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Newsletter



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November 2013

President's Message John Ingram

Let me begin by echoing all the good words that were spoken at our last meeting about the success of our show: without all the many volunteers, both on-site and off, as well as the GOS members who brought family, friends, and perhaps total strangers to our show, there would have been neither show nor success! It is my hope that next year's GOS shows in the spring and the fall will be even more fulfilling for us all.

Now to business:

In the words of our former president: It is time to wrap up the year with the

November Auction/ Annual Holiday Dinner. Likewise, it is time for me to wrap up my time as this year's President of GOS. It has been a privilege for me to serve the society and I thank all of you who supported GOS for the past year by volunteering your time and talents. We have new members of the Society and courtesy of Linda's recruiting efforts, both former and new speakers, each of whom brought a unique and individual perspective on our favorite obsession. Tom Sheehan, Marian Sheehan, Candy Hollinger, and I will seek out some interesting, and perhaps, even beautiful,

orchids at the AOS meeting at Fairchild Tropical Botanical Garden to peak your interest and loosen your purse strings (money bags?) for the auction, where I shall again have the privilege being the main auctioneer. See you all (and numerous friends, family, relatives, et al) at the auction on the Monday before Thanksgiving.

John Ingram

Next Meeting: Monday November 25, 2013 at

Kanapaha Botanical Gardens

The Gainesville Orchid Society meetings are held on the fourth Monday of every month at starting at 7:00 pm (Beginner's class) in the Summer House at Kanapaha Botanical Gardens, 4700 SW 58th Drive. For additional information contact any of the GOS officers.

Come one Come all
to our Blow Out
Fall Auction!
Orchids, Plants and
Supplies

(no beginner's class due to the auction)

We are an
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Let's Talk Orchids

New Members:

Nancy, Keith & Casey
Halbrook
Beth Hathaway
John & Susan Hough
Rube Bedenbaugh
Sheri Camarata

*Nature is
painting for us,
day after day,
pictures of
infinite beauty
if only we have
the eyes to see
them.*

John Ruskin

Where has the year gone? It's hard to believe the 2013 orchid growing year is almost over. This autumn has been very mild and dry. These conditions have made it much easier to move plants into the greenhouse. There was no mad rush to cram them in before a frost or freeze - conditions I can remember in past years.

Now that most of my orchids and tender plants have been 'tucked' in for the winter months, my attention has turned to other chores: sharpening and oiling dull clippers, cleaning used pots and sterilizing pot clips and hangers. For cleaning pots I use 1 quart bleach to 9 or 10 quarts of water to fill a bucket and let the pots stay in this mixture for half an hour. Using gloves, I remove the pots and rinse them in a bucket of clean water. After drying, I stack them by size. For sterilizing pot clips and hangers I preheat my oven to 300 degrees and place them on an aluminum foil covered tray before putting them in the oven for about 1 hour. Cool for at least 1-2 hours before handling them. With these chores done, I know I won't have to do them in the spring when there never seems to be enough time.

As a reminder, this time of year means less water and fertilizer, so be careful. Water early in the day to avoid fungal problems. Close observation of your orchids can aid you in spotting insect problems early.

In bloom for November are Onc. Green Valley 'Sweet Lady' (gold and brown), Pot. Little Toshie 'Gold Country' (yellow with red lip), Blc. Rustic Spots 'H & R' (pink with darker pink spots on lip and petals), Paph. Pirate Spice x fairrieanum (light yellow with light brown on lip), Paph. Hsinying Almasum (white with green), Paph. (Kevin's Wine 'Macabre' x Pulsar 'Fang Pacific' HCC/AOS) (vinicolor), Paph. Jean Brice (yellow), C. Chocolate Drop (red), and Bc. Maikai x C. Interglossa (light pink with dark pink in lip).

This is my last "Let's Talk Orchids" column. I've enjoyed sharing my experiences and observations about this unique group of plants. Let's continue to talk about our orchids in the coming year.

Best wishes for the holidays.

Nancy Mason

Thanks Nancy for all you have done! Since this is Nancy's last column, we are in need of someone to rise to the job of Orchid "Shop Talk". Please let us know if you are interested in writing about orchids.

News from Headquarters: The Dillon-Peterson Essay Contest deadline is fast approaching – November 30, 2013. The contest is open to all persons except employees of the American Orchid Society and their immediate families. You do not need to be an AOS member to submit an entry.

The winner receives a cash prize and a certificate suitable for framing. The contest was established in 1985 by the AOS Northeast Judging Center to honor the memory of two former editors of the *AOS Bulletin* (now *Orchids*). Gordon Dillon served as editor from 1943 through 1968 and again from 1970 through 1973. Richard Peterson's name first appeared on the masthead of the *AOS Bulletin* in April 1971 as associate editor. In 1973, he was named editor and, upon Dillon's retirement in 1977, he became the executive director, retaining his position of editor through 1984.

