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MEETINGS

THE SOCIETY MEETS ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:30 PM.

Location:

Safe Schools Institute 1790 NW Spanish River Blvd. Boca Raton, Fl. 33433 Map: http://bit.ly/qQhKXu

Guests are Always Welcome!

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Featuring-

Program: Roy Tokunaga - Dendrobium: Species, Hybrids, and Culture

Date: April 12, 2018

Roy Tokunaga grew up on the beautiful island of Maui, in the Hawaiian Island chain. He left Maui for Honolulu, Oahu to attend the University of Hawaii. It was in the honors program that his favorite mentor, Dr. Yoneo Sagawa, introduced him to orchids and the new emerging technologies of orchid seed germination and cloning. Roy eventually earned a Bachelors in Education, intending to teach biology. Then, he was recruited to work at an orchid cloning laboratory, E&R Orchids. For seven years he honed his skills in seed germination and cloning. In 1981, Roy partnered with Harry Akagi to start H&R Nurseries in Waimanalo, Hawaii on the island of Oahu. Roy is an accredited judge for the American Orchid Society as well as the Honolulu Orchid Society.

Roy has been hybridizing, cloning, and germinating seeds for more than forty years. H&R maintains a laboratory for seed germination and grows orchids under two acres of shade houses. He is refocusing H&R to excel in the culture of species as well as providing hybrids in the Dendrobium and Cattleya Alliances. Roy's passion has been the proper nutrition of orchids and searching for the mythical flower booster.

Roy will be supplying the raffle table and will be selling plants at this meeting.

***Members may NOT sell anything at this meeting.



Roy Tokunaga

----- Jay Pollins

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From Our Board of Directors

Hello Orchid Lovers!

Spring has sprung and our orchids are blooming! It is also the time to check each orchid to see if it is ready for repotting. If there are new roots growing and the orchid has finished blooming or has not yet begun to spike, it is the perfect time to divide, mount or repot. It's important to prevent the spread of disease among our orchids, so use sterilized snippers on each different plant so you won't transfer any potential problems. It is advisable to have more than one pair of snippers. Snippers may be sterilized by soaking them in a jar with trisodium phosphate (TSP) solution. Use one snipper, then put it in the back of the jar and then use the next one in the front. Rotating makes it easier than waiting. A few minutes of soaking are all that is needed when using TSP. The other way to sterilize snippers is with a propane torch, but then there is the danger of getting burned or starting a fire.

If you are a snowbird, you will probably be leaving soon. We are sure that you will make adequate provisions for your orchids for while you are gone, most likely leaving them with a friend who lives here all year. We wish all our snowbirds a safe trip up north and will be happy to see you when you return in the fall.

Redlands International Orchid Festival is held at the Redland Fruit & Spice Park in May. We have reserved a Bus for our Society to go on May 19th for the day. We leave at 8 am sharp and return home about 4:30 pm. See the posting on page 3 of this Newsletter for all the information. If you have never been to this show before you are in for a treat. It is all outside. Vendors are under tents. Many international, West Coast to East Coast orchid vendors attend each year, bringing an incredible selection of orchids and orchid-related merchandise to see and buy. A variety of other vendors sell at this show, several with supplies, etc. We store our purchases under the bus in the luggage area. Some plants find their way onto the bus even though we only went to look. This is our chance to see vendors that come to the South Florida area only once per year. The bus holds a minimum of 35 for us to go and a maximum of 45. We provide snacks and refreshments on the bus and there is plenty of time to relax and socialize. There are food concessions at the Festival selling various types of cuisine. Mail your Check to BROS, PO Box 276367, Boca Raton, FL 33427-6367 by April 18 to reserve your seat or pay at the April member meeting.



Redlands International Orchid Festival



WHEN: Sat. May 19th

\$30 Member - \$35 Non-Member

Only 45 seats available!!

Mail your Check by April 18 to reserve your seat or pay at a meeting BROS, PO Box 276367, Boca Raton, FL 33427-6367

Don't miss out on a fun day with fellow orchid enthusiasts!

Contact Marion Israel at 561-810-6547

DEPARTURE

We will meet in the parking lot of the

Boca K-Mart Garden Center,

Located at Palmetto Park Road & I-95.

Look for the bus!

