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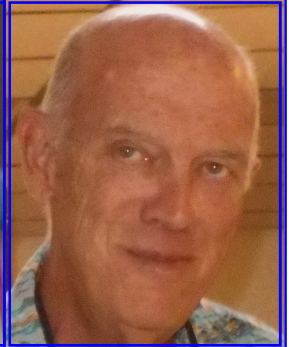
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GREAT PROGRAM AT OUR MAY MEETING. WE HAD FOUR MEMBER SPEAKERS. KARA RAMSEY SPOKE ON MICRO ENVIRONMENT GROWING, CELESTE OGDEN PRESENTED LADY SLIPPERS ON THE WINDOW SILL, JOYCE FOWLER TALKED ABOUT SCALE PROBLEMS AND JEFF TALKED ABOUT ARTIFICIAL LIGHTING. Read about the presentations on pages 12-14



A BEAUTIFUL VANDA
FROM THE MEMBERS
SHOW TABLE AT THE MAY
19TH MEETING

Belonging to Matt Reisz

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Next members' meeting on June 16th at our regular meeting place- VFW Post 8681, 18940 Drayton Street and County Line Rd., Spring Hill. Dr. Thomas, D.D.S. whose dental practice is in Homosassa has been growing orchids ever since his college years.

Remember, If you bring someone new to the meeting,
as a guest, you'll get free raffle tickets!

EXECUTIVE BOARD**OFFICERS**

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<u>Trips</u>	Sonia Terrelonge & Laurie Ciannamea
<u>Webmaster</u> (Website set up by Ken Dunn)	Bob East



Thank you everyone that brought food and beverages to our last meeting. As always, we had a wonderful selection of delectable snacks.

REFRESHMENTS

Celeste Ogden, Pat Dupke, Marie Tanaka, Connie Chase, Lori Cleaver

BEVERAGES

Javon Parker Cheryl Hassler Wen Ogden,
Joyce Fowler Marita Reisz .

I would like to ask all that signed up for beverages to bring some soda, since we have 2 1/2 cases of water left.

I would really appreciate it if a few of the members would help with clean up of the snack area after the meeting. It doesn't take long if extra hands are added to the mix. I'll be happy to explain what needs to be done.

TREASURER'S REPORT

By

Helen Battistrada



Beginning Balance : \$ 9,473.57

Total Receipts \$ 1,832.00

Disbursements: \$ 2,152.16

Ending Balance: \$ 9,153.41 5/19/18



OUTGOING PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Jeff Rundell

GIVING UP

Giving up is tough, no two ways about it. Of course I'm speaking figuratively since I fully hope to be at the next meeting, just sitting out in the crowd making trouble for everybody else. For once I'll be first in line for the snacks and possibly fall asleep when the lights go down for our speakers.

Seriously folks, I can't tell you what a pleasure it's been standing before you and seeing your smiles and sharing our successes and challenges. So while I am giving up the presidency, I will continue to try to infect as many people as possible with "OD" (orchid dementia).

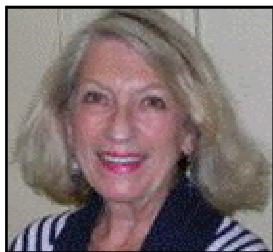
I want to spend a moment talking about another way of "giving up". Over the years I have spent a lot of time combing the racks of CLEARANCE orchids at those box stores. Don't lie, I've seen some of you there too. Why is it we humans just love to rescue a dog, cat or even an orchid? I've got quite a few of these types of orchids. I also have struggling orchids that just did not do well for me, were poorly cared for or were attacked by the evil army of insects, fungi and bacteria. Then there was that nasty grandma Irma along with several days in the low twenties that made things even worse. Maybe we need a 12 step program to help recovering orchid growers who just can't let go? So I was heartened by an article in AOS magazine a while ago. One of the frequent authors in the magazine, I believe it was Sue Bottom, got a visit from an older sage orchid grower who offered a hand on her shoulder and the advice that it was time for some of these orchids to bid a tearful goodbye and enter the great compost heap in the sky. He said

she'd feel better not struggling or undertaking heroic measures to save them. Yup, every orchid should have a "living will".

