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## Important Thoughts on Our Past, Present and Future Events

### President's Place

*A few words about the recent past...* What a whirlwind this last month has been! We had a very beautiful show that was greatly enjoyed by the public and by members as well. **Patty Cartwright** did a superb job as show chair and again, a big thanks to her. Thanks to all of you who volunteered your time and skills to once again make ours the most spectacular show in the area! We gained a record number, *31 new members*, at this year's show! This is largely due to the efforts of those at the admissions table and our membership chairs, **Jane & Victor Corbett**. They offered guests coming through the door an offer they couldn't refuse! Please welcome these new members, take them under your wing, show them around, familiarize them with our society functions and what to expect at meetings. We will have handouts at the next meeting to assist with their orientation.

We all enjoyed the wonderful program last month from our own, **Donna Sitton**, on Phalaenopsis. The beautiful pictures of awarded plants and all the information on culture were greatly appreciated. Thanks to Donna for an outstanding presentation.

*A few words about the present...* This month our speaker is yet another member, **Avril Wick**. Avril will be speaking about Kew Gardens. Avril is an American Orchid Society student judge and I am sure will make all of us wish we could visit these very prestigious gardens.

*A few words about the future...* We are rapidly approaching the end of our fiscal year. This means that we will soon be electing officers to fulfill the 2009-2010 year for our Society, along with one new Director. I am most pleased to announce that **Eileen Hector** has accepted the appointment as Chairperson of the Nominating Committee. Eileen is an established member, who has served the Society in many ways over the years. I am certain she will do a wonderful job in this position. At this month's meeting four more members will be nominated from the floor to serve on this committee. These five members will then contemplate and research those who might best serve our Society as officers and director during the next year. They will give their report at the May meeting. Please give serious consideration to accepting a position in our Society and helping to shape our future.

Also on the horizon, our annual auction: this is one of our primary fund raisers for the year. This year we hope to make it bigger and better than ever by having it on a weekend day and really advertising it to the general public. I am awaiting the decision of the church trustees to see if we will be able to have it at the church. At this point the auction is planned for the latter part of June.

(more PRESIDENT'S PLACE see page 2)

# April 2009

## OrchiDates

- Apr.11 @ 1:30 P.M.

AOS Judging  
Leu Gardens, Orlando  
Contact: Marv Ragan  
(904) 213-4560

- Apr. 16 @ 7 P.M.

Tampa Bay Orchid Society  
Speaker: Avril Wick  
A Visit to Kew Gardens  
Contact: Dory Gallagher  
(813) 907-7025

- Apr. 18 Florida West Coast

Orchid Society Annual Auction  
Contact: Cheryl Finke  
(727) 581-3987

- April 22 @ 7:30 P.M.

AOS Judging Tampa Garden Center  
Contact: Ken Roberts  
(813) 752-8719

- April 25th-26th Vero Beach

Orchid Society Show - Riverside Park  
3001 Riverside Park Drive, Vero Beach,  
Florida. For more info 863-447-1134  
vbos@bellsouth.net

- Apr. 28 @ 10:00 A.M.

Tampa Orchid Club Annual Meeting  
"Potting and Picnicking"  
(Hands- on potting)  
USF Botanical Garden  
Contact: Sue Barnum- 281-2126

- Apr.28 @ 6:00 P.M.

Ridge Orchid Society  
Annual Auction  
Contact: Zeke Wentz- (863) 680-1841

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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## President's Place (continued)

Please go through your collections and look at what you might have that could be divided or plants that you have duplicates of, that could be donated for this important event to support the Society.

They say "April showers bring May flowers". At this point all of us are just looking for showers! Our prolonged dry spell has necessitated more frequent watering by those growing outdoors and also those

with greenhouses as we have had fewer cloudy days. Hopefully, this month will bring much needed relief for our orchids, lawns and landscape plants. This is also the perfect time to look at repotting a large number of genera.

I look forward to seeing all of you at this month's April 16th meeting!

Happy growing!

