

# Platinum Coast Orchid Society

January 2014 Edition

## The Rhyzome



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

I was asked if I had any last words for the newsletter. Yes I do! It's been an honor to lead the PCOS for the past two years. We've worked together to keep the Society viable and I think it's even improved. I hope you will consider stepping up your involvement in the continued success through volunteering a bit of your time and talent to make our meetings more informative and enjoyable. We have our 51st show coming up in May and it will take all our involvement to make it even better than in the past. We can do it if each member just puts forth a bit more effort. Best wishes to Cathy and the new Board as they embark on their new role for 2014. I hope to see you all at the January meeting for the installation of our new officers and a special presentation.

Dennis

### SUNSHINE

We wish Barry Kennedy a speedy recovery.

Fun at the 2013 party

In front: Betty, Marsha, Ginny, Cathy, Bill and Margaret

In back: Joyce, Judy and JoAnn

Below: Charlie with Santa (Justan)

### CALENDAR

Jan. 8th

Board meeting

General meeting at 7 pm

Installation of Officers



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PCOS Embroidered Shirts

Platinum Coast Orchid Society with flower in the center.

Available at :

Robin's Nest Embroidery

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Cocoa, FL

Phone: 321-636-4320

## GREAT PLACES FOR

## MEMBERS TO FIND

### INFORMATION ON ORCHIDS:

1. Programs—Take notes—someday they will make sense
2. AOS Magazine articles. “Orchids” is available at every meeting. Check out the great articles in this month’s edition.
3. Members— Ask longtime members about orchids, but realize that your yard and potting choices are key. We all use trial and error to succeed.
4. Internet sites—[www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org)—This AOS site has the answer to almost any question.

*Did you see the great list of pronunciations of orchid names in November’s “Orchids” magazine?*



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](http://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.

[www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org)

## UPCOMING SHOWS

Jan. 11-12 Sarasota Orchid Society Show  
Sarasota Municipal Auditorium

Jan 17-19 Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Society  
War Memorial Auditorium

Jan. 25-26 Manatee River Orchid Society  
Bradenton Convention Center

Jan. 25-26 Tamiami International Orchid Show  
Miami-Dade Fair and Expo Center

### Raffle Fun

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

## AOS CORNER

The Trustees and Members meeting was held in Coral Gables with most of the meetings being held at Fairchild Botanic Gardens (the new home of the AOS). It was a great opportunity to get to know Fairchild and for Fairchild to see what the AOS is about. A nice show was arranged by the Coral Gables Orchid Society and at the AOS judging, awards were given to many local orchidists. In conjunction with the meetings, a number of AOS awards were presented. The Distinguished Affiliated Society Award (DSSA) was given to the Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania for their volunteer commitment to Phipps Conservatory in Pittsburgh. An article will be forthcoming in *Orchids* about their joint project whereby they will be assisting in the establishment of an historic slipper orchid collection. An AOS Gold Medal was given to Harold Koopowitz for his dedication to orchids in conservation, biology, hybridizing and publishing; Two AOS Silver Medals were bestowed upon Aileen Garrison and Jose Izquierdo in recognition of their service to the AOS judging system. Leon Glicenstein was recognized with an AOS Fellow for his outstanding scientific, horticultural and hybridizing in addition, Leonid Averyanov was recognized with an AOS Fellow for his work on Vietnam orchids. Two Hybridizing awards were presented to Milton Carpenter for his work with Oncidiinae and warmth-tolerant cymbidiums and to Gene Crocker of Carter and Holmes for his art-shade cattleyas.

Anyone wishing to be considered for judging at the 21<sup>st</sup> WOC in South Africa, must submit their application to do so by December 31, 2013. There will be no late registrations considered. In addition, discounted registration ends on December 31, 2013. For more information or to register, go to [www.woc21.org](http://www.woc21.org).

Save the date for the Spring Members and Trustees meeting to be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 30 through May 4, 2014 in conjunction with their show – Orchids – A Growing Obsession. This event will be held in conjunction with meetings of the Mid-America Orchid Congress, the Slipper Orchid Alliance, the International Phalaenopsis Alliance, Pleurothallid Alliance and Angraecoid Alliance.

Wishing you all the best during this holiday season and for a happy 2014.

Lynn Fuller, Chair, AOS Affiliated Societies Committee



**HOLIDAY PARTY 2013**

