



Englewood Area Orchid Society

November, 2023

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From the President's Desk

We had a great meeting on Oct. 16th. Steve Vogelhaupt brought several of his plants to demonstrate the best way to un-pot an orchid and answer questions about dividing your orchids, etc. There were lots of great questions and we all learned more about orchids. There is always so much to learn and it's nice when we can share our knowledge with others to help them learn.



Don't forget about our Nov. 4th plant sale at Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N Indiana Ave., Englewood. If you aren't selling or helping out, please stop by with your friends to buy and support those who are selling plants. There will be orchids and other unique plants, etc. I am sure there will be lots of great bargains, be sure and check it out.

Our November 20th meeting will have Ti and Henry from Fl Orchid House speaking. Be sure and come to hear them. They'll be bringing beautiful orchids for sale, so you'll want to check that out too.

Plans are in the works for our Holiday Dinner. Cost will be \$10, but we need to have you sign up and pay at the November meeting so we will know how many to count on. It will be a nice get together for the holidays.

Now is the time to really go over your plants and get them into show mode. Be sure to stake them and clean them up and talk to them to let them know show season starts with the Sarasota show on January 6th and 7th. Ken will need lots of beautiful, named orchids for the display. Let's see if we can have a lot of lovely orchids for display.

If you are new to the society, we hold an annual show and ours will be on February 23rd and 24th, with set up on the 22nd. It is a great way to work with other members of the society and contribute your talents to the show. There are lots of opportunities to volunteer for, so I hope you will step up and sign up at the next meeting. We need to get as many people signed up in the next couple of months so that we will know how many t-shirts to order for our volunteers.

Calendar

Meetings (except Aug. and Dec.) are on the 3rd Monday of each month at St. David's Episcopal Church, 401 S. Broadway, 6:00 pm.

Nov. 4 – Annual Plant Sale at Christ Lutheran Church - 9 to Noon

Nov. 20 - Regular Meeting – 5:30 plant table – 6:00 meeting. .

Dec. 18 - TBA. .

Jan. 6-7 - Sarasota Orchid Show. .

Try the EAOS facebook group.

If you don't have a facebook account, you will need to set up a new account in order to sign in.

Click below ->

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1181804719190767/>

EAOS Treasurer's Report

Jami has been working hard on a beautiful design and you'll want to have one of these shirts.

Mary Anne DiGrazia,
EAOS President

CHANGE OF TIME FOR MEETINGS

There was a motion by Candy Bott and seconded by Sally Hathley, that our monthly meetings start at 6:00. There was little discussion and the vote to change the time of the meeting passed. Please make a note on your calendar so you don't miss any meetings. Plant Table setup will start at 5:30.

Volunteers Needed

We need several members to volunteer to help with the raffle table. Duties would include selling tickets before meetings, at break and calling the numbers at the end of the meeting. With a couple of teams of volunteers there would not be so much on just one team to do all the work. I hope some of you will step up to help. Call Jami at 407-908-1914 or email her at jamishane06@hotmail.com. Thanks for your help.

ORCHID MAGAZINES

EAOS is a member of AOS and we receive monthly AOS magazines which are beautiful and very informative and a great way to learn more about orchids. You may take out a magazine at our meeting and just return it the next month so someone else can enjoy and learn from it. Don't miss out on this opportunity. If you want a magazine of your own, join AOS and you will receive your own copy of the magazine.

November 4th Plant Sale

It's that time of year again for our annual orchid and plant sale at Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N Indiana Ave. If you are interested in selling plants of any kind or plant related items, let Mary Anne know at tommaryanne@centurylink.net or 941-697-9237. You'll receive 80% and the society will receive 20%. Start getting your plants, etc ready for the sale.

If you have any plants that you want to donate to the society, that is great too. The proceeds of those items will go directly to the society.

We'll be needing a few people to help with the sale, so if you can help, please let Mary Anne know. Thanks.

