



Englewood Area Orchid Society

August, 2023

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From the President's Desk

Did someone say hot and dry? It has been quite an unusual summer so far. Know we all could use some rain and would certainly welcome some cooler weather. Guess we'll have to wait. Be sure and keep an eye on your orchids to be sure they aren't in too direct sun and drying out too much.



It was nice having our sister society, Venice Area Orchid Society, join us for our July meeting. There was a nice crowd to hear Katie Caldwell talk about the storm's effect on her orchids, etc. It was very interesting and informative. May we not find ourselves in that position this year again. I am sure we all want to pass on that. There were lots of beautiful orchids on the plant table. Thanks for bringing in your plants to show them off. Thanks also to those who donated items for the raffle table. It was a very special raffle table with lots and lots of items. Hope you were all winners

Stay tuned for info about our August 21st meeting. It will be about dividing plants and re potting. Know we'll all learn something about that.

On September 18th meeting, our speaker will be Jerry Meola, from Orchid's Amore, one of our show vendors. He'll be bringing plants for sale, so you'll want to check them out.

In October on the 4th which is a Wednesday, we'll be guest of the Venice Area Orchid Society at their meeting. Bill Nunez will be the speaker. They will be having an ice cream social for us, so we all need to make a point of going to this meeting since so many of them came to our meeting. It's held at the Venice Community Center next to the Library.

Mary Anne DiGrazia, EAOS President

Calendar

Meetings (except Aug. and Dec.) are on the 3rd Monday of each month at St. David's Episcopal Church, 401 S. Broadway, 6:30 pm.

Aug. 21 – cancelled

Sept. 18 - Regular Meeting – 6:45 plant table – 7:00 meeting. Jerry Meola, will talk about natural and organic fertilizers and pesticides.

Oct. 4 – Joint meeting with VAOS at Venice - 7:00 meeting. October 4th – Bill Nunez, speaker – Growing specimen size Catts.

July Plant Table



1st Place – Ett. Don Herman 'Freckles'
Karen White-Rogers

August Meeting cancelled

~~An education class will be held on our regular August meeting day. We have a couple experienced members that have offered to come in with some of their own plants and will demonstrate how to "Un-Pot and then Divide". We have Steve Vogelhaupt and Joanne Rothe who have offered to help with this demonstration and to answer questions. The class will start promptly at 6:00 pm and may last up to an hour and a half.~~

~~We will bring in some popcorn and drinks for us as we watch the demonstration.~~

Outreach Committee Report

Jami Hess and Kitty Saddler have visited nurseries and landscape stores in the area. Jami says, "We chatted with the managers and owners and got some really great feedback, we may have even opened some doors for some future donations and exposure/sponsorships. Sometimes all it takes is just mentioning our group. Lots of locals don't even know we exist. It would be great if we could start setting up some booths at some events in the future, anyone interested in helping us out with that?"

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need several members to volunteer to help with the raffle table. Duties would include selling tickets before meeting, at break and calling the numbers at the end of the meeting. With a couple of teams of volunteers there would not be so much put on just one team to do all the work. I hope some of you will step up to help. Call Jami at 407-908-1914 or email her at jamishane06@hotmail.com. Thanks for your help.

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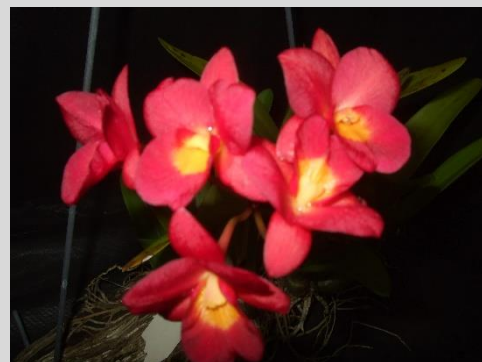
EAOS is a member of AOS and we receive monthly AOS magazines which are beautiful and very informative and a great way to learn more about orchids. You may take out a magazine at our meeting and just return it the next month so someone else can enjoy and learn from it. Don't miss out on this opportunity. You can also become a member of AOS and will receive your own copy of the magazine direct.

From the Corresponding Secretary -

We are currently looking for volunteers for all of our committees; Outreach, Media, Raffle, Plant Table, Membership, and Show. It takes a village, wouldn't you like to lend a hand? If you would like to discuss it or want more information about any of these committees, please reach out to Jami by text, phone, or email to EAOS_Secretary@EAOS.ORG.



