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Meeting Information:

February 9, 2012

7:00 pm Educational Program:

Corinne Arnold on Bifoliate Cattleyas

7:30 pm, Main Speaker: Michael Polen on

Spring Re-potting

Our speaker will be bringing ORCHIDS for sale! Remember to bring food for the break and get a Raffle Ticket for an ORCHID! Wear your name tag to get a Raffle Ticket for an ORCHID!!

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Membership: The term of membership shall be for the calendar year. Annual dues for the first annual member in a household shall be \$20.00, each additional annual member in a household and not receiving a newsletter shall be \$15.00. Lifetime membership is \$200.00. If you wish to have a paper copy of the newsletter mailed to you rather than email, the cost is an additional \$10.00 per year. The actual cost to mail the twelve monthly newsletters is \$18.00 annually per subscription.

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ABOUT OUR FEATURED SPEAKER

The speaker for our February meeting will be long time FWCOS member and past president Michael Polen. Michael, who was born in St Petersburg and has lived here his entire life, owns and operates Artstone Orchids with his wife Paula and his brother. Mike and Paula learned to appreciate orchids at an early age, both having mothers who were orchid hobbyists. While vacationing in the Florida Keys in the early 1980s, they shopped for orchids on the way home for their mothers. That was all it took and it wasn't long before they were buying orchids for themselves. They began placing their orchids around the fountains and statues at Artstone to enhance sales and the orchids became so popular that their customers were coming in wanting to buy orchids and thus the orchid business was born in 1984.



Another member of Michael's extended family, his Aunt Kay, was an avid orchid grower and also a founding member of FWCOS. Through her, Michael and Paula joined FWCOS in 1986 and Michael served as President in 1992 and 1993. Today Michael still enjoys growing orchids, lecturing at orchid societies around the state as well as doing workshops and orchid shows where he consistently wins awards and honors for the spectacular orchid displays he and Paula create.

This month Michael will give a presentation on spring time re-potting. This comes just in time too; for the unseasonably warm winter we're been having has confused the orchids and many are bursting into spring growth already.

Many FWCOS members know Emily Clarkson, she has been a member of FWCOS since 1999. Emily is an accredited AOS judge and has contributed so much to FWCOS, presenting the bloom table every month and coordinating the judging and plant entries for our show each fall. Emily recently suffered a major stroke and was in intensive care at Tampa General Hospital. She cannot receive visitors, phone calls or flowers however cards can be sent to her home and her family will take them to her and read them to her. Our thoughts are with Emily and her family at this time and we wish her a full recovery. Cards may be sent to:

Mrs. Emily Clarkson
4713 Foxshire Circle
Tampa, FL 33624-4307

Update 1-31-2012:

Good news! Emily is starting to have some feeling and movement on her right side. She is still being fed through a feeding tube but has been moved, by request to one of the floors she worked on at Tampa General. She is very alert and aware and would be happy to have visitors and definitely...please keep the cards coming. Emily's room number is 6-A

President's Message



Hello Everyone,

How about this winter weather. With the warmer winter going on my plants all think it's spring now. I have actually started my March repotting in the third week of January. Michael Polen is This month's speaker and he will be talking about spring repotting. He couldn't have come at a better time.

The FWCOS bus trip to The Tamiami Orchid Festival was last weekend, headed up by mild mannered, soft spoken Corinne Arnold. I bet we can get her to tell us about it at the next meeting.

We have another volunteer work day at the botanical gardens scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 18. Please contact Cheryl Finke about volunteering that day. We're going to try something different this time with the orchids for the volunteers, instead of ordering from a website volunteers will be able to choose a plant from St. Pete Orchid Farm. We are doing very well with our volunteer hours thanks to Cheryl's efforts and all the members who volunteer.

FWCOS has two main events per year, one is our show held each fall and the other is our spring auction. The show's purpose is to promote orchids in our area and to have an AOS sanctioned event. The show however is not a fund raising event, in fact our goal is to break even. Some years we make a few bucks and some years we don't. Our auction is the only fund raising event we have other than some minor things like the raffle ticket sales. If we didn't have the auction our dues would probably have to be \$60 or \$70 just to break even. My point here is that we need to support Ruth Cannon in her auction endeavor; with plants, volunteer time, boxes or whatever she needs for the auction to be successful. I would like to thank you in advance for your help.

We also have a member's plant sale and some other events coming up but I will let some other folks tell you about that at the meeting.

