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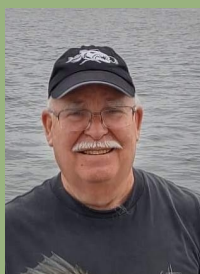


Coming Soon



- Our **new venue** is
Northcliffe Baptist Church
10515 Northcliffe Blvd, Spring Hill, FL 34608
- **December 10, 2022 Annual Holiday Party**

President's Message



Hello everyone!

As I write this I'm sitting here and trying to recover from Thanksgiving excesses. One of the best things about it is the leftovers – turkey and stuffing sandwiches are almost as good as the actual celebration! I hope everyone had a great day giving thanks with friends and family. I'm especially thankful for my orchids that have chosen now to bloom – Bsn.

Maikai 'Mayumi' is coming into her own.

I'm also thankful for our recent successful auction and for all of our members who made it so through plant donations, organizing, food, etc. Although we had a disappointing turnout (only 23 members and 16 non-members bidding), we nonetheless made a profit of \$3,168.04 after all expenses were accounted for. That speaks to both the terrific selection of plants from members and growers, and the enthusiasm and generosity of our bidders. We even got a couple of new members. THANK YOU ALL!

It's that time of year when we ask our members to renew their annual membership. You should have received information in an email by this time. Please be prompt about filling out the simple form and sending your dues (\$20 individual and \$25 for a couple) to Arlene. This year, we will cut off the renewal period at the end of January and adjust our membership and email distribution lists accordingly.

Lastly, If you're an outside grower as I am, you probably have several orchids that cannot take the cool winter temperatures – even in Florida. That includes plants like many Bulbophyllums, phalaenopsis-type Dendrobiums (aka "hard-cane"), and others. I move my warm-growers inside for the winter and give them as much light as I can without burning them. Others, like my Vandas, will get moved in and out as the weather demands. Vandas come in at 50 degrees, most others in the low 40s, and Nobile-type and deciduous Dendrobiums as well as Cymbidiums in the low 30s. I'm a little concerned about what to do with them all if I go for vacation during the winter, but I'll think of something and they can probably take a week or two in darker conditions inside my lanai if need be.

Happy holidays to all!

Matt

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<u>Past President</u>	Steve Mattana
<u>1st Vice President</u>	Bob East
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<u>Speaker Segment Writer</u>	Volunteers please
<u>Trips</u>	Volunteers please
<u>Webmaster</u>	Bob East (Website set up by Ken Dunn)
<u>AOS Representative</u>	Matt Riesz

Julie's Final Corner

The NCOS members' holiday party will be held Saturday, December 10th at Crew's Lake Park, Pavillion #1. It will start at 11:00AM and go until about 3:00PM, rain or shine. The address is 16739 Crews Lake Dr, Spring Hill, FL 34610. The park is easily accessible off of Shady Hills road, where it passes under route 589 (Suncoast Parkway). We will have food, games and lots of fun. Feel free to bring a plant (or several) for our show table. Please bring an UNWRAPPED child's toy for our Toys for Tots drive.

If anyone would like to take over this space that Corbin used to contribute, please let us know asap.



Membership Notes for December by Arlene Appelbaum

I just wanted to thank the people who are sending in their 2023 renewal requests and checks for next year. We have even received a new member application from Stanley Kokocki. Welcome to NCOS Stanley. For those who wish to, you may, over the holidays, send me your renewal for 2023. As I have mentioned, this will save much time and wait at our January meeting

I wish you all a wonderful holiday and a Happy New Year. See you in January.

Arlene Appelbaum

Membership

ORCHID QUIZ

(answers on last page)

- 1) Which is important factor for orchid growing
 - A. Light
 - B. Water
 - C. Fertilizer
 - D. All of the above
- 2) Biggest mistake made by beginner orchid growers
 - A. Fertilizer
 - B. Overwatering
 - C. Underwatering
 - D. Not enough light
- 3) Signs your orchid is not getting enough light
 - A. Dark, lush green growth
 - B. Does not flower
 - C. Yellowish colored growth
 - D. A and B
- 4) How to plant your orchid
 - A. Choose media preferred by your orchid
 - B. Plant in dirt
 - C. Make sure pot does not have any holes
 - D. All of the above
- 5) Heat and light
 - A. Are not important
 - B. Requirements are same for all orchids
 - C. Controlled by shading
 - D. The hotter the better

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Yvette Lewis

Current Report as of 11/30/2022:

Prior bal. as of 10/31/2022:	\$11,408.05
Total receipts (raffle, etc.):	4,835.81
Total disbursements:	<u>\$1242.77</u>
Bank bal. as of 2022:	\$15,001.09
Outstanding Checks:	<u>\$400.00</u>
Cash On Hand 2022:	<u>\$14,601.09</u>

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!



Nature Coast Orchid Society's annual auction results

I've done the analysis of our results and the bottom line is that after ALL expenses have been applied, **we made \$3168.04 profit from the auction.** That compares favorably with the results of past auctions despite having fewer bidders. Laura Newton charged us nothing for her services, and even bought a bunch of plants which she refused to let us gift to her. I a detailed spreadsheet if anyone is interested, but here is the summary:

Number of items auctioned: 193 Including plants and pots, etc.

Total of all bids: \$4,633.00

Costs:

Member discounts: \$144.60

Square fees (2.7%): \$97.59

Cost of plants: \$1047.00

Hall rental: \$140.00

Auction supplies: \$35.77 (signage, tablecloths, etc.)

Total costs: \$1464.96

Net Profit: \$3168.04

My thanks to everyone for all your help, and a huge thanks to Marita for organizing it all!

Matt

Here is the breakdown. There were 23 members and 16 non-members. Non-members spent a little more, on average, than members. Two members didn't win any bids

		% of total bidders	% of total spent	avg bidder spent
Total of all member's bids	\$2,568.00	59%	55%	\$111.65
Total other bids	\$2,065.00	41%	45%	\$129.06

Upcoming Speakers

December 17 – Holiday party

January 21, 2023

Jim Roberts, or Florida Suncoast Orchids. Jim's talk is entitled "What's Wrong With This Picture?", and is a discussion of the pests and diseases that affect orchids and how to deal with them. Jim will have orchids for sale

Quiz Answers

1. D. All of the above
2. B. Overwater
3. D. A & B
4. A. Medium preferred by you orchid
5. C. Controlled by shade



Marita Riesz created this beautiful business card to promote our Annual Show

The American Orchid Society Webinars

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Upcoming Webinars



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When	December Winter Break	January 04, 2023 8:30pm EST Wednesday	January 05, 2023 8:30pm EST Thursday
Topic	Choose Your Topic From RECORDED WEBINARS	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos & Questions by Jan. 02</i>	New Directions In Zygopetalinae
Presenter	Expert Growers, AOS Judges, Hobbyists, Conservationists and more	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Tim Culbertson Historian, AOS Judge, Hybridizer for SVO, SOA Board Member

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Many Thanks to all the orchid growers that donated plants to help make our Annual Auction a success



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