

Englewood Area Orchid Society

July, 2014 Newsletter

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From the President's Desk



If you missed our meeting on the 9th, you missed a great program. The video on “The Judge, the Hunter, the Thief, and the Black Orchid” was really good. When I realized the video was an hour, I thought that we’d break in the middle and then continue. Well, it was so good and time just went by that we watched the video all in one sitting and you could have almost heard a pin drop. When it was over, everyone clapped their approval. If you missed it, you’ll be able to check it out of our library, which I hope will be back in business in September. We do need a Librarian, so if someone would like to volunteer, that would be perfect. I already have two people who missed it that want to see it, so you’ll have to get in line.

Don’t forget that we’ve invited Venice to our July meeting, so we need to show them some southern hospitality. Let’s have a good showing and bring lots of delicious goodies for them.

It was nice having Victoria LaMarr, our scholarship recipient, at our meeting.

It looks like everyone is looking forward to going back to Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Ave., Englewood. We’ll be there for the July meeting, for the August meeting, the Venice Community Center, and starting September, we’ll be back at Christ Lutheran Church.

Mary Anne DiGrazia, EAOS President

New Meeting Location

The board discussed changing the meeting location back to the old site and it was brought before the members at the June meeting. There were no negative thoughts about moving back to Christ Lutheran Church.

NO CULTURE CLASS

Mickey Carnell will be selling
Orchids at the July joint meeting.

So

No culture class will be held.

It was moved, seconded, and voted on by the members with a unanimous decision to leave the Chamber of Commerce and move back to the church.

There will be several advantages being back at the church. Parking is unlimited and we have our storage cabinet back so that things don’t have to be carted back and forth each meeting. This is a big thing for those who have been doing it for the meetings. The hall is much larger so that we have lots of room to grow again and there is a large screen that pulls down for our use. There is also a sound system, so that our speakers can use a microphone and make it easier to hear. Unfortunately with any good thing, there is also the bad. The negative here is that the church is more expensive. But in the long run, this change will work out better for EAOS.

July will be the joint meeting and that will be held at the church. In August, we’ll travel to Venice to be their guest. Anyone wanting to car pool can park at the church at 6:15 and hopefully this will save a lot of people having to drive alone to Venice.

SHOW OR NO SHOW....

...THAT IS THE QUESTION

If we are to have a show for 2015, we need to have 2 or 3 people step up to volunteer to be co-chairmen. We will also need 10 or more people to be chairmen of the different committees and then we'll need to have lots of volunteers to serve on all these committees. No experience is needed.

Without this participation, we cannot do a show.

We need to hear what you would like to do, whether it be as co-chairman, committee chairmen or volunteers...or that you do not want to hold a show for 2015. It's important that we make this decision soon. We do have the Englewood United Methodist Church temporarily reserved for March 6, 7, and 8th.

If we do not have a show, I would still like to see us participate in Sarasota's and Venice's show as we have done in the past. We'll need volunteers for those shows and I know you'll all step up and do your part.

What is your pleasure?



Blc. Hwa Yuan Grace 'Cat King' from Mary Anne DiGrazia won 1st Place on the Plant Table.

June Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Englewood Area Orchid Society was held on June 9, 2014 at the Englewood Area Chamber of Commerce. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Mary Anne DiGrazia.



Mary Anne DiGrazia presents the EAOS scholarship to Victoria LaMar.

Mary Anne introduced Victoria LaMar the recipient of a \$500 scholarship from EAOS. She graciously accepted the scholarship and said a few words about her future endeavors.

New Business – The Board discussed moving our monthly meetings back to Christ Lutheran Church. At the Chamber the parking is limited and with all the tables and chairs that we need to hold a meeting the space does not meet our needs. At the church we would have a storage cabinet which saves members from carrying necessities for each meeting, more parking and ample space for tables and chairs. A motion was made and seconded.

July joint meeting with Venice will be at the Christ Church.

August joint meeting with Venice will be held at the Venice Community Center.

September on will be at Christ Church.

