



THE KEIKI



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As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to burden our nation and the world, we have decided to cancel our July meeting. Elections and other society business will be postponed until we can begin regular meetings again.

We hope you are all staying safe and healthy, and that your orchids are making your days brighter. Please post some pictures on our Nature Coast Orchid Society Facebook group for all of us to enjoy! The pictures in this newsletter are gleaned from the many beautiful ones there. We hope you all enjoy them.

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**CALENDAR OF SPEAKERS/EVENTS FOR
 NATURE COAST ORCHID SOCIETY FOR
 2020**

July 18th— Cancelled

August—AOS Seminar?

September—AOS Seminar?

October—Annual NCOS Auction

November—Annual picnic

December—holiday party

EXECUTIVE BOARD

OFFICERS

<u>President</u>	Steve Mattana
<u>Past President</u>	Jeff Rundell
<u>1st Vice President</u>	Geary Harris
<u>2nd Vice President</u>	Celeste Ogden
<u>Treasurer</u>	Pat Baig
<u>Executive Secretary</u>	Pat Dupke
<u>Advisory Capacity</u>	Helen Battistrada
<u>Recording Secretary for meetings</u> (not an elected position)	Kara Ramsey

COMMITTEES

<u>Bulletin (The Keiki)</u>	Matt Riesz and Julie Smolka
<u>E-mail Co-ordinator</u>	Tim Smith
<u>Historian</u>	Mary Lou Mattana
<u>Librarian</u>	Celeste Ogden
<u>Membership</u>	Arlene Appelbaum, Carol VanderLaan
<u>Publicity</u>	Mary Lou Mattana
<u>Refreshment Table</u>	Volunteers please
<u>Refreshment Reminders</u>	Mary Lou Mattana
<u>Show Table Report</u>	Matt Riesz
<u>Speaker Segment Writer</u>	Kara Ramsey
<u>Trips</u>	Sonia Terrelonge
<u>Webmaster</u> (Website set up by Ken Dunn)	Bob East
<u>AOS Representative</u>	Matt Riesz

**Activities that are low risk
of contracting Covid19**

- Watering your orchids
- Fertilising your orchids
- Repotting your orchids
- Talking to your orchids
- Looking at orchids online
- Buying orchids online
- Weeding your orchids
- Having a coffee with your orchids
- Enjoying the sun with your orchids
- Exercising around your orchids
- Pruning your orchids

**Looks like having orchids
is the best prevention**

Happy gardening 😊



TREASURER'S REPORT

By Pat Baig

No Treasurer's Report this month. All of our show vendors have had their money refunded, and we expect either a refund or a credit from the VFW for our show fees.

Stay home, and stay healthy!!



President's Message

Good day everyone! Well, this is our fifth month since we've seen each other. Unfortunately, with the increase of COVID-19 infections turning up now there will not be a board meeting, nor will there be a regular August society meeting. Stay tuned to our Facebook page and watch your emails for updates. If you're not getting emails, please contact Matt Riesz or Arlene Appelbaum. I would like to introduce everyone to our new 2nd Vice President, Sharon Wagner. Celeste has asked to step down, and we thank Celeste for doing an incredible job as second vice president. The board is looking forward to seeing Sharon's ideas as second vice president for guest speakers. I know she will do an incredible job. She is very active in other groups and helps out during events. With her knowledge and her meeting/knowing many people this will be good for our group. You may see new faces giving presentations on a variety of new subjects. Looking forward to us and exciting times with Sharon as our second Vice President. Pat Dupke has asked to resign as our board secretary. We will be looking for someone to take her place and we thank Pat for the awesome job that she's done over the past few years for us during my administration

We have our auction coming up in just a couple of short months from now. Hopefully everyone has gotten some plants ready to donate to our cause. Your donations are the lifeblood of our organization. And whatever you can donate, a plant, pots, old pot hangers whatever it is that you donate, we can make some money on. We greatly appreciate everything that your donations do for our society.

We will keep you updated as developments occur. Stay safe & happy growing! Steve

Attention, Members, WE NEED YOU!!!

Our society depends upon volunteers for everything we do. In particular, we need officers: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President (who coordinates our speakers), Treasurer and Secretary. Without these officers we CANNOT CONTINUE TO EXIST! Our current slate of officers have been in their positions for two years, having volunteered to continue for a second year. But this year we must elect NEW OFFICERS. The jobs of each officer are not a huge burden, and they're a great way to get to know people. Please, please, please consider volunteering for one of these board positions, as well as several other committee positions. Elections are coming up soon, so speak to Steve Mattana if you're willing to help!