I know how repulsive "orchicide" can be so I have another suggestion that, in my experience, can occasionally produce a miracle. The word is NATURE. Take your patients and place them beneath, or attached to, the trees and let nature make the decision. I've got a bunch there right now (see picture below). I give them some care but basically it's grow or go gracefully. Surprisingly, some of these plants have surged back to life. There are little gnomes and sprites in my grove of Sand Live Oaks. Of course there are also assassins including the rodent hoard of squirrels and mice. Better them the murderers than me. Now I've got someone to blame! But there are also things in the forest that can help. Little jumping spiders and tiger beetles can dispatch orchid pests. Centipedes burrow into pots and find parasites. Beneficial fungi and bacteria act like probiotics. Rain can cleanse deposits of lime left from well water. Even a little "bird doo" can provide some nutrients. I've seen some plants succumb but others have recovered and even thrived. One word of warning in case you haven't guessed. When you bring recovering plants



in be sure to check for unwelcome visitors, especially ants who start little farms in many pots and are ready to sting anything that interrupts their fun. So give nature the last word with struggling orchids, after all that is where they came from and where they probably would prefer to find peace or prosperity.



**Membership
Notes for June
By Linda Condon**

Forty-six members signed in at the May meeting, along with five guests. All in attendance were treated to a great meeting where we were practically surrounded by a plethora of wonderful orchids, either for sale or in a raffle. The program was provided by a series of club members, each sharing a very different facet of their orchid growing experience, from a windowsill for Celeste Ogden's paphiopedalums, to a thoroughly researched and constructed vivarium of Kara Ramsey's, to a full commercial greenhouse where Joyce Fowler fights scale! Then Jeff Rundell explained using a light system to foil the vagaries of our sometimes uncooperative friend, the sun. You see what talent and variety of interests this club contains!?! That's what makes it so interesting and so much fun!

We had the presentation of the slate of officers and the election by Delia Dunn. The installation is to be at the June meeting. It was announced that Helen Battistrada, our faithful and diligent Treasurer, is going to step down after serving for 2 decades in that post: we are so grateful to Helen for her unselfish gifts of time and knowledge, and capabilities. Hopefully she has inspired us all to not just sit there, but get up off our...chairs and do something proactive for the club!! Thankfully, Helen has agreed to stick around and act as kind of a senior advisor. Thank you, Helen!

Both Tim Smith and Tom Govin have expressed their immense gratitude for all the cards and well wishes they have received during their recent surgeries and extended recuperations. It's great to

hear they're on the mend, and it'll probably be a bit of a while till they can return to a club meeting, I'll bet they wouldn't mind receiving a few more cards.

Our new to-be President, Steve Mattana, this month has generously offered to donate a special wee orchid to the 4th caller to 727-808-3008. So after you've read this Keiki, please call and (clearly) leave your name and the time and your call back number, and if you're notified that you're the fourth one, see Steve at the June 16th meeting to collect. And speaking of collecting, it completely slipped my mind that Bobby LeMay won five free raffle tickets for being the second caller in April, so she'll be collecting them to use at the June meeting. If you bring someone new to the meeting as a guest,, you'll get free raffle tickets, too!

You know Arlene Appelbaum has been working diligently at the Membership table for quite a while now, and she has kindly agreed to be Membership Chairperson, assisted by our Carol VanderLaan. I so appreciate their willingness to share their talents—please do let them know you appreciate them too.

Be sure to be at the June meeting, Saturday, June 16th, at 1:00 pm at the VFW Post, corner of Drayton and County Line Road, Spring Hill. There will be lots going on—you don't want to miss it. I must miss the meeting myself in order to help my daughter in Anchorage, AK with her three little ones for a while. Meanwhile -

Happy Summer???

Linda Condon



From the Desk of Steve Mattana

Good day everyone, I want to thank you all for your support and confidence in me as your new

president. I plan to continue in the direction the society has been moving the past year. My first priority will be, of course, membership.

We need to continue to add new members to keep everything fresh and moving forward. This is the major lifeline of our society. The next biggest item will be to continue with very informative monthly speakers. We will continually delve into basic maintenance, care and growth of our orchids.

A little bit about me. I have a degree in Business Administration. I owned and operated a marketing firm that encompassed Florida and Georgia. My company represented 30 different manufacturers of exclusive, esoteric high end audio. I also did sales training and of course marketed the product

to various retail outlets. I intend to utilize what I have gleaned over the years and implement it into our Society.

