are available at all meetings, if you have any questions about your orchids.

Blc. John Pappas
Grower: JoAnn Amos



UPCOMING SHOWS

May 3,4,5

**Platinum Coast Orchid Society Show
Kiwanis Island Gymnasium
Merritt Island**

May 11 & 12

**Volusia County Orchid Show
Volusia County Fairgrounds
Hester Building
Deland**

May 17- 19

**Redland International Orchid Show
Fruit and Spice Park
Homestead, FL
BCOS has bus seats available.
Contact Judy Law, if interested.**

OPEN GARDEN & CRAFT SALE

AT JOYCE'S HOME

**SATURDAY, MAY 25TH
10 AM—1 PM**

**118 Chipola Road
Cocoa Beach, Florida**

**Turn left onto Chipola from
Minuteman Causeway. House
is on the right. Enter backyard
through the driveway on the
right side of the house.**

Raffle Fun

Every current member who wears a nametag to the meeting will receive a raffle ticket for an orchid drawing.

AOS CORNER

Welcome to the newly elected members of the Board of Trustees of AOS. At the Members' meeting held in March in San Diego, California, Fred Clarke was re-elected to the Board of Trustees for a three year period and Harry Gallis, David Toyoshima and Carol Zoltowski were newly elected for the same three year period. For more information on these new Trustees' background information may be found on the AOS website. In addition, Alan Koch, Tom Etheridge and Linda Wilhelm are the outgoing Trustees.

In addition at the Trustees and Members meeting, Frank and Taylor Slaughter of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, each received separate AOS Silver Medals for their dedicated service to the AOS. Taylor for her service to the AOS judging system, as the first chair of the Governance Committee and service as a member of the Board of Trustees in various capacities for a number of years. Frank received his award for his service to the technology needs of the AOS.

Direct-mail marketing assistance for AOS Affiliated Societies' Shows is available the purpose of promoting the shows, seminars and special society events via direct mail from the AOS's Membership Services Department. Please contact AOS well in advance of your anticipated mailing with the states, countries or zip or postal code ranges you are interested in obtaining. While this service is free of charge to affiliated societies, AOS would appreciate a donation to help defray costs associated with producing and mailing these lists (if print copies are requested). Contact the Society's Membership Services Department at 305-740-2010.

Interesting Orchid Hybrid Trivia from AOS Website

The total number of grex names in the register is currently 154,660 (as of now). This figure increases daily. Each year The International Orchid Register adds between 3000-4000 new hybrids.

The most popular genera for hybrids are:

Phalaenopsis — 31,382

Paphiopedilum — 23,871

Cymbidium — 14,688

Dendrobium — 11,910

So far there are about 2349 hybrid generic names, but not all of these are in use.

There are about 5,600 species involved in hybridization.

Lynn Fuller, Chair

AOS Affiliated Societies Committee

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.