*Dory Gallagher*

## Excited About ~ OrchidWiz Software

A total of 14 people participated in the group order for OrchidWiz and all have received their software which arrived just prior to our Show. I have heard many expressions of amazement from those who have had the opportunity to use their new software. Thank you to those of you who participated. TBOS received their free of charge copy, as part of the agreement with the owner of OrchidWiz. This copy was loaded on our Society computer and used repeatedly at the Show during Classifications and Entries for plants entered for judging.

*Patty Cartwright Technology Chair*



Photo by Jim Tear

We are very saddened to announce the passing of fellow society member, Donna Sitton. We extend our heartfelt condolences to her son, Owen and their extended family. Donna was our March guest speaker.

# May 2009

## OrchiDates

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• May 9th-10th: Volusia County Orchid Society Show - Volusia County Fairgrounds 3150 E New York Ave. DeLand, FL.(386) 738-7543 [jenor-chid@bellsouth.net](mailto:jenor-chid@bellsouth.net).

• May 09 @ 1:30 P.M.  
AOS Judging  
Leu Gardens, Orlando  
Contact: Marv Ragan  
(904) 213-4560

• May 14 @ 7:00 P.M.  
Florida West Coast Orchid Society  
Contact: Bob Barrett  
(727) 726-1697

• May 21 @ 7 PM  
Tampa Bay Orchid Society  
Speaker: Paul Phelps  
Phelps Farm Orchids  
Contact: Dory Gallagher  
(813)-907-7025

• May 26 @10:00 A.M.  
Tampa Orchid Club  
Contact: Doris Cook  
(813) 963-7454

• May 26 @ 7:30 P.M.  
Ridge Orchid Society  
Contact: Bill Byrd  
(863) 859-5060

• May 30 AOS FNC-JC  
Annual Meeting  
AOS Judging Tampa  
Contact: Ken Roberts  
(813) 752-8719

## Redland Orchid Festival

### Don't Miss The Bus!

An invitation  
has been extended from  
Florida West Coast Orchid Society  
to join them on a chartered bus  
for a one day trip to the festival.  
Departure Friday, May 15, 4:30 a.m.  
Departing from Pinellas Park  
Super Wal-Mart (behind gas station).  
Water and snacks provided.  
Cost is \$50 per person.  
This includes entrance fee (\$7)  
and \$5 coupon towards purchases.  
Deadline: April 20. Minimum 25 persons.  
For further information contact  
Corinne Arnold. 727.447-2898  
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May 15th-17th: Redland International  
Orchid Festival - Redland Fruit and Spice  
Park 24801 SW 187th Ave.  
Homestead, FL.  
[www.redlandorchidfestival.org](http://www.redlandorchidfestival.org)

## New Members ~ Welcome!

Dr. Wm. & Jean Anton	Herb Kane
Carol Bockenek	Patricia Kuan
Donald Baker	Juliet Matteson
Deborah Barnhart	Lisa McIndoe
Pamela Cummlar	Gail & Rick Meyer
Laura Fellows	Joyce Mitchell
Denny Figuerres	Leigh & Wayne Myers
Allen Garber	Marie Soehl
Nancy Gonzalez	Leslie Tenenecoff
Derek Hennecke	Ann & Richard VanPeer
John & Mary Hess	Barbara Weber
Elizabeth Howell	
Donna Jensen	
Karen Joachinson	
Barbara Kramer	

**We look forward to  
seeing ALL of you  
soon!**

*Pictured: Tiffanie Swigart with Members Choice Award  
winning plant -Ascoenda Motes Burning Sands 'Mary  
Motes'. Deb Swigart won the Novice Award with Paph.  
Yabba Dabba Doo 'Chiara Crystelle' AM/AOS*



Photo by Jim Tear

## Tampa Bay Orchid Society Meeting Minutes ~ Mar. 19, 2009



*Minutes of the meeting  
submitted by  
Carole Bennett, Secretary*

**Dory Gallagher, President**, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. There were no corrections to the minutes from the February meeting as published in the March Newsletter.

**Membership:** **Jane Corbett** reported that there were 50 members who signed in and that there were 4 new members.

**Treasurer:** **Julio Hector** reported Receipts of \$433.88, Expenditures of \$1456.73 yielding a loss of \$1022.85. There is \$4910.41 in the checking account. These numbers do not reflect any expenditures and receipts from the show.