Social Media will be one of the first things that I want to tackle to get us more exposure so we can continue to grow our Society.



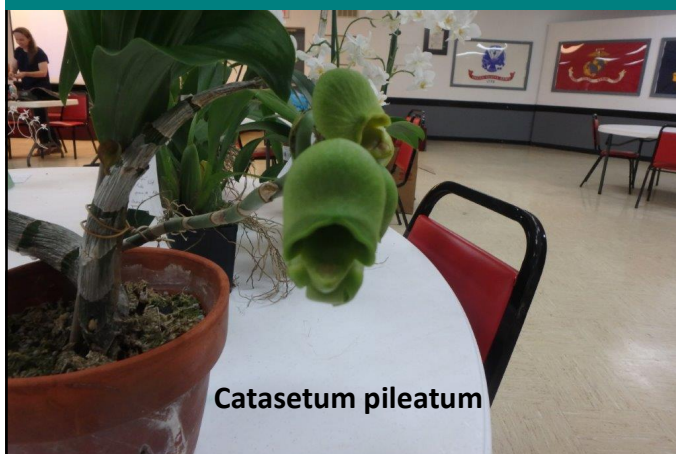
**Picture of orchids for sale and raffle plants at the
May 19th meeting**

Picture by Linda Condon



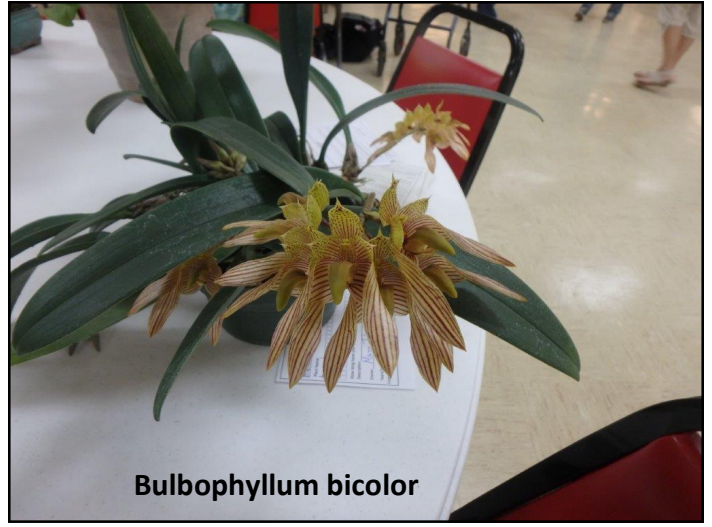
OLCOSH Show Table 5-19-2018

Plant Name	Grower	How long owned
Catasetum pileatum	Delia Dunn	8 yrs
Rhyncostylis digbyana	Delia Dunn	12 Yrs
Lockhartia Gold Speck	J. Parker	8 mos
Oncidium Speckled Spire 'Wisp'	J. Parker	10 yrs
Oncidium Baby Raspberry 'Chocolate'	J. Parker	6 mos
Phalaenopsis Mini White Knight	J. Parker	7 mos
Dendrobium Summer's Dream	J. Parker	3 yrs
Dendrobium hybrid - Latouria type	J. Parker	
Encyclia Cashens' Chocolate Rose	J. Parker	4 mos
Encyclia tampensis X Encyclia aspera	Jeff Rundell	> 10 yrs
Phalaenopsis Art Hall	Jeff Rundell	> 10 yrs
Encyclia hanburyii X Encyclia megalantha	Jeff Rundell	> 10 yrs
Aerangis somalensis X Aerangis mystacidii	Kara Ramsey	4 yrs
Bulbophyllum bicolor	Matt Riesz	2 yrs
Vanda Wattana Pink	Matt Riesz	3 yrs
Vanda Robert's Delight 'Ink Star'	Matt Riesz	3 yrs
Encyclia Hereford Jewel	Sonia Terrelonge	1 yr
Oncidium hybrid - probably a sphaecelatum cross	Sonia Terrelonge	
Dendrobium aggregatum	Sonia Terrelonge	3 yrs

SHOW TABLE PLANTS



Lockhartia Gold Speck



Bulbophyllum bicolor



Oncidium Speckled Spire 'Wisp'



