



Englewood Area Orchid Society

November, 2016 Newsletter

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From the President's Desk

By the time you read this we will have had our orchid and plant sale at Christ Lutheran. Everyone that is selling, I am sure, have been getting their plants ready and looking forward to a fun day selling and then turning to their neighbor and buying one of their plants. It happens all the time. That is part of the fun. Hope you came out to help, sell, buy and bring your friends. We'll have a report at our next meeting.



I hope you have all marked October 29 on your calendar for the two open houses that will be happening. I am sure Steve has been working to get things ready for his open house and I understand that he might have some orchids for sale. Be sure and check it out. Tom and I have been working around getting the grounds ready, so we are looking forward to a nice crowd. Be sure and come, bring a friend and your camera and enjoy. The hours are 9-1.

We just found out that Sarasota Orchid Show will be held on January 7th and 8th, with set up on the 6th. Normally we have a table top display, but this year we'll be having a 10 x 10 display, so Ken and company will need lots of blooming plants for the display. Start getting your plants ready, cleaned and staked, because January, February and April will be here before we know it. It's never too soon to get your plants in order.

I hope you enjoyed the AOS DVD on The Judge, The Hunter, The Thief, and the Black Orchid. It really is an interesting program and very enjoyable. If you missed it, it will be in our library so that you can take it out and enjoy it.

On November 4th and 5th Raphael from Plantio La Orquidea will be having his fall orchid sale from 9-4. His address is 3480 Tallevast Rd., Sarasota, FL. 34243, 941-504-7737.

Just a little reminder when you get a new plant and bring it home to your growing area. You should always separate it from your other plants. Next, it is always a good idea to repot the orchid into the mix that you use. Be sure and clean the plant well and be sure that there are no bugs, etc. before you repot

Calendar

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

Oct. 29
Orchid & Garden Open House
(see next page)

Nov. 4-5 – Sale at Plantio La Orquidea

Nov 12 – VAOS Plant Sale at the gazebo in downtown Venice.

Nov. 14 – Regular meeting –
Speaker: Bill Thoms

Dec. 12 – Annual Holiday
Dinner/Meeting at The Hills in Rotonda.

Jan. 7-8 – Sarasota Orchid Show

it. The plant will be happier and so will your other plants. They don't want to get "sick" from your new acquisition.

Our northern friends should be starting to "fly" back to Florida, so we are really looking forward to seeing them.

Mark your calendar for our November 14th, because Bill Thoms will be our speaker. He is such a great speaker and you'll really enjoy his presentation and will learn a lot from him. Be sure and not miss it.

Look forward to seeing you at the open house and our next meeting on the 14th.

Mary Anne DiGrazia, EAOS President

Orchid & garden open house – 10/29

There will be two homes on the tour this year and I hope you'll be able to visit both of them. One will be held at Tom and Mary Anne DiGrazia's home, 3058 Mauck Ter., Gulf Cove, Pt. Charlotte, 941-697-9237. The gardens will be opened from 9:00 -1:00. Come and bring your friends and your camera. There have been lots of changes since the last time they had an open house.

From the north, take 776 to Gillot, last street before the El Jobean bridge, turn left at light and go about 4 miles. Turn right on Quinlan and drive 2 blocks, turn left on Holcomb and go 3 blocks to Mauck Terr. House at end of street. Coming from the south, go over the El Jobean bridge, turn right at the light at Gillot and follow above directions.

Steve Vogelhaupt at 4807 Jacaranda Hgts. Dr. in Venice will also have an open house. From Englewood, Follow FL-776 north. Turn left on Jacaranda Blvd., then almost immediately right on Jacaranda Heights Dr. His house is at the end of the cul-de-sac on the left. This open house is also from 9:00 to 1:00 .



SAVE THE DATE--Monday, December 12th



for our Holiday Dinner/meeting, 5:30 PM.

This year it will be a buffet at the Hills Golf & Country Club in Rotonda.

A minimum of 40 people is required. Guests are welcomed and encouraged. call JoAnn Royal 474-2844 or Helen McClaskie 681-2860.

cost is \$24.00 per person

Treasurer's Report

September Income - \$	65.00
Expenses -	310.00
Balance 10/1	- \$11,818.02

Respectfully submitted,
Helen McClaskie, Treasurer.

EAOS needs Volunteers

January 6 we need someone with a trailer hitch to drive our trailer to the Sarasota auditorium for the orchid show setup and return the trailer to Englewood on Jan. 8 after the show.

We also need a person who lives in Englewood and has a large car to bring orchids to the show on Jan 6 and bring them back to Englewood on Jan 8.

Plantio la Orchidea Open House – 11/4&5

Rafael Romero at Plantio La Orquidea, 3480 Tallevast Rd, Sarasota, 941-504-7737, will be having an open house on November 4th and 5th. They are at Tropiflora.

Fred Clarke to speak at VAOS

Last month we watched an AOS video which featured Fred Clarke as one of the growers. He was the grower that created the Black Orchid. He will be speaking at the November 2nd, 2016 meeting of VAOS. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

He'll be speaking on Mini-Catts. If you are interested, the meeting is held at the Venice Community Center where VAOS holds their annual show.

October Plant Table



1st Place.



2nd Place

Plant Table Winners

1st Place

B. nodosa (Lady of the Night)

Jan Plummer

2nd Place

Paph. Hsinying Alien

Judy Russell

3rd Place

V. Suksamran Gold

Josh Peterson

Best Species

Angcm. distichum

Josh Peterson



3rd Place



Best Species

Judy Russell's Growing Tips

I don't have a fertilizer routine. Whenever I think about it I water then always douse with fertilizer, over the leaves too. I use Better-Gro "Orchid Plus" which is a 20-14-13. Every 3rd or 4th treatment, I will give them Better-Gro "Orchid Better-Bloom", 11-35-15.

I give my Catts. and Phals. a good watering when they are totally dried out! I take my Catts. outside and, using my hose nozzle set on the shower feature, I totally drench to get the salts out, then wait 15 minutes and water again. As far as my Phals. they get the same treatment.

My lanai is facing EAST and my Phals. are under a roof on the lanai so they do not get too much sun. Other orchids that do not need much sun I have in the far back of my lanai, such as Paph., Onc., Bulb.

I find the Catts. need as much sun as they can take without burning their leaves.

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