Take Care and have some fun,

Bill Nunez
Aka "The Rhizome Cowboy"

FWCOS

MEMBER'S PLANT SALE!

February 12, 2012

9 am -12 pm

12350 Ridge Rd. Largo 33774

(For more information contact Corinne Arnold 727-475-0750)

January's Bloom Table Ribbons

Below: *Ada (Lycaste) fimbriata* Grown by Roy Finley



Below: *Angraecum Crestwood (veitchii X sesquipedale)* Grown by Corinne Arnold



February Meetings and Events

February 2012

February 1 at 7 pm; Orchid Society of West Pasco Meeting at Buena Vista Manor Club-house, 5112 Rosada Ave, Holiday. 1st Wednesday of the month. Contact: Greg Sytch; 727-841-9618, gsytch@cs.com.

February 4 & 5; Venice Area Orchid Society Show at Venice Community Center, 326 Nokomis Ave. S, Venice FL. Contact Carol Wood 941-497-4995, cwood12@msn.com

February 6 at 7:30 pm; Sarasota Orchid Society Meeting at Marie Selby Botanical Gardens Activity Center. 811 S. Palm Ave, Sarasota. Culture class at 6:30pm. Contact; Carolyn Langdon, 941-773-9188.

February 9 at 7 pm; Florida West Coast Orchid Society Meeting at Pinellas County Cooperative Extension Center, 12520 Ulmerton Rd, Largo; 2nd Thursday of the month. Contact Cheryl Finke 727-420-7230, cfinke@tampabay.rr.com or visit <http://www.fwcoss.org>.

February 10, 11 & 12; Greater Orlando Orchid Society Show at Orlando Garden Club, 210 East Rollins St, Loch Haven Park, Orlando FL. Contact Joy Prince 407-299-8033, dp691955@aol.com

February 11, 9 am-12 pm; FWCOS Members Plant Sale, 12350 Ridge Rd, Largo 33774. Contact Corinne Arnold, 727-475-0750.

February 11 at 1:30 pm; AOS Judging at Harry P Leu Gardens, Palm Room, 1920 North Forest Avenue, Orlando. Contact Glen Brown; 352-735-2898.

February 16 at 6:30 pm; Tampa Bay Orchid Society Meeting at Tampa Garden Club, 2629 Bayshore Blvd, Tampa. Contact Anne Boldrick; 813-876-8495, tampabayorchidsociety@verizon.net or visit <http://tampabayorchidsociety.shutterfly.com>

February 22 at 7:30 pm; AOS Judging at Tampa Garden Center; 2929 Bayshore Blvd, Tampa; Contact: Patty Cartwright; 813-989-9357, pjcartwright@earthlink.net or visit <http://www.aos.org>.

February 28 at 10 am; Tampa Orchid Club Meeting at Northdale Recreation Center, 15550 Spring Pine Dr, Tampa, 33624. Contact Laurie Nissen 813-909-3314 or visit www.tampaorchidclub.info

February 28 at 7:30 pm; Ridge Orchid Society Meeting at Bartow Civic Center, 2250 S Floral Ave, Bartow. Contact Bill Byrd; 863-859-5060, <http://www.ridgeorchidsociety.org>.

Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting
Florida West Coast Orchid Society
January 25, 2012

In Attendance:

Cheryl Finke, Bill Nunez, Ruth Cannon, Chad Whetstone, Leslie Belew, Brent Finke, Corinne Arnold, Tiffanie Swigart, Roy Finley, Jennifer Upchurch and Len Krysko

Absent:

Tina Kendall, Bret Ullery and Michael Polen

The meeting was held at the office of Carr, Riggs & Ingram, 2111 Drew St., Clearwater. Having declared a quorum, Bill called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Old Business:

The minutes of the October 19, 2011 meeting of the Board of Trustees were reviewed. Roy moved the minutes be accepted and Ruth seconded. The motion passed.

Bill discussed with the Board how he would like to run the Board meetings.

Treasurer's Report:

Chad provided the Board with a Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the year 2011 compared to 2010. Some revenue and associated expense items may be misleading due to timing issues. There was a gain of \$2860.42 for the year, which is much better than 2010 and also better than the budget. There were also some unusual expenses in 2010 that we did not have in 2011. At our August Board meeting we discussed the donation to the judging center, and tabled our discussion until such time we received a request for a donation. Bill recently received such a letter. We did include \$250 in the 2012 budget that was approved by the membership. Chad moved that we send the judging center \$250 for the 2012 calendar year. Roy seconded and the motion passed. Total receipts are less than \$25,000 so we do not have to file a tax return.

