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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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# Happy New Year Featuring—

**Jackie Wood** Speaker:

Topic: **How to Prepare Orchids for Judging** 

Date: January 10, 2019

Just in time for our February BROS Orchid Show!

Thinking of bringing your plants in to be judged at our show? Want to know how to present your specimen plants in their best light? Jackie Wood will present a mini-workshop on how to get plants ready for shows.

Jackie Wood is a Accredited AOS Judge with the West Palm Beach Judging Center where she serves as Vice Chair and Community Outreach Committee Chair. She started as a hobbyist back in the late 1990's after being invited as a guest on a Boca Orchid Society bus trip to Spice Park in Homestead, Florida for the Redlands International Orchid Festival. Having a deep passion for anything horticultural, she was very easily enticed into purchasing her first orchids on that trip and immediately became addicted. She has since developed a passion for orchid species rather than hybrids and has a large collection of phalaenopsis, dendrobium, bulbophyllum, stanhopea, lycaste, catasetum and cattleya species.

Jackie served as President of the Boca Raton Orchid Society for 5 years and as Program Chair and Show Chair for several years after that. She currently is the Society's Judging Committee Chair.

As an AOS Judge, Jackie has had the opportunity to travel for the past 5 years to several offshore orchid shows including Trinidad, Barbados, Guatemala, Bogota, Medellin and Cali, Colombia where she was able to gain an introduction to and a knowledge of many diverse species that we are unable to grow well here in South Florida and to actually see various species growing in the wild. In the process she has also been able to meet so many other orchid enthusiasts who have become such good friends and to see the various techniques that they use in growing their beautiful specimens at their homes.

—— Maríon Israel,

Vice President, Programs

Members may bring plants to sell at this meeting. Limit of 5 plants; 10% of the proceeds must go to BROS that night.

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The BROS is the proud recipient of the DASSA Award.



# From the President

Happy New Year everyone. I trust you had a joyful holiday season with family and friends.

2018 was a year filled with wonderful speakers, a mounting and potting party, bus trips, a ramble, an orchid show.

The Board and I are already working hard to make 2019 as good if not better.

This year we will once again have a BROS picnic and are looking at a bus trip to Fairchild Tropical Gardens.

Our only fundraiser is just a month away. As everyone knows the Valentines Weekend Show is February 9th and 10th this year. Setup for the Show will be on Thursday, February 7 and Friday February 8. We need people to help out in many areas. As in years past, the Show needs everyone's participation, plus a little extra. So, if you are a great cook talk to Shirlee Rachel (845-901-6604). If you haven't signed up to volunteer, talk with Kathy Kersey (954-802-3575); she is more than happy to help fill a spot where you are needed.

This year we are asking all members who can put a sign in their yard or community to pick up a sign at the January meeting. Also, please call your friends and remind/invite them to come to the show. Plus, if a member has any social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) please post a picture of this year's rack card.

If you ordered a new tee shirt, Kathy said she will bring them to January's meeting.

The December meeting was a huge success. I received many favorable comments and a few suggestions that we make it a pot-luck dinner meeting. What do you think? I would like to hear what you think at the next couple of meetings.

Once again Congratulations to our 2018 Blue Ribbon winner, Shirley Schneider.

Jay Collins

President

# COMING SOON

**PLEASE NOTE:** The February member meeting will take place on **FEBRUARY 7** (first Thursday of the month). Our speaker will be Sheldon Takasaki of Carmela Orchids. He will bring raffle plants and plants for sale. The change in the date of the meeting is due to our Valentines Orchid Show. <u>No</u> member sales at this meeting.

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January 5 (9 AM—5 PM) & 7 (10 AM -5PM), 2019, "For the Love of Orchids" Show, Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 801 North Tamiami Trail, (US 41), Sarasota. More info at http://sarasotaorchidsociety.org/

January 11, 12, 13, 2019 (10 AM—6 PM), Tamiami International Orchid Show. At Dade County Fairgrounds Expo Center, 10901 Coral Way (SW 24th St., Miami, FL 33165 \$10 pp in advance, \$12 at the door, or \$20 for a weekend pass (weekend passes only in advance, online). More info: http://tamiamiorchidfestival.com/

January 25, 26, 27, 2019, Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Show and Sale, "Orchid Paradise" 10 **AM-6 PM** at War Memorial Auditorium, 800 NE 8th Street, Fort Lauderdale. Admission \$12 pp. More info at www.FLOS.org



February 9 and 10, 2019 (10 AM—5 PM), Boca Raton Orchid Society Show and Sale. At Safe Schools Institute, 1790 Spanish River Blvd., corner of Military Trail and Spanish River Blvd. Admission \$5 pp. For more info, www.brosonline.org.

February 23 and 24, 2019 (9 AM-5 PM), Naples Orchid Society Show and Sale, "The Magic of Orchids". At Naples Botanical Gardens, 4820 Bayshore Drive, Naples, FL. More information at http://www.naplesorchidsociety.org/about-orchid-show/



March 8-9-10, 2019 (9:30 AM - 4:30 PM). International Orchid Show. At Fairchild Botanic Gardens. 10901 Old Culter Road, Coral Gables FL. One of the biggest shows in South East Florida spread over 80 beautiful acres of the Gardens. More than 10,000 orchid plants will grace the Garden during the three-day festival. Admission: \$25 pp; Seniors 65+ \$18; Children (ages 6-17) \$12. Free for children 5 and younger. Free admission for Fairchild members.





