

# Platinum Coast Orchid Society

## The Rhyzome

### May 2017 Edition

Ok Members, it's show time!

Please put on your best smile, wear your name badge proudly and share what you love about our society when you are at the show. This is one of our best ways to generate new membership.

As I have said previously, we are only as good as our members and we are always looking to get new people involved in our society.

Remember you can contribute in many ways at our show, details are outlined in this newsletter. Please contribute if you can, it will be appreciated and I think you will find it rewarding as well.

At our May meeting we are pleased to announce we will have Joe Bryson speaking about growing orchids in our area. He is always informative and I am sure will provide us all with many tips.

I hope to see you all at the meeting the week following the show on May 10th!

Jodi

Epic. Jackie Bright

'Hilo Stars' Grown by

Margaret Croucher



Phragmepedium Fritz Schomburg Phrag. Kovachii x Phrag. besseae

Grown by new members from Kentucky, Mark and Terry.

#### REGULAR MAY CALENDAR

**May 3-7—Our show. Print schedule from e-mail**

**May 10th, 6pm—Board meeting**

**May 10th, 7pm—Business meeting at Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club.**

**Program—Joe Bryson will speak on growing orchids in Brevard County.**

# April Meeting

At left: Patti is thrilled with sponsors and publicity for the show. Many thanks to Sponsor Chair Elaine and to all members who found local businesses to sponsor prizes for the show.



At right, Margaret brought in several orchids for the forum. Below, her Paph. St. Swithin.



Charlie talks about his Bc. Beautiful Morning 'Patti' that won a CCM from AOS at the 2014 show.



Betty led the forum discussion and clarified clonal names and other topics. We have a great group of members. Thanks to everyone who signed up to help at the show.

**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 for check out.
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.
5. Rambles at members’ homes to help you identify the best way to grow your orchids.
6. Visit the PCOS website and reread some of the articles in the newsletters from the past year or two.

PCOS is an affiliate of the **American Orchid Society (AOS)**. There’s an abundance of information on the AOS website. Please visit [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org) for articles, advice on growing orchids, and lots of free information.

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 FLORIDA SHOWS**

**May 5-7**—Platinum Coast Orchid Society Show, Kiwanis Island Park Gymnasium, Merritt Island, FL

**May 13-14**—Volusia County Orchid Society Show

**May 19-21**—Redland International Orchid Festival, Redland Fruit and Spice Park, Homestead, FL

Bc. Beautiful Morning ‘Patti’ when it received the AOS award. Hopefully many members’ orchids will receive an AOS award at this show. The Cultural Merit award is given for how well the plant is grown.



# THANKS TO ALL OF OUR SHOW SPONSORS.

**We couldn't do our show without them, so please let them know and recognize them with your business when possible. (Thanks to members who contacted them.)**

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Green Apples in Cocoa Village

Yoga with Barbara at Sunseed

Cibo Restaurant

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