BALANCE	
as of 09/01/2023	\$18,868.43
INCOME	
RAFFLE	\$160.00
MEMBERSHIP	\$ 45.00
TSHIRT SALES	\$ 20.00
INTEREST	<u>\$.31</u>
TOTAL	\$225.31
EXPENSES	
SPEAKER/PLANTS	\$285.00
RAFFLE PLANTS	\$107.00
PLANTS FOR OUTREACH	<u>\$ 25.00</u>
TOTAL	\$417.00
BALANCE	
AS OF 09/30/2023	\$18,676.74
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED	
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ASSISTANT TREASURER	

2023 Show Sponsors

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EAOS Election

March 2024 meeting will feature the election of officers for the society. If you are interested in serving as an officer, nominations will be welcome at the regular meeting in February. There are 5 officers: President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer.

- The President's duty is to preside over all meetings and events, including meetings of the board of the EAOS. The president will ensure all events run smoothly. The president also oversees all member activities and is the one to whom all the other officers must report.
- The Vice-President's duty is to preside over all meetings and events in the absence of the president. It is the duty of the vice-president to schedule speakers for meetings.
- The Corresponding Secretary is in charge of keeping the membership rolls. In addition, the secretary may plan or distribute scheduling information for meetings and other activities, as well as accept payment of dues from members and forward them to the treasurer.
- The Recording Secretary records the minutes at membership meetings and board meetings, covering the discussion of each agenda item, transcribing the notes and making them available as necessary.
- The Treasurer is in charge of all financial aspects, accepting payments from members directly or through the corresponding secretary. The treasurer also prepares and provides financial statements to the organization and tracks all deposits, expenses and other financial dealings.

From the Membership Committee:

We had 4 guests join us for the October potting clinic. They heard about us from members, word of mouth, or came with a friend - YAY! We had 35 members for our demonstration class - WOOHOO!

Big thanks to Patrick Phillips for coming and setting up his display of plant baskets, I think they went over well! He really enjoyed our group and said he would LOVE to come back anytime. Thank you to Steve Vogelhaupt, for bringing in his plants to do the demonstration. Thank you Mary Jo and Karen for putting out snacks and cleaning up! Also Thanks to Paul and Olivia for the cheese and cracker tray, that was a real treat.

We had quite a few people sign up to volunteer at the show in February, BRAVO!!!

We are feverishly working on a T-shirt design and trying to find the perfect printer to make them for us. Hoping to have some more info for you soon about that.

We have also been discussing new ideas and possible sponsors for raffle items for the show, if anyone has any great ideas please share!

EAOS Officers

President – Mary Anne DiGrazia

V.P. – Matt Palucci

Treasurer - Helen McClaskie

Recording. Sec. – Laurie Motter

Corresponding. Sec. – Jami Hess

Standing Committees

Membership Committee - Terri Carr, Kitty Saddler, Jami Hess, Candy Bott, Yolanda Goll, Dottie Johns, Sally Hathley

Raffle Table Committee - Joann Royal, Bonnie Swanson

Plant Table Committee - Candy Bott, Debbie Robbins, Lisa McNaughton

Hospitality Committee - Mary Commer, Mary Jo Holleran, Edna McClenney-Willis, Betsy Agro, Karen Jay

Show Committee - Mary Anne DiGrazia, Suzette Crawford, Terry Bowes

Media Committee - Ken Woodward, Jami Hess, Michelle Speyrer



Steve Vogelhaupt conducts a demonstration of how to repot orchids on Oct 16.

Do we have any members that are really good with numbers? We will need to put together a review committee to look over the books soon. Holiday Dinner is still up in the air, but Terri and Kitty are going to check out a possibility, if it pans out we will let you know.



Members on a trip to Selby Gardens, Oct 20.

Help Needed

Help - Someone or two 'someones' to take off the two tires on the trailer and take them to the dealer to get new tires and put the new tires back on the trailer. Our tires are not in good shape and the trailer shouldn't be moved to get them. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Contact Mary Anne if you'd be able to help. Thanks so much.



