

Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society

NEWSLETTER

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MARCH SPEAKER: MAC RIVENBARK

We are happy to announce that at our Monday, March 12th meeting, one of our own members, Mac Rivenbark will be discussing the magnificent orchids of Asia! Mac and his lovely wife Helen will be bringing for sale and providing for our raffle table some of the wondrous orchids from their collection. They are both excellent growers and Mac has shared his orchid passion by speaking at numerous orchid societies. They have, for many years, also successfully participated in orchid shows and sales.

Mark your calendars and plan on attending the March FLOS meeting!

THANKS TO OUR FEBRUARY SPEAKER: Carlos Cahiz of OFE

Carlos A. Cahiz of OFE International, Inc. was our February FLOS meeting speaker. Both Carlos and OFE have been long time friends of our society participating as a vendor in our annual show, a popular ramble stop, and now, for the first time, a speaker at our monthly meeting. OFE has recently opened a 20,000 square foot warehouse in Miami and has over 700 items in their product catalog.

Carlos shared some very informative information key to the success of growing and blooming our precious orchids! He discussed pots, baskets and mounting materials, as well as the many types of fertilizers and fungicides available and when and how to properly use them. He also told us about the different growing media and mixes available including the new and popular stalite which should be mixed with charcoal and spongerock for a great inorganic mix.

Carlos added a variety of his products to our beautiful raffle table which our lucky members and guests gleefully accepted as their numbers were called. We would like to thank Carlos and OFE and, with some good planning we will visit them in April on our spring bus ramble!

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN

- Learning about orchid culture—at every level of expertise
- * Receiving feedback on your skills through monthly judging
- * Receiving the FLOS monthly newsletter
- * Having a seat on the bus for rambles
- * Attending the annual Holiday Party
- * Getting to meet new people and make friendships
- * Having wonderful refreshments provided for each meeting



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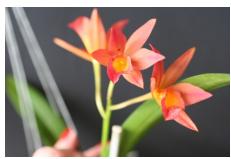
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AOS awards given at the Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Show:

Paphiopedilum Mount Toro 'Crystelle' AM, Krull-Smith Orchids Lycaste Abou 'Krull's Ruby' HCC, Krull-Smith Orchids Lycaste Chita Impulse 'Krull-Smith' AM, Krull-Smith Orchids Cattleya Mark Jones 'Krull's Spotter' AM, Krull-Smith Orchids Laeliocattleya Mem. Alberto Wenzel 'Ponkan' HCC, Krull-Smith Orchids Rhynchostylis gigantea arrangement on driftwood AC (Artistic Certificate), Adkins Orchids Rhynchostylis gigantea 'Adkins Bodacious' AM, Adkins Orchids Cattleya Orpetii 'Hidden Treasure' AM, Gold Country Orchids Mediocalcar decorata 'Party Time' AM, Cal-Orchid Eria javonica 'Flora Cahiz' CCE, Axel Cahiz Rhynchostylis gigantea alba 'Carib' CCM, Carib Orchids (Bc. Maikai x C. skinneri) 'Andy' AM (provisional), Carib Orchids (Phal. HP Norton x Phal. Sogo Rose) 'Krull-Smith' AM (provisional), Krull-Smith Orchids Exhibit 18 "Moonlight Fiesta" AOS Show Trophy, Carib Orchids Exhibit 18 "Moonlight Fiesta" Silver Certificate, Carib Orchids Clowesetum Jem's Bearded Gnomes 'Nicola' AM, Carib Orchids









