

Platinum Coast Orchid Society The Rhyzome

July 2013 Edition



President's Message:

I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful display of orchids in their gardens. Dennis

CALENDAR

July 10th Board Meeting
July 10th, 7pm General Mtg.

AOS power point program entitled
"Brassavola Hybrids- The New look
in Cattleyas"

Sept. 29th Picnic



Sally Pancoast's potting demonstration at the last meeting was a hit with both old and new members.

Sunshine

Lois Hicks continues her medical treatment & we send her best wishes.

We also send speedy recovery wishes to Barry Kennedy.

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FOR ANY MEMBERS WHO ARE INTERESTED, BCOS has invited us to their meeting on Monday July 8th, at 7:30 P.M in the Realtor's Conference Centre, 1450 Sarno Road, Melbourne, FL 32935.

"We are fortunate this month to have an internationally known orchid hybridizer and grower from California. It is not often we have the opportunity to host a speaker like Fred Clarke, founder of Sun Valley Orchids (SVO). He is the originator of the Fredclareara After Dark, which has garnered many FCC and AM awards. He has numerous AOS awards and is known for his work on *Catasetinae*, Large, compact and miniature *Cattleya* breeding, as well as many other genera. Fred will speak on "Compact *Cattleyas*". I know it is tough to get a large crowd during the summer vacation months, but please come if you can. Laura and your Board worked hard to be able to bring you this speaker. I think you will thoroughly enjoy this talk and I would appreciate your support. If you know of other orchid growers or members of other societies who would be interested, invite them to come along. "

Raffle Fun

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

AOS CORNER

A popular benefit of AOS membership is participation in the Reciprocal Garden program of the American Horticultural Society. Many members report that they save more than the cost of AOS membership annually by using this program. Check out the listing of participating gardens and arboreta at www.ahs.org/gardening-programs/rap—some offer free admission or other benefits to AOS members. You will need to show your AOS membership card to participate.

Over the summer months, members of the Affiliated Societies Committee will be contacting AOS Affiliated Societies for the annual update of information. This will also serve as a reminder to all societies to notify AOS of any changes to your society officers and contact information. In addition, if you make any changes to your record on the AOS website directly, please send AOS a notification that you changes have been made. Unfortunately at this time, they do not get any notification of any changes.

Plans are being solidified on the Fall Members and Trustees meeting to be held at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Gardens. The confirmed speakers to date are Kiat Tan of Singapore, Mr. Chen Chung Chen, President of the Taiwan Paph Society and Munekazu Ejiri of Japan. AOS hopes you join us at the Fall meeting and explore AOS' new home.

Is your society aware of all the benefits of being an affiliated society of the American Orchid Society? We would appreciate knowing what you all deem the top benefits of affiliation. Send to me your society's listing of their top 3 benefits at www.affiliated_societies@aos.org; I'll report the results in future AOS Corners.

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.