Cheryl agreed to be the Reconciliation Committee again this year. Chad had the new sales tax certificate for those that needed a copy.

Auction:

Ruth has prepared most of the letters to send to potential donors. She will then email them the first week in February and call them the second week. Cheryl has placed the order for the dendrobiums from Kodama. There was further discussion on how to tweak things from last year, including the sign in. Ideas like completing a raffle ticket or postcards were floated. Ruth showed the ad that the Tampa Bay Times will run and Brent suggested having the Times art dept. change the picture and type set. Jennifer suggested some ideas for the boxing of the purchased plants to help with check out.

Speakers:

Bill had scheduled the following speakers for the main meeting: February – Michael Polen – Re-potting; March – Bill Thoms – Orchid Hunting in the Philippines.

Michael had scheduled Corinne to talk about bifoliate Cattleyas in February and Leslie to discuss Tolumnia in March. Len has scheduled Lee Soule to discuss potting in April. He prepared a schedule for the remainder of the year and several other Board members offered to discuss certain topics.

Board Of Trustees Meeting Minutes Continued...

Committee Chairs:

There was discussion on the standing committees under Article XV of our Bylaws. The chairs are as follows: 1. Membership – Tina; 2. Show – Jennifer with Brent’s assistance; 3. Bylaws – Leslie; 4. Plant Table – Lee Soule with assistance from Cheryl and/or Bill; 5. Library – Bret and Ruth; 6. Programs – Tina; 7. Publications: Newsletter – Jennifer, Directory – Tina; 8. Publicity – Barbara Pekan; 9. Open Greenhouse – Corinne; 10. Refreshments – Cheryl and she will ask for assistance.

Other Business:

There was discussion on the membership and signing in at the meetings. We will get more input when Tina can attend.

There was discussion on the speaker’s fee as described in the Operating Procedures of our Bylaws. It was decided that if we needed to approve travel/lodging fees in excess of our maximum payment that we could do this with an email vote of the Board.

Jennifer will include a mention in the News & Views regarding Emily Clarkson’s health and we will have a card at the next meeting for members to sign.

The show date will continue to be the first weekend in October as several vendors have other commitments later in the fall.

Bill moved that we adjourn at 8:20, and Corinne seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Belew

Secretary, FWCOS

Upcoming FWCOS Speakers and Educational Programs

February 9, 2012

7:00 pm Educational Program: Corinne Arnold on Bifoliate Cattleyas

7:30 pm Main Speaker: Michael Polen on “Springtime Re-potting”

March 8, 2012

7:00 pm Educational Program: Leslie Belew on Tolumnias

7:30 Main Speaker: Bill Thoms “Orchid Hunting in the Philippines”

April 12, 2012

7:00 pm Educational Program: Lee Soule on Potting Techniques

7:30 pm Main Speaker: TBO

Orchid Events Around the State

February 2012

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10-12 Greater Orlando Orchid Society Show, Orlando Garden Club, 210 E Rollins St, Loch Haven Park, Orlando, FL. Contact; Joy Prince, 407-299-8003, dp691955@aol.com.

11th 9 am-12 pm FWCOS Members ' Plant Sale. 12350 Ridge Rd, Largo FL 33774. Contact Corinne Arnold 727-475-0750.

11-12 Boca Raton Orchid Society Show, Safe Schools Institute 1790 NW Spanish River Blvd, Boca Raton, FL 33431. Contact; Jackie Wood, 561-703-0278.

March 2012

2-4 Tampa Bay Orchid Society Show, Egypt Shrine Center, Activities Bldg, 4050 Dana Shores Dr, Tampa FL 33634. www.tampabayorchidsociety.shutterfly.com

2-4 Key West Orchid Society Show, West Martello Towers, Key West, FL. Contact Greg Scott 305-872-9677.

8-10 Port St Lucie Orchid Society Show, Port St Lucie Community Center, 2195 S Airoso Blvd, Port St Lucie, FL. Contact; Hellen Wagner 772-579-3014, hellenrwagner@aol.com.

8-11 Orchid Society of Coral Gables Show, Fairchild, Tropical Botanic Gardens, 10901 Old Cutler Rd, Coral Gables, FL. Contact; Jill Sidran, 305-238-8762, cbsidran@bellsouth.net.

16-17 Englewood Area Orchid Society Orchid Show, United Methodist Church, 701 East Dearborn, Englewood, FL. Contact; Gail Hopper, stevegailh@comcast.net.

