

Englewood Area Orchid Society



January, 2019 Newsletter

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From the President's Desk

It was a lovely evening at the Hills. I hope you all had a great time. The meal was delicious and they took very good care of us. We had 34 people there and I think that was a very nice group. If you missed it, we missed you too.



It is almost show time, so be watching your orchids and talk to them and ask them to be in bloom when we need them. Oh, don't you wish? Be sure and send an email to Orchids@eaos.org telling Ken about the name of the orchid, color, size, etc. If you can send a picture, that would help a great deal. We want to be sure that we have it entered into the proper class. If you cannot take the flowers to Sarasota, give Edna a call at 941-474-1187 to arrange a time for you to drop off the flower. She lives at 1395 Forked Creek Drive, Overbrook Gardens, Englewood.

At the January meeting, be prepared to sign up for the various ways you can help at the show. We'll need to be getting the t-shirts ordered, so I'll need to have your name and size so that I'll have a shirt for everyone that helps with the show. There are lots of opportunities to volunteer for. It takes an army and we want to all help put on a great show and not depend on just a few to do all the work. Many hands make light work. I know you'll all want to help and make this our best show ever.

It's that time of year again that dues are payable. They are only \$15 per household and that comes to \$1.25 a meeting. That is a great bargain as you'll have knowledgeable speakers, a plant table to show off your beautiful blooming plant, a chance to buy well-grown plants

Calendar

Meetings are on the 2nd Monday of each month at Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Ave., 6:30 pm.

Jan. 1 & 2- Register plants for show
Jan. 4 – Setup for Sarasota show on
Jan 5 & 6

Jan. 14 – regular meeting, 6:30 pm
Speaker – Vern Bloch

Feb. 1-3 VAOS show

March 1 & 2–
EAOS Orchid Show
at the Methodist Church



One of many happy tables at the Holiday Dinner.

from our speaker, a raffle table where you might win a lovely plant, and light refreshments. What a deal. Be sure to bring your \$15 check to our January meeting or mail it to P O Box 257, Englewood, Fl. 34295.

I hope you all have a wonderful holiday season and may we all have a new year filled with joy and blooming orchids.

Mary Anne DiGrazia,
EAOS President

New Culture Classes

Beginning in January, we will be having culture classes at 6:30 before our 7:00 meeting. Wolf Brucknew has volunteered to lead the class. If you have any sick orchids or any that you have questions about, bring them and Wolf will be glad to look at them. This is a great opportunity for us and it will be good for new members and for seasoned members. We can always learn something new. Thank you Wolf for offering to do this for the society.

November Plant Table

1 st & Members' Choice	
Rlc. George King 'Serendipity'	Walter Roberts
2 nd Place	
Den unknown white	Debi Sullivan
3 rd Place	
Procatavola Golden Peacock	Joan Shamasian
Species & Speaker's	
B. nodosa	Debi Sullivan

Renew Your Membership

January is the time to renew your EAOS membership. Dues are \$15 per family. Be sure to bring your \$15 check to our January meeting or mail it to P O Box 257, Englewood, Fl. 34295. Make sure that you include name, address, telephone, and email.



Best Species



3rd Place



1st Place

Volunteers needed for EAOS show

The EAOS show Feb. 28, Mar. 1 & 2 will need volunteers to help in the following areas:

Show Setup and take down

Membership

Raffle

Admissions

Clerks

Culture

Kitchen

Food for kitchen.

Call MaryAnne at 697-9237 or send an email to her at tommaryanne@centurylink.net to let us know where you would like to volunteer. The more you participate, the more you'll enjoy the show and be part of putting on a beautiful show.

Register your plants for Sarasota

We need your blooming orchids for the Sarasota Orchid Show. Now is the time to prepare the orchids that you want to show. Remove dead leaves and old flower spikes. Make sure that the plants are free of insects. Clean the leaves. Register your blooming plants on Jan. 1st and 2nd. Email the names of the plants you want to enter to orchids@eaos.org. List the full name of the orchid as shown on the label, the color pattern and the approximate size of the flower (a picture would really help). You can expect a return email either saying that the plants have been registered or asking for further information.

Bring your registered plants to the Sarasota Auditorium at 10 am on Friday, Jan. 4 or drop off your plant at Edna McClenney-Willis' house at 1395 Forked Creek Dr., Englewood. Give her a call at 941-474-1187 to let her know you are bringing plants for her to take to Sarasota. The show is on Jan. 5 & 6. Pick up your plants on Sunday Jan. 6 at 5 pm. Other shows will be: Feb. 2-3 in Venice and Mar. 1-2 in Englewood. For a detailed explanation of why and how to register your orchids for this year's shows, see the file on the EAOS website: www.eaos.org/ShowPrep 2019.pdf.



2nd Place

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MENTOR PROGRAM

Our society started a new program 6 months ago....The Mentor/Mentee Program to help those with questions on how to grow their orchids. We now have four MENTORS and ten MENTEES. Each Mentee was matched to a Mentor and have visited each other's homes to view their growing conditions and orchids. The Mentor will help with suggestions on watering, exposure to the sun and if repotting needs to be done. You don't have to be NEW to growing orchids to sign up, we all can use each other's help every now and then. Please feel free to always call the Mentor that was assigned to you with any problems or questions. We want this to be fun and helpful to get your orchids to bloom nicely. Don't forget to bring in your blooming orchids to show on the Plant Table at each of our meetings. You may be surprised that you won a ribbon. And even if you didn't, it helps to hear what is said when they talk about each orchid. Also, with our upcoming orchid shows, please do not hesitate to enter your blooming orchids. Once you get started in shows, you will always want to have a few that are special to you to enter in a show. You can email me anytime if you want to be a Mentor or Mentee. My email is: skipnjudy1@msn.com.

Judy Russell

Driver needed for EAOS trailer

We are still looking for someone to bring the EAOS trailer to the 3 orchid shows. We need someone who has a SUV or truck with a hitch and is able to bring the trailer to Sarasota on Jan. 4 and back on Jan. 6; likewise, for the Venice show February 1 and the EAOS show on February 28. Call MaryAnne at 941-697-9237 or Ken at 941-876-0109 if you are able to help.

TREASURER'S REPORT

NOVEMBER, 2018

BEGINNING BALANCE	16,589.02
INCOME	+ 659.68
PLANT SALE SUMMARY	
NET TO CLUB	+ 384.20
EXPENSES FOR MONTHL	- 327.00
ENDING BALANCE	\$17,305.90

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
HELEN MCCLASKIE, TREAS.



The annual Holiday Dinner at the Hills Restaurant in Rotonda brought together 34 members and friends.