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### THE KEIKI



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### President's Message

HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYBODY!

It' time to pay your annual dues now, so please plan to bring those to the January meeting, if you haven't paid already. It's \$20 for an individual

and \$25 for a family living at the same address. Don't forget: our January meeting will be at our new venue, the Krueger Enrichment Center, 392 Beverly Ct, Spring Hill, FL. Park in front or at the medical center just south of the center. Well, 2023 is finally in the books and we can set our hopes high for a great new year. We have a new meeting place this year, and there are certainly good things going on in the orchid world. It's show season, and nearly every weekend from now until May you can find an orchid show somewhere. Our own show will be held in April this year, at a brand new place for which we have very high hopes. There should be more room for vendors and exhibits, and better parking arrangements. It's also much easier to find, being right on Spring Hill Drive in Spring Hill. If you have any interest in helping us to stage this show, we'll be needing plenty of help. Please contact Cheryl Crilly.

The weather is quite annoying at the moment, though not unexpected for this time of year. Constant swings in low temperatures have meant I have to be moving my orchids in and out frequently. Or at least it seems that way. In return for my care they seem to be blooming nicely, with plants like Rl. digbyana, Rlc. Golf Green 'Hair Pig' and Phrag. Don Wimber putting on a show. Nobile-type Dendrobiums and others in the soft-cane family have been left outside in the cold (it hasn't gone below freezing yet) with very little water at all. They're responding by dropping leaves and showing little buds at the leaf junctions. I'm hoping for a really ice display in a month or two. Standard Phalaenopsis are also in spike, though none have opened yet.

I've had some questions about just what we're getting for our dues and how we spend that money and whatever else we raise through fundraising events like our auction. Here's a rough synopsis:

What we take in:

\$2000
\$3500
\$1650
\$1000
\$600

Total: \$8750

Where we spend it:

Newsletter:	<free!!></free!!>
speakers at meetings	\$2250
monthly hall rental for meetings	\$1900
storage shed	\$600
insurance	\$500
picnic	\$350
Misc. (biz cards, flyers, gift pens, etc.	.) \$600

show (hall rental, props, food, etc.) \$2000

Donations to AOS and other orchid organizations \$500

Total: \$8700

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## NCOS speaker schedule through December 2024

**Updated as of 11/26/2023** 

**Note:** Dates \*\*\* are different from our normal 3rd Saturday schedule, as the facility is not available on our normal dates those months.

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Hill, FL

February 17<sup>th</sup> – Miranda Or-

chids

March 16<sup>th</sup> – Courtney Hack-

ney

April 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> – show

May 18<sup>th</sup> – repotting/

mounting workshop

June 15<sup>th</sup> – Jim and I

July 20<sup>th</sup> – Rusty Exotics Or-

chid Nursery - Habenarias

August 17<sup>th</sup> – Auction

September 7<sup>th</sup> – Fred Clarke

October 19<sup>th</sup> – picnic

November 16<sup>th</sup> – <tentative>

Jim Roberts? Den. anos-

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December 14<sup>th</sup> – Holiday par-

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### **Membership Notes**

by Arlene Appelbaum

Happy New Year to one and all. My wish for you is a healthy and happy 2024.

As of this report NCOS has a total membership of 131 people, 68 of whom have paid their 2024 dues. For those of you who haven't, please bring your checks, payable to NCOS, to our January meeting. Dues remain at \$20.00 for a single and \$25.00 for a family membership.

Please also remember that our meeting venue has changed. We will be at Kreuger Enrichment Center- Spring Hill. See Keiki for directions.

See you on the 20th of this month.

Arlene Appelbaum Membership



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Dendrobium is a very diverse genus of orchids with over 1,800 species and thousands more hybrids. Due to this large number and their different culture requirements this genus was divided into 15 Sections, 6 of which are larger sections. If your plants are in the smaller sections, a google search should provide their culture requirements. This discussion will address the winter care of the 6 larger sections.