16-18 Naples Orchid Society Show, Moorings Presbyterian Church, Naples, FL. Contact; Frank Ginocchio 239-403-7155, f.ginocchio@comcast.net.

17th 9 am-12 pm Orchid Friends Sale 12350 Ridge Rd, Largo FL 33774. Contact Corinne Arnold 727-475-0750.

17-18 Jacksonville Orchid Society Orchid Show, Garden Club of Jacksonville, 1005 Riverside Ave, Jacksonville, FL. Contact; John & Dorothy VanBrocklin, 904-772-7404, scubagator35@gmail.com.

24-25 Orchid Lovers Club of Spring Hill Orchid Show, Suncoast Dance Party Hall, 13383 County line Rd, Spring Hill, FL. Contact; Linda Roderick, 352-597-3736, lmroderick@earthlink.net.

24-25 Orchid Society Of Highlands County Show, Bert J. Harris Jr Agri-Civic Center, 4509 George Blvd, Sebring, FL. Contact; Pete Otway, 863-699-1575, gatorgalanddoughboy@embarqmail.com.

31st Florida West Coast Orchid Society Auction, Southwest Recreational Center, 13120 Vonn Rd, Largo, FL. Contact; Ruth Cannon, 727-550-7793, gramorchid@gmail.com.

31-April 1 Central Florida Orchid Society Show, Maitland Civic Center, 641 S Maitland Ave, Maitland, FL Contact; Vicky Leighty, 561-866-6145, orchidmum@yahoo.com.

April 2012

28-29 Vero Beach Orchid Society Show, Riverside Park, 3001 Riverside Park Dr, Vero Beach, FL. Contact; Douglas Mew, 772-778-662, instedof@bellsouth.net.

May 2012

18-20 Redland International Orchid Festival, Redland Fruit and Spice Park, 24801 SW 187 Ave, Homestead, FL. Contact; Robert Randall, 305-245-5565, caribplants@att.net.



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AOS Corner

While surfing AOS website for a topic for this month's AOS Corner, I came across a little known project of the AOS, the Species Identification Task Force (SITF) (in full disclosure, I have to admit it is little known by me probably because I am not a judge). SITF is under the supervision of the Judging Committee of the AOS and its mission is to try to improve and simplify the processing of awards, with the goal of ensuring that awarded species are correctly named. Members of the Task Force are not necessarily taxonomic experts but individuals who use reference material to confirm the identity of submitted awards. When the SITF collective expertise and reference collections are not adequate, members of the task force turn to a network of qualified experts.

The discussion on their website goes on to describe that the "task force replaces the previous cumbersome identification and verification procedure, which often involved shipping plant material to a taxonomic expert. The SITF, using today's electronic communications capabilities and readily available high quality digital images, hopes to facilitate the process of identifying awarded plants and to get the process done in a timely manner. Most awarded species do not need a taxonomist for identification, if reference material is available. When reference material is not available we use taxonomic experts who are willing to give opinions based on digital photographs. Occasionally awards will require in depth investigation by a taxonomic specialist, and SITF coordinates this when it is required." Their webpage also provides links to a variety of other resources which any orchidist would find interesting to explore. To find out more about the SITF check out their site at <http://www.aosforum.org/sitf> - you should all enjoy exploring this site. This SITF page on the AOS website is an example of the vast amount of information on the AOS website.

If you are not already an individual member to the American Orchid Society, start the new year off by considering joining. AOS membership is truly a rewarding experience. Whether you are a beginner or an expert orchid grower you will find relevant information and inspiration throughout the AOS website (www.aos.org) or through our publication, *Orchids*. As a member of AOS you will join the 10,000 other members worldwide who share the like passion for orchids. In addition, you will help further the important conservation and research efforts of which the AOS is a part.

Benefits of being an AOS member include:

- Monthly issues of award-winning *Orchids* magazine (12 per year).
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- 10% discount on purchases on-line at www.aos.org, including back issues of *Orchids* magazine and on American Orchid Society published books.
- Reduced processing fees for American Orchid Society judged plant and flower awards.

In addition, the following vendors extend AOS members a 5% discount on all purchases as an added benefit of membership: Exotic Orchids of Maui, June's Orchid Estate, Krull-Smith, Orchid Doctor, Orchid Inn, Ltd, Seagrove Orchids, Sunset Valley Orchids and Woodstream Orchids.