There was no **Education** segment at this month's meeting.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**AOS:** **Patty Cartwright** reported that the March issue of "Orchids" from AOS is an excellent issue.

**Tampa Orchid Club:** **Joan McLain** reported that the next meeting is March 28. Their meeting in April will be hands on potting at USF.

**Reminder:** The USF plant sale will be April 11 & 12 which is Easter weekend.

**TBOS Program:** **Jeanne Dyer** reported that Avril Wick will present our April program. Paul Phelps will present the program in May. The Auction is planned for June 13 instead of May 23 because of a conflict.

**Sunshine:** **Jeanelle Hires** reported that she had sent sympathy cards.

**Distribution & Exchange:** **Corrine Arnold** reported that Orchid Island has supplied the Phalaenopsis plants for the raffle. The Dendrobiums are from Orchid Babies.

**Plant Sales:** **Jose and Carolyn Llamas** asked that when members sell plants, please identify your plant well by placing a sticker on it with your initials.

**Hospitality:** **Kathy Cox, Julia Harvey** are taking over the hospitality responsibility.

**Library:** **Robin Saunders** We now have the March issue of Orchids. Don't forget to get a ballot to vote for Member's Choice and Novice Awards of orchids brought to the bloom table.

**Newsletter:** Dory Gallagher mentioned that we received a very nice newsletter again this month from our mystery editor. The membership wholeheartedly agreed.

**Publicity:** **Pimpa Hoontrakul** brought in copies of publications from the Tampa Tribune that ran from Feb. 28 to March 11 to share with the members.

**Yearbook:** **Deborah Le Monde** reported that new members will be listed in this yearbook. Please notify her immediately if you have any changes of address, phone number, or email.

**Field Trip:** **Corinne Arnold** reported that FWCOS is having a field trip to Redlands Orchid Festival, Friday, May 15. Cost is \$50.00 which includes entrance fee and \$5 coupon. They must have 20 people by April 20 to fill the bus. She distributed a flyer with information. Contact Corinne if interested.

**Technology:** **Patty Cartwright** reported that the **Orchid Wiz** software has arrived and people are happy with their purchase.

**By Laws:** **Patty Cartwright** reported that the committee hoped to be finished by next month.

There were no reports from the following committees: **Orchid Digest, Hospitality, Community Service, Displays, Website, Correspondence or future meeting info for Florida West Coast Orchid Society.**

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Dory Gallagher** reported that we still have no place yet for the trailer. We only have storage for another month.

**PROGRAM:** **Jeanne Dyer** introduced our speaker, Donna Sitton. Donna has specialized in Phalaenopsis for over 40 years. She grows and hybridizes Phalaenopsis that are white with a red lip. Donna has received 43 awards for her Phalaenopsis.

### There was no NEW BUSINESS

After a refreshment break and **Raffle**, **Patty Cartwright** and **Nancy Losgar** showed the plants on the bloom table. Nancy spoke for a few minutes prior to give members some information on how judges determine which plants are awarded. (more MEETING MINUTES see page 5)

## Meeting Minutes (continued)

Deb Swigart won the Novice Award for her lovely Paph. Yabba Dabba Doo 'Chiara Crystelle' AM/AOS

Tiffanie Swigart won the Members Choice award for Ascocenda Motes Burning Sands 'Mary Motes' which had many medium sized orange flowers.

A raffle was held for a lovely sterling silver necklace with a crafted orchid bloom pendant by Dawn Vertrees. Dawn's silver creations were featured at our show. Lucky Eileen Hector won the necklace.

TBOS gave Patty Cartwright a Masdevallia Maui Jewel orchid and a trophy in appreciation for her hard work making the show a success.

Patty thanked the following people for helping make the show successful and presented each with an orchid plant. Patty especially recognized and thanked Nancy Losgar and Dory Gallagher who also helped with the planning before and during the show.

