



Englewood Area Orchid Society

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Newsletter

From the President's Desk



The February meeting was lots of fun and very informative. Karen Harper from Orchid Mania always does a nice job for us. The March 10th meeting features Bob Hague, another good friend of the Englewood Area Orchid Society. Bob is always a lot of fun and does a really great talk. Bring friends and enjoy this meeting. Bob's kids, Rachel and Robby will probably be there so remember, your kids or grandchildren are welcome as well. We do not want anyone to feel they have to miss a meeting because of family obligations. These meetings are for our enjoyment, not sacrifices. I am not exactly sure what Bob's topic is going to be, but it really doesn't matter. There will be orchids involved in a major way, I'm pretty sure.

Now, the raffle table. I am not sure you all know this, but we buy about \$65 in plants from our speaker. The speaker picks out the plants and donates some to us for the table. So far, this is working pretty well because we are taking in more money than we are spending and we are putting more plants in play for our members to win. The table is a good source of self-sustaining funds but right now we need a little more cash than before because we are entering the AOS orchid show world and there are more costs involved, particularly food. I hope you all remember my suggestion about donating plants to the raffle table. We all have more plants than we need and probably some we don't even like anymore. Bring them in. Put them on the table. Let's generate a monster raffle and some much needed cash for the show. This is the last meeting before our show. Let's show some real support for Pam

and the others who are working so hard on this event. The setup day, Thursday is very important. The rest of the show will be far much fun for all of us if we all do something to help out. Also, Pam got us really neat shirts, we had them on at the Feb meeting, for the workers to wear. I know we can all pretty much buy any shirt we want, but this one you have to earn. And you will enjoy it more. For those of you who missed the meeting or didn't see Pam or I, the shirts are black with yellow lettering. Good contrast. Also, we need a chairman for the annual plant sale in November. We make some money but we have a lot of fun doing it and there are always some great plants from our own members who can really grow orchids. The plant table at our Feb. meeting can hold its own with any plant table that any society puts out. You all should be proud of the display you put on and really proud of the ribbons you win here. Remember, this is not a popularity contest, we have a real AOS judge, Ted Kellog, awarding the prizes. Also consider the educational aspect of the plant table when Ted and the speaker, and Mickey describe the attributes of the individual plants. In closing, I hope you are all well and plan on coming to the meeting March 10th. Bring a friend and BRING SOME PLANTS.

John Masters.



Minutes 2/11/08

President John Masters opened the meeting with a promise to give to all who show up to help our Orchid Show a tee shirt. He called upon Pam to report on the Venice Show.

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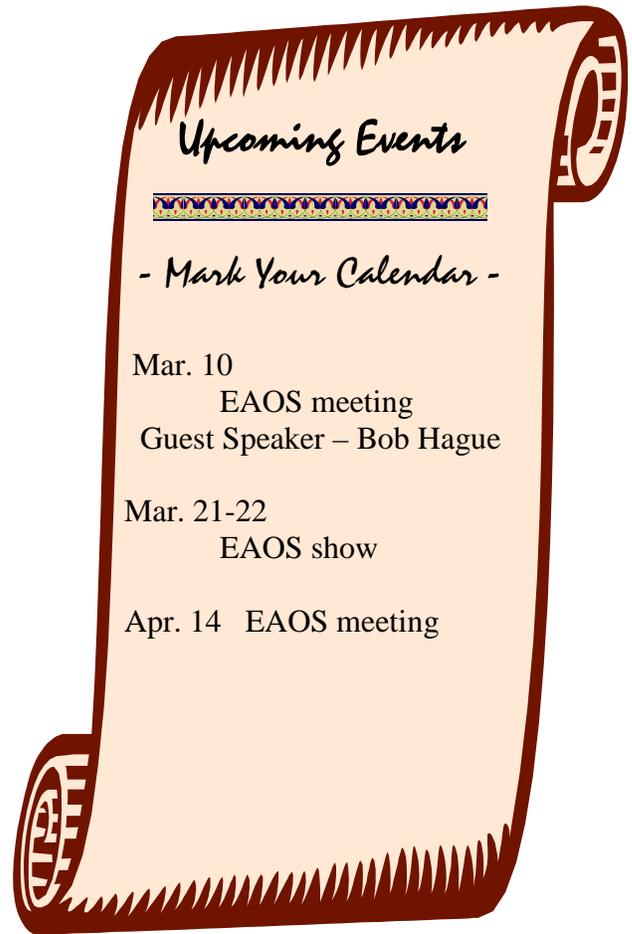
We got no ribbons and our display was not high enough. Theme adherence was left out of the judging due to Ted's goof. Plants must be entered according to a classification schedule. Plants entered incorrectly will not be judged.

