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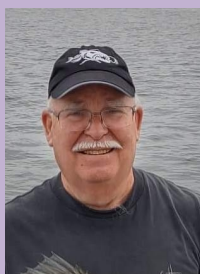


Coming Soon



- Our **new venue** is
Northcliffe Baptist Church
10515 Northcliffe Blvd, Spring Hill, FL 34608
- **Orchids in Bloom on January 28, 2023 (note date)**

President's Message



Hello everyone! As I write this I'm staying in New Jersey, where it was 8 degrees Fahrenheit on Christmas day! I know we had a hard freeze in Spring Hill for several days, too. I'm glad I moved ALL of my orchids inside my lanai and closed the doors before leaving for NJ, and I hope they've survived. I'll find out next week when I return. Naturally, there were several that were about to bloom and that I had never seen in bloom before. Happens all the time...

I hope everyone had a happy holiday time and a great New Year's celebration. We're looking forward to another great year for the Nature Coast Orchid Society. This month our speaker will be Pam Waters, who we always love to have visit. She will be bringing plants for sale and will be happy to answer all of your orchid questions. One VERY IMPORTANT NOTE: Our January meeting will be on the 28th, which is one week later than usual, as our meeting place is unavailable on our normal meeting date! In February, we'll have Laura Newton talking to us about Bulbophyllums.

In March we will hold our annual orchid show at the VFW on County Line Road, where we used to meet. This promises to be a great event with several terrific vendors including a couple we have not had previously. Now is the time to start grooming your orchids for that show, staking them as needed, making sure they're clean, etc. We'll need all we can get from our members to make a great display for our many visitors. This will be another AOS-judged show, so there is always a chance your plant could win an AOS award in addition to a ribbon or trophy. Expect to see sign-up sheets for the many things we'll need help with in operating this show.

As we move through the season of cooler temperatures, remember to watch the predicted low temperatures every day and move your outdoor orchids accordingly. I gave a few general guidelines in my message last month.

Best wishes for happy orchids and a GREAT 2023!

Matt

EXECUTIVE BOARD

OFFICERS

<u>President</u>	Matt Riesz
<u>Past President</u>	Steve Mattana
<u>1st Vice President</u>	Bob East
<u>2nd Vice President</u>	Position needed
<u>Treasurer</u>	Yvette Lewis
<u>Executive Secretary</u>	Cheryl Crilly
<u>Recording Secretary for meetings</u> (not an elected position)	Cheryl Crilly
<u>Trustees</u>	Rosanne Wenz
	Jeanne Montgomery

This an urgent plea for someone to volunteer to become our new Second Vice President. The duties of this position are basically to arrange the speakers for our monthly meetings. Without someone to arrange these, we will have no program at our meetings, which will make for a less than satisfying experience for all of us (though perhaps a long social event).

Our previous 2nd VP, Corbin Beller, had to leave the position due to other commitments. Steve Mattana has graciously been filling in but he, also, has pressing family commitments that make it impossible for him to continue.

It's my sincere hope that someone will volunteer to fill this position and continue through the next year. We do have most of the speakers arranged for 2023, but there are a few yet to be scheduled. I have some ideas and will help you with more as needed. If you can do this, please contact me via email mrfishnj@gmail.com

EXECUTIVE BOARD

COMMITTEES

<u>Auction Chair</u>	Marita Riesz
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<u>E-mail Co-ordinator</u>	Matt Riesz
<u>Historian</u>	Volunteers please
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<u>Publicity</u>	Gertie Messenger
<u>Refreshment Table</u>	Elaine Erickson
<u>Refreshment Reminders</u>	Elaine Erickson
<u>Show Table Report</u>	Matt Riesz
<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



Membership Notes

For January

by Arlene Appelbaum

December was a very quiet month for membership. We now have 151 members, 14 honorary and 19 paid for 2023. See you all at our January meeting. Happy New Year to all

Don't forget 2023 annual membership dues. You can update your membership at our next meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Yvette Lewis

Current Report as of 12/31/2022

Prior bal. as of 11/30/2022:	\$15,001.09
Total receipts (raffle, etc.):	\$390.00
Total disbursements:	<u>\$456.22</u>
Bank bal. as of 7/31/2022:	\$14934.87
Outstanding Checks:	<u>\$300.00</u>
Cash On Hand 7/31/2022:	<u>\$14634.87</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!





Treating Cold Damaged Orchids

The extreme cold of the last few days may have caused damage to our orchids. The good news is that this damage can sometimes be mitigated and plants can often be saved.

Cold damage appears on orchids as whitening of the foliage and stems. The white gradually turns to brown as the effected tissue dies. Often this dead tissue simply dries and the damage is limited to the unsightly patches that are left. Frequently, however, the damaged tissue is infected with bacterial rot which can spread in the plant and cause further damage.

