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Spring! Looking Forward to New Growth

Presidents Place

Greetings Fellow Members,

Spring has sprung and we are all enjoying the lovely weather. This is the perfect time to begin repotting and dividing many genera. If you have vandas that look like palm trees, but have sufficient roots at the top, this is the time to make top cuttings. Be sure to leave at least three roots above your cutting and secure the new cutting well in the basket or container. Cattleyas are putting out new growths so get those repotted before tender new roots shoot out and make it a dicier proposition.

While you are dividing/repotting be sure to set aside plants to donate to our upcoming auction. We have finally been given permission by the church to proceed with the auction on Saturday, June 20 from 10 am-3 pm. This event will be open to the public so we really want to make it the successful fundraiser we so need. For that we need not only the plants from advertisers but your donations as well.

These are "happening" months for our Society. Last month we began the process of reviewing the proposed amendments to the Bylaws. We will be continuing the reviews at this month's meeting. Please refer to the email sent to you earlier (on 4/27) for ways to help streamline the reviewing and voting.

Review the complete message as sent via e-mail on pages 2 & 3 of this issue.

Contact Patty Cartwright via e-mail (pjcartwright@earthlink.net) if you have any suggestions or corrections.

For the next few meetings the doors will open at 6 p.m. and our light dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. Please refer to the 4/27 email for the rest of the approximate timeline.

In addition, this month we will hear the report of the Nominating Committee and vote on officers. Many thanks to the Chair of that committee, Eileen Hector and members Jeanne Dyer, Anne Boldrick, Robin Saunders and Patty Cartwright for their hard work.

Avril Wick very graciously agreed to postpone her presentation last month so we could get a jump start on the Bylaws. We look forward to her talk on Kew Gardens this month

So bring your blooming beauties, something yummy for the table and be ready to have a great time on May 21st! Until then, happy growing!

Dory Gallagher

May 2009

OrchiDates

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- May 14 @ 7:00 P.M.
Florida West Coast Orchid Society
Speaker: Brian Monk of Blu Llama Orchids, "Tolumnias"
Contact: Bob Barrett (727) 726-1697
- May 21 @ 7 PM
Tampa Bay Orchid Society
Orchid Growing Panel Discussion
Contact: Dory Gallagher (813) 907-7025
- May 26 @ 10:00 A.M.
Tampa Orchid Club Installation Party
Contact: Doris Cook (813) 963-7454
- May 26 @ 7:30 P.M.
Ridge Orchid Society Installation Party
Contact: Bill Byrd (863) 859-5060
- May 30 AOS FNC-JC
Annual Meeting
AOS Judging Tampa
Contact: Ken Roberts (813) 752-8719

Bear With Us Please! ~ As Announced in E-Mail 04/27

Hello Fellow Members,

It was apparent at last month's meeting that some of you were not aware, even though there was a special email sent out, that we would be reviewing and voting on Bylaws amendments. Due to the length of time it took to finalize the proposals there was not time to mail out to those who do not have email. We did have copies available at the meeting for those members and regret that they were not able to review before the meeting.

This message is to make sure that each of you are aware of what to expect at the next few meetings. Amendments to our Bylaws must be reviewed at regular meetings and voted on by the membership as defined in our current Bylaws. Our Bylaws were last revised in 2003, so we are behind and must get this done. This is not a fun task for anyone. It was certainly not fun for the committee who spent more than 30 hours in meetings, not to mention the time involved with extensive emails phone calls and personal communication with others. We do not think it is asking too much of members to give 45 minutes of their attention for the next few meetings to complete this important task. Many members have made it clear that they wish to be

involved in changes to improve our Society and that is our intent.

In an attempt to streamline this process we are asking several things from you. If you have not already done so, please print off the copy of the proposed amendments to the Bylaws and Standing Rules that were sent to you by email. Copies are being sent to those who receive their newsletter by USPS. Study each change thoroughly in the comfort of your home, and make notations of any comments you might have. Please bring your copy to the meeting as it is too expensive for the Society to provide extra copies. If you have suggestions to make that simply involve grammar or punctuation, or if you have any questions related to the amendments please send those comments to Patty Cartwright @ pjcartwright@earthlink.net. This will enable her to present the appropriate changes without members having to voice the suggestions during the meeting and help cut down on time spent responding to questions. If you are a member of a committee in which changes are proposed or if you have suggestions other than those proposed, please submit your suggestions to Patty Cartwright who will then review them with the Bylaws Committee.

