

FORT LAUDERDALE ORCHID SOCIETY

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The purpose of the Society is to stimulate interest, provide education and enable exchange of information among those interested in the culture of orchids in all its aspects.





Crytopodium punctatum

July Speaker: Dr. Jason Downing

Dr. Jason Downing will be our July 9th speaker. He is the Orchid Biologist at Fairchild Botanic Tropical Garden and in charge of the Million Orchid Project. He received his Ph.D. from Florida International University. Florida is home to nearly half of the orchid species found in the United States. In South Florida, many tropical orchids including globally endangered species were originally carried by the wind from the Caribbean and Central and South America.

The Million Orchid Project started in 2012, after Fairchild Garden officials observed a similar project in Singapore. Now four sites in South Florida are growing the plants and introducing them to native trees, making sure to attach only orchids that are native to the area. (continued on p. 2)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July's Speaker July 9th

Dr. Jason Downing Orchid Biologist at **Fairchild Botanic** Tropical Garden

Movie Night August 13th

Orchid related film, TBD

Show Judging September 10th Judy Bailey workshop on new judging categories at our show. To win cash prizes!

President's Message

By Gigi Granger

Have you ever looked at your orchids and thought, I can't do it anymore or what will happen to my orchids if I suddenly can't care for them? Recently, Mary Burtoff, one of our members faced a similar situation. Her orchids needed new homes and new caretakers. She contacted FLOS and made arrangements to donate her collection. Mary stipulated that the

collection be used for the raffle table and the auction. **Orchids and FLOS** brought her years of joy, and her donation has offered her a chance to give back to the group. We are very thankful. (continued on p. 5)



Mary Burtoff

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JUNE'S SPEAKER - NORMAN FANG

New color forms of Phalaenopsis species.

Our June speaker came all the way from Montclair, California. Norman Fang is the owner of Norman's Orchids. My relationship with Norman started around 25 years back, when he first exhibited in our annual shows. Norman has always been a leader in producing amazing orchid species. His presentation at our society continued to uphold this level of excellence. He showed us over 100 slides of these new forms.



Phalaenopsis is a monopodial epiphyte orchid species, commonly know as the Moth Orchid. This genus has always been popular due to the flower color and longevity. Norman highlighted over 20 species that are new leaders in this area. There are two objectives in play with the introduction of these new forms of Phalaenopsis species. First, identify the key Phalaenopsis that make up our modern hybrids. Second, new line breed species to create better vigor and disease resistant offspring to pass on to the next generation of future breeding.



There is a very diverse selection of the phalaenopsis species when it comes to flower colors, shapes, and size. (continued on p. 5)



July's Speaker (continued from p. 1)

Orchids thrived throughout South Florida more than a century ago, adhering themselves to native trees such as oak and mahogany. But many species disappeared as the railroad came through beginning in the 19th century and developers ripped out trees for houses and shopping centers.

Orchids can be grown at home. Many people make the mistake of overwatering them. They need a balanced fertilizer, according to the American Orchid Society.

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden's Plan to Re-introduce Native Orchids

The Million Orchid Project.

The new Micropropagation Laboratory at Fairchild will generate a supply of young native orchid plants. Local school landscapes and urban tree plantings will be the primary recipients of Fairchild's reintroduction

initiatives. The goal is to have a generation of reestablished orchids blooming throughout South Florida. The project will teach visitors, students, and our local community about the complexity and fragility of natural South Florida environments and the importance of habitat restoration.