Patty also recognized the following helpers:

Eileen Hector and Jeanne Dyer - her "right hands" doing numerous chores including getting and printing post card labels, plastic, member name badges and awards certificates

Julio Hector – organization, working many positions including classification for judging

Kathy Cox and Anne Boldrick- distributing post cards that arrived in advance of our show dates this year

Kathy Cox – Hospitality, designing & printing post cards

Anne Boldrick and Avril Wick - each were a big help and did multiple tasks

Pimpa Hoontrakul - Publicity

Carole Bennett – Kitchen Saturday & Sunday

Rick Gallagher – much work behind the scenes, too numerous to mention all jobs

Robin Saunders – Book Sales and classification of plants

Jim Tear – Photography of awarded plants and general helper

Victor Corbett – Membership, Food Sales, Plant Raffle

Jane Corbett – Membership table the entire time at show – 31 New Members signed up!

Jean Howell – Set Up, Food Sales

Lamar Mitchell - Parking Lot & Potting Shed

Michael Hill – Parking Lot duty

Deborah LeMonde – Book Sales and Plant Holding Area

Jim Van Koolbergen - many areas including Botani Wipe Sales and Holding Area

Dennis Mills - Potting Shed

Paul Mitchell – Classification of orchids for judging

Corinne Arnold – Potting Shed, Clerking

Nam Nguyen – Kitchen Sunday

Charlie Ochipa – Speaker on Species, Holding Area

Marilyn Ochipa – Holding area Sunday

Laurene Gunter – Book Sales

Tina Callen - Set up Thursday, Holding Area

Julia Harvey – Botani Wipe Sales

Sally Swenson – Botani Wipe Sales, Holding Area

Joan McLain – Obtaining Workshop Speakers

Jay Sespico – Head Clerk to help with judging

Anne McGrath – helping make plant labels Friday, preparing AOS Brochures

John McGrath- Set Up

Bob McKinney – Clerking & Parking

Stephanie and Chris Van Rensburg – Book sales

Crystal Siccote – Book Sales

Scott Baggett- Clerking

Carolyn and Jose Llamas – Clerking

Virginia McKinney – Clerking

If any volunteers are not recognized here it is because the secretary missed them and apologizes.

The meeting was adjourned 10:02 P.M.

### March Bloom Table Report ~ See page 8

**NOTE:** In order for our Bloom Table Report for the newsletter to be complete, orchid owners displaying their plants at our meetings are requested to transfer the full name of the plant on the label to the paper registration tag. Please include owner/exhibitor/grower name. If your information is incomplete you and your beautiful plant may not be listed on our monthly report.



## Orchid Holiday ~ 2009 Annual Show Review

This year's show was a fabulous event. We had 11 orchid growers, Hicks Orchid Supplies, Nature on the Rocks and Dawn Vertrees Jewelry. The hall was a beautifully painted and perfumed arena of orchids on display. Even Dawn Vertrees had a large display of orchids in jewelry that she designs and sculpts herself, along with her husband Don, who makes unique chains to add to the beauty of her work. Dawn donated a lovely Orchid pendant with chain, which I raffled off at the last meeting; Eileen Hector was the proud winner of this exquisite piece.

The participating growers included: Florida Suncoast Orchids, B&D Orchids, Byrd's Orchids, Louis Del Favero Orchids, Phelps Farm Orchids, Featherstone, Ritter - Tropic 1 Orchids, Orchid Island, Plantio La Orquidea, EFG Orchids and OrchidBabies. Guest speakers provided informative talks and demonstrations and included the topics: "Grooming and Staking" by Lyn Bugby, Paul Phelps on "What's in Your Water?", Earl Bailey on "Phragmipedium and Phalaenopsis", Deborah LeMonde on "Orchid Evolution", Julio Hector on "Navigating Through Your Orchid Collection", Ric Gallagher on "Repotting Your Orchids", Ty Wilson on "General Orchid Culture", and Charlie Ochipa on "Species".

The show was a fun filled event and everyone who volunteered to help with the show had a good time. There was food a-plenty with lots of delicious treats available throughout the show. We had a very nice crowd who walked around the show with smiles on their faces and I heard many compliments on what a beautiful show it was from those who attended. We also picked up 31 new members, a new record for us. Be sure to introduce yourself to our new members and make them feel welcome.

