Jim's Bench

Hello Members,

The regular meeting will be held at the Cocoa Expo on June 11. Allen Gettleman will be doing a short program on his orchid excursions while in Panama. There will be lots of discussion relative to the upcoming Show. This, of course, will be the main focus from now on until the event. Please be a part of the planning and feel free to help in any way you can. It is an enormous undertaking and the more of you who are so kind as to lend a hand, the easier it is on everyone. Look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

Thanks, Jim

### Volusia County Show; Thank You, Members!

Platinum Coast Orchid Society would like to thank our members who helped us at the Volusia County show, and acknowledge the winners, as well. Great job and thank you, everyone!

Our set up team was as follows: Jim and Betty Adamson, Joan Lenhert, Karen Snee, Toni and Frank Bell, Dave Riches, and Glenda Titler. Thanks for the hard work and commitment!

Our orchid contributors were: Jim and Betty Adamson, Toni Bell, Don Kelly, and Dave Riches. Thank you all for the beautiful flowers!

Our winners: Dave Riches for Best Paphiopedlium. In our Society we had: Three First Places, Two Second Places, and Three Third Places:

Toni Bell: First and Second Place

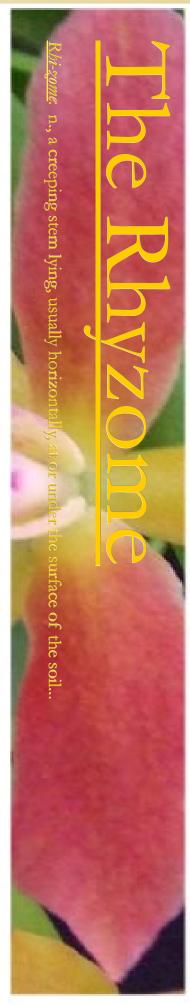
Don Kelly: First and Second Place

Our Society Display won First Place!

Once again, thank you and congratulations winners and hard workers on carrying home so many ribbons and coming out to Volusia county helping with our display and being there to support your Orchid Society. Thanks again, and great job, everyone!

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### Ghost Orchid is June Bloomer

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Dendrophylax lindenii (Lindley) Bentham ex Rolfe, Gard. Chron., ser. 3. 4: 533. 1888.

Ghost orchid, frog orchid, palm-polly, Linden's angurek, white butterfly orchid

Angraecum lindenii Lindley, Gard. Chron. 1846: 135. 1846; Aeranthus lindenii (Lindley) Reichenbach f.; Polyradicion lindenii (Lindley) Garay; Polyrrhiza lindenii (Lindley) Cogniaux

Plants appressed to substrate, seemingly leafless. Roots gray-green, fascicled, to 50 cm  $\times$  3–5 mm. Stems inconspicuous, obscured by roots. Leaves bractlike, inconspicuous, often absent. Inflorescences: peduncles arcuate-ascending, 6–25 cm; bracts tubular, sheathing, 5–7 mm; racemes 1–10-flowered; floral bracts lanceolate, 4  $\times$  3 mm, scarious. Flowers opening in succession, usually 1–2 at a time, nocturnally fragrant; sepals and petals spreading, white to creamy green or pale yellow-brown; dorsal sepal lanceolate to elliptic-lanceolate, 20–21  $\times$  5–6 mm, apex acute; lateral sepals slightly oblique, lanceolate to narrowly lanceolate, 25–30  $\times$  4–5.5 mm, apex obtuse to acute; petals falcate-recurved, narrowly lanceolate, 22–27  $\times$  4–4.5 mm, apex acute to acuminate; lip white, basally concave, 3-lobed, middle lobe with subquadrangular isthmus, terminating in 2 arching, twisting, caudate lobes 45–70 mm, apiculate, lateral lobes spreading, 18–25 mm wide when spread, apex obtuse to acute; callus with narrow, denticulate keel; spur arcuate, slender, 11–17 cm; column stout, with 2 triangular wings projecting toward lip, 2–3  $\times$  5 mm diam.; pollinia orange; pedicellate ovary slender, 30  $\times$  1.5 mm. Capsules 6–10  $\times$  0.5 cm.

Flowering May--Aug, occasionally as early as Feb. Epiphytic in cypress swamps, wet hammocks; 0--20 m; Fla.; West Indies.



Platinum Coast Orchid Society's Display at Volusia County's show



<u>Ghost Orchid Continued...</u> http://plants.usda.gov/java/profile?symbol=DEL18 Classification: *Dendrophylax lindenii* (Lindl.) Benth. ex Rolfe Kingdom <u>Plantae</u> – Plants Subkingdom <u>Tracheobionta</u> Vascular plants Superdivision <u>Spermatophyta</u> Seed plants Division <u>Magnoliophyta</u> Flowering plants Class <u>Liliopsida</u> Monocotyledons Subclass <u>Liliidae</u> Order <u>Orchidales</u> Family <u>Orchidaceae</u> Orchid family Genus <u>Dendrophylax Rchb.</u> Species <u>Dendrophylax lindenii</u> (Lindl.) Benth. ex Rolfe – palmpolly

# June 2008

Wednesday, June 11: 7pm Regular meeting. Board Members 6:15pm, Cocoa Expo Center– room behind cafeteria. Wednesday, June 25: Back to Basics Meeting, Cocoa Beach Library, 6:30pm 550 N. Brevard Avenue Cocoa Beach, Florida.

## Orchid Trees

Glenda Titler's husband, Phil, has designed for Glenda's orchid collection, a unique way to fit about twelve plants in a two and a half square foot area; vertically! Photographed here by Betty Adamson, are an example of the way Glenda keeps her orchids in the "Orchid Trees," Phil designed. Thank you for sharing the "Orchid Trees," with our newsletter, Glenda. "Orchid trees" are a fantastic design for those of us without greenhouse space to spread our collections out in.



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