Arrive by 7:30 am; Departing PROMPTLY at 8 am

We will return at approximately 4:30 pm

INCLUDES

- Bus Ride (includes tolls and gas)
 - Snacks & Bottled Water
- Admission to the Redlands Event (\$10 value)
 - Redlands Vendor \$5 off coupon
 - BROS Raffle Ticket

Bring a box for storage (your name on it), sunscreen, hat, camera and comfortable walking shoes

ORCHID EVENTS

APRIL

March 31 - April 1, 2018 (9:30 am-4:30 pm). Flamingo Gardens International Orchid & Bromeliad Show. At 3750 South Flamingo Road, Davie, FL 33330. For more info: 954–530-0076 or http://www.flamingogardens.org/

April 20-22, 2018 Pan American Orchid Society Show is being held at R.F. Orchids, Inc., 28100 SW 182 Ave., Homestead, FL. AOS Judging is being held on April 21, 2017 at 9:00 AM. There will be exhibits, vendors, and more. Simultaneously, at the same location, R.F. Orchids will hold it annual "Spring Fling" - their annual spring sale. The sale features new arrivals, flowering plants, garden décor, and lots more. For more information, contact R.F. Orchids at 305-245-4570 or info@rforchids.com

April 28, 2018 AOS Judging at Flamingo Gardens. Judging takes place at Flamingo Gardens, 3750 S Flamingo Road, Davie, FL 33330 at 2:00 PM on the fourth Saturday of the month. For more information, W: (305) 245-4570, C: (786) 218-9081; Email: bob@rforchids.com

April 28-29, 2018 (10 am—5pm both days). **Vero Beach Orchid Society Show**. 3001 Riverside Park Drive, Vero Beach, FL. Contact Joe Bryson, 321-777-6282 or jbryson@cfl.rr.com

April 29 (9 am—3 pm) 2018. Mounts Botanical Garden Spring Plant Sale. This annual plant sale features over 80 vendors from all over the state showcasing an amazing assortment of fabulous plants and garden goods. Come early and enjoy a rare opportunity to learn about plant culture of South Florida by speaking directly to the growers. At Mounts Botanical Garden, 559 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL.. More info: 561-233-1757 or visit their web site, http://mounts.org

MAY

May 5 (9 am— 5 pm) and 6, (9 am—3 pm), 2018. Broward County Plant Affair. At Plantation Heritage Park, 110 South Figtree Lane, Plantation, FL. More info: 954-797-2722 or visit their web site http://www.browardcountyplantaffair.com/about.html

May 18—20, 2018. (9 am—5pm) Redland International Orchid Festival. At Fruit and Spice Park, 24801 SW 187th Avenue, Homestead, FL. Admission: \$10.00. Children under 12—Free. Featuring close to seventy growers and allied vendors offering every type of orchid under the sun. More info at http://www.redlandorchidfestival.org/

May 19, 2018 BROS Bus Trip to Redland International Orchid Festival. More information in this issue of the Newsletter. Contact Marion Israel at 561-810-6547 or see her at the April BROS meeting.

May 26, 2018 AOS Judging at Flamingo Gardens. Judging takes place at Flamingo Gardens, 3750 S Flamingo Road, Davie, FL 33330 at 2:00 PM on the fourth Saturday of the month. For more information, W: (305) 245-4570, C: (786) 218-9081; Email: bob@rforchids.com

BROS Member Plant Sales

BROS <u>paid-up Members</u> are welcome to sell their plants at designated monthly meetings.

Five simple rules:

- 1. Maximum of 5 plants.
- 2. No insects or diseases.
- 3. Must have a name tag.
- 4. No commercial sales.
- 10% of your total sales must go to the BROS treasurer that night.





Refreshments are needed for our April 2018 Meeting

The refreshments can be: Cookies, cakes, punch, soft drinks, vegetables & dip, cut up fruit, fruit salad, nuts, chips or anything tasty to share with the other members during the break.

Thank you to:

Cheryl Dodes, Shirlee Rachel, Josephine Paterson, Shirley Schneider,
Phyllis Lyons, Eileen Magenheim
for providing refreshments at our March meeting.
PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN IN SO WE CAN ACKNOWLEDGE YOU IN THE NEWSLETTER.



Do you have garden, horticultural, or pest questions?

Did you know that Mounts Botanical Garden has a Master Gardener Program that you can access online to ask questions?

The web site is

Mounts.org/gardens-gardening/ask-a-master-gardener

BROS Exhibition Table

Every month <u>paid-up members</u> have the opportunity to show their latest achievements, They be admired then judged. You may even win an award ribbon! Fill out an exhibition slip and place it with your entry. Please follow the rules below to avoid disqualification.