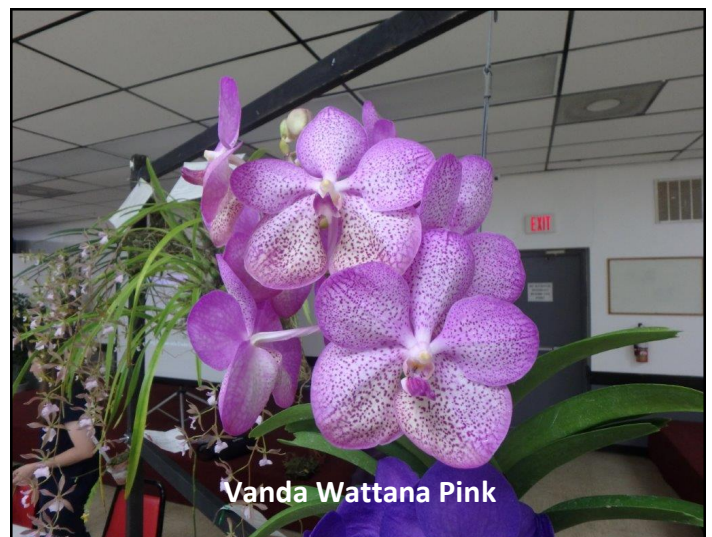
Dendrobium aggregatum



Aerangis somalensis X Aerangis mystacidii



Dendrobium hybrid - Latouria type



St. Augustine Orchid Society

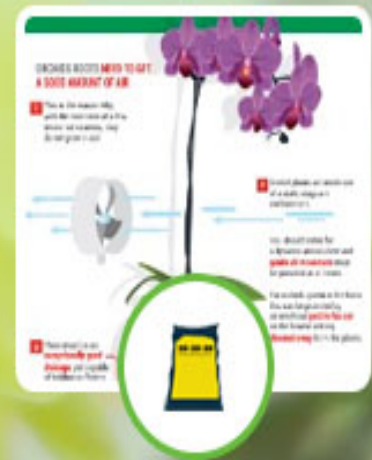
Growing Orchids in North Florida

Click here to go to the St. Augustine website for an enormous amount of orchid growing, information for North Florida. Keep in mind that we are in Central Florida and the conditions might be slightly different here, however, you will find the site very useful.

<http://staugorchidsociety.org/>



Find vendors of orchid plants, seedlings, supplies, greenhouses, fertilizers, watering equipment, potting mixes, lighting setups and other orchid-related products. Click: <http://www.aos.org/orchids/orchid-source-directory.aspx>



The AOS has a great program, for new growers, that helps the grower decide on the correct amount of **LIGHT, TEMPERATURE, AIR, WATER and FERTILIZER**. If you get all of those things correct, how can you be less than successful?

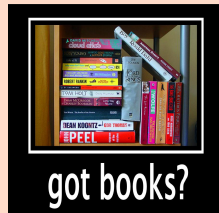
Just click on: <http://www.aos.org/>



American Orchid Society
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Check out Your Library
Book of The Month
By Celeste Ogden



Orchids And Their Cultivation

By: David Sander. #200-013

This book contains a wealth of information. 102 color photo's 32 black & white photo's plus 20 line drawings. The author is a foremost authority on species, cultivation & hybridizing of orchids.

This book is fully informative, providing an excellent account of the history of orchids. Chapters on seed raising, culture of hardy orchids in the gardens, indoor culture and how to deal with pests. Includes a calendar of monthly activities to use as a guide.

I will bring your selection to the next meeting

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MEETING MINUTES
MAY 19, 2018

Jeff opened the meeting and welcomed guests and members.

Membership Chairman, Linda Condon, gave a report – we have 133 members signed up but sadly 32 will be removed pretty soon for non-payment of dues. We do not like to lose members. We did gain 15 new members at the Show so essentially we have about 100 working people – Linda said that the more we put into our Club the more benefits we'll receive.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved by motion from Linda Condon and seconded by Arlene Applebaum.

Financial Report by Helen Battistrada:

Balance on April 14 was	\$9,473.57
Total Receipts were	1,832.00
Total Disbursements were	<u>2,152.16</u>
Balsnce May 19, 2018	\$9,153.41

Helen reported that we had a total cost for the show of \$432 as we had less attendance than the previous year, however, we did have an extra vendor and we had added \$1 to the admission fee. Helen said our show display was very beautiful and Marita Reisz did a great job.