Membership Notes for March

From Arlene Appelbaum

As uncertain as these times are for all of us now, hopefully all of our orchids are thriving due to the abundant care and attention they must all be receiving. So even sheltering at home has its rewards.

Our society currently boasts a membership of 128 orchids lovers.

Please be well and stay safe.

Arlene Appelbaum

MEMBERS:

Arlene has graciously taken over sending get-well cards and sympathy cards to members. If you know of any members who are ill or grieving, please send her an email to let her know at fluffy2cats@gmail.com

THANK YOU!



NCOS QUIZ

Answers on last page

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1. *What is black rot*
 - A. *Fungus*
 - B. *Mold*
 - C. *Insect*
 - D. *All of the above*

 2. *Black rot affects a wide variety of orchids but _____ are particularly susceptible*
 - A. *Vanda*
 - B. *Dendrobium*
 - C. *Cattleyas*
 - D. *Cymbidiums*

 3. *How to prevent black rot*
 - A. *Sterilize pots*
 - B. *Avoid splash contamination*
 - C. *Good air flow*
 - D. *All of the above*

 4. *How to treat black rot*
 - A. *Cut below infection line*
 - B. *Use cinnamon on fresh cuts*
 - C. *Apply appropriate fungicide*
 - D. *All of the above*

A Blast from the Past!!

Does anyone remember this meeting from way back in 2002 or 2003



Thank you Tim Smith for submitting an excellent article to keep our orchids safe

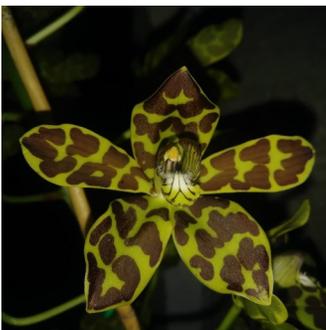
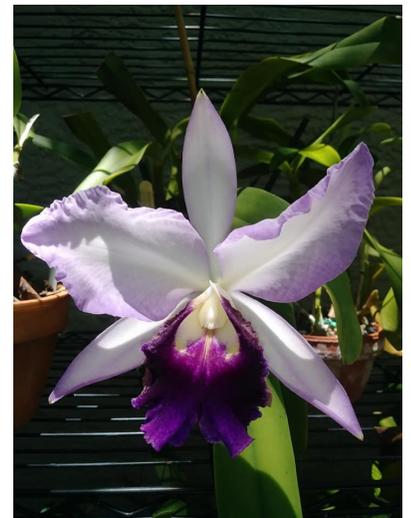
I wanted to mention something to you that you probably already know but I've been swarmed with white flies wrecking havoc on the confederate rose hibiscus I am trying to start from cutting. All the known remedies seems to do as much damage as the flies. Maybe I over applied or had the mix wrong, who knows. Then along came Google and many people were having similar problems and most went for this fix and it seems to be working on the adult breeders the best. Sticky yellow paper I bought on Amazon from a lady in Florida that sells them on Amazon. 20 sheets that are double sided that I cut into 4 piece and place them close to the foliage. As a bonus, mosquito, black fly, gnats, and the ever popular yellow flies seems to be attracted to it as well. I've had them up for awhile and so far, bees don't seem to have an interest. Of course we only have a few bees anyway. The white specks are fresh caught and the darker specks are dead ones that have been there for awhile.





A few pictures from the Nature Coast Orchid Society facebook page.

Don't forget to stop by the our facebook page and share some photos





Let's Grow Together!

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2020 JULY AOS Corner – for Affiliated Societies

The AOS Corner is for society representatives and newsletter editors: Orchid societies are welcome to reproduce the AOS Corner completely, or in part, in their society publications.

We encourage use of the **AOS website** by all members. <http://www.aos.org>

Carving Out a New Normal

As societies get the go ahead to meet in person with social distancing protocols in place, it will be interesting to note the development of our new normal. Will members show up wearing masks and gloves? Will we continue to share refreshments as we once did? Will we bother to bring our bloomers to the table for show & tell? How will we welcome new members without shaking hands or high-fiving? Will we instead offer a gentle fist bump? How about the flat handed Vulcan Salute - Live Long and Prosper? Now, that is a good thought for both our society members and our orchids!

Some societies may find that meeting remotely fits their membership better than meeting in person and may choose that option for the near future. I recently sat in as a virtual guest on a west coast (USA) orchid society meeting. There were seventy-five viewers signed on that night. They shared their orchid show & tell table, allowing members to talk about their entries, and had a well-known guest speaker from a different time zone give a great talk. They had giveaway gift certificate drawings for their members. It worked well in this disconnected time of uncertainty. We all have to find what works best.