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Also I would like to remind everyone that the AOS headquarters has been sold. Therefore, the gardens and AOS headquarters are closed to the public. As the AOS transitions to its new location within the next couple of months, please be mindful and patient with the AOS staff's responses to any inquiries or requests. They have the additional burden of moving added to their schedules. I will keep you updated in future columns on any developments with that transition.

We are in the middle of an exciting show season and I hope you all will try to support the shows in your areas. Some that are on my radar screen for this year will be the 2012 Philadelphia International Flower Show. AOS will again be putting in an exhibit at this world renowned event. Last year 265,000 attendees visited this show over its 7 days. The theme this year is *Hawaii: Islands of Aloha*. A committee has been put together and we will be soliciting plant material and volunteers for 'manning' the site. Another show is the Spring Members' Meeting of the AOS. This will be hosted by the Wichita Orchid Society. More information on these two shows (including how to register for the Members' Meeting) will be forthcoming on the AOS website under Events.

Hope you all had a great holiday and New Years.

Lynn Fuller, Chair
AOS Affiliated Societies Committee

*Ed. Note: The preceding is January and February AOS corners combined as I was unable to post January's edition previously.

To: All Judges, Students, Clerks and Orchid Enthusiasts;
The Winter Semi-Annual Judges' Training Seminar for the Florida North Central Judging Center will be held on **February 11, 2012** at the **Hampton Inn, 151 North Douglas Ave., Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 (407) 869-9000**. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m.. The motel is just north on State Rte 436 (Altamonte Dr.) going west from the I-4 interchange. Discount rates may be available through AAA, AARP, or other organizations that provide discounted rates. . This seminar is open to all AOS Judges, Clerks, and orchid enthusiasts. The cost of the seminar is \$15.00. This includes the registration and "break" refreshments. **Reservations for the seminar must be received no later than February 6, 2012. Please try to get your reservations in as early as possible.** Please contact Phillip Hamilton via e-mail bredren@cfl.rr.com or phone 407-417-1415 (please leave message if no answer).

If desired, payment may be made in advance to the FNCJC Treasurer, Ms. Jennifer Reinoso, 58 Fernwood Trail, Deland, Fl, 32724. Payment by cash or check at the door is acceptable. **If you cannot attend after you have registered, please notify Phillip Hamilton.**

The Seminar highlights include Cymbidiums by Harry McElroy and student presentations on Stanhopeinae, comments on judging issues by Ron McHatton and a refresher on Writing Descriptions. We have structured the schedule to provide time for discussions among participants. We will be holding an auction at the seminar. If you are willing to contribute a couple of plants for the auction please let us know. Auctions are an important way to support the FNC Judging activities.

We look forward to seeing you all at the seminar. The Seminar agenda is attached for your information.

Sincerely,

Wes Higgins & Phillip Hamilton, FNCJC Seminar Coordinators

JUDGES TRAINING SEMINAR

11 February 2012

8:30 Registration – Jennifer Reinoso

9:00 Welcome and Announcements - Mr. Glenn Brown, Center Chair with Phillip Hamilton & Wes Higgins, Seminar Coordinators

9:15 Cymbidium: breeding trends and considerations for judging. - Harry McElroy

10:15 Break

10:30 Student Presentations - The Stanhopeinae

- Stanhopea - Eric Cavin
- Acineta - Linda Lowe
- Gongora - Julio Hector
- Coryanthes - Laura Newton

11:30 Ron McHatton - AOS/Judging issues.

12:00 Quick lunch on your own (traffic and restaurants can be slow in the area)

1:00 - 2:45 Writing descriptions - Bill Thoms and Ron McHatton

2:45 Break

3:00 -3:30 Auction - Bill Thoms. Please bring plants. (This will be our only auction of the year.)

AOS judging to follow at the same at the same location. (We have the room to 5:00.)

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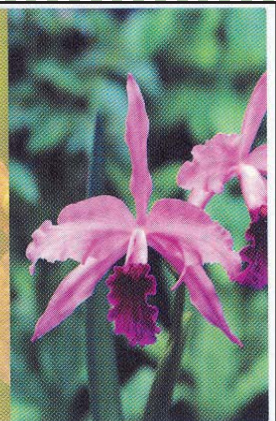
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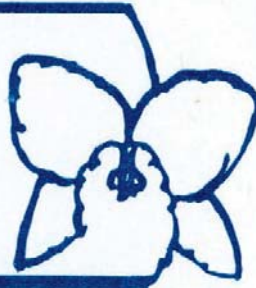
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