



# Englewood Area Orchid Society

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Newsletter

## From the President's Desk



Let me start by thanking Pam for hosting a splendid Christmas dinner meeting or whatever the politically correct term is these days. It was fun being in a festive place with food and orchids. I know things have changed with the new fad of responsible drinking, but I will make exceptions with the mojito kit the society gave me. Thank you all for the thoughtful and right on the money present.

Now we can start getting excited about the coming show season and all the great plants on display. But just as an aside, does everyone know the phrase "All dressed up and nowhere to go?" That's how life is for my orchids right now. I am seeing blooms like never before and there is nowhere to take them until Jan. at the Sarasota show and we all know they will not be blooming then. Oh well. Ok, January is Sarasota. Stay in touch with Pam if you want plants in the show. Early is the key.

Feb. is the Venice show and of course March is the REALLY BIG SHOW: OURS. OH YEAH, Miami has a show during the first weekend in March. I heard it's okay. Fort Lauderdale has a show in January also.

Venice just recently had a benefit sale in memory of Jackie Weber, a member of both our groups. The proceeds are going to the Venice Hospice group as part of a wing her family is sponsoring in her memory. I was really pleased by the turnout of our members and really impressed by the amount of plants you all bought. Now I know certain of you are unable to resist certain salesmen in the room but you cannot all blame me for all the insanity. I cannot have that many husbands putting me on their hit lists nor can

you tell the electric company it was my fault when the lights go out. Seriously, Jackie's collection reflected the class with which she lived her life. We will all miss her. Ted supervised the event with the cooperation of Norm Weber and a lot of help from people of both societies. Let us pray we do not have to do this again for a long time.

Have a great New Year and let's get ready to play with our plants like no one is watching...

**John Masters,**  
EAOS President



*Members gather at La Stanza for the annual EAOS Dinner Meeting on Dec. 1.*

## Minutes

December 1, 2008

La Stanza Restaurant:

6:00 PM; Meeting called to order by John Masters. Meeting was promptly turned over to Mistress of Ceremonies, Pam Bombardieri.

Members who were the most active and supportive during the year were identified, and each person was thanked for their part during the year for the club and gifts were presented.

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## November Minutes *(Con't)*

The coming Sarasota orchid show was discussed – theme: Jewel of the Jungle. Show date Jan. 3-4. Set Up Jan 2nd. See Pam for details. Let Pam know what plants you are bringing. 25-30 plants needed. It is a table top display. Drop plants off early Friday AM. Please let Pam know by Jan 1st. Venice Orchid show follows---First week in February.

Use the Englewood Orchid Society website <[www.EAOS.org](http://www.EAOS.org)> to check on newsletters & info.

Dinner was served. A very good tasty meal indeed. Sorry some of you missed it!!! Plant Prizes were awarded. Joe Crook won first for the most plants brought during year. The raffle table was loaded. Lots of beautiful orchids found new homes for Christmas!!! Fun was had by all!

Merry Christmas and Happy Orchid Season 2009!!

Edna McClenney-Willis



*Society President John Masters calls the meeting to order.*



*Betsy Scavola walks off with the second prize for the year's plant table entries.*



*The raffle tickets kept coming, almost everyone winning something.*

## EAOS Officers for 2009

President: John Masters  
Vice President: Joe Crook  
Treasurer: Rose Hutchinson  
Corresponding Secretary: Pam Bombardieri  
Recording Secretary:  
Edna McClenney-Willis

## 2008 Plant Table Winners

First Place:

Joe Crook

Second Place

Bill & Betsy Scevola

Third Place:

Michele Glembocki

***This Month's Meeting***

***January 12, 2009***

**Speaker: Bill Fender of  
Fender's Flora  
On "Back to Basics"**