



President's Message **^** 

Pam Scholey Your President

Well, spring is almost here. I bet you are all getting ready to start

repotting and cleaning up your orchids that are suffering from the winter blues. I can't wait to get started on mine!

Your board met on February 16<sup>th</sup>. We discussed various topics to include cleaning out the warehouse and moving into a smaller unit. Since we also agreed that it is still too early to hold general meetings, we discussed looking into Zoom general meetings. Once we gather all the information on Zoom and see how it has worked for other clubs, we will reach out to you for your input. We also discussed the need for a 1<sup>st</sup> VP. 1<sup>st</sup> VP's are responsible for getting the speakers for our meetings. The board will be there to help you find good speakers. In full disclosure, 1<sup>st</sup> VP's are agreeing to be President once the current President steps down. However, the club has been known to make an exception to that rule. So, we hope

you will step up and join the board!

Last, but not least, the 2022 show. "Already" you say! Yes. already. We need a chairman for this show. The good news is the board talked about sharing the duties with the show chair being the coordinator. One person would take care of the raffle, another would contact vendors, another would do the layout, and so on. The best news is the show will be inside the Botanical Garden's Center building and under the veranda surrounding the building. It will be held in conjunction with the Botanical Garden's Garden Show. As you know, it is always a few who do the majority of the work. We have board members who are "burned out." Please let's show them we appreciate their hard work by volunteering to lend a hand. If you are willing to give a little of your time or take charge of a particular part the show, please of e-mail: realtorpam1234@gmail.com.

Our next board meeting is March 16<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 at The Botanical Gardens. You are always welcome, and we would love to see you. Happy Spring!



## MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND SHOWS

#### PSLOS MEETINGS

PSLOS Board Meeting March 16<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 PM Botanical Gardens

Hopefully, regular membership meetings will resume soon.

If you are interested in ZOOM meetings, call or email Pam at 772-285-4795 or pam@remaxofstuart.com



Love our meetings! 2013

### UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Due to COVID-19 concerns, many spring shows have been canceled or postponed. Check with events prior to making plans to attend.

> Martin County Orchid Society "Orchid Sock Hop" March 5-7 2616 SE Dixie Hwy, Stuart

Tampa Bay Orchid Society Show and Sale "Orchids - A Continuing Education" March 6-7, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm 5500 Memorial Highway, Tampa

Jacksonville Orchid Society "A Walk in the Orchids" March 20-21, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm 2892 Loretta Road, Jacksonville

Orchid Island Show and Sale March 27-28, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm 18940 Drayton Street, Springhill

Orlando International Orchid Show & Plant Sale April 2 - 4 200l Rockspring Road, Apopka

## **ORCHID CULTURE & CARE**

### <u> Tasks for March</u>

- •Average high: 80.7
- •Average low: 64
- •Average mean: 72.4
- •Average rainfall: 2.56"
- Repot cattleyas and other sympodials that finished blooming over the winter if you haven't already done so and the hard cane dendrobiums that need it (remember they don't like to be disturbed and like their roots crowded).
- Replant those genera which are breaking out of dormancy (e.g., catasetums, mormodes, etc.)
- Apply slow release fertilizer to last the season (Dynamite is the best.) and regular 15-5-15 fertilizer weekly thereafter.
- Slowly acclimatize sun-loving plants that have been in the shade to full sun.
- 'Tis the season for THRIPS! Orthene is the chemical of choice. Liquid dish soap (2 oz per gallon of water) is a non-chemical solution and should be applied thoroughly (water your plants the day before applying soap).

#### From Dr Martin Motes' monthly newsletter and book, Florida Orchid Growing Month by Month

For further information specific to different orchid genera: https://www.aos.org/orchids/seasonal-orchid-care/march-april-checklist.aspx

## **ORCHID CULTURE & CARE**



### Orchid-abulary

Brought to you by Nan Rothschild 2nd Vice President Dendrobiums An extremely large and varied genus containing both deciduous and evergreen types. Hybrids come in a rainbow of colors.