Our local group has about 127 members. We rarely get more than forty at our in-person meetings. For our late in the month June meeting, we are going virtual! We look forward to better attendance without our members having to fight traffic and weather. From our 500 plus Facebook group members, we have invited viewers to be our guests for the night. The objective is gaining new members for our society at our monthly meetings, whether they are on Zoom or in person. Our ultimate goal is to have fun while learning about orchids. Failure is not an option. Drop me a line and let me know what's working for you.



DID YOU KNOW? The Affiliated Societies Committee maintains a **list of speakers** available for your monthly meeting presentations. We are now in the process of updating the list to confirm whether each speaker also offers remote presentations. Please feel free to reach out to these speakers directly to see if they might fit into your meeting schedules.

https://www.aos.org/AOS/media/Affiliated-Societies/AOS_Speakers_List.pdf

Below is a list of speakers that have recently responded positively to our update request. We are hopeful that more speakers will agree to this style of presentation.

Alan Koch	Kim Feddersen
Arthur Katz	Lawrence Zettler
Bill and Deb Bodei	Marc Hachadourian
Bill Thoms	Marcelo Morales
Carol Beule	Martin Motes
Carol Klonowski	Mary Gerritsen
Carri Raven-Reimann	Mary Mancini
Christopher Satch	Maurice Garvey
Dave Sorokowsky	Nile Dusdieker
Ed Weber	Norman Fang
Fred Clarke	Rob Griesbach
Gary Yong Gee	Ron Kaufmann
Hadley Cash	Steve Beckendorf
Harry Gallis	Steve Frowine
James and Melana Davison	Steve Gonzalez

REMINDERS

Insight for our **AFFILIATED SOCIETIES**

<http://www.aos.org/about-us/affiliated-societies.aspx>

Check out the Complete Affiliated Benefits Package

<http://www.aos.org/AOS/media/Content-Images/PDFs/Benefits-of-being-an-Affiliated-SocietiesMember-v5.pdf>

AFFILIATED SOCIETY BONUS - EARN AOS MEMBERSHIP EXTENSIONS FOR YOUR SOCIETY

Affiliated Societies can earn a one-month extension on their AOS society membership for each new individual AOS member they recruit. If you start now, with twelve new AOS members, your Affiliated Society can obtain a FULL FREE YEAR OF AOS membership! Be sure and advise new members to note their society affiliation on the printed membership form or in the comments section online at checkout.

Remember to let your society members know, we want to sweeten the deal and give them every possible reason to join AOS today! If they become an American Orchid Society member, they have considerably more resources available to help make orchid growing enjoyable and successful. *Individual society membership and AOS Membership are not the same. Although affiliated, each requires separate membership dues.*

2020 **updated membership** rates NOW on the AOS website!

<http://www.aos.org/about-us/aos-membership.aspx>

Need **print applications** to have on hand at your monthly meetings or to mail out? Find them here: <https://www.aos.org/AOS/media/Content-Images/PDFs/AOSJoinForm2020.pdf>

Entice your society members to join the American Orchid Society with a **FREE downloadable digital issue** of ORCHIDS magazine. <https://go.aos.org/freeissue201904>



AWARDS GALLERY

MEMBERS are privileged to VIEW the beauty and diversity of awarded orchids in every issue of **ORCHIDS magazine**.

<http://www.aos.org/about-us/orchids-magazine.aspx>

PLUS everyone can check the **most recently awarded orchids on the AOS website**.

<https://secure.aos.org/orchid-awards.aspx>

To view flower details, measurements, and a description of each awarded orchid or exhibit, go to [aos.org](https://secure.aos.org/orchid-awards.aspx), sign-in, then select **Orchid Pro** from the drop down menu on your membership status box.

<https://op.aos.org/>

**Award No: 20205055, Date: Feb 21, 2020**

American Orchid Society Show Trophy 'J & L Orchids' ST | AOS (86 points)

Event: Amherst Orchid Society Show (Northampton, Massachusetts)

Exhibitor: J & L Orchids, Photographer: Joseph Maciaszek

Exhibit also received a Silver Certificate: Award No. 20205056

**Award No: 20205478**

Masdevallia Galaxy 'Alma del Bosque'

AM | AOS 80 points)

**Award No: 20205475**

Platystele beatricis 'Diego'

CCE | AOS (93 points)

Exhibitor: Pascal Arrondeau

Photographer: Bryan Ramsay

AOS members have access to over 2,050 articles published between the years 2003 - 2009 and 2011 - 2018 through the [digital archives](#).