1st Place – C. Angel Bells Vickie Fisher



2nd – Grt. Why Not Steve Baker



3rd Place – Vanda ? Mary Jo Halleran



3rd place - Den. hybrid Candy Bott

We have planned a trip to Marie Selby on October 20th at 11am (so we would need to leave around 9:45 am). We booked a private behind the scenes tour, I will need a head count... if you are interested in going let me know and I can share the details with you. Email Jami at EAOS_Secretary@EAOS.ORG

Finally, EAOS is now a member of the Englewood Chamber of Commerce.

November 4th Plant Sale

It's that time of year again for our annual orchid and plant sale at Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N Indiana Ave. If you are interested in selling plants of any kind or plant related items, let Mary Anne know at tommaryanne@centurylink.net or 941-697-9237. You'll receive 80% and the society will receive 20%. Start getting your plants, etc ready for the sale.

If you have any plants that you want to donate to the society, that is great too. The proceeds of those items will go directly to the society.

We'll be needing a few people to help with the sale, so if you can help, please let Mary Anne know. Thanks.

EAOS TREASURER'S REPORT June 2023

BANK BALANCE	as of 06/01/2023	\$20,981.04
INCOME		
DEPOSIT-BINGO		\$ 79.00
DEPOSIT-DUES		\$ 30.00
INTEREST		<u>\$ 0.34</u>
TOTAL		\$ 109.34
EXPENSES		
QUICKEN SOFTWARE		\$ 35.93
PALMER ORCHIDS (BINGO & RAFFLE PLANTS)		\$ 345.00
SUMMER MEETING EXPENSES		<u>\$ 111.88</u>
TOTAL		\$ 492.81
BANK BALANCE AS OF 06/30/2023		\$20,597.57
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED		
KITTY L SADDLER, ASSISTANT TREASURER		

Orchid Fun Facts

The tallest orchid was recorded at 49 feet!

According to the Guinness Book of World Records the Galeola foliata holds this record. It is found in decaying rain forests of Queensland, Australia.



Speaker's Choice - Vanda Ladda Gold
Natasha Contreras Romero

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July Minutes

Minutes of EAOS Meeting July 17, 2023

Meeting was called to order by President Mary Anne DiGrazia welcoming all guests and new members and to all our returning members. VAOS joined us for our meeting.

Plant Table: Please bring your blooming plant to show off at the meeting. The cut-off time is 6:45 PM for orchids to be on the Plant Table. Vote for your favorite plant on the plant table. The top 3 will be our winners. Thanks for bringing in the lovely plants.

New Business:

Chamber of Commerce – Jami Hess made a motion and Kitty Saddler seconded the motion to join the Englewood Chamber of Commerce. There are many benefits to joining the Chamber of Commerce.

In keeping with our support of AOS, EAOS has recently sent a contribution of \$500 to the FL North-Central Judging Center. We have also contributed \$1000 to AOS. They have split this donation with \$500 going towards education and \$500 to orchid research.

October 4th, we will be guests of VAOS meeting at the Venice Community Center. Bill Nunez will be the evening speaker. They will be hosting an ice cream social. We have done this for a number of years and it is a nice way to get to know our sister society in Venice.

November 4th is our annual plant sale at Christ Lutheran Church from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Members are encouraged to sign up to sell orchids or plants or plant related items. The seller will receive 80% with EAOS receiving 20%. Please contact me to let me know that you would like to participate. If you have items you want to donate to EAOS, the proceeds of those items will be 100% to the society.

Marie Selby Gardens – we are planning a field trip on Friday, October 20th. It will be a guided “Behind the Scenes” tour. The tour is about an hour and includes a visit to their “Endangered Species” greenhouse. The cost is \$43 per person. We will arrange a car pool. More information will be provided at our future meetings.

During the break, please buy raffle tickets, and vote for your favorite plant on the plant table. Also check out Mickey’s plants and John’s cedar wood pieces.

Our speaker tonight will be Katie Caldwell. She gave us some tips and advice on how to help plants and orchids survive such a major event.

Katie Caldwell presented the plants on the plant table with informative descriptions of each plant. Ribbons were awarded for the plants.

Attention then went to the raffle table where numbers were drawn. Winning numbers choosing from the plants and items that were donated for the raffle.

Respectfully Submitted,
Laurie Motter, Recording Secretary