



MARCH 2022



MANATEE ORCHID SOCIETY NEWSLETTER



March Meeting - We wish you a Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 8th and we'll meet at the Manatee Garden Club as we have in the past. For those who have recently joined us or are guests, the Garden Club is located at 3120 First Avenue West in Bradenton. You can find a map on our [website](#).

We'll have "**Culture Club**" at **6:30 PM** led by **Roy Krueger**. We'll then have a short business meeting and snacks followed by a **program by Bill Miller**. He'll discuss how to get rid of those pesky varmints in your orchid areas - thrips, aphids, scale, etc. This should be a good and informative discussion.

We'll have snacks supplied by **Maureen Hirthler, Chris O'Grady and Maryanne Hazen..** Thank you!



Question: I have paphiopedilums that just will not bloom. They are growing well with good leaves and root structure, but no flowers. Most are Maudiae types with one multiflora. I have them on the bottom shelf in my greenhouse with 1,5k00-2000 footcandles. My cattleyas are on the top shelf and shade the paphs. Any advice?

Answer: I think the key to this is insufficient light. If the light levels you mention are what the cattleyas are getting, it is very likely that the paphiopedilums do not have enough light. Even if the paphiopedilums are getting 1,500-2,000 footcandles, that is on the low end for any that have multiflora species in their background. Of course, what is most important about light is not an instantaneous maximum reading but light integrated over the entire day. If that were not the case, none of those plants imported into England long ago would never have even flowered. You need to look at

how heavily shaded your plants are, and for how much of the day during the winter when the sun angle is low in the sky. What might be fine light levels during the summer could be quite dark during the winter and that is the most critical time for getting these multiflora hybrids the light levels they need to flower. Also check your night temperature where the plants are growing. The multiflora species need somewhat cooler nights (mid-50s F) during the winter months for best performance. **Bottom line - give them light!**



Treasurer's Report MARCH 2022

Beginning Balance:		\$5,866.46
Expenses: February		60.00
Income: Dues		100.00
	Raffle	70.00
Our Balance on hand as of March 1st is		\$5,776.46



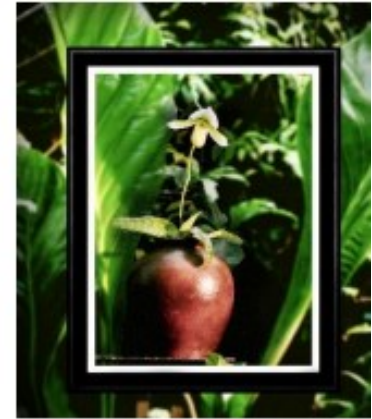
If you haven't paid your dues yet, please bring a check to the March meeting or mail it to Sharon Kinkaid. \$25 for a single, \$30 for a family. Her address is on our directory [file](#) on the member's page of our website. If you don't remember the password, let me know and I'll send it to you.

March at Selby Gardens

Flower, Poetry, and Light - March 13 through June 26
The works of Robert Mapplethorpe and Patti Smith

If not for a series of chance moments, Mapplethorpe and Smith might not have met. This symbiotic relationship is depicted in a rare and riveting exhibition. Selby will showcase their life together from '67 until each found success as an established artist. Mapplethorpe's evocative work in black-and-white photography was initially honed with a simple Polaroid camera. He was known for his chronicling of nudes and the counterculture of New York City. But Mapplethorpe, who was working with artistic collages and designs when he first met Smith, also photographed stunning still lifes, including flowers, with a special eye for orchids.

This exhibition features Mapplethorpe photographs of orchids, hyacinths, and irises, along with excerpts of Smith's poems and lyrics on flowers and nature, in dialogue with new horticultural installations inspired by



L: Robert Mapplethorpe, *Hyacinth*, 1987. M: *Patti Smith and Robert Mapplethorpe IV*, 1969, photograph by Norman Seeff. R: Conceptual of Horticultural Installations

Members' Page



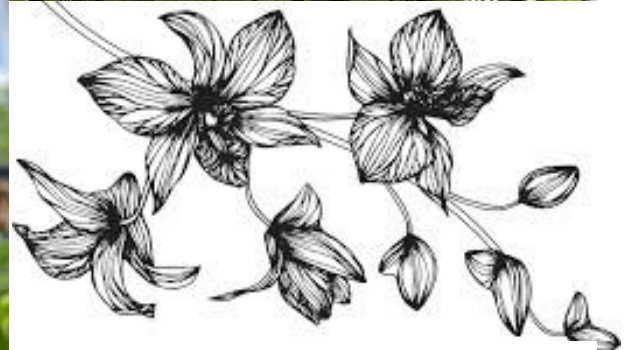
Nancy Bailey's

Dendrobium Nobile

Happy plants and they look perfect next to your new house!

Those of us who have cymbidiums know they loved the cooler evenings. Mine had several spikes but photographed only this one. Took this picture (below) this morning but have no idea what it is.

M. Hazen



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Boca Raton Orchid Society "In Love With...Orchids"

March 12 - 13, 2022

Contact

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Location

Schools Institute

1790 NW Spanish River Blvd.

Boca Raton, FL 33431

Judging is being held on March 12, 2022 at 8:30 AM.



22700 Taylor Dr | Bradenton, FL 34211

941.322.1644

Guest Vendors

[Art Stone Orchids](#)

[Bredren Orchids](#)

[Cotton Silk and Porcelain](#)

[Joanna's Orchid Pottery](#)

[Just One More Orchid](#)

[Paul's Landscapes](#)

plus:

\$10 tent

bare root divisions

&

food vendor



Our nominating committee will be contacting members soon to ask if you are willing and able to serve on a board position. Most of them require minimal time and commitment but we do need some of you to be willing to serve if we want to have an orchid society. We don't do shows so there are no huge time commitments. We'll be looking for people to fill the following positions: President, First Vice President (Program chair), Treasurer, Recording Secretary (minimal job - we take minutes only at board meetings), Accommodations chair (snacks and set up), Media Chair (Website and Newsletter).

Some members have already agreed to serve in some of these capacities, so most jobs will be easy to accomplish.

Are you ever envious of how some of our orchid growers can easily pronounce the names of orchids? There's a pronunciation guide on our website - members page - check it out!

Manatee Orchid Society

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Email: Use contact emails on website



Check the website for current info. You can also find previous newsletters there on [our Members page](#). If you don't know how to access our "special members only page" for a member directory, be sure to ask.

- OFFICERS'**
- President
 - Open
 - 1st Vice president
 - Caryl Ponder**
 - 2nd Vice President
 - Maryanne Hazen**
 - Treasurer
 - Sharon Kinkaid**
 - Recording Secretary
 - Mercedes Kratz**
 - Corresponding Secretary
 - Chris O'Grady**

MOS By-laws:



One of the topics you've heard discussed briefly at some of our meetings is the probability of updating our by-laws. We have not made any changes in more than five years. Within the next few months, we'll meet and go over our current by-laws and propose changes.

If you're interested in seeing what is in our current by-laws, you can view them on our website on the Member's Page. There's also a file showing some of the possible changes.

<https://manateeorchidsociety.com/members-page>

Within the next month, we'll go through and make the by-laws changes and present them to you at our April meeting - along with our new slate of officers. Each job is not huge so please think what you can do to make our organization vital and continue to be the fine group that it is.

If you want to have your current bloomer on our newsletter or website, [send me a picture](#). You could also send any pictures to [Maureen Hirthler](#) and she'll post it into your album on Facebook.