Jeff explained the **Board plans for 501c (3)** non-profit or tax exempt status, and explained that the Board decided to go through an Orlando company, CharityNetUSA, to help set it up. Their professional fees to incorporate and set the whole thing up are \$483, fee for the Federal form \$263 and fee

for the State form \$90 = total of \$836.

A question was asked whether he understood the form 501c (3) was for clubs that give to charities, which our Club does not. Jeff asked for membership vote and it was approved.

Delia received many orchids and pots from Shirley Gorsuch after her husband, Gordon, died in April, and she has donated them to the Club since there were so many of similar types and Delia and Ken have cleaned every pot and sterilized them and Delia re-potted most of the plants as they were overgrown or needed splitting. They have now been donated to the Club for sale today and in our raffles.

Jeff announced that the **June meeting** would have **Dr. Charles Thomas** talking on phals...and Jeff mentioned something about....maybe cake? Maybe talking about the Installation of the new board and CAKE? YES???

Jeff announced that he had asked Helen to remain on the Board as an associate in an Advisory capacity and she accepted that position. The membership highly approved of that move.

The meeting in August will be the 2nd Saturday in the month, not the 3rd. August 11th. Please mark your calendars.

Jeff talked about **needing volunteers** for Publicity to help Julie and to help Pat Dupke with the Picnic and to help get donations for the Auction.

Delia Dunn, **Nominating Committee**, conducted the election, first naming the slate of officers and asking that when their name is called the new slate please stand to be recognized. For President, Steve Mattana; 1st VP, Matt Reisz; 2nd

VP, Jovan Parker; Secretary, Pat Dupke and for Treasurer, Pat Baig. Delia asked for nominations from the floor for all five offices with a reminder that anyone nominated would have to have been asked first. There were no nominations from the floor for any of the offices and Bobbie LeMay made a motion to accept all the nominees for office and Pat Dupke seconded the motion. All those in favor were asked to signify by saying Aye and it was unanimous. **The Installation will be held next month in June.**

Steve Mattana spoke about our speaker lineup for the next few months. **July will be Accent Orchids** talking on Dendrobiums and Schomburkias. **August will be Joyce Fowler** talking on Cattleyas.

The break was next and following that our excellent **member presentations first by Kara Ramsey, talking about her vivarium set up; Celeste Ogden our Librarian talking on growing Paphs indoors; Joyce Fowler talking on getting rid of scale and Jeff Rundell who brought a lamp** to show us how it can replace the sun so we can grow indoors. Unfortunately the lamp did not cooperate but it was a good try and we all got the general idea.

The **Show table** was presented next by Jeff and Matt with some exceptional plants. Kara had one of her Angraecums on display and there were quite a few beautifully blooming hanging plants.

The **Raffle** was held next in which the **donated nobile dendrobiums from Accent Orchids** were given away as well as many of the donated plants and pots from Gordon Gorsuch's collection. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Delia Dunn in the absence of Matt's recorder batteries.



Speaker Segment

by

Kara Ramsey

Our presentation for this month's meeting was a series of discussions given by club members Celeste Ogden, Joyce Fowler, Jeff Rundell, and myself. Each member gave a short presentation on varied subjects including windowsill growing, treating for pests, growing orchids under lights, and creating microenvironments for orchids. Club member and incoming president, Steve Mattana, was instrumental in organizing this discussion panel, and he anticipates holding more of these types of presentations for future speaker segments. I would like to encourage other club members who may have tips on how they grow their orchids, solutions to problems they have had with their growing area(s), or would like to chat about a particular plant or family of orchids that they have fallen in love with to come forward the next time we have one of these panels. It is really not as scary as you might think, and we can all learn from the knowledge that we have to share.