Softening of the edges of the cold damaged areas or oozing of brown fluid indicates bacterial infection. Removal of the leaf or stem is a simple but somewhat drastic solution. If one is loath to lose so much of the plant, the most effective treatment for bacterial infection is treatment with cupric hydroxide (Kocide or Champion) which should if possible be combined in equal parts with mancozeb (Manzate or Dithane M45).

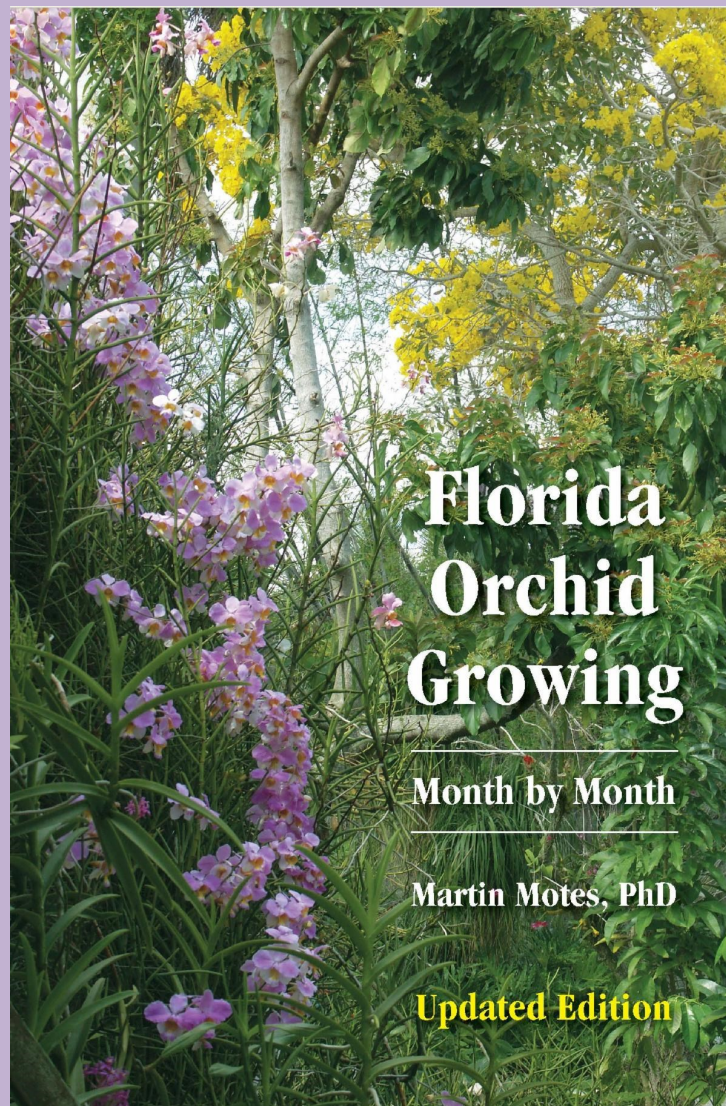
This combination is packaged, pre-mixed as Junction. By adding a small amount of water to the chemicals in a jar, one can make a slurry that can be brushed on the lesions. An old toothbrush is efficient in applying this and your dentist will be happy to have it out of your mouth. Any left over slurry can be placed on a high shelf (brush and all) and re-hydrated later. This stuff is also the cure for those soft spots that appear on Phal. leaves in summer.

Be cautious when making the slurry not to inhale any of the dust and never, never, dust these chemicals without wearing a mask.

For large collections, with extensive damage, one tablespoon per gallon of cupric hydroxide and mancozeb can be sprayed. Mix the two and wait an hour or more before spraying. Do not apply this mixture to dendrobiums which are hyper-sensitive to copper or to bromeliads (ditto).

Both **O.F.E. International** and **Green Barn Orchid Supplies** have the chemicals you need.

For more advice like this, consider getting a copy of Florida Orchid Growing Month by Month to guide you year long in your orchid growing journey



Upcoming Events for 2023

Check dates as there have been some changes.

January 28th, 2023 – Pam Waters, Orchids in Bloom

February 18th, 2023 – Laura Newton - Bulbophyllums

March 18th/19th – annual orchid show

April 15th – repotting workshop

May 20th – Accent Orchids

June 24th - <open>

July 15th - <open>

August – no meeting

September - <open>

October 14th - <Auction?>

November - <Picnic?>

December - <Holiday Party>

WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER, AS A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION?

The Society needs a "HISTORIAN"

Most of the Society history has already been recorded on our Website. All the new historian would need to do is keep the Web Master up to date on present meetings and functions and look after any club awards. This is not an elected position so no politics. Let Matt, our president, know if you could help the Society by filling this position. It would be appreciated. MRFISHNJ@GMAIL.COM

Thank you for your input.

Submission by Ken Dunn





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!

REGISTRATION IS EASY <http://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx>

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When	Nov. 08, 2022 8:30pm EST Tuesday	Nov. 13, 2022 2:00pm EST Sunday	December Winter Break
Topic	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos & Questions by Nov. 06</i>	Disas Flowers of the Rainbow	Choose Your Topic From RECORDED WEBINARS
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