June 2009

OrchiDates

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• June 11 @ 7:00 P.M.
Florida West Coast Orchid Society
Speaker: Rafael Romero
of Plantio la Orquidea
Contact: Bob Barrett (727) 726-1697

• June 13 @ 1:30 P.M.
AOS Judging Leu Gardens, Orlando
Contact: Marv Ragan
(904) 213-4560

• June 18 @ 7 P.M.
Tampa Bay Orchid Society
Installation Meeting
Contact: Dory Gallagher
(813) 907-7025

• June 23 @ 10:00 A.M.
Tampa Orchid Club
Speaker: Jim Clarkson
"Paphiopedilums"
Contact: Sue Barnum (813) 281-2126

• June 23 @ 7:30 P.M.
Ridge Orchid Society
Speaker: TBA
Contact: Bill Byrd (863) 859-5060

• June 24 @ 7:30 P.M.
AOS Judging Tampa Garden Center
Contact: Ken Roberts (813) 752-8719

Bear With Us Please! ~ As Announced in E-Mail 04/27 (continued)

As something of an experiment, this will be the timeline/agenda for the next few meetings. The following time frames are approximate. We will begin promptly at 6:30 with our refreshment table/fellowship time. Doors will open at 6:00 for preparations. The remaining proposed Bylaws amendments were tabled at the last meeting. At 6:45 we will continue from where we left off. Per Robert's Rules, amendments to Bylaws are to be presented in a 3 tiered manner. That is, reading the old Rule, reading what is stricken and what is added, then reading the final wording of the proposed amendment. In an effort to save time we will propose to suspend reading of what is stricken and added. Please be prepared to vote on this. We will devote 45 minutes to Bylaws amendments. At 7:15 we will have the remaining committee reports and business meeting.

Therefore if you are not interested in the bylaws, plan to arrive at 7:45. We will leave the food and beverages out for a reasonable amount of time. The speaker will start at 8 pm and we generally allow 30-45 minutes for the presentation. We will then proceed with a 10 minute break, followed by the raffle and bloom tables. Since we will not normally be discussing Bylaws, this will allow us to see if we can end our meetings by 9 pm, and therefore be eligible for one of the community centers as a new meeting place. For those of you who were not at the last meeting, we have been given a deadline of July 16 as our last meeting at the church where we currently meet.

Thank you for your attention, and as always, we appreciate your suggestions and support.

The TBOS Executive Committee and Bylaws Committee



*...as we continue to make tracks
on the changes to the society
bylaws...*

Tampa Bay Orchid Society Meeting Minutes ~ Apr. 16, 2009



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

Dory Gallagher, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. The minutes from the March meeting as published in the April Newsletter were accepted without corrections.

- The Cattleyas & Their Relatives by Withner & Harding from Timber Press
- The Cattleyas and Their Relatives, Vol. VI by Carl Withner also from Timber Press

Membership: **Jane Corbett** reported that there were no guests signed in this evening. There were 30 members.

Publicity: Pimpa Hoontrakul reported that she sent out publicity about Avril's talk on TV today.

Treasurer: **Julio Hector** reported receipts of 9,014.67 Expenditures of \$1358.98 leaving a balance of \$66.10 in the checking account. March had a loss of \$4,844.31. There were four vendors at the USF plant sale with a gross of 42500.44 netting the Society \$127.07

Field Trip: **Corinne Arnold** announced that FCWOS is having a field trip to Redlands in May. The information was printed in TBOS April Newsletter.

TOC: The next meeting will be an orchid potting and picnic at USF.

There was no Education presentation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports from: AOS, Correspondence, Community Service, Displays, Website, Yearbook, Historian, & Technology

Orchid Digest: **Barry Reese** reported that the new issue has lots of good internet URL's and good information on Cymbidiums.

Florida West Coast Orchid Society: **Bob McKinney** stated FWCOS was having an Auction at the Largo Feed Store this Saturday from 9 until about 4 p.m.

