

Platinum Coast Orchid Society The Rhyzome

November 2012 Edition



President's Message:

The November meeting is a must attend event for all members. We will choose the theme for the 2013 show, elect our 2013 Board, and partake of an outstanding assortment of orchids for sale by Jim Adamson. You must be a member in good standing to participate. Plans for the 2013 show are taking shape. We will return to the Kiwanis Island venue. It worked well for us and we can build on our success from this year. Cathy Virata is the co-chair and will lend us her experience in event planning. Let me or Cathy know which teams you would like to chair or join. Most of our orchid vendors are returning and we will rearrange the layout to gain some space for the raffle/hospitality table. We need a better PA sound system. Let me know if you have a suggestion. See you at the meeting! Best wishes to you and your family for an eventful Thanksgiving holiday.

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
Director	Kay Broughton	2013 + 14
Director	Nadine Kern	2013
Director	Marsha Lovas	2013

Asc. Anant Gold x V. Rasri Gold
Growers: Joan and Ed Lehnert

Mark your calendar

- Nov. 14th Board Meeting**
Rockledge Garden Club
- Nov. 14th Meeting at 7pm**
Elections
Orchid Sale (members only)
Rockledge Garden Club
1493 S. Fiske Blvd.
Rockledge
- Nov. 22nd Happy Thanksgiving**
- December 8th—Holiday Party**
Rockledge Garden Club
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Rockledge
See information on p.4

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Betty Adamson

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SUNSHINE

Betty Adamson

PLANT FORUM

Steve DeSorbo
Betty Adamson

HOSPITALITY/GREETER

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EXHIBITS

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Joyce Schofield

PROGRAMS

Joyce Schofield

PHOTOGRAPHER

Jan Castillo
Charlie Scholes

RAFFLE

Karen Snee

PUBLICITY

Ann Colchin

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.

AOS CORNER

What are the responsibilities of AOS Representatives? It is a requirement for affiliation with AOS that both the society and the AOS Rep be current members of the AOS. The AOS Reps are typically appointed by their society president or society board. The AOS Rep's primary responsibility is to communicate activities of the AOS to their societies. Some Reps keep up to date with the activities of AOS through the monthly magazine *Orchids* or by visiting the website on a regular basis and then pass this information on to the board, newsletter editor or the membership at a meeting. The Reps also can communicate any news or concerns of their society to the AOS through the Affiliated Society Committee at affiliated_societies@aos.org. We suggest they say something about the AOS to the entire membership at each meeting, and make sure there are AOS applications available to their members. If your society's Rep has changed this season, please communicate that change to the AOS.

Call for nominations. The AOS Nominating Committee is accepting applications for consideration as trustees in the American Orchid Society. If you know of someone who would be interested in being considered as Trustee on the Board of Trustees (or if you are interested), forward their information and background (and perhaps any reasons they might be an asset to the Board of Trustees) to the Chair of the Committee, George Hatfield at nominating_committee@aos.org. Contact George as well if you have any questions regarding the requirements or qualifications for a Trustee. The Nominating Committee has the responsibility of vetting and ranking nominations received and providing a slate of candidates for election at the Spring AOS Members' Meeting in the spring of 2013.

Celebrate Orchids, Celebrate Life! Portland Orchid Society AOS Members Meeting and Show will be held at the Doubletree by Hilton Portland, Oregon, November 13-18, 2012. A great line up of speakers and vendors are planned. For more information and registration, visit www.portlandorchidsociety.com. The Affiliated Societies will be having their tradition breakfast on Friday morning. This breakfast is the societies' opportunity to discuss their activities, ask questions or get advice of a number of officers and trustees of AOS as well as enjoy the company of each other and talk of our hobby of orchids.

Lynn Fuller, Chair

AOS Affiliated Societies Committee



October's meeting featured spice cake, candy corn, and a slide show.

JoAnn's Pink Diamond

HOLIDAY PARTY

When: December 8, 2012
6 p.m.

Where: Cocoa Rockledge Garden Club
1493 S. Fiske Blvd.

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,
to confirm your reservation.

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.



Betty gives a quick lesson on *Doritis pulcherrima*, shown above and below.

This species, the only one in its genus, is one you should have in your collection, especially if you are successful at growing phalaenopsis. It is a small, but charming plant, with colors varying from white to dark shades of pink with yellow to orange lip coloration. It is especially interesting if you realize that all of the *Doritaenopsis*, *Doritis* crossed with *Phalaenopsis*, gives us the beautiful, very large *Dtps* hybrids!! It grows tall from many pairs of close-ranked tough and stiff long leaves. The 20 flowers on each spike open in succession so you have long lasting blooms. Jim adds that if you give them high bloom fertilizer it is easy to get multiple flower spikes. The plants are usually available for \$10.



SHOW THEMES

to be voted on in November:

50 Golden Years of Orchids

Fusion of Orchids/Orchid Fusion

Golden Jubilee of Orchids

Golden Celebration

The Golden Year of Orchids

Golden Orchid Show

Years of Treasures

Celebrating the 50th Golden Year
Of Our Romance with Orchids

Platinum Gold

Golden Anniversary Show

Betty Adamson will be the chairman for a special Society table for the May PCOS Show and is already starting to work on making it special! She is requesting 'golden anniversary' collectibles from members both for the table and for general decorating. Watch for appropriate items at garage sales, thrift shops, etc. She is also collecting Society memorabilia that any members may have. Be sure you have your name on those items to be returned.



Above :
Blc. Sriviraj Gold



Left:
Clow. Raymond Lerner
'Bradley's Beauty'
Given to JoAnn by
member Steve Desorbo

Grower:
JoAnn Amos

BACK TO BASICS WITH BOB

Back to Basics with Bob will resume in the spring when daylight savings time starts. If you have any questions between now and then, Bob Libbey or Jim Adamson will be happy to help.

Back to Basics is for **Members Only, and is a special benefit of membership in PCOS.

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.

SMILE BOX

Thank you to Jan for the wonderful Smile Box picture album of the picnic. If for any reason, you didn't receive it, check your spam folder or let Patti know, so she can have Jan send it to you again. Be sure to check your spam folder and look for the "janjan" address.

SUNSHINE

Deepest sympathy to Bob and Elizabeth Libbey on the passing of her sister.

Speedy get well wishes to Joyce Schofield as she recuperates from her foot injury.

Glenda Titler has recovered well from her recent throat surgery.

Congratulations and best wishes to Judy Law on her retirement. She'll have more time to spend with her orchids and also with the society!



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.

Do Parisians Love Orchids?



Of Course.....

*A flower shop close to the Eiffel Tower
has a window filled with phalaenopsis of
varying sizes.*

And.....

*An abandoned dendrobium nobile sits on a shelf in
the Versailles tea room. Charlie gave a waiter who
seemed interested some pointers on keeping it alive.*