

Englewood Area Orchid Society

January, 2012
Newsletter Online at <http://eaos.org>

From the President's Desk



Welcome 2012.

It is a new year and a new board. I am looking forward to a great year as your EAOS President.

Although it may be no easy task to fill the shoes of our previous president, Gail Hopper, I hope with her support and yours that we can continue to grow our membership and follow our tradition of putting on shows and events.

I want to thank Carol Nissen and Corey Plasek for hosting our December dinner meeting.

Please encourage family, friends, and neighbors to join our Society.

See you at our January 9th meeting!

Ann Baldwin
EAOS President



Gail Hopper swears in the EAOS board for 2012 (l to r) Gail Hopper, past President, Cathy Mrasak, Corresponding Secretary, Ann Baldwin, President, Jana Kewley, Vice-President, and Noreen Spencer, Treasurer.

Renew Your Membership

January is the time to renew your membership. Print the form at the end of the newsletter and bring it with you to the January meeting or fill it out and send it to the society.

It is important to renew your membership promptly so that you will be included in the EAOS directory.

EAOS Orchid Show –
March 16 & 17

Orchids Needed for SOS display

EAOS will participate in the Sarasota Orchid Show with a tabletop display. To do this, we need orchids from our members. Don't be shy about entering an orchid, or 2, or 3 or more.

On Jan.3, send the names of the orchids that you are entering to Pam Bombardieri at pbombardieri@comcast.net or call her at 828-0153. In cases where the name of the orchid is unknown, it can still be displayed, but will not be judged.

Here is what you do:

- 1) On Jan 3rd, email a list of your orchids with your name, address and phone number to Pam Bombardieri. Give the complete name from the tag and the color of the flower. Measure across the flower and list the approximate size.
- 2) Clean up your plants. Clip off any dead leaves and old flower spikes. Stake the flowers if needed. Wipe off the leaves and put your name on the pot.
- 3) Let us know if you need someone to take your orchids to Sarasota or bring them to Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 801 N. Tamiami Trail at 9 am on Friday, Jan. 6.
- 4) Claim your plants at the end of the show on Sunday, Jan. 8 at 5 pm or let us know that you can't make it and we'll bring them to the EAOS meeting on Jan. 9.

Also remember, we will need orchids for the Venice show on Feb. 3, so keep your plants happy and blooming.

Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendar

Jan 6 - Sarasota show
setup 9 am

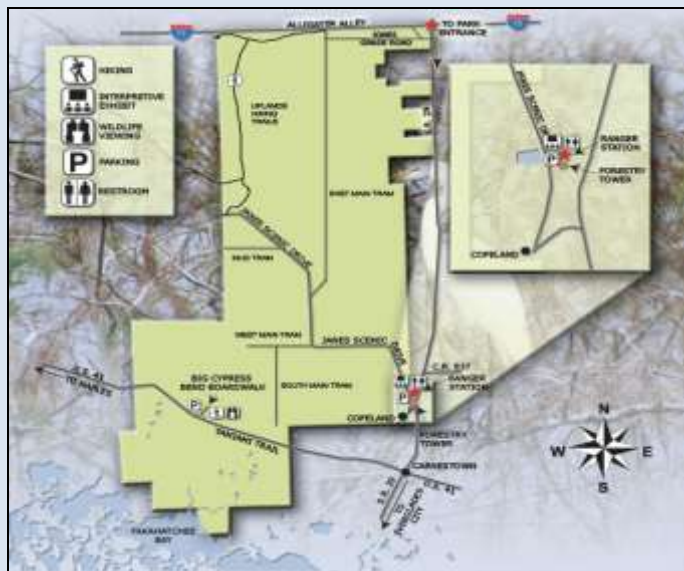
Jan 7-8 - Sarasota
Orchid Show

Jan 9 - Regular meeting
Speaker: Mike Owen

Feb 3 - Venice show
setup

January Meeting features Fakahatchee Strand biologist

The speaker at the January meeting will be Mike Owen, Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve biologist. His topic is "Fakahatchee Strand and Orchids." Fakahatchee Strand, in the Everglades, is the nation's bromeliad and orchid capital, with 44 native orchids and 14 native bromeliads. Find out about this area's unique microclimate and the wonders it affords.