TBOS Program: **Jeanne Dyer** reported that she hoped get Bill Fajen to speak at a meeting in the near future.

Sunshine: **Jeanelle Hires** sent a sympathy card to **Gerri Almand** on the recent loss of her son and also to **Donna Sitton's** family.

Distribution and Exchange: **Corrine Arnold** announced that this month's raffle plants are from Palmer Orchids and that Phelps will be providing raffle plants next month.

Plant Sales: **Jose and Carolyn Lamas** stated there were some nice member plants available for sale.

Hospitality: **Kathy Cox and Julia Harding** distributed raffle tickets to those who had brought food for our hospitality table.

Library: **Robin Saunders** reported that there were three new books available

- Four Seasons for Orchids, by Allikas & Nash published by Creative Homeowner Press

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dory announced that the Seminole Heights Methodist Church wants us out by the end of July. **Jeanne Dyer** discussed the difficulty of finding a place to meet due to cost, storage, and time restraints. **Michael Collin** spoke of possible sites to meet that were downtown. **W. L. Cook** will check out the Community Center on 22nd St and report back. We need storage for the library and hospitality items.

Our auction will be June 20. More information will follow.

Dory is working on the forms to attain a non-profit 501 (c) 3 status for TBOS.

NEW BUSINESS

The nominating committee was selected. **Eileen Hector** agreed to chair the committee. **Anne Boldrick, Robin Saunders, Jeanne Dyer** and **Patty Cartwright** were nominated and voted to be members of the committee. They will meet and report on their suggestions in May.

When the business meeting was completed **Patty Cartwright** and **Nancy Losgar** reviewed the plants on the bloom table.

Refreshments were enjoyed by the membership while the raffle was held.

Joan McLain won the members choice award for her magnificent specimen of *Phalaenopsis schilleriana*.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Please see the next page for coverage of Bylaws amendments.

Meeting Minutes (continued) Bylaws Update

Bylaws Committee Report: Patty Cartwright began by stating that our bylaws are out of date and needed to be updated. The committee met in excess of 30 hours trying to devise suggested changes. A copy of the proposed Blaws amendments had been emailed to all members prior to this meeting and additional paper copies were provided for those who had not received them.

Avril Wick was prepared to do a presentation on Kew Gardens. Because of the time needed for the By Laws committee, Avril offered to present at a later date instead. After extensive discussion, an agreement was made to suspend further action on the Bylaws amendments after 45 minutes of review.

The following wording was changed in the suggested Bylaws proposal by a unanimous vote of the membership: Article II OBJECT

The object of this Society shall be to promote education about, interest in, and culture and artistic use of orchids.

Changes suggested by the committee in Article III: MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section III.01, Section III. 02 were accepted by unanimous vote of the membership.

Changes suggested by the committee in Article IV: MEETING were accepted by unanimous vote of the membership.

Changes suggested by the committee in Article V: GOVERNMENT Sections V.02 were accepted by unanimous vote of the membership.

A Change was proposed and accepted by unanimous vote of the membership to change Section V.05 to read: The annual election of officers of the Society shall be held in May. The remaining portion of V.05 had no changes.

A Change was proposed and accepted by unanimous vote of the membership to change Section V.06 to read: The President shall appoint a Tellers Committee consisting of a Chair and two (2) members, who shall distribute ballots, collect, count and report the votes.

Changes suggested by the Bylaws committee in Article V: GOVERNMENT Sections V.07 (a) & (b) were accepted by unanimous vote of the membership.

Changes suggested by the committee in Article V: GOVERNMENT Sections V.08, 09, 11 & 12 were accepted by unanimous vote of the membership.

Changes suggested by the committee in Article VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section VI.01, Section VI. 04 were accepted by unanimous vote of the membership.

After extensive discussion changes suggested by the membership modified Article VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section VI.05 to read -The Treasurer shall

present a monthly financial report at the regular monthly meetings. The books shall be audited by a committee appointed by the Executive Committee at the end of each fiscal year. An audit may also be performed when otherwise deemed necessary. These changes were accepted by unanimous vote of the membership.

Article VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section VI.06 changes recommended by the Bylaws committee were accepted by a majority vote of the membership.