L. A. Ainger school children will be doing a project on native orchids as found in Corkscrew Swamp.

Michelle Glembocki is doing the advertising for the show. We need more patrons for the show. \$25.00 or more and you will be listed on the sponsors page. Food at the show on Thursday will be hamburgers & ? Friday there will be a Chicken Bar B Q for judges & Staff.

Flyers are on the table ready to take.

Respectfully submitted,
Marylou Evans



This Month's Meeting

March 10, 2008
at
Christ Lutheran Church

7 PM

Speaker:

Bob Hague

Of

Venice Orchids

Orchid Show Scuttlebutt!

1. It's SPRING CLEANING!! Time to dig out all your old AOS Bulletins and bring them to our next meeting. We will use them to sell at the March Orchid Show.
2. Don't forget to sign up for a Show Committee. Earn your very own EAOS Show T Shirt. Sign up to work for 4 hours during the 2 day show and one of these most treasured items will be yours. If you weren't at the last meeting. They are classic black with the prettiest yellow orchid. We need folks to help with the clerking on Friday morning. Trust me you will learn slot. Also we're desperate for someone to collect admission money on Sat. afternoon.
3. We are going to advertise the heck out of this. Have some chutzpah, ask merchants to donate moola. Promote sponsorship of our event!!!

Feb. Plant Table Winners

First Place:

Cookara Bill, Joe Crook

Second Place and tied for Members' Choice:

Paph. Sander's Pride x Michael Koopowitz,
Mickey Carnell

Third Place:

Rby. George's Beach Bunny, Joe Crook

Best Species:

'A Duck-Load of Phalaenopsis equestris v.
alba', Ken Woodward

Speaker's Choice:

Dendrobium Sunning x Rutherford,
Ted and Marty Kellogg

Member's Choice (tied):

Blc. Mamilani Rainbow, Bob Miller



Feb. Plant Table entries



Joe Crook's Cookara Bill, Feb. Plant Table winner

Plants for the show?

The plant drop off for the EAOS show is at Marylou's house, 160 Coconut Ave, which runs parallel to, and on the Venice side of, Dearborn. Plants should be dropped off on March 19 after 10 am.

If members elect to drop off orchids at the sports complex, the form has to filled out and emailed to Pam (pbombardieri@comcast.net) with a description of the color and the size of the flower. Use the form on the next page. Plants should arrive at the sports complex after 8 am on Thurs., March 20.

Orchid Show Entry Form

Exhibitor #	Name		
Address		City/Country/State & Postal Code	Phone

Class	Entry	Space	Plant Name	
			Pod Parent	Size
			Pollen Parent	Color
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Please type or write distinctly

Orchids on the Internet

For those of you who want to chat with Orchid enthusiasts every day rather than once a month, the internet has plenty of opportunities. Try a newsgroup, where you can meet people on all levels of orchid sophistication, from those who have just bought their first to commercial growers.

There are two discussion groups 'rec.gardens.orchids' and 'alt.binaries.pictures.orchids'. Few rules exist on these groups and there's no real way to enforce rules, so be prepared for a few responses that may be rude. The vast majority of participants, however, are just like the members of EAOS. Also be prepared for advice that may not fit the Florida environment, since these people are from all over the country. Be assured that some will be familiar with conditions in Florida and you will soon learn whose advice to trust.

To get access to newsgroups, most email programs can be used. You have to find out from your service provider how to set up the program to access this service. On Comcast, look for "newsgroups" on <http://www.comcast.net/help/faq/> and get instructions.

Treasurer's Report

February 2008

Checking Account

1/31/08 Balance	1,319.06
Deposits 1	1,523.00
Checks 5	(2,619.85)
2/25/08 Balance	222.21

Savings Account

Balance 1/31/08	1,154.70
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<u>Total Cash</u>	1,376.91
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Respectfully submitted,
Roger Perrault, Treasurer

EAOS 2008 Dues

We are about to print our membership directory. If you haven't paid your 2008 dues, your name will not be in it. Please send checks now:

Englewood Area Orchid Society Membership/Renewal Application

Dues \$15.00 / \$25.00 per couple yearly

Make checks payable to:

Englewood Area Orchid Society

Mail to: EAOS

P.O. Box 257,

Englewood, FL 34297-0257

Please print clearly ---

Last Name:

First Name:

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City/Town: _____

State _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone with area code:

E-mail Address:

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