

Pam Scholey Your President

Well, the big news is that we are looking forward to a very successful Auction at our November 9^{th} meeting. We hope you will not only bring orchids to auction but also bring all your friends and neighbors to bid on their favorite orchids. Check Nan's column for all the details.

We could use some help! We will be doing a display at the Fort Pierce Show. If you have flowering plants to lend, it would be greatly appreciated. If you cannot make it to the show, Dana will be at the Botanical Gardens at noon on Friday, November 12th. Please drop you plants off to Dana, and she will get them to Ft. Pierce. You will need to make arrangements to have them picked up at the end of the show. A special thank you to Dana for offering this service. Additional details included in this Newsletter.

We are thrilled to have been invited to take part in Jensen Beach Garden Club's, first ever, Jensen Beach Garden Expo. It will be February 26th from 8:30 AM to 3 PM. We will be having a raffle, sharing information about our wonderful society, and offering culture sheets. We are hoping to sign up lots of new members. We hope you will all join us that day to share your knowledge and enthusiasm for our Society. More information as we get closer to the date.

We have a lot going on, and you don't want to miss out! Make sure you read this Newsletter from cover to cover.

Happy Thanksgiving!





Treasurer's Report

Laurie Wade Treasurer

Our current balance is \$7.010.71. Income includes \$210 in membership, \$101 profit on our orchid raffle at our meeting, and \$160 in trophy sponsorship. Our expenses include orchids for our raffle, annual subscription to Orchid Wiz, and annual liability insurances.

Be ready to bid and buy at our annual orchid auction November 9th!



1st Vice President Message

Andrea Heitfield 1st Vice President



The Gnomies have news! The "Orchid Village" Botanica is drawing near.



We need all members to sign up and participate in OUR show. There are many volunteer activities that need participation from our members. (See page 5 for a list of the activities.) Please volunteer to help make our show a success.

Remember our neighbor Fort Pierce Orchid Society is having their show and sale "Orchids UnMasked" on November 12th and 13th. Please support them by attending the show. We also will have an orchid display there, and we need orchids from our members to build the display. (See page 3 for further information.)

Also, don't forget our auction on November 9th!

Happy Fall Ya'll.

Pam

PSLOS November Meeting - November 9th

PSLOS Orchid Auction

(No noon class)

NOTE: Because of Covid concerns, attendees are requested to wear masks.

The Port Saint Lucie Orchid Society's Annual Orchid Auction RETURNS! The purpose of the auction is to provide members with an outlet to dispose of plants from their own collections, to provide the orchid loving public with an opportunity to purchase quality plants at fair prices, and to further our mission to add to the ranks of orchid addicts.

11:00 a.m. - Doors will open for members who are bringing orchids to be auctioned. No plants will be accepted for sale after 12:30 p.m. SELLERS, PLEASE BE PROMPT!

12:30 p.m. - Doors will open for buyer viewing of the orchids being auctioned.

1:00 p.m. – The auction will begin and goes until finished. There are no planned breaks.

BUYERS: There is no early checkout. You need to be able to stay until the end as it is too disruptive if we allow early checkouts. Thank you for your understanding.

The rules are as follows:

1. Only society members may offer plants for sale, but ALL buyers are welcome.

2. Usually we limit members to 20 plants for sale....due to missing a year because of COVID-19, we are allowing members to sell more (within reason, please). For every 10 plants that you bring to sell, one is donated to the Society's table.

3. The auction is designed to help members manage their collections. It is not meant to be an outlet for commercial or quasi-commercial sales.

4. 10% of all sales will go to the society. Checks to sellers will be provided within 30 days of the auction.

5. If a seller's plants are not all auctioned off, further sales may be conducted independent of the auction AFTER all sales have been tallied and may not occur within the auction building. (Or you can choose to donate them to the garden's orchid room.)

6. Each plant will be auctioned individually. The auctioneer will not sell one plant and then several more of the same plant for the same price without bidding.

7. Plants for sale must be brought to the auction no later than 30 minutes prior to the auction. There is paperwork for the seller to fill out on each plant. If there is a minimum bid, a label must be put on a leaf (labels will be provided at sign-in). Plants brought after that time will not be considered.

8. Plants will be auctioned at random. We alternate between sellers.

9. ALL SALES ARE FINAL. We take cash, check, or charge.

The PSLOS Auction Flyer is on page 4. Share and bring a friend!

For more info, contact Nan Rothschild, 2nd Vice President, at rothschildn@gmail.com

PSLOS Display for the Fort Pierce Orchid Society Show And Sale "Orchids Unmasked" Nov 13-14, 2021

We need your orchids to build the PSLOS Orchids Unmasked entry display.

<u>Thursday, Nov 11</u>

E-mail name of your orchid to Jamie Lawson by noon - jimorchids@aol.com

Friday, Nov 12

Take your blooming orchid to the River Walk Center, 600 N. Indian River Drive, by 1:00 p.m. for set up.

OR

Meet Dana at noon at the Botanical Gardens, and she will take your orchid to the Center. (Let Dana know beforehand that you are coming 772-971-3555.)