Crytopodium punctatum

JUNE RIBBONS

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Blc. Lawless	Debbie Rauch	Blue
Zauberflote		
Ctsm. pileatum ?	Debbie	Blue
	Litchmore	
Den. Aridang	Bud Romboli	Blue
Green		
Den. bullenianum	Sara Singer	Blue
Encyclia Orchid	Rud Romboli	Blue
Jungle		
Oncidium	Norma Jeanne	Blue
Everglades	Flack	
Phal. equestris f.	Olivier Turina	Blue
cyanochila		2100
Phrag.	Jill Smith	Blue
boisserianum		
Pot. Coral Gold	Chris Crepage	Blue
V. Pure's Magic *	Omar Gonzalez	Blue
Aerides odorata	Gerry Smith	Cultural
Bulbophyllum Jan	Jill Smith	Cultural
Ragan *		
Encyclia Orchid	Roderick Lewis	Cultural
Jungle		
Encyclia Rufly	Roderick Lewis	Cultural
Profuse		
Epi. Green Lantern	Chris Binder	Cultural
Ornithocephalus	Omar Gonzalez	Cultural
bicornis		Culturul
Rhy. Bankok	Deborah Rauch	Cultural
Sunset		Cuitarai
Aeridovanda	Dolores Hurst	Red
Photisan	Dolores marse	neu
Brassavola nodosa	Omar Gonzalez	Red
Broghtonia	Dolores Hurst	Red
sanguinea		Keu
Lc. Hausermann's	Kate Donohue	Red
Firewings		Reu
<i>Ren storiei</i> x V. Dr.	Omar Gonzalez	Red
Anek ?		Keu
Vanda Mimi	Daharah Dauah	Ded
	Deborah Rauch	Red
Palmer		

(?) Denotes ID in question

(*) Denotes Registered Hybrid

Italicized denotes species

June Keiki Club News

By Jill Smith

A group of 28 Keikis and supporting FLOS members gathered at the home of John Budree

and his lovely daughters! John's yard and greenhouses were rife with a huge variety of orchids, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed walking through his growing areas, taking in the beautifully blooming plants. John gave us a very detailed and interesting presentation



about the basic necessities of orchids, comparing their needs to those of human beings - an unusual but pretty accurate view of what it takes to make us all thrive - water, light and, of course, food. He explained the difference between liquid and water soluble fertilizers as well as the convenience of time released fertilizer pellets. Given the fact that we are in the midst of the "full on" rainy season, John talked extensively about how to treat our plants with systemic fungicides and recommended several that are not chemically harmful and also pet friendly. The Keikis asked lots of questions and left more knowledgeable as well as being given a new orchid for their collections! Thank you, John, for hosting us and for your gracious hospitality! And a special welcome to the new members of the Keiki Club who joined us today!

Our next meeting will take place at the growing area of Bob Strooza on July 21st at 1:00 PM. His place is glorious so mark your calendars! Look for an email with details about a week prior. And thank you to all those of you who went to Rich Ackerman's to help with the repotting effort! Remember, your orchid growing experiences will be enhanced, you will learn and you'll meet new friends by participating!

JULY 2018

FLORIDA'S ORCHIDS SHARED WITH CUBA

By Chuck McCartney

In my May 14 presentation to the Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society on "Native Orchids: The Florida-Cuba Connection," I presented a vast amount of information and a lot of orchid names in a very short time. Because that was a lot for many folks to absorb at one sitting, I thought it might be helpful to have the following list of the orchid species I discussed that we share with Cuba - or at least did historically.

This way, anyone who seeks more information about these orchids can research them in Carlyle A. Luer's excellent *The Native Orchids of Florida* (1972, New York Botanical Garden - unfortunately out of print, but available online as used copies) or the current best available book, *Wild Orchids of Florida* by Paul Martin Brown (University Press of Florida, 2005). An excellent, illustrated source of information about these orchids is available online on Jay Pfahl's comprehensive *Internet Orchid Species Photo Encyclopedia*.

Here is the alphabetical listing of native Florida orchids (and a few introduced non-native species that have "gone wild"). Some of these orchids also now have different scientific names (synonyms), but interested members should be able to find them by searching the names listed. An asterisk (*) before the name indicates that it is one of the escaped non-native species.