We finished Judging at 12:30 am Saturday morning, when the last award photograph was taken. A lot of plants were selected for AOS awards consideration. When the Show opened on Saturday, so many plants were decorated with ribbons and identified as trophy winners. The judges gave out three AOS quality awards which included: Cattleya lueddemianiana fma. alba 'Boon' AM/AOS 83 points, owned by Ken Roberts; Slc.Rocket Burst x Schom. undulata (cross to be named by owner) 'Orange Fireworks' HCC/AOS 78 points, owned by Plantio La Orquidea; and Rsc. Sarah Palin 'Hockey Mom' AM/AOS 83 points, owned by EFG Orchids. The AOS Show trophy was awarded to Phelps Farm Orchids. The winner of the best Society Exhibit was Ridge Orchid Society and the winner of the best Commercial Exhibit was Phelps Farm Orchids.

The following is a list of the trophy winners who took home a beautiful Orchid etched glass vase:

The Memoria Eugene Sitton Trophy - Best Phalaenopsis Seedling Blooming For The First Time: Donated by Donna Sitton: Phal. Chaida Eva, exhibited by B&D Orchids

The TBOS Show Volunteers Trophy - Best Seedling Blooming For The First Time Trophy: Dtps. Chaida Eva, exhibited by B&D Orchids

The Patty Cartwright Trophy - Best Large Cattleya: Rsc. Sarah Palin, exhibited by EFG Orchids

The Jeanelle Hires Trophy - Best Large Lavender Cattleya: Rsc. Sarah Palin, exhibited by EFG Orchids

The Robin Saunders Trophy - Best Small Cattleya: Lc. Love Knot 'Phelps Valentine' AM/AOS, exhibited by Phelps Farm Orchids

The Anne Boldrick Trophy - Best Mini-Catt: Sc. Llory Ann 'Redwings', exhibited by Anne Boldrick

The Wm. Paul Mitchell Trophy - Best Epidendrum, Encyclia and Prosthechea Intergeneric Hybrid: Epc.Epiorange 'Merita' AM/AOS, exhibited by OrchidBabies.

The Joan McLain Trophy - Best Encyclia /Prosthechea: Enc. alata, exhibited by Bill Nunez

The Robert and Virginia McKinney Trophy - Best Dendrobium: Den. primulinum, exhibited by Louis Del Favero Orchids

The Wm. Paul Mitchell Trophy - Best Oncidium: Colmanara Wildcat 'Mo-Carmela', exhibited by Danny Cochran (Ridge Orchid Society)

The Avril Wick Trophy - Best Phalaenopsis: Phal. John Naugle, exhibited by Donna Sitton

The Tina Callen Trophy - Best Vanda: Vanda lamellata fma. boxalli, exhibited by Dan DeCausey

The Dory and Ric Gallagher Trophy - Best Paphiopedilum: Paph. malipoense, exhibited by Louis Del Favero Orchids

The Jim Van Koolbergen Trophy - Best Paphiopedilum Species: Paph. malipoense, exhibited by Louis Del Favero Orchids

'The Jeanne Dyer Trophy - Best Phragmipedium: Phrag. sargentianum 'Really Red', exhibited by OrchidBabies

The Jose and Carolyn Llamas Trophy - Best Bulbophyllum/Cirrhopetalum: Bulb. aestivale, exhibited by Danny Cochran

The Julio and Eileen Hector Trophy - Best Phaius/Calanthe: Phaius Microburst, exhibited by EFG Orchids (more SHOW REVIEW see page 7)

## Orchid Holiday ~ 2009 Annual Show Review (continued)

The Carole Bennett Trophy - Best Florida Native Orchid: *Epidendrum* anceps, exhibited by Carole Bennett

The Nancy Losgar Trophy - Best Species: *Phal. gibbosa*, exhibited by Louis Del Favero Orchids

The Deborah LeMonde Trophy - Best Specimen: *Den. Hawaiian Festival*, exhibited by Featherstone Orchids

The Dory and Ric Gallagher Trophy - Best Dendrobium Seedling Blooming For The First Time: *No trophy awarded.*

The Memoria Mary Ann Mandell Trophy - Best Jewel Orchid: *No trophy awarded.*

Carole Bennett included in the minutes the names of all the wonderful volunteers who pitched in to make our show the best it could possibly be. Without these people our show would not have been the high quality, fun filled event that it was. Many thanks go out to each of you.