10am-5pm Featuring Orchid Displays & Sales

Educational Lectures Repotting Service, AOS Judging



### Directions

#### I-95 southbound and northbound:

- 1. Take exit 48A for Spanish River Blvd /FAU stay in
- right lane as you exit

  Turn RIGHT going WEST towards Military Trail

  Go past Spanish River Athletic Facilities at DeHoernle

  Park, and turn LEFT into the campus of Don Estridge

  High Tech Middle School

  Institute is on the north side of the campus, first

  right as you come in through the entrance gates.

Take exit 75 for Glades Rd., turn LEFT onto Glades, go EAST to Butts Rd, turn LEFT onto Butts Rd., turn LEFT onto Military Trail, then turn RIGHT on Spanish River Blvd. Show site is first entrance on the right.

Advance Ticket Sales \$3.00

Available at:

Green Barn Orchid Supplies 5185 Conklin Dr., Delray Beach, FL (561) 499-2810



# **Reminders:**

- Yearly BROS dues and Show ticket money are due at the January member meeting. Checks are the preferred payment method.
  - To volunteer for the Show contact Kathy Kersey at 954-802-3575
- To volunteer to bring food for the 2018 Show, contact Shirlee Rachel at 845-901-6604

Thank you! We all need to pitch in to make the BROS Show a success!

# **BROS DECEMBER 2018 MEETING**

What a great time we all had at our December Members Meeting!. Shirley Schneider received the Best Blue Ribbon Award for earning the most Best Blue Ribbons at meetings during 2018. Since there was a tie for this honor, Shirley won because she had the overall highest total number of Blue Ribbons. Jay Collins thanked all the members who helped out during the year, and recognized the efforts of our dedicated Board of Directors.

After meeting business was conducted, attendees enjoyed a buffet of treats and three rounds of Orchid Bingo. Boca Raton police officers joined in the fun, calling the Bingo games. Winners of each game chose from among many beautiful orchid plants for their prizes. The officers gratefully accepted all the toys generously donated by BROS members for distribution to local children who might otherwise not receive any gifts.



















# **BROS DECEMBER 2018 MEETING**















# Thank You to These Members for Their Help During 2018

### **Board of Directors**

Jay Collins, Veronica Risko, Phyllis Lyons, Cheryl Dodes, Carol Ott, Alan LaDuke, Marion Israel, Carla Lacher

# Hospitality

Shirlee Rachel, Don Salas

# Librarian

Sandy Haradon

### **Show Committee**

Carla Lacher, Veronica Risko, Jackie Wood, Adrienne Levy, Kathy Kersey, Phyllis Lyons, Shirlee Rachel, Alan LaDuke,
Anwar Thompson

# **After School Program**

Fred Gilbert, Shirley Wilde, Mirta Sacon, Karen Zarif

### **Member Plant Table**

Scott Joffe, Belinda Krause, Bill Thrall

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance Phals

Marilyn Collins, Phyllis Lyons, Alan LaDuke

# \*\*\*A Special Thanks To All The Members Who Helped With Our Show & Throughout The Year!\*\*\*

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." ~Elizabeth Andrew

# For Our February BROS Orchid Show:

We need your favorite food donated for the Judges' Breakfast & Lunch and also to serve the Vendors and Show Volunteers. Please contact Shirlee Rachel at (845) 901-6604

# Thank you!

# **BROS Tee Shirts**

If you ordered a BROS tee shirt at the December meeting, please bring payment for it to the January meeting

# Please...

Wear your BROS tee shirt when volunteering at the BROS Show in February.

Thank you!

If You Need More BROS Orchid Show Tickets...

Please contact Marion Israel at 561-810-6547

# **Board Meetings**

The BROS board meets the Wednesday following the monthly Member Meeting at 7:30 PM

January 16—Home of Jay Collins
February—No meeting
March - 20 - Home of Marion Israel

# **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.

### **CONTACT**

Phyllis Lyons (561) 994-3386

### **MAIL CHECKS TO**

Boca Raton Orchid Society PO Box 276367 Boca Raton, FL 33427

Please sign in at the Membership Desk at each of our Monthly Meetings.

Thank you!



# Tasks for January

by Dr. Martin Motes

January Climate Data

Average high: 76.5

Average low: 59.6 Average mean: 68.1

Average rainfall: 1.88"

January is somewhat like December but in reverse, with each succeeding day bringing longer hours of sunlight until days are long enough that afternoons return at the end of the month with extra sunshine to warm us after the extra sharp cold snaps. January, like December, is cold and dry, in fact even colder and drier. Dry is good, cold can be very bad. We need to accentuate the positive by especially careful watering in January. By keeping our plants as dry as possible and spacing our waterings as far apart as possible, we conserve our potential to use water to protect our plants from the cold, keeping our powder dry, as it were. In January water early, water thoroughly when you do and do so sparingly. The cooler overall temperatures of January are much less dehydrating even to plants which have received less water. Remember, many of our orchids come from seasonally dry and cool climates not so different from South Florida. Many orchids are equipped already to handle the drier cooler conditions of our Florida January. A good strategy is to "top-up" the light watering that our plants receive with the passing showers that each successive cold front brings. This slight additional artificial irrigation may prove to be all the watering that many genera need. Such parsimony with watering preserves the possibility of using water on truly cold nights to warm our plants.

Tasks for January: Water judiciously only early in the day Run plants on the dry side to preserve the possibility of using water for cold protection Check irrigation system in anticipation of cold Flush excess fertilizer salts from cattleyas and other sympodials Spray for mites, then spray again in 7-10 days.

Read this month's complete article at:

http://brosonline.org/motes/Motes-January.pdf

Sign up for Dr. Motes' monthly newsletter at:

http://www.redlandpress.com/subscribe.html



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