Speaker, Celeste Ogden, and her husband joined our orchid club about three years ago. Like many of us, they were immediately hooked on growing orchids. Celeste grows several types of orchids on her property in a variety of growing areas including outside in her trees, a Florida room, and on a windowsill in her home. Located on a windowsill in the living room is her collection of three lady's slipper orchids or *Paphiopedilums* (Paphs). Although these orchids have not bloomed for her yet, she enjoys their presence within the living

room and appreciates their intricate foliage. For growing Paphs on a windowsill she recommends a window with bright but not direct light, preferably with an east-west or shaded southern exposure. Her plants prefer a daytime temperature range of 70-85F and night time temperatures of 55-60F. A key to successfully growing her plants indoors has been to never let them completely dry out. She grows her Paphs in pots that sit directly on top of saucers, to which she adds a small amount of fresh water each day. She feeds her plants regularly using a 10-10-10 fertilizer mixture and suggests repotting plants every 1-2 years in a well-drained potting medium. Although Celeste grows several varieties of orchids, she has developed a fondness for the lady's slipper family and her plants on the living room window have become a special part of her orchid collection.



Fellow club member and professional orchid grower, Joyce Fowler of Joy Orchids, gave a talk on how to deal with the dreaded pest, scale. Her discussion outlined a three-pronged attack on how to completely eradicate this pest from our orchid collections.

Typically when scale is present you may notice that your plant all of a sudden does not look as happy anymore. Upon closer inspection you might notice indentations, yellowing, veining, and/or bumps present on your plant. The bumps, which are the scale themselves, may appear white, light brown, or black in color and can have a cottony appearance. The first step once you detect scale among your orchids is *Removal*. First pull the plant from your collection and keep it separate from all of your other plants. Next, wipe down the entire plant with a cotton ball heavily saturated with rubbing alcohol to manually re-

move the adult scale. According to Joyce you want to treat the plant the way you would when changing a baby's diaper, "you wipe everything."

You wipe down the pseudobulbs, the upper and lower surfaces of the leaves, you even dig just a little into the medium to wipe near the roots – targeting every nook and crevice. Step two is a *Treatment* to kill any scale eggs that may still be present that can potentially re-infect your plants. At her nursery they use Ultra-Pure Oil Horticultural Insecticide, Miticide and Fungicide by BASF. Since they typically treat thousands of plants regularly at their nursery, she purchases the large 2.5-gallon jug from the distributors in Apopka. She mixes 2 ounces of the Ultra-Pure Oil with one gallon of water and applies the product to her orchids using a fine mist sprayer. When spraying your plants you really should abide by Joyce's mantra: "Do not bother to spray if you are not going to do it thoroughly." You should spray your plants from the top, to the sides, and from the bottom moving upward. Thoroughly coating every surface of the plant. The Ultra-Pure Oil that Joyce uses is a product that is 98% petroleum oil. The oil is lightweight, highly filtered to remove impurities, and acts as a product that is 98% petroleum oil. The oil is lightweight, highly filtered to remove impurities, and acts as a natural miticide and insecticide. Unfortunately, she could not find any commercial preparations of the Ultra-Pure Oil available in smaller quantities for at home orchid growers. Her suggestion was to use a similar product, Neem Oil, which can be readily purchased in small quantities from the home improvement stores. In order to avoid leaf burn it is important not to expose your orchids to direct sunlight after applying an oil based product. Joyce even suggests applying a product such as the Ultra-Pure Oil to plants on a seasonal basis

as a preventative measure. Finally, the third step is to *Retreat* plants 7-10 days later. The adult scale can produce hundreds of babies (larva), called crawlers, which are highly mobile and can move between plants. The retreatment step is essential to target these crawlers that may not have been killed by your first horticultural oil application. Continue to keep your plant isolated from the rest of your orchid collection until you are assured that there are no further signs of the scale infection.



Our outgoing president, Jeff Rundell, gave a presentation on how to grow orchids using High Intensity Discharge (HID) lights. As we all know too well lately with our recent rainy weather the sun has been rather unreliable, playing hide and seek with our plants, and some days not showing up at all. A solution to this problem is to provide light for our plants artificially. To demonstrate how we can be in control of providing light at any time for our plants Jeff said, "And let there be light" ...and there was not. Although there were some technical difficulties with the HID lights that resulted in them not completely turning on during the demonstration, Jeff's discussion on lighting was very informative. Artificial lights allow you to be in charge of how you grow your orchids. You control when and how much light your plants will receive. Our plants need two different wavelengths from the sun in order to complete their photosynthesis, which are red and blue. Blue wavelengths are responsible for the vegetative growth phase for plants while the red wavelengths induce flowering. Jeff has successfully used HID lighting to grow orchids indoors in his basement when he lived in New York.

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These lights are capable of illuminating an area approximately 7 feet x 7 feet when mounted (such as from the ceiling) 6-8 feet above your plants.