For those of you who helped at the show but did not attend the meeting last month, please see me at the next meeting as I have a gift plant for you as a show of appreciation for your time and efforts. Once again, thank you, thank you, thank you!

Patty Cartwright TBOS 2009 Show Chair



Photo by Jim Tear

## American Orchid Society ~ AOS

The main headquarters for the AOS, located at 16700 AOS Lane, Delray Beach, FL. is closing its doors in June to the main gardens and the gift shop, due to their current financial strain. All of the plants within the gardens will be maintained and kept with the aid of reduced staff and volunteers. The AOS plans to reopen these facilities to the public sometime in the future when funds become available. So if you have not had a chance to see the gardens, please prepare to do so before June.

The Annual AOS Members Meeting is being sponsored this year by the Houston Orchid Society and will be held April 22nd-26th at the Hilton Houston North, 12400 Greenspoint Dr., Houston, TX. This event will also host the annual meetings of the SouthWest Regional Orchid Growers Assn., International Phalaenopsis Alliance, Orchid Digest Corp., Slipper Orchid Alliance and the Odontoglossum Alliance. For more information go to [www.houstonorchidsociety.org](http://www.houstonorchidsociety.org).

The March issue of *Orchids* contains many informative articles. Some of the highlights are the mention of a new species *Ada pygmaea* which was found in southern Ecuador growing in the cloud forests along the eastern slopes of the Andes at elevations 3,900 to 5,900 feet. There is a Special Report on *Epidendrum*, the on-line Botanical Database of Jardin

Botanico Lankester, compiling massive amounts of information related to taxonomy, taxonomic history, cross-referenced synonymy, PDF's of the original protologs and images of the types, photographs showing natural variations, images of pollinaria and historical and modern botanical illustrations and drawings. Log on to [www.epidendra.org](http://www.epidendra.org) to see this huge collection of information.

Another article focuses on some orchids that have amassed multiple awards, with discussions as to breeding, polyploidy and quality. If you are planning a trip to France you will find an interesting article on native orchids encountered while strolling along in southwestern France. See photographs of Bill Bartlett's growing areas along with an informative article, it is quite amazing.

There are also many other articles included in this month's publication including one on Madagascan *Cynorkis*; another one on *Phragmipedium manzurii*, a new species discovered in Columbia, and much, much more.

If you are not a member of the AOS, pick up a brochure at the next meeting and become a member, so that you too, can have a wealth of information at your finger tips.

Patty Cartwright AOS Representative

## We are ALL Volunteers

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### Monthly Bloom Table ~ Member's Choice ~ Novice Award~ March

Orchid Name	Owner
<b>Species</b>	
Cattleya skinneri – Native of Costa Rica; This was the alba form and had lots of blooms	Julio & Eileen Hector
Gongora Truncata -three spikes and very unusual flowers on pendant spikes	Daborah Le Monde
Paphiopedilum bellatulum with two blooms. The blooms are huge compared to the plant and was nicely spotted	Jeanne Dyer
Aerides crassifolia nice fragrant blooms	Deborah LeMonde
Ascocentrum miniatum had two spikes of small orange flowers. -nicely grown plant with leaves all the way to the base. The leaves had red color on the edge which indicates it was receiving a lot of sunlight.	Joan McLane
Ascocentrum ampullaceum - 4 inflorescences of small purple flowers on a well grown plant	Bob & Ginny McKinney
<b>Hybrids</b>	
Ascocenda Motes Burning Sands 'Mary Motes' had lots of medium sized orange flowers	Tiffanie Swigart <b>MEMBER'S CHOICE</b>
Paph. Yabba Dabba Doo 'Chiara Crystelle' AM/AOS was well grown and had a nicely staked bloom.	Deb Swigart <b>Novice Award</b>
Vascostylis Viboon Velvet had a number of nice purple-blue blooms	McKinneys
Phaius (Nun orchid) Probably a hybrid of p. tankerville Well grown in a huge pot. 5 spikes of blooms	Lyney Parr
Paph. Hsinying Web x Red Maud had a very nice sized dorsal sepal	Jeanne Dyer
Paph. Maudiae (P. callosum x P. lawrencianum) had a color similar to what is called "vinicolor"	Jeanne Dyer
Paph. Unknown (No description available)	Luney Parr
Blc. Beauty Girl was white with a purple lip and a yellow throat. The nice fat pseudobulbs indicate it is well grown	Chuck Swigart
Pot. Exotic Jewel 'Gemini' (Blc. Haiku Dawn x Slc Little Precious) was a nice orange with a red lip	Anne Boldrick
Blc George King 'Serendipity' AM/AOS sported two large art shade blooms and was grown well. It might have a lemon fragrance	Tiffanie Swigart
Complex cattleya hybrid – Stima Kelly 'Lea' has blooms that open light and get darker with age	Anne Boldrick
Pot. Love Passion 'Island Delight' had many orange blooms with a darker lip	McKinneys
Blc. Marl's Glory had white blooms with a purple lip. The purple splashes on the petals are typical of C. intermedia in its lineage. The blooms are fragrant in the morning.	Scott Baggett
Phal. Carmela's Brite Lite Strawberry	Anne Boldrick
Phal. Unknown was a dark maroon and well grown in a plastic pot	Jim Tear
Jimminy Crickett	Jean Howell
Dendrobium Red Empress 'Fly Hirurdine' and Dend Red Empress 'Prince' both clones had purple color, but looked different	Nancy Losgar