<http://www.aos.org/about-us/orchids-magazine.aspx>

Worth the Read - ORCHIDS July Preview

For the Novice - Soluble Salts by Sue Bottom Sue shares practical advice in easy to understand terms. Her contributions to ORCHIDS through the years have been invaluable to novice and experienced growers alike. You will come away with new knowledge, or a refresher course, on how to grow your orchids better. Catch her words of wisdom and more in the July issue of ORCHIDS.

- The New Refugium Botanicum - Encyclia alata by Franco Pupulin and associates
- Collector's Item - Bulbophyllum section Lepidhoriza by Charles Wilson
- Orchids Illustrated - Bulbophyllums of du Petit-Thours by Peggy Alrich and Wesley Higgins
- Orchids of Bhutan - Spathoglottis by Stig Dalström, et al.
- Orchid Treasures of the Northwest Amazon - In Search of Scuticaria steelei by Nicola Flanagan
- The Orchids of Guanahacabibes National Park, Cuba by Lawrence W. Zettler, et al.

WHAT ARE WEBINARS? An Affiliated Society may use recorded webinars for presentations at their monthly meetings. With Wi-Fi access, it's easy! Webinars are an internet-connected audiovisual presentation. You can view from anywhere that you have an internet connection via Mac, PC or even your mobile device. It's easy to find the **scheduled webinars** and to register on the AOS website. You will find the link here: <http://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx>

If your society does not have internet access, you can contact the AOS Education Committee, Sandra Svoboda at stillsch@cox.net and request **a program from the recorded list**. The video file(s) with instructions for use will be sent to you. Copy the file to a flash drive or copy it to your computer hard drive and show the webinar at the meeting.

<http://www.aos.org/AOS/media/Content-Images/PDFs/Webinars-for-Affiliated-Societies-7-24-19.pdf>

The American Orchid Society Webinars

Webinars are online video presentations. You can register for an upcoming webinar or watch the recorded webinars any time. Some webinars require you to be an AOS member.

Upcoming Webinars

Webinars-Coming Attractions!



When	July 14, 2020 8:30pm EST Tuesday	July 22, 2020 8:30pm EST Wednesday	August 26, 2020 8:30pm EST Wednesday	RECORDED WEBINARS at your convenience
Topic	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) <i>Send in your Questions!</i>	Digital Resources Orchid Culture Insights from the Internet	<i>Maxillaria</i> Not just <i>tenuifolia</i> anymore	Culture, Judging, Pests and Diseases, Greenhouse Chats indexed by topic
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Bill Bodei Committee Chair AOS Membership & Marketing, Technology Chair Deep Cut Orchid Society	Eric Sauer Awarded Maxillariaologist & Greenhouse Grower	AOS Members, Judges, Concerned Conservationists, Scientists & More

To view **REGISTRATION is REQUIRED.**

Cannot make it on the scheduled date or time? No need to worry. Register anyhow!

ALL webinars are recorded and available to view at your leisure.

GREENHOUSE CHAT Webinars are indexed by topic for future viewing.

Send your Greenhouse Chat questions and photos to: greenhousechat@aos.org

Webinar announcements are posted to Facebook, Instagram and in the AOS Corner of your Affiliated Society's newsletter.

Remember to check in with us on **Facebook** and **Instagram!**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/AffiliatedSocietiesOfTheAOS/>

<https://instagram.com/americanorchidsociety?igshid=16ixfciczky0I>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/52597049839/>



YOUR ORCHID LIBRARY

By Celeste Ogden



<http://www.naturecoastorchidsociety.com/library-checkout-books.html>

How do I get a book from the Club's Library?

1. Just Click on: www.naturecoastorchidsociety.com/library-alphabetical-list-books.html
2. Select Books or CD's you think would be useful and order right on the web page.

Select any number(s) that you would like to spend some time with and then you can sign them out at the next Members' Meeting Keep them for 1 month and return them at the following meeting and remove your name from the list.

BOOK OF THE MONTH

Orchids for Tropical Gardens by: Dr. Chris K.H. Teo

Book # 300-018

Beautiful Orchids for the home and garden. This book tells you in simple, casual language how to grow them.....with 159 color illustrations. A must for all orchid lovers.

If you have any questions about our Library Books, my email address is: c1948ogden@gmail.com



Here I am

The Society meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month, at 1pm, at the Spring Hill VFW Post 8681 18940 Drayton St. at County Line Rd

Enjoy great speakers, fantastic raffle prizes and beautiful orchids on display.

www.naturecoastorchidsociety.com

Answers to quiz

1. A. Fungus
2. C. Cattleyas
3. D. All of the above
4. D. All of the above