Aspidogyne (Erythrodes/Platythelys) querceticola; Basiphyllaea corallicola; Bletia patula; Brassia caudata; Bulbophyllum pachyrachis; Calopogon tuberosus var. simpsonii; Campylocentrum pachyrrhizum; Cranichis muscosa; Cyclopogon cranichoides; Cyclopogon elatus; Cyrtopodium punctatum; Dendrophylax lindenii; Dendrophylax porrectus. Eltroplectris calcarata; Encyclia rufa; Epidendrum acunae; Epidendrum anceps; Epidendrum floridense; Epidendrum nocturnum; *Epidendrum radicans; Epidendrum rigidum; Epidendrum strobiliferum; Eulophia alta; Eulophia ecristata; Galeandra beyrichii; Govenia utriculata; Habenaria distans; Habenaria floribunda; Habenaria quinqueseta; Habenaria repens; Ionopsis utricularioides; Lepanthopsis melanantha; Liparis nervosa (elata); Macradenia lutescens; Malaxis spicata; Malaxis unifolia; Maxillaria crassifolia; Maxillaria parviflora; Mesadenus lucayanus(polyanthus); *Oeceoclades maculata; Oncidium ensatum (floridanum); Pelexia adnata; *Phaius tankervilleae; Polystachya concreta; Ponthieva brittoniae; Ponthieva racemosa; Prescottia oligantha; Prosthechea boothiana; Prosthechea cochleata; Prosthechea pygmaea; Sacoila lanceolata; *Spathoglottis plicata; Spiranthes torta; Stelis (Pleurothallis) gelida; Trichocentrum undulatum; Triphora gentianoides; Tropidia polystachya; Vanilla barbellata; Vanilla dilloniana; Vanilla mexicana; *Vanilla planifolia; Vanilla phaeantha; *Zeuxine strateumatica.



Bletia patula

Habenaria repens

Spathoglottis plicata

Vanilla dilloniana

NORMAN FANG'S VISIT (CONTINUED FROM P. 2)

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Here is a list of most of those Phalaenopsis species that were discussed during Norman Fang's visit with us.

amabilis, aphordite, bellina, celebensis, cornu-cervi, equestris, gigantea, javanica, lindenii, lobbi, lowii, lueddmaniana, mannii, modesta, parishii, pulcherrina, schilleriana, stuartiana, tetraspis, venosa, violacea, & zebrina.

Please visit <u>orchids.com</u> and view the current Phalaenopsis species available. Sign up for his newsletter for the release of new plants, as he continues to bring us amazing quality orchids.

By Paul Gumos



Bob and Dot Henley graciously hosted Norman and showed him around on his week long visit.

The Henley's hospitality and generosity were greatly appreciated.

More thanks from our FLOS president. (continued from p. 1)

I would also like to express our gratitude for the "Moving Crew" - Carolyn and Virginia Perez, Olivier Turina, Tommy Bednar, Brian Boyle, Omar Gonzalez, Sami Puzio and Paul Gumos for supplying the much-needed boxes. The May 26th move was amazingly efficient thanks to our "Transport Team" - Craig Barry, Vicki Hallock, Luanne and Dave Betz, and of the course Chuck & Sue Greig for providing "The Orchid Truck." Finally, if I forget to mention it in the months to come, we're very grateful for the rehab location at the "Ackershack."



Some of the Moving Crew

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Thank you to our kitchen volunteers: Kathy Homann, Deb Johnson & Fran Renguso. Also, Thank you for the special treats provided by: Vince Otero and his Jupiter Donuts, for the out of this world donuts in May and Fran Renguso for the ice cream treats in June. Providing refreshments is an easy way to give back to your society. Refreshments given by: Fran Renguso, Kathy Humann, Vince Otero, Nora Dyke, Les Corbin, Eric Petrushi, Sara Singer, Norma Jean Flack, Carrie Acbean.



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Regular Meetings: Second Monday of each month Time: 7:30 pm Place: Christ Lutheran Church Social Hall 1955 East Oakland Park Blvd. Fort Lauderdale, FL 33306

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