- 1. Clearly print the orchid name and your full name.
- 2. It must be featured in the correct category.
- 3. You must have owned the orchid for at least six months.
- 4. The plant must not have insects or disease.
- 5. Display your orchid in an attractive container.
- 6. Each plant registered earns you a FREE raffle ticket!

The winners in March were...

MEMBER	CATEGORY	RIBBON	ORCHID NAME
Carol Ott	Cattleya Bifoliate	Blue	C. guatamalensis
Belinda Krause	Other Cattleya Alliance	Blue	Laelia superbiens
Alan LaDuke	Misc. Genera	Blue	Mormolyca ringens
Bill Thrall	Phalaenopsis	Blue	Phal amboinensis Tejas Giant
Anwar Thompson	Vanda	Blue	V. Blood Orange
Ionie Goldson	Vanda	Blue	V. tessellata 'Mary Motes' FCC/AOS
Jay Collins	Cattleya Bifoliate	Blue	EPC Kyoguchi "Fumi"
Anwar Thompson	Cattleya Unifoliate	Blue	BLC Zull Bill Williams
Bill Thrall	Epidendrum/Encyclia	Blue	Epidendrum stanfordianum
Maritza Graff	Cattleya Bifoliate	Blue	LC Gold Digger "Orglades Mandarin"
Maritza Graff	Oncidium Alliance	Blue	RRM Radiant Charm X Tolumnia Elfin Star
Anwar Thompson	Dendrobium Alliance	Blue	Den aggregatum Or Lindleyi
Jay Collins	Oncidium Alliance	Blue	Bllra Marfitch Howard's Dream
Karen Meiselman	Dendrobium	Blue	Den anosmum alba
Maritza Graff	Other Cattleya Alliance	Blue	Pot. Love Passion "Island Romance"

BEST IN SHOW: Congratulations to Maritza Graff

March Members' Plants



Cattleya guatamalensis



Mormolyca Ringens



Laelia superbiens



Phalaenopsis amboinensis



Vanda Blood Orange



V. tessellate 'Mary Motes' FCC/AOS



Epc. Kyoguchi "Fumi"



BLC Zull Bill Williams



Epidendrum stanfordianum



LC Gold Digger "Orglades Mandarin"



RRM Radiant Charm X Tolumnia Elfin Star



Den aggregatum Or Lindleyi

March Members' Plants



Bllra Marfitch Howard's Dream



Den anosmum alba





Pot Love Passion "Island Romance"



AOS Awards, BROS Valentine's Show 2018





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BROS Membership

FIRST YEAR

SINGLE \$25.00 COUPLE \$35.00 Business: \$40.00 Newsletter emailed

RENEWAL (Before March 1)

SINGLE \$18.00 COUPLE \$25.00 Business: \$40.00 Newsletter emailed

RENEWAL (After March 1)

SINGLE \$25.00 COUPLE \$35.00 Business: \$40.00 Newsletter emailed

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Tasks for April

by Dr. Martin Motes

- 1. Full speed ahead with re-potting
- 2. Water heavily and well
- 3. Don't forget to fertilize
- 4. Spray for mites and thrips

Read this month's complete article at:

http://www.motesorchids.com/fogblog/

Sign up for Dr. Motes'

Newsletter at:

http://www.motesorchids.com/fogblog/

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Welcome New Members!

Frank Reis

BJ Saul

Board Meetings

BROS Board meets the Wednesday following the Member meeting at 7:30 PM

April — Alan LaDuke (April 18)

May — Office of Carla Lacher (May 16)

June —Cheryl Dodes (June 20)

July-Marion Israel (July 18)

Fun Fact:

The genus Orchis comes from an Ancient Greek word meaning "testicle"; because of the shape of the bulbous roots.









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5185 Conklin Drive Delray Beach, FL www.GreenBarnOrchid.com www.brosonline.org is the web site of the Boca
Raton Orchid Society. Lots of resources are located
there: Meetings & Events, Photos of Members' Plants,
Links to Previous BROS Newsletters, and Links to Sites
that offer valuable info about orchids. One particular
web site—http://www.orchidspecies.com/ - has
photos and info about orchids, listed alphabetically.
What a great resource!

Check it out!

The Boca Raton Orchid Society has a Facebook page!

Please visit us at

https://www.facebook.com/BocaOrchid/