While growing his plants under lights it was necessary to use two different types of light bulbs to cover the entire light spectrum that the plants would need. A metal halide light bulb capable of producing a broad spectrum of light that plants use to grow healthy, and a high-pressure sodium vapor light bulb that would allow plants to produce blooms. As the gaseous mixture within these light bulbs age, the spectrum of light they produce changes slightly. Thus, light bulbs should be replaced at least once a year. The good news is the light bulbs are inexpensive, costing around \$20-30 per bulb. There are several benefits to growing your plants indoors using HID lights. They are a very affordable option for providing artificial light to plants. The ballast and light bulbs are inexpensive, especially when compared to other available lighting options such as LEDs. A single light source is capable of illuminating a relatively large area. These lights can produce a fair amount of heat when in use, as much as 15-20 degree differential between day and night temperatures, which can provide extra warmth for growing orchids during the cooler months.



Finally, for my discussion I gave a PowerPoint presentation detailing how I grow my Angraecoids under glass in my vivarium. For the purpose of this summary I do not plan to

delve into the details of my vivarium setup here. I simply hope that those of you who were present at this month's meeting enjoyed the photos and my presentation. If you missed out, a lot of the information I presented can be found in my per-

sonal story featured in the January 2018 Keiki. The Angraecoids are a wonderful alliance of orchids that I have absolutely fallen in love with. They are comprised of approximately 150 genera and nearly 2,000 species that are native to southern Africa and the surrounding islands of Madagascar, Reunion, Comoro Islands, and Mauritius. The vast majority of these orchids, especially those native to Madagascar, are threatened with extinction due to habitat destruction through logging, mining, or agriculture. Even with the amount of research conducted thus far the orchid species in this alliance are still very poorly understood.

The construction of my vivarium has allowed me to create a unique microenvironment within my home capable of providing consistent humidity levels greater than 70% for my orchids. This microenvironment has enabled me to successfully grow and bloom these rare orchids mounted on plaques in a house setting.

The enjoyment I feel in caring for and conserving these rare beauties is unrivaled. Growing orchids in this manner has taught me that if you really have a passion for something just go for it; you never know what you might achieve until you try.

The Board has voted to make some minor changes to our club ByLaws and they will need membership approval. According to our ByLaws, changes must be submitted in writing to the membership four weeks prior to voting on the amendments. Therefore we are publishing the changes in this Keiki and we will have the vote at the July meeting.

There are 6 changes listed below as 'before' and 'after'. Please read them and be prepared to vote in July on the changes. Any questions should be directed to one of the officers.

ORCHID LOVERS CLUB OF SPRING HILL

will change to:

NATURE COAST ORCHID SOCIETY

(Amendment to the By-Laws at Board meeting dated 5/15/18)

Section 3. A Welcome Packet will be given to all new members and that will include the most recent Keiki (to be added individually when a packet is handed to a new member; a welcome letter, a copy of our Club By-Laws; a Club Calendar; a listing of Committees with a description of what that Committee's job description is; and a Membership Roster

will change to:

Section 3. A Welcome Packet will be given to all new members. *(Amendment to the By-Laws at Board meeting dated 5/15/18)*

Article V1 Meetings

will change to

Article V1 Member Meetings

(Title change amendment at Board meeting dated 5/15/18)

Article V11 Business of the Club

will change to

Article V11 Business of the Board

(Title change amendment at Board meeting dated 5/15/18)

Section 3. A quorum of the Executive Board meeting shall consist of five (5) or more members, present and voting.

will change to

Section 3. A quorum at a meeting of the Executive Board shall consist of five (5) or more members, present and voting.
(Amendment to the By-Laws at Board meeting dated 5/15/18)

Section 4. Professional growers/speakers (i.e.) a person whose primary business it is to sell orchids, or is in the professional realm of growing orchids, such as a Conservatory Gardner) shall be paid their standard fee, regardless of Club membership status. This fee is to be set forth at the time of scheduling their visit to our Club.

will change to

Section 4. Speakers (a person whose primary business it is to sell orchids, or is in the professional realm of growing orchids) shall be paid their standard fee, regardless of Club membership status. This fee should be paid in accordance with the recommendation of the Executive Board.

Amendment to the By-Laws at Board meeting dated 5/15/18)