We enjoyed a video presentation, 'The Judge, The Hunter, The Thief and The Black Orchid'. The documentary gave us a look into the world of collecting, judging, hunting, conservation and smuggling. It was very informative on what has transpired to bring us the orchids we enjoy today.

The plant table was awarded ribbons and the plant raffle was held.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 P.M.

*Respectfully submitted,
Carol Nissen,
Corresponding Secretary*

June Plant Table

1st Place - Blc. Hwa Yuan Grace 'Cat King',
Mary Anne DiGrazia

2nd Place - B. Lady of the Night, Jan Plummer

3rd Place - Zygolum Louisendorf grex,
Kathleen Hietala

Members' choice - Zygolum Louisendorf grex,
Kathleen Hietala

Speaker's Choice - Den. Burana Fancy mutation,
Carol Nissen



Carol Nissen's orchid Den. Burana Fancy mutation took Speaker's Choice.



Zygolum Louisendorf grex brought by Kathleen Hietala won 3rd Place and Members' Choice.



B. Lady of the Night took 2nd Place for Jan Plummer.

July & August joint meetings

July and August meetings are held jointly with the VAOS. These two meetings will not be at the usual meeting space, so take note.

July's speaker is Katie Caldwell, with a presentation on Vandas. It will be a joint meeting with Venice on July 14 at 6:30 pm, and will be held at Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Ave. in Englewood. Let's all be there to welcome the Venice society.

In August, the VAOS will host the meeting in Venice on their regular meeting day and time, Wednesday, August 6 at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held at the Venice Community Center, behind the library. The speaker will be Courtney Hackney and she'll be speaking on Cattleyas.

Monthly Meeting Schedule

6:30-7:00 -- buy raffle tickets and check out the variety of plants that our speaker brings. Interact with fellow members and get to know them.

7:00 -- announcements

7:15-8:00 -- program

8:00 -- short break – buy raffle tickets, if you haven't already done so and check out the speaker's plants.

8:10 -- plant table, followed by raffle

EAOS awards scholarship

Victoria LaMar was EAOS scholarship recipient. She is a lovely young lady. She is a National Honor Society member, has almost 100 hours of community service and is the captain of the varsity softball and volleyball teams. She will attend the Florida Atlantic University



in Boca Raton, Florida, and will major in environmental studies. She thanked us for the scholarship and told us a little about herself.

aware that the AOS may limit some information to members only. On the RHS website, orchid information may not be evident on the homepage, but a search for “orchids” will find many useful articles and links. They also have a registry of orchid names.

Don't hesitate to do a Google search for a particular orchid. You may be able to find information that way. A search for *Den. aggregatum* shows many resources including pictures, a video presentation on YouTube, and articles on how to grow it, for example:

[How We Grow Dendrobiums, Part 2 « RF Orchids](#)

[rforchids.com/how-we-grow-dendrobiums-part-2/](#)

Feb 15, 2012 - How We Grow Dendrobiums, Part 2. *Dendrobium lindleyi (aggregatum)*. In this “chapter” on growing dendrobiums, we'll cover the species in ...

Use internet resources carefully, but be sure to give them a try.

Orchid Websites can help

There are many orchid websites that you can use to help you grow your orchids. There are some that specialize in certain kinds of orchids. Others give you information about diseases and pests. Be sure to use websites carefully: not all information will apply to the growing conditions in Florida and some may give advice that could harm your plants.

Among the specialized websites are: [orchidspecies.com](#) and [stanhopea.autrevie.com](#). Just as the name says, orchidspecies.com is only for looking up species. It is the Orchid Species Encyclopedia. Many of the orchids listed have pictures. In addition, it tells about the conditions in the wild where the orchid grows. The website [stanhopea.autrevie.com](#) is restricted to stanhopeas and related orchids.

Another specialized website is [paphs.net](#) where you can find all kinds of information about paphs. On this site there is a list of paph related links to websites around the world.

Many of the online orchid vendors also include cultural information for the orchids that they sell. Also the [AOS](#) and the [RHS](#) will have useful information. Be

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EAOS Treasurer's Report

Bal. as of end of May - - - - - \$ 6873.44

Expenses in June - - - - -

Deposits - - - - - *no expenses or deposits*

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