

Platinum Coast Orchid Society

April 2014 Edition

The Rhyzome



Lc. Firedance 'Patricia'

Hi everyone,

Can you believe this weather? Every time it's cooler I think it's the last. I'm really not pushing summer. It will come all too soon.

Hope you all are getting as excited as I am for the May show. Only a little over three weeks. Scary!

Please continue to consider when you can volunteer and sign up next week at the meeting.

Also, hope you are having luck finding sponsors. The more the better. Thanks so much for your efforts.

SEE PAGE THREE FOR INFORMATION ON HOW YOU CAN HELP THE COMMITTEE SETTING UP THE EXHIBIT THIS FRIDAY.

CALENDAR

April 9th Board Meeting

April 9th, 7pm General Meeting—

Niche presentation for those

interested in doing a niche at the show and how to prepare your own plants for judging at the show

April 23rd, 6pm Show meeting in gym

April 30th Begin set up for show

SUNSHINE

Deepest sympathy to the family of long time member Sally Johnson and also to new member Lisa Moore.

Congratulations to Jim Adamson for his Best Phalaenopsis Award to Phal Champion Lightning, in the Pt. St. Lucie show.

Best wishes for Peter as he recovers from foot surgery.

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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— This AOS site has the answer to almost any question.

UPCOMING SHOWS

- Apr. 5-6 Central Florida Orchid Show
Maitland Civic Center
***PCOS is entering a tabletop exhibit in this show**
- Apr. 12-13 Tallahassee Orchid Soc. Show
Doyle Conner Ag. Bldg.**
- Apr. 19-20 Flamingo Gardens Orchid Show**
- Apr. 26-27 Vero Beach Orchid Society Show
3001 Riverside Park Dr., Vero B.**
- OUR SHOW**
- Apr. 30 Set Up for our show at Kiwanis-
all hands needed**
- May 1 Finishing touches on our show-
all hands needed**
- May 2 PCOS Show begins, Judging**
- May 4, 4pm Tear down-all hands needed**

Raffle Fun

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

OUR CLUB’S PARTICIPATION IN OTHER AREA SHOWS IS VERY IMPORTANT:

If you have any orchids in bloom the first weekend in April, please let Patti know (459-9327). PCOS will be entering a tabletop exhibit at the Central Florida Orchid Society show in Orlando and we need several things:

1. decorative rocks that don’t weigh very much
2. a wooden or rattan tri-fold screen (large or tabletop)
3. any decorative wood or old thick wooden candlesticks
4. as many blooming orchids as possible.

If you have the name of your orchid labeled, we will also try to enter it for judging at the show. This is a great opportunity for members, old and new, to get a chance to see how the exhibits are done, so if you’re able to transport your orchids to Orlando, you can help in various ways, as the display is organized. Just arriving there to help and then pick up your orchids on Sunday gives you an chance to see what’s available before the show starts and what is left as the show ends.....the two best times to be at a show.



MARCH MEETING

Betty Moore presented a wonderful demonstration on pedestals. We look forward to this year's pedestal entries at the show. Most amazingly, Betty finds the most interesting "vases", like candle-holders and fireplace blocks.



SHOW PARTICIPATION:

Being a part of our show is the best way to get involved in the club. There's something for everyone. Last year, several new members walked away with the first place in the Niche category. There will be a niche presentation in April for those interested.



SHOW OFF YOUR ORCHIDS:

This is your opportunity to enter your orchids for judging. If you have any orchids in bloom during our show, be sure to bring them in on the Friday before the show and enter them for judging..



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.

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