Sunday, Nov 14

You will need to pick up your orchid at the end of the show on Sunday at 4:00.

Make sure your name is on the bottom of the pot.

UPCOMING PSLOS MEETINGS

November 9, 2021 PSLOS Annual Orchid Auction

December 7, 2021 PSLOS Annual Holiday Luncheon

January 11, 2022 Speaker to be determined

February 8, 2022 Orchid Show Preparations

February 12-13, 2022 PSLOS Orchid Village Show & Sale PSLOS Annual Holiday Luncheon December 7, 2021– 12:00 p.m. Gator Trace Golf and County Club

Please join us for our Annual Holiday Awards Luncheon.

This year we are asking you to bring an unwrapped toy to be donated to the Sal-vation Army.

Also, bring a wrapped gift, value \$5.00 or less, for the gift exchange.

The price is \$30.00 which includes your meal, tax, gratuity, and an orchid.

I will have a sign up sheet at the October and November meetings along with the final menu.

DEADLINE for sign up and payment is November 9th (November meeting). Call Barb at 772-873-9098 if you can't make the meeting but want to attend the luncheon.)

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Barb Lynn Holiday Party Coordinator

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Selby Gardens' Annual Orchid Show October 9 through November 28, 2021 Sarasota, FL (See website for details)

1st International Vanda & Slipper Symposium November 5-7, 2021 Highland Manor, 604 E Main Street Apopka, FL

Fort Pierce Orchid Society Show & Sale November 13 and 14, 2021 Riverwalk Center, 600 Indian River Drive

Deerfield Beach Orchid Society's "Orchid Obsession" November 13-14, 2021 1790 Spanish River Blvd, Boca Raton, FL



YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR ORCHID AUCTION

Tuesday, November 9, at 1:00 p.m. Open for buyer viewing at 12:30 p.m.

> Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens 2410 SE Westmoreland Blvd.

It is fun and entertaining AND WE ALL NEED MORE ORCHIDS! For more info, email rothschildn@gmail.com

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To have a great show, we need volunteers! Listed below are the show categories available for PSLOS members to participate. **Please** show your support by signing up at the November meeting for at least one activity.

- Set up (Friday Feb. 11) and break down (Sunday Feb. 13) help
- Člerk (Šaturday morning)
- Kids' Corner (Saturday and Sunday)
- Greet visitors & sell society memberships (Saturday and Sunday)
- Sell raffle tickets (Saturday and Sunday)
 - Donate raffle prizes, baskets, gift certificates
 - Be a trophy sponsor
 - Enter a Niche arrangement
 - Create a Gnome Garden





Raffles

Raffles are our primary way to raise money at the show. We challenge everyone to donate a raffle basket or prize. Ask businesses and restaurants you frequent to

contribute in the form of gift certificates, raffle prizes, or cash sponsorships. No gift is too small. Their gifts are tax deductible!



Loan a Gnome

Loan your gnomes to the show, and you will be rewarded with raffle tickets for use at the show. Bring your gnomes by the January meeting. (All gnomes will be returned after the show.)



Gnome Tees

Wear a specially designed gnome tee for our upcoming orchid show so that you can be easily identified by the public as a PSLOS member. Order one at the November meeting. Light blue is \$25 and the other two are \$20 each.

Create a Gnome Garden

Have fun and create a table top gnome garden. There are two categories mini: tallest gnome should not exceed 3 inches and miniature: tallest gnome no taller than 5 inches. Entries will be judged !



Enter a Niche



Use your imagination and create an orchid niche arrangement!

Keep your niche within the dimensions of the niche: 4" wide, 6" deep, 8" tall. Your

container should be plain so as not to distract from the flowers.

Orchid Village

Orchid Show and Sale

By Port St. Lucie Orchid Society Saturday, February 12, 9 - 4 Sunday, February 13, 9 - 4

> Spectacular Orchid Displays -Orchid Vendors -Orchid Supplies -Free Workshops -Kids' Activities -Raffles

Location: Port St Lucie Botanical Gardens 2410 SE Westmoreland Blvd.

For more info, visit us at: http://www.pslos.org/ https://www.facebook.com/ groups/PSLOS/

Print our show flyer and share with your friends!

SEPTEMBER PSLOS MEETING

We had a terrific meeting! Thanks to all who were able to attend.

NOON SESSION: PREPPING ORCHIDS FOR THE FALL



Jamie shared with us his many tips on how to prep our orchids for the fall to include insect and weed control measures and demonstrating how he prepares catasetinae for their rest period. Divisions of his orchids were offered to members, with donations going to the Smile Train, a nonprofit organization and charity providing corrective surgery for children with cleft lips and palates.



As our Society's contribution to a charity this year, Jamie is donating the proceeds in the name of the Port St. Lucie Orchid Society. If you would like to help increase the donated amount, cash or checks made out to the Port Saint Lucie Orchid Society will be accepted at the November meeting.