Article VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section VI.08 changes recommended by the Bylaws committee were modified to read- The Executive Committee shall maintain tax exempt status (501-C3) for the society by fulfilling the requirements set forth by the State of Florida; the Treasurer shall prepare and submit all required paperwork to the appropriate agencies. These were accepted by unanimous vote of the membership.

Article VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section VI.09 & 10 changes recommended by the Bylaws committee were accepted by a unanimous vote of the membership.

Recommendations of the Bylaws Committee for Article VII: STANDING COMMITTEES, CHAIR, APPOINTEES AND THEIR DUTIES were accepted by unanimous vote for Section VII.01 & 04

Recommendations of the Bylaws Committee for Article VII: STANDING COMMITTEES, CHAIR, APPOINTEES AND THEIR DUTIES were accepted by majority vote for Section VII.05

A change was proposed and accepted by unanimous vote of the membership to change Section VII.06 to read: The Chair shall be responsible for keeping a list of all books owned by the society, the loaning of books to members, and the establishment of late fees and/or replacement costs for lost books.

Recommendations of the Bylaws Committee for Article VII: STANDING COMMITTEES, CHAIR, APPOINTEES AND THEIR DUTIES were accepted by unanimous vote for Section VII.07

A change was proposed and accepted by unanimous vote of the membership to change Section VII.09 to read- Program Committee: The Chair shall be responsible for presenting interesting and educational programs to the Society and shall arrange for the speaker's compensation.

Bylaws revisions relating to Member Sales Committee prompted a lively discussion and the discussion ceased due to the 45 minute time limit set aside for review. Ethel Freedman moved we hold more discussion next month and the motion passed.

Further Bylaws modifications will be discussed in separate increments in future meetings.



We are ALL Volunteers

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An Editorial

Since this is the month that we elect our new officers I thought it might be important, as well as timely, to talk a little bit about how our meetings manage to come together for the membership. It takes a dedicated group of volunteers (that are all as busy as you are in their daily lives) to set aside some time each month to lead this organization. From the President, right down to each Committee Chair or committee member, they must prepare for our monthly meetings somehow in some way. It is not always convenient. It takes a little effort. Personally, I would like to say thanks to all of you that have brought Tampa Bay Orchid Society to where it is today!

I am happy to learn more about orchids.

Let's face it! Our organization, as well as many others that you may belong to, are run by volunteers. Without volunteers we would not have an organization. Specifically, we would not have a meeting place or a program or raffle plants. We would not have refreshments. We would not have a newsletter. We would not have an operating fund or someone to dispense it. We would not have anyone to comment on the beautiful orchids that our members grow. There are so many more things that I would miss each month by not having our volunteers help manage the workings of the Tampa Bay Orchid Society.

I have been a member of this organization for a number of years. In retrospect, I feel it would have been helpful to better understand the "behind the scenes" activities that make our meetings come together for the membership, to understand, that if elected or nominated (that it is *not* an imposition) that our obligation/responsibility is *ONLY* once a month for a year. Most would agree that there are *some things* that are more involved (our annual show) and require more input but for the most part helping on or chairing a committee is something to look forward to with like minded people.

I would like to appeal to all of the members out there, that attend our meetings each month and enjoy the fellowship of other members and learn something from our meetings: what would you miss if there were no volunteers? What would you miss the *most* if there no longer was a Tampa Bay Orchid Society? Please think about it.

We are ALL volunteers. The next time you are asked to Chair or help on a committee please give serious consideration to becoming a committed active member of the Tampa Bay Orchid Society.

It is a circle of friends I am proud to be a part of.

Eileen Hector

May Meeting ~ 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.



Photos taken by TBOS member/volunteer Jim Tear

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.