Three Sections that like to be warm in winter.



Phalaenanthe - Hard Cane - Evergreen - Keep above 60F

Includes the species affine, bigibbum, striaenopsis, dicuphum, lithicola, and hybrids.

Most common Dendrobium in cultivation, mostly white or/and purple flowers. Large full usually rounded petals, with somewhat thinner pointed sepals.



### Spatulata - Hard Cane - Evergreen - Keep above 60F

Includes the species antennatum, bicaudatum, canaliculatum, gouldii, lineale, stratiotes and hybrids.

Commonly known as "antelope Dendrobiums," these have twisted sparling sepals and petals. Most blooms are asymmetrical

Same culture as Phalaenanthe. Must be kept above 60°F or expect leaf loss. More cold sensitive than Phalaenanthe.

**Latouria** - Hard Cane – Evergreen - Keep above 60F



Includes the species aberrans, alexandrae, atroviolaceum, convolutum, and hybrids.

More colorful, yellow, white, source of "candy strip."

Some are cold tolerant but most are cold sensitive & need water all year, less in cooler months. Hybrids are more cold sensitive.

Same culture as Phalaenanthe and Spathulata.

Must be kept above 60°F or expect leaf loss. Hybrids are more cold sensitive.

Three Sections that like to be cool and dry to somewhat dry in winter.

**Dendrobium** – Soft Cane – Nobile & "pendulous" - Cold hardy



Includes the species albosanguineum, amoenum, anosmum, aphyllum, Nobile Dendrobiums, and hybrids.

Very colorful and many are fragrant.

Needs Cold Dry Winter Rest. Expect leaf loss on orchids in this section.

Heavy water and fert. in summer. No fert. after August. Reduce water in Aug. to Oct. Little or no water after mid Nov. Do not water again till they bloom in spring. Light misting only to prevent shrinkage of pseudobulbs.

Needs bright light and cold winter rest to flower. Keep above 36°F.

Callista – Soft Cane – Evergreen – Cold hardy



Includes the species aggregatum, chrysotoxum, densiflorum, farmeri, lindleyi, thyrsiflorum, and hybrids.

Compact plants that produce beautiful display of blooms.

#### Needs Cold Dry Winter Rest.

Same culture as D. Dendrobium Sect. above. Blooms from old canes for many years.

Must be kept above 36°F.

#### Formosae - Hard cane - Somewhat evergreen - Cold tolerant



Includes the species bellatulum, cruentum, dearei, formosum, lowii, sanderae, and hybrids.

Most are white with splash of red, yellow, or green in lip.

Culture is similar to that of Cattleyas. Need some but much reduced water in winter.

Must be kept above 40°F, or expect leaf loss.

For additional info on be sure to check out the article entitled "Introduction to Dendrobiums" by Joshua Jones, which can be found on the St. Augustine Orchid Society web page. The AOS site also has loads of information on Dendrobium sections and culture.

Proper care over winter will yield the rewards during the next bloom cycle.

Originally posted to B & L Orchids Inc on Oct. 21, 2017

**Bud Rumfelt** 

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When	Jan. 03, 2024 8:30 pm EST Wednesday	<b>Jan. 23, 2024</b> 8:30 pm EST <b>Tuesday</b>	Feb. 07 2024 8:30 pm EST Wednesday	Feb. 08, 2024 8:30 pm EST Thursday
Topic	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A Send in your Photos and Questions by Jan. 01	Multi-floral Paphiopedilums Desirable and Highly Awarded Slipper Orchids	Phalaenopsis: From Soup to Nuts A Panorama of Moth Orchids for Everyone	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A Send in your Photos and Questions by Feb.06
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Carol Klonowski Hobby Grower, AOS Judge	David Edgley AOS Judge, Judging Committee Chair	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer

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Ecuagenera, Apopka

**Smiley Orchids, Clermont** 

Florida Suncoast Orchids, Myakka City

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