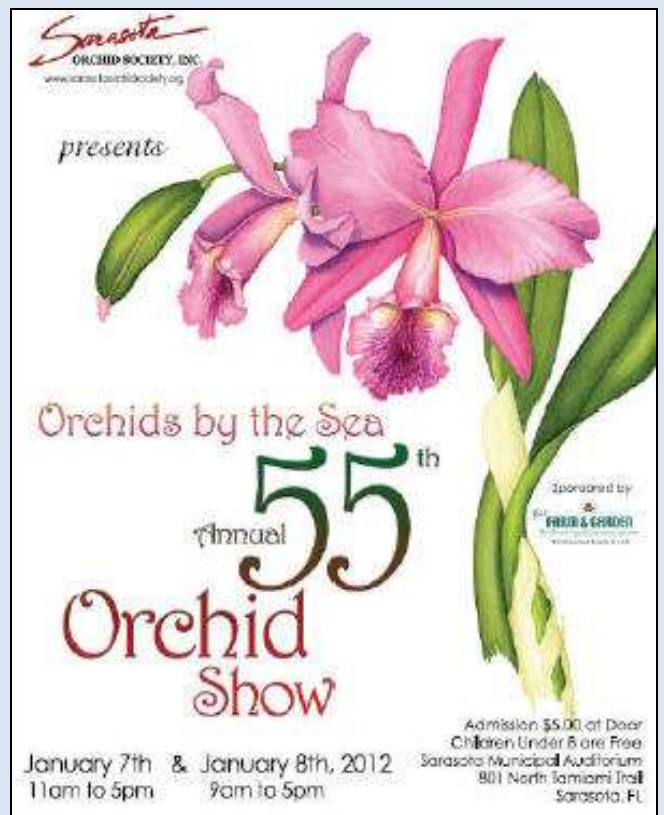
Map shows the Fakahatchee Strand Exit 80 off I-75 east of Naples.

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The holiday dinner meeting held at the Gulf View Grill featured sparkling decorations and excellent food as well as a chance for members to win orchids in the raffle.



Sarasota Orchid Society hosts annual show

Sarasota Orchid Society Annual Show & Sale - January 7 - 8th, 2012

The Sarasota Orchid Society will present their 55th Annual Orchid Show & Sale on January 7th & 8th, 2012.

This American Orchid Society sanctioned show will be held at the Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 801 N. Tamiami Trail, US #41, Sarasota, Florida 34236. Show hours are Saturday 11 am - 5 pm and Sunday 9 am to 5 pm. Admission charge is \$5.00, children under 8 are free.

"Orchids by the Sea," the theme for Sarasota Orchid Society's 2012 celebration, will showcase thousands of award-winning orchids in the displays created by orchid vendors and local orchid societies. A variety of orchids and orchid related accessories will also be available for purchase from expert orchid growers and artists from the state of Florida, including: American Group Travel, Art Stone Orchids, Byrd Orchids, Canaima Orchids, Chapman's Orchids, Florida SunCoast Orchids, Hicks Orchids Supplies, Jone' Ritchie Artist, Judy Robertson Orchid Ceramics, Krull-Smith Orchids, Marie Selby Botanical Book Store, Marie Selby Botanical Garden, Nature on the Rocks, Odom's Orchids, Plantio La Orquidea, Stig Dalstrom Botanical Art, and The Orchid Specialist. Purchase orchids and related items or immerse yourself in the beauty of orchids. There will also be free educational classes given by local growers.

Christmas Orchids

Sometimes an orchid's name may give you a hint about when it might bloom. A search of Orchidwiz reveals 185 orchid hybrids with the word Christmas in their names, from Cym. Christmas Angel to Den. White Christmas. Ten orchids have the word "xmas" in the name. This may or may not mean that it will actually bloom at Christmas time, but given the right conditions, it may.

There are 12 with "New Year" in their names. A number of those probably celebrate Chinese New Year, so they'd be more likely to bloom in February.

"Winter" is a popular name. It remains to be seen whether Dtps. Alberta Winter and Ctsm. Brazilian Winter might bloom at the same time.

ENGLEWOOD AREA ORCHID SOCIETY

MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL APPLICATION

Dues \$15.00 per household yearly

Renewals due by January Meeting

Make Checks Payable to: Englewood Area Orchid Society

Bring to January Meeting or Mail to:

EAOS
PO Box 257
Englewood, FL 34297-0257

LAST NAME _____

FIRST NAME (S) _____

Street Address _____

City/Town _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone with Area Code _____

Email address _____

Note: Monthly newsletter will be emailed unless special arrangements are made.