Monthly Bloom Table ~ Member's Choice ~ Novice Award

Orchid Name	Owner
Species	
Phalenopsis schilleriana won the Members Choice award for its profusion of lovely pink blooms. Joan grows it in a basket hung vertically like a plant.	Joan McLain Members Choice
Paphiopedilum lowii is a successive bloomer. Lovely blooms on this well grown showy plant	Jeanne Dyer
Paph. hirsutissimum – Very well grown species originating in Borneo. The plant sported a number of blooms.	Jeanne Dyer
Epidendrum pseudoepidendrum floribundum was well grown.	Anne Boldrick
Ionopsis utricularioides – Well grown plant with small delicate lavender blooms giving a misty appearance	Anne Boldrick
Oncidium ampliatus – plant was well grown and leaves had a heavy texture. Some people call the blooms “dancing ladies”	Carole Bennett
Hybrids	
Paph. Primulum ‘Lehua Glow’ x venustum album ‘Constant’ was nicely grown. If leaves become wrinkled it is a sign the plant is not getting enough water	Crystal Sicotte
Renanthera monachica x Asc. Fuchs Gold was a well grown plant in a basket. It had nice star shaped blooms with spots from the Mona Chica parent. The color was from the ascocentrum parent.	Anne Boldrick
Paraphalenopsis Ponces Ponce x laycocki Well grown plant not usually seen. Nancy said the terete leaves keep growing for the life of the plant. It should never be allowed to get dry.	The Gallaghers
Phalenopsis Haue Jim Princess ‘SL’ x Phal. Philippense ‘SL’ had lovely blooms	Jim van Koolbergen
Psychopsis kramerianum x verstigianum was very well grown and sported a lovely large bloom. When the plant gets enough light it produces purple pigmentation on the leaves.	Stan Puc
Oncidium (psychopsis) Butterfly (sanderae x papillio) had huge flowers on the well grown plant.	Stan Puc
Cattleya Peckhaviensis (schilleriana ‘Venice’ x C. Aclandiae ‘Gulfglanda”) This primary hybrid had a lot of substance in the bloom from the aclandii parent.	Tiffania Swigart
Ota. Hwa Yuan Bay ‘Sheshu’ (Lctna Peggy San x Blc Sunset Bay) had nice blooms. Plant was won in the July raffle last year and already blooming.	Anne Boldrick
Blira Tahoma Glacier ‘Green’	Jim van Koolbergen
Dendrobium unknown	Steph van Rensburg
Cattleya unknown was a wonderful deep red color. When pseudobulbs show ridges it is a sign that the plant is not getting enough water.	Steph van Rensburg
Phalaenopsis unknown was also a well grown plant. It has very intense maroon splotches and the underside of the leaves were tinged with purple.	Linda Cruz

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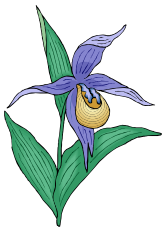
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To prepare for the sale, we will be CLOSED the preceding week (Sunday, May 17th to Saturday, May 23rd)



Tampa Bay Orchid Society Auction

Saturday, 20 June, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Seminole Height United Methodist Church

6111 Central Ave, Tampa, FL

Wide selection of orchid plants and related items,
each, to the highest bidder!

Hospitality and Refreshments



We're trying something new for the May meeting by starting earlier and having refreshments first. I will not be at the meeting, as I will be scuba diving in The Keys, so please give Julia additional support, as she will be solo. She plans to provide lasagna, so those planning to bring something also, may want it to be a complimentary item. Salad dressing will be provided as well.

**Contribute to our
Tasty Refreshments!**

Hot Off The Presses! TBOS Yearbook

I am delighted to inform you that the long awaited yearbook is ready and will be handed out at the May meeting! Many thanks to Deborah LeMonde and Patty Cartwright who have been working together, along with Jane Corbett, Eileen Hector, and Anne Boldrick to get the book finished. Be first in line to get your copy that includes all of the new members. Thanks again to everyone who pulled together to make this happen!

Dory

Thanks to everyone for all the good help in making this transition in to our new position an easy one. Your help, as well as your donations-both monetarily and with food-to the refreshment table has been greatly appreciated. Please keep it coming. Anything you bring is greatly appreciated. For those that may not know, an orchid is given away to the winning ticket holder of a raffle ticket given to those that bring food, or make a donation. How much fun is that - going home with a free plant!

Kathy Cox



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The Slate of Officers for the next fiscal year will be announced at the May meeting. We look forward to the leadership of dedicated volunteers to carry out the mission of the Tampa Bay Orchid Society: As stated in our Bylaws, the object of the Tampa Bay Orchid Society is to "Promote interest, education, culture and artistic use of orchids". The members that have been nominated, if elected, have agreed to participate and support all activities of the Society during their term of office. Please cast a vote for those committed to improving our understanding of orchids.