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October Minutes

Minutes of EAOS Meeting October 16, 2023

Meeting was called to order by President Mary Anne DiGrazia welcoming all guests and new members and to all our returning members.

Plant Table: Please bring your blooming plant to show off at the meeting. The cut-off time is 6:45 PM for orchids to be on the Plant Table. Vote for your favorite plant on the plant table. The top 3 will be our winners. Thanks for bringing in the lovely plants.

New Business:

At our Monday, November 20, 2023 meeting, Ti and Henry from Florida Orchid House will be our speakers. You won't want to miss their presentation.

Old Business:

Marie Selby Gardens – we are planning a field trip on Friday, October 20th. It will be a guided “Behind the Scenes” tour. The tour is about an hour and includes a visit to their “Endangered Species” greenhouse. The cost is \$43 per person. We will arrange a car pool.

Saturday, November 4th is our annual plant sale at Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Avenue from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Members are encouraged to sign up to sell orchids or plants or plant related items. The seller will receive 80% with EAOS receiving 20%. Please let me know if you would like to participate. If you have items you want to donate to EAOS, the proceeds of those items will be 100% to the society. Set up time starts 8:00 AM.

Our Holiday Dinner will be on Monday, December 4th. Location to be determined. Please sign up so we can have a head count by November 24th. The cost will be \$10. Please pay Jami or Teri.

Show Season:

Sarasota: The first show is January 6th and 7th in Sarasota. Important to be grooming your plants and staking them and making sure they are insect free. We will need lots of blooming plants for this show so that Ken and his team can make a beautiful display. He can not do it without your blooming plants. For Sarasota, the plant must have a name to be exhibited.

Venice: The Venice show is on February 3rd and 4th. Ken will again need lots of groomed, beautiful blooming plants for this show. Let’s not let him down.

Englewood: The Englewood show is February 23rd and 24th. Here we will be needing lots of plants and lots of volunteers. The sign-up sheets are on the table so please sign up to help our show be a success. We will need your t-shirt size so we can order shirts for the volunteers that are participating.

Candy Bott made a motion to move the meeting start time to 6:00 PM. Teri Carr seconded the motion. The majority were in agreement to move the meeting time to 6:00 PM.

Steve Vogelhaupt gave a demonstration on getting overgrown plants out of containers and also the art of dividing a plant. He also spoke of the different potting materials he uses.

During the break, please check out the plants on the raffle table. Also check out the beautiful baskets from our guest vendor.

Attention then went to the raffle table where numbers were drawn. Winning numbers choosing from the plants and items that were donated for the raffle.

Respectfully Submitted,
Laurie Motter, Recording Secretary

Needed: Show Volunteers

It won't be long till our Englewood show will be here. Time seems to fly between now and our show.

We need people to sign up for the following opportunities:

Admission - taking money and giving out a raffle ticket for the hourly drawing.

- Raffle table - Sell raffle tickets for the wonderful raffle items that we will be offering.
 - Culture - Offer orchid magazines to visitors and hand out culture sheets.
 - Membership - Encourage visitors to join our society and learn more about orchids.
 - Set up - Prep the hall before the vendors and societies come to set up their exhibits. The tables will be in place and we have to put table cloths and skirts on all the tables and curtains up for the displays.
 - Clerks - A great way to learn more about orchids and work with the judges in awarding ribbons and awards.
 - Hospitality - We need volunteers to help in the kitchen. We offer food for the vendors and societies and volunteers.
We also need food donations and/or monetary donations to purchase the food.
 - Take down - After the show is finished, everything has to be taken down and packed for another year.
- Many hands make light work.

I hope you will think about signing up for several shifts and getting involved. The more involved you are, the more you will get out of it and the better the show will be. It takes a village, better known as a wonderful society!

Thanks for considering. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me for answers. Mary Anne - 941-697-9237 or tommaryanne@centurylink.net.