The theme for 2013 is: **Finding Space for One More Orchid**. Orchid growers are incurable collectors and always seem to find that one orchid that they simply must have. Tell us how you make space to for an ever expanding orchid collection. Membership in the American Orchid Society is not necessary to enter the contest. The deadline is November 30, 2013. The winning entry, if any, is published in the June issue of the following year. The 2012 winner was Sarah Waddoups and her Essay was "Playing Angraecoid Go Fish."

For a listing of complete rules for the contest go to www.aos.org. All entries to the Dillon/Peterson Memorial Essay should be submitted to The American Orchid Society at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables, FL 33156, Attn: Ron McHatton ,or via email to rmchatton@aos.org.

Thanks to all the societies who responded to the request for updated society information for the Orchid Source Directory. It would be helpful if AOS could be notified of any changes in officers, AOS representatives, newsletter editors and meeting locations, dates and times as those changes occur. In addition, just a reminder that AOS membership renewals are included in the 3 *Orchids* received prior to the expiration of the membership. The Orchid Source Directory will be included in an upcoming mailing of the magazine. It is also available on the website. Please support the advertisers in the OSD.

Lynn Fuller, Chair
AOS Affiliated Societies

Bloom Table Winners October 28, 2013

Phal.	Phal. no name	Gary Sukow
Paph.	Paph. nivum	Judy Johnson
Onc.	Wils. Golden Afternoon 'Rich Yellow'	Nyi Nyi Henne
Den.	Den. Pegasus Rin Rin	Nyi Nyi Henne
Cymb.	Cymb. Ivory Elf	Jack Vernam
Cattleya	Blc. Chia Lin 'New City'	Jack Vernam
Vanda	Vanda no name	Nyi Nyi Henne
Species	Liparis viridiflora	Carol Schweder
Other Misc.	Catasetum pileatum 'Oro Verde' HCC/AOS	Mike Sielaff

Membership Information

Website: www.gainesvilleorchidsociety.org

GOS annual membership is \$20 per individual or \$25 per household, and may be mailed to :

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Treasurer's Report

OCTOBER, 2013 REPORT

INCOME

Vendors 350.00
Ads for show 175.00
Trophies 70.00
Show plants sold 290.00
Donations 1003.72
New members 95.00
Silent auction 208.00
Raffle 80.00
T shirts 20.74
TOTAL INCOME 2,292.46

Silent auction 138.68
Orchid Digest 2 years 75.00
Stamps, copying 44.56
Food for volunteers, vendors
751.55
TOTAL EXPENSE 2198.99
Checkbook bal. 10/31/13 12976.89
Minus reserves 1850.00
Funds available 11126.89
Cash box 75.50

EXPENSE

Materials for show 297.37
Grandiflora show plants 331.83
Awards for show 560.00

Meeting Minutes October 28, 2013

The meeting began at 7:15pm.

A big **Thank You** to Judith Angley for providing our refreshments.

We had 3 visitors and 2 new members.

Beginners Class– Thank you to Mike Sielaff for his practical and informative talk on “Problems with your Plants”

Treasurer Marti Maguire stated that the show bills will be done soon, please refer to treasurer's report for more details.

Holiday Dinner/Party December 9, 2013, at the Summer House, Kanapaha Botantic Gardens

AOS Meeting at Fairchild Botanic Gardens November 13-17.

There are no more shows for this year.

Our slate of Officers for the Board will be voted on at the November meeting:

President	John Ingram
Vice President	Linda White
Treasurer	Marti McGuire
Secretary	Barbara Fennelly

AUCTION TIME!

Join in the fun with our fall auction on November 25. Orchids, plants and a variety of items that will make a perfect holiday or hostess gift will be offered for sale. Since all proceeds go to GOS, members are encouraged to donate an item – anything from a favorite plant, shelled pecans or a special cake, to wine, scarves, jewelry – whatever you like. Of course, orchids in bloom, or accompanied by a photo of their bloom, will be available, too.

Members donating items should arrive by 6:45. The fun begins at 7:15 and goes through 9:30. Cash and checks only are accepted. Be on the lookout for a list of items for sale that will be sent to members via email a few days before the auction. The list also will be available on the GOS website: www.gainesvilleorchidsociety.org

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Thanks to everyone who participated to make our 2013 show the best yet. Our members' orchids won 35 ribbons, 8 trophies and 3 AOS awards. Everyone had a good time as you can see by the photos on pages 6 and 7, provided by Christine McGraw.





Welcome table smiles!



Pick a winner



Here's a winner



Kitchen Crew



Beautiful Displays



John Ingram and Show Co-chair: Susannah Link



Registration Table



Lots of Shopping

**Carolyn Robinson's
Table "Bedecked"
with ribbons**



**Such a Beauty!
Best in Show
Den. laevifolium
"Carolyn's Joy"
HCC/CCM/AOS**