



All meetings and BROS activities are currently suspended due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

We hope everyone stays healthy and safe.

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A Message from Our President

Hi Everyone,

I hope this message finds everyone doing well and staying safe during this trying time. Let's all remember to listen to the professionals and follow their directions.

I'm so sorry that we won't be having our meetings or the Redlands bus trip. However, at this time we are planning to have the Ramble and the Picnic in the fall. Hopefully things will be back to normal by the summer and we will be able to resume our meetings and other events that help make up our life.

I have been trying to use my time wisely repotting, fertilizing, spraying, and generally staying out of trouble by paying attention to my plants. Until we see each other again, be safe, be well, and remember this too will pass.

Jay Collins



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The BROS is the proud recipient
of the DASSA Award.



The Boca Raton Orchid Society, an American Orchid Society affiliate, began in 1989 with just 27 members. Since then, the Society has grown tremendously, and now has about 150 members. The purpose of our Society is to promote appreciation for growing orchids through education, financial support, and involvement in several programs, and to share our enjoyment of this wonderful hobby.

PROGRAMS WE SUPPORT:

- FAU Scholarship program
- University of Florida Short Course in Orchidology
- After School Orchid Education Program at local schools
- FAU Pine Jog Million Orchid Project

MEMBERSHIP AND MEETING INFORMATION

Due to the Coronavirus epidemic, all meetings and activities are currently suspended. The information below refers to normal activities, not being conducted at this time.

The Boca Raton Orchid Society meets on the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM. Our meetings are held at the Safe Schools Institute (on the campus of the Don Estridge Middle School) at 1790 NW Spanish River Boulevard, located on the southeast corner of Spanish River Boulevard and Military Trail. First time guests are always welcome.

YOUR MEMBERSHIP OFFERS:

- Monthly Newsletter
- Member Plant Judging
- Raffle Table
- Library
- Interesting Speakers
- Refreshments
- Plant Sales

ACTIVITIES:

- Annual Valentines Orchid Show and Sale in February
- Annual Holiday Meeting in December
- Rambles and Bus Trips
- Picnic

Plantasia Orchids Going Out of Business

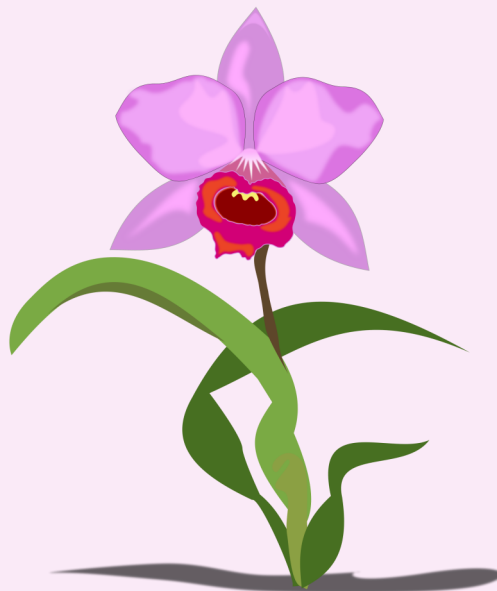
Myles Burack, a Life member of BROS has been an excellent orchid vendor for many years. Myles has helped our Society in many ways, giving talks at meetings, supplying plants for raffles and for our holiday meetings, among others. His business, Plantasia Orchids is located on the grounds of Tropical World, on Hagen Ranch Road between Flavor Pict Road and Woolbright Road. The address is 7401 Tropical World Way, Boynton Beach, FL 33470.

Unfortunately, the land that Tropical World sits on has been sold, and Myles is forced to close his business. Myles has many beautiful orchid plants for sale, including Cattleyas, Catasetums, Phalaenopsis, Maxillaria, Vandas, and many others. The plants are large, and some are even in bud or bloom.

Myles is inviting BROS members and their friends to come and see the plants for purchase at bargain prices.

If you are interested, please phone Myles at 561-445-8145. He is allowing only one or two people to come at a time, so you must contact him to plan your visit.

I (Cheryl Dodes) visited Myles recently, and I can vouch that the plants he has to offer are well-grown, healthy, and large.



BROS Members Win AOS Awards for Spectacular Orchids

Congratulations to Karen Meiselman for receiving her first and second American Orchid Society awards at the Boca Raton Orchid Society Annual Show in February for her *Maxillaria sanguinea* 'Memoria Nette and Flo' AM/CCM/AOS. The orchid received an American Orchid Society Award of Merit for a flower quality award and Karen received a Certificate of Cultural Merit for beautifully and meticulously growing such a wonderful plant. Karen also brought in one of her orchids to the West Palm Beach Judging Center's monthly judging later that month in February and was awarded another award of Merit on her *Dendrobium anosmum* f. *alba* 'Ben and Jared' AM/AOS along with Roderick Lewis who was awarded a Certificate of Horticulture Merit on his *Cattleya* Diamond Girl 'Sweet Fragrance' HCC/AOS

Jackie Wood also received an Award of Merit on her *Rlc. Chomthong Fancy* 'Jackie's Dream' AM/AOS at the Boca Show. Congratulations to Karen, Jackie, and Roderick! Great growing!



C. Diamond Girl (Roderick Lewis) HCC/AOS



Karen Meiselman and her *Den. Anosmum* f. *alba* 'Ben and Jared' AM/AOS



***Maxillaria sanguinea* 'Memoria Nette AM/CCM/AOS
(Karen Meiselman)**

***Rlc. Chomthong Fancy* 'Jackie's Dream' AM/AOS
(Jackie Wood)**



BROS Membership

FIRST YEAR

SINGLE \$25.00

COUPLE \$35.00

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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/>

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Newsletter at:

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CORRECTION TO BROS ORCHID SHOW AWARD

The Angrecum sesquipedale that received a Blue Ribbon belongs to

Robert Finocchi.

We apologize for this error.



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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/>