ORCHID POTS, MEDIA, AND OTHER SUPPLIES



Jim Jarvis, from Jim's Orchid Supplies Garden Center in Fort Pierce, was our guest speaker. He provided a wealth of information concerning the various types of pots, media, and other supplies available for orchid growers. He also discussed the importance of selecting what is best for your growing conditions.

Jim brought a lot of different supplies for purchase which was a big hit with the attendees.

Show and Tell Orchids-Beautiful!









Some happy winners!









Just a few of the volunteers who make our meetings work! Remember to volunteer!







TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS



Anne Menassian Membership Chairperson amorchidnews@gmail.com

Happy Fall PSLOS Members!!

So great to see so many members at our October Meeting. The fifty-four members who attended the October enjoyed Jaime's class and the presentation by Jim Jarvis of Jim's Orchid Supplies.

We now have 114 members in the society. Four new members joined in October. Please welcome

> Lisa Santalucia Gloria and Richard Benoit Jaime "Jet" Tanner Bernadette "Bernie" Baussan

You can pay your 2022 dues in person at the Membership table during each meeting through January or you can mail to:

> PORT ST LUCIE ORCHID SOCIETY P.O. BOX 8421 PORT ST LUCIE, FL 34985

Dues are \$20 for individuals and \$25 for families.

2022 Orchid Show Tees Available for Sale



Show tees may be ordered at the meeting. If you are unable to attend, you can order a tee by sending a check made out to

Dana DeMarco 926 SE Caravan Avenue PSL, FL 34983

Style 1– \$25.00 Note the style of tee wanted and the size.



Style 2- \$20.00

Style 3—\$20.00



- Reciprocal Admission and/or Discounts to American Horticultural Society Member Gardens
- Members Only Events
- Members Access or Discounts on Selected Classes, Seminars & Events
- And more.

Individual \$35

Family & Friends

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https://www.pslbg.org/membership.html

ORCHID CULTURE & CARE



Orchid-abulary

Brought to you by Nan Rothschild 2nd Vice President This month's "Orchid-abulary" is dedicated to the naming of orchids. The naming of orchids follows strict conventions, originally put out by the Royal Horticultural Society. Some of the terms used include the following (along with examples).

Orchidacceae The **family** formed by orchids.

Cypripedioideae The orchid family is huge and broken down into **subfamilies**.

→Cypripedieae In many cases subfamilies are broken down into **tribes**.

- → Paphiopedilum A **genus** is a subdivision of a family or tribe that consists of a group of species that are allied.
 - \rightarrow P. callosum Species is a naturally occurring interbreeding group within a genus.
 - → P. Maudiae An artificial hybrid is an offspring derived from the crosspollination of two orchids. The name must be registered with the Royal Horticultural Society.
 - P. callosum x P.lawrenceanum The **parentage** is the maternal, or pod plant, and the paternal, or pollen plant.
 - → P. Maudiae var. coloratum Selected cultivars are a variety within a species that has one or more distinguishing characteristics and covers a group of hybrid cultivars with similar parentage.

Award - any distinction granted, ex. FCC/ AOS (An American Orchid Society award denoting a First Class Certificate.)

Tasks for November

November Climate Data

Average high: 85.4 Average low: 72.2 Average mean: 78.8 Average rainfall: 6.19"

1.Prepare for cold

- 2. Reduce fertilizer
- 3. Apply extra Potassium and Magnesium
- 4. Segrégate dormant genera in bright dry area
- 5. Repot plants after flowering
- 6. Groom plants and flower spikes for holiday display

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

For further information specific to different orchid genera, go to <u>http://www.aos.org/orchids/seasonal-orchid-care/september-october-checklist.aspx</u>

PSL BOTANICAL GARDENS - BLOOMING IN THE ORCHID ROOM

















A big thanks to Carol Farmer for donating five Vandas to our Orchid Room!

Remember to loan or donate unusual orchids to the Orchid Room. For more information, contact John Erickson at Erickson_236@bellsouth.net

Volunteers are always needed to help with routine chores. Tasks include watering and general maintenance such as raking leaves and pine needles. Time: Monday mornings from about 8-9 am. To help, contact: Jessica

Beneford at jesssca10chb@gmail.com







CHECK OUT OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER TO SEE WHAT GHOULISH CREATURES VISITED ON HALLOWEEN NIGHT!

WE LOVE OUR ORCHIDS-FROM OUR MEMBERS' GARDENS!







Andrea Heitfield's Garden



Diana Lenartiene



Maureen Kerr's Garden









Shelly Hunsberger's Garden











Judy Wagner's Collection







Susan Hilowitz's Garden

Port St Lucie Orchid Society 2021 Officers and Volunteers:

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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

Martin Motes FL Orchid Care Website https://www.motesorchids.com

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Join us for Monthly Meetings September–June

General Meeting

2nd Tuesday of the month, 1:00 PM (Educational Class 12:00 PM) Port Saint Lucie Botanical Garden

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

Board Meeting

3rd Tuesday of the month, 12:30 PM Port Saint Lucie Botanical Garden



