



# Englewood Area Orchid Society

November, 2017 Newsletter

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## From the President's Desk



I hope you all have recovered from our hurricane and that things are back to somewhat normal. I know some of you received quite a bit of damage and may you be getting everything settled soon. That was quite a storm and most of us were so lucky that Irma decided at the last moment to make a quick change of direction and not hit Englewood head on.

Our annual plant sale will be on November 11th from 9-12. We are looking for people to sell plants and also we need help with the sale. Please give me a call if you want to sell or can help. We always have lots of fun. If you don't sell or volunteer to help, I hope you will stop by and support the club and see that great selection of plants, etc. that will be for sale.

It won't be long and December will be here, so we are taking reservations for our Dinner Meeting to be held on December 11, 2017, at the Hills Restaurant. Be sure and contact Jo Ann to let her know that you'll be coming. Please bring your friends and family as all are welcomed to join us for a lovely evening. The cost is \$25 per person. Please pay Jo Ann or Helen at our November meeting.

We are looking for old AOS Orchid magazines. If you or someone you know has some that would like to donate to EAOS, let me know. We'll need them for our show in March.

I want to thank a former member, Gloria Dunn, for donating orchids supplies and plants to the EAOS. Gloria was moving north and thought of us, which was really nice of her. We had some of the items on our raffle table and you'll see more at other meetings.

We'll be collecting canned goods and paper products for the Englewood Helping Hand at our November meeting. It will be

## Calendar

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

Nov. 11 – Annual Plant Sale at Christ Lutheran Church, 8 - 12

Nov. 13 – Regular Meeting

Dec. 11 – Dinner Meeting at Hills Restaurant, Rotonda



Bruce Holst from Selby Gardens was the speaker at the October meeting.

another way of us giving back to the community. We'll have boxes at the door to accept your donations. Thank you in advance for donating.

We want to welcome our two new members, Barbara Bruveris and Wreathel Davis to the society. We look forward to getting to know you.

If you missed our October meeting, you missed a really great speaker. Bruce Holst, the Director of Botany, Marie Selby Botanical Gardens, was our speaker. He had some wonderful slides and a great presentation about his trips to Belize. Almost makes you want to do a trip in the wild to see orchids and other plants. What an adventure he has had.

Thanks to Ted and Roy for doing our plant table.

Look forward to seeing you at our November meeting and I am sure we'll be welcoming back some of our snow birds. It will be nice to have you back.

*Mary Anne DiGrazia,  
EAOS President*

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## Sarasota Orchid Show

January 5 is the setup for the Sarasota Orchid Show. It is time to get started preparing your orchids that you want to show. An application of bloom fertilizer now may help to get the spikes started. Make sure that you stake the spikes so that your orchids look well-tended. Cool nights may help to bring your Phals into spike. The society counts on you for your orchids. That is the only way that we can prepare displays for the shows.

This year's shows will be:

Jan. 5-7 in Sarasota

Feb. 2-4 in Venice

Mar. 1-3 in Englewood

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## Canned Goods Collection

We will be collecting canned goods and dry goods for Englewood Helping Hands at our meeting. There are lots of people in need and Englewood Helping Hands is always there to lend a "hand". Let's do our part and lend a "hand" to this great organization. We'll have boxes at the door to receive your donations. Thanking you in advance for your participation.

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# Minutes of EAOS Meeting

October 9, 2017

Meeting was called to order by President Mary Ann. She welcomed guests and new members.

## Old Business:

There was not a meeting in September due to Hurricane Irma. T-shirts and EAOS pins are still available for sale.

## New Business:

There will be a plant sale held at the church site on November 11 from 9 a.m. to noon. If you have plants to sell the club gets 20% and you will receive 80%. Please advise Mary Ann if you will have plants or orchids to sell and also please advise her if you can volunteer to help.

Christmas Dinner meeting will be held December 11 at The Hills. Jo Ann and Helen will be in charge. We have been assured that there will be a curtain between us and the general public, giving us more privacy. We need to know how many people will attend as we need to make a deposit for that date.

Orchid magazines - We will be needing AOS orchid magazines for the March show. If you have any you would like to donate.

At the November meeting we will be collecting can goods for the Englewood Helping Hands. They service many people in the community and it will be our way of saying thank you to them. There will be boxes near the door for donations.

Break was taken for refreshments, to view the plant table and vote for favorite plant and to buy raffle tickets. Some of the raffle items were donated by former member Gloria Dunn who moved North to be near family.

Mary Ann introduced Bruce Holst, Director of Botany, Marie Selby Botanical Gardens who gave an outstanding talk and slide show on his recent expedition to Belize to study Epiphytes.

Plants from the plant table were presented and ribbons were awarded.

Meeting adjourned and attention went to the raffle where numbers were drawn and winners made choices from donated items.

Respectfully submitted,  
Fran Ostertag, Recording Secretary

## EAOS Officers

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1<sup>st</sup> Place



2<sup>nd</sup> Place



# October Plant Table

1<sup>st</sup> Place and Members' Choice -  
C. Pirate King 'Port Wine'

Cindy Randt

2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
Ctyh. Mae Bly 'Chin Hua Splash'

Debi Sullivan

3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Bc. Marg Putman 'Dipij'

Judy Russell

Best Species & Speaker's Choice  
Gongora fulva

Ed Opatrny



3<sup>rd</sup> Place



Best Species