## Put your Cinnamon Right Where you Want It!

I have a hard time putting cinnamon on my orchids to help reduce fungus growth. After making several messes, I thought about using a "squirtier" applicator-type squeeze bottle. It really works great. You may have to cut the tip a bit to deliver the amount you want. I bought my bottles at Sally Beauty Supply, but an old ketchup or mustard squeeze bottle would work if the hole is not too big. Use a funnel to fill your container.



***This Orchid Care Idea Contributed by  
Member, Jeanne Dyer***

## Take A Break ~ Refreshments

Last month we had a new Hospitality Committee. I know you will all agree they did a stellar job! Please continue to support them by bringing in tasty treats for the refreshments. If you bring a contribution for the table, you will be entered into a raffle for the chance to win a plant. This is your opportunity to show off your culinary skills and maybe get a free orchid plant. If you don't have time to make or bring in something, you may still wish to contribute by adding to the donation box. Thanks to all of you who regularly participate. To those of you who are new, surprise us with your additions to the table.

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In the 1960's third generation Ronald, George Sr., Erwin Jr., and Kenneth Hausermann joined their father. Their goal: to produce new orchid varieties to enhance the sale of cut flowers. This led to E.F.G. becoming the largest wholesale producer of cut cattleya orchid flowers in the world. Their hybridizing program has produced crosses that are known worldwide. Among E.F.G. Orchids most noted crosses are Cattleya Clark Herman, Lc. Everett Dirksen, Blc. Ronald Hausermann, and Phalaenopsis Wm. Kistler.

With the decline of use for corsages and ever increasing expenses involved with the 120,000 sq. ft. nursery under glass, this once lucrative business was on its way to one of many changes to come.

In 1990, the change prompted the fourth generation Ingrid, George Jr., and Carl Hausermann to join

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In 1999 with ever increasing expenses in the Chicagoland area, and his hope for a new future, E.F.G. Orchids sold 4 of their 7 acres to put down new roots, literally, in DeLand, FL.

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### Guest Speaker ~ Society Member Avril Wick ~ A Visit to Kew Gardens

**Avril Wick** began growing orchids four years ago, shortly after leaving her job as an editor at The Tampa Tribune to care for her newborn son. An active member of the Tampa Bay Orchid Society, Avril is also a student judge in the American Orchid Society's judging program. Avril's greenhouse collection ranges from Cattleyas and Clowesias to Phalaenopsis and Paphs. This month, Avril will give an overview of Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, in England. Kew Gardens is a leading center of botanical research – including orchids – as well as a training ground for professional gardeners and an attraction featuring gardens, greenhouses, a palace and much more. In 2005, 1.48 million visitors went to Kew, which was the most since 1949 and is the largest number for any paid entry garden in the United Kingdom. Its mission is to inspire and deliver science-based plant conservation worldwide, enhancing the quality of life.