FEBRUARY RIBBONS

| Cattleya aurentiaca | Vicki Hallock | Blue |
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| Brassolaeliocattleya Yen Orange 'Yen' (2008 FLOS auction plant) | Tin Ly | Blue |
| Cymbidium Mauareen Carter 'Oriental Star' HCC/POS | Rich Ackerman | Blue |
| Dendrobium capituliflarum | Diane/Rubben Howe | Blue |
| Dendrobium Tokunaga x self | Norma Jean Flack | Blue |
| Encyclia cordigera alba | Zoe Bejar | Blue |
| Ludisia discolor | Hugh/Carol Jones | Blue |
| Laeliacattleya Aloha Case | Zoe Bejar | Blue |
| Phalaenopsis Melody | Brain Boyle | Blue |
| Cattleya Bepi Femme Patate 'BJ' AM/AOS | International Orchid Services aka Scott Peplin | Red |
| Ludisia discolor | Dee Flores | Red |
| Bulbophyllum Phalaenopsis | International Orchid Services | Cultural |
| Laeliacattleya Gold Digger 'Fuch's Mandarin | Michael Bryant | Cultural |
| Paphiopedilum Pacific Shamrock | International Orchid Services | Cultural |
| Sophrolaeliocattleya Hinky Boy | Michael Bryant | Cultural |

Jeff Turker won two 2 blue ribbons but walked away with the information.

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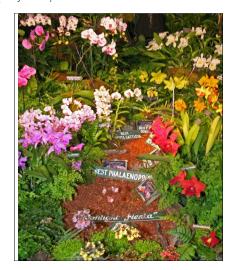
Over the busy holidays and FLOS Show many of us may have forgotten to renew our FLOS membership. For the FLOS to continue with our mission (to stimulate interest, provide education and to exchange information among those interested in the culture of orchids in all of its aspects) membership is essential." There is still time to renew!!! If you received an envelope with this newsletter then we have not received your renewal. You can renew via the membership envelope, PayPal (on our website click on Membership tab,) or at the membership table at any meeting."

Welcome to our new members. Every membership includes a welcome packet and a bonus plant. Stop by the membership table at our next meeting if you have not received yours! Joining us since the new year began are:





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MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE PROJECT—APRIL 7-8

In keeping with our Society's Purpose of stimulating interest and providing education about orchids, Chris Crepage is heading a project for the museum's <u>Babies, Blooms, and Butterflies</u>

event the weekend of Easter Sunday.

The museum is planning for a petting zoo, egg hunt, and spring-related lab activities for families. They are inviting several animal, insect and flower experts. The museum's staff was so happy with what FLOS did for the Grand Opening of their Eco-wing last November, they have invited us back to participate in this event.

Chris anticipates preparing display boards of FLOS activities and information about orchid pollinators along with a tabletop orchid display. If you are interested in helping with this

- project, volunteers are needed for a variety of responsibilities:

 1. To be at the museum on Sat. and Sun. to answer questions and pass out informative pamphlets between the hours of 11 AM 4 PM. You DON'T need to be an orchid expert!!
 - Help set up the display boards and tabletop exhibit on Fri. afternoon. Again, no
- 2. Help set up the display boards and tabletop exhibit on F11. alternoon. Again, no experience necessary.

 3. Loan blooming orchids, background foliage, or props for the orchid display.

 4. Help with planning and preparation . . . IDEAS, photos, logistics, design, etc.

 If you would like to help promote FLOS and our wonderful hobby, give Chris a call . AND . bring your children or grandchildren to what promises to be a fun and educational opportunity at the newly enlarged, enhanced science museum on April 7th or 8th! 401 SW Second St, downtown Ft. Lauderdale Arts and Science District Museum 954-467-6637 Chris Cranage 954-563-3548 Crepage 954-563-3548



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bark in rear.

Place:

Directions: East on Oakland Park Blvd. from I-95 Go East for 2.4 miles, left on NE 20th Ave. Park in the rear of the church which is on the NW corner of Oakland Park Blvd. and NE 20th Ave. Or to take US -1 (Federal Hwy.) Go to Oakland Park Blvd. go west for two blocks turn north on NE 20th Ave.

Christ Lutheran Church Social Hall 1955 East Oakland Park Blvd.

Time: √30 pm

Kegular Meetings: Second Monday of each month

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