Dendrobium bigibbum - consists of a wide variety of hybrids; used for cut flower trade

Dendrobium kingianum and hybrids - compact, prolific, easy to grow

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Dendrobium nobile hybrids - spectacularly colored, contrast-throated, bamboo-like canes; usually sold with many arranged on short stems; noted for fragrance

NOID - means no ID; the plant is unidentifiable

Dendrobium phaleanopsis - flowers grow on long stems and look similar to phaleanopsis flowers; a favorite of the cut flower trade, especially in Hawaii; flowers are hardy and long lasting

Cane - an elongated pseudobulb

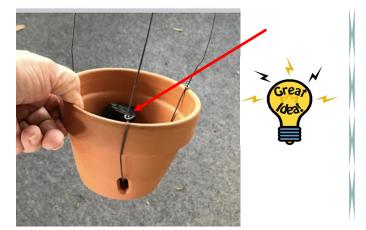
Deciduous - a plant that sheds its leaves annually

A potting idea from Patty Del Negro, Florida Orchid Growing.

"This is how I hang terra cotta orchid pots with a three strand wire hanger."

Member Michael Ortseifer also uses this technique.

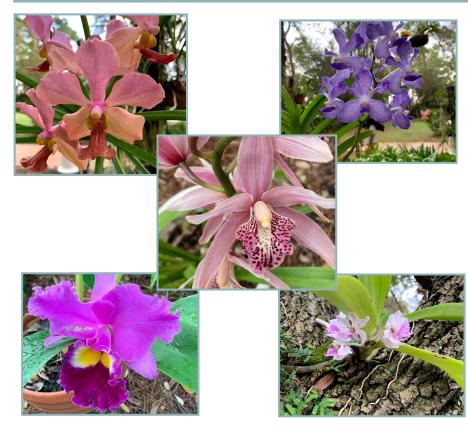
Do you have any tips or techniques that you would like to share with our members? Send them to Diane or Anne at email address on front page.







### **PSL BOTANICAL GARDENS - BLOOMING IN THE ORCHID ROOM**



Share your love of orchids with the public! Loan an orchid to the Orchid Room.

For further information, contact John Erickson at erickson 236@bellsouth.net.

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Volunteers are always needed to help with routine chores in the Orchid Room. Tasks include watering and general maintenance such as raking leaves and pine needles.

Monday and Thursday mornings from about 8-9 am. If interested, contact: Jessica Beneford at jesssca10chb@gmail.com





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Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of member Alice Jorda who died peacefully at home this past April.



Alice Jorda



Until we can meet again, send your pictures of past PSLOS meetings to the newsletter editors for all to enjoy.

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### WE LOVE OUR ORCHIDS-FROM OUR MEMBERS' GARDENS!











From Gail Mathews' Garden







From Judy Wagner's Collection





From Lee Stradley's Garden





From John Gauveau's Collection

Until we can meet again and have "show and tell," please share pictures of your orchids.

Send your pictures to pslosdiane@gmail.com or amorchidnews@gmail.com.

From Diane Bryant's Garden

## Port St Lucie Orchid Society 2021 Officers and Volunteers:

President - Pam Scholev Vice President - Volunteer Needed 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Nan Rothschild Recording Secretary - Diana Lenartiene Corresponding Secretary - Carol Farmer Treasurer - Laurie Wade Membership - Anne Menassian Immediate Past President–Dana DeMarco Trustee - Jamie Lawson - 2021 Jessica Benford - 2023 Barbara Lvnn - 2022 AOS Representative - Laurie Wade Food - Dorothy Moore Newsletter Co-Editors - Diane Bryant, Anne Menassian Website - Diane Bryant Orchid Exchange - Maureen Kerr Food Set Up/Picnic Coordinator - Diana Lenartiene

### Important Links for the Orchid Lover

Our Society: http://pslos.org/

Our Facebook Page http://www.facebook.com/groups/PSLOS

Florida Orchid Growing https://www.facebook.com/groups/fl.orchid

> American Orchid Society http://www.aos.org

Angraecum's Individual Culture Resource http://angraecums.blogspot.com/p/behindclonal-names.html



### Join us for Monthly Meetings September–June

### **General Meeting**

### Cancelled until future notice. Stay safe!

2nd Tuesday of the month, 1:00 PM Port Saint Lucie Botanical Garden

Speakers, Classes, Show and Tell, Raffles, Orchid Exchange, Refreshments and more

### **Board Meeting**

3rd Tuesday of the month, 12:30 PM

PSL Police Station, PSL Municipal Complex, corner of Airoso Blvd. and Port St. Lucie Blvd.

All members are welcome at Board Meetings.

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