



Englewood Area Orchid Society

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December, 2008
Newsletter

From the President's Desk



The holidays seem to bring out the testiness in everyone and I am no exception. Those of you who attended the last meeting may recall that I expressed some mild displeasure with the lack of MEMBER participation at the MEMBER plant sale. For the first time we actually made a profit - \$505 - that justified us spending a full Saturday trying to sell plants for the benefit of the SOCIETY. I can only imagine what we could have done if some more members came out to play and maybe donate a plant or two. This is the end of my first year as the president and I am truly wondering if next year will get any better. I am almost amazed we ever get anyone to run for an office.

But don't take this personally; it is not just us with this problem. Venice passed around a sign up sheet for help in running the plant benefit sale of Jackie Weber's collection. Jackie was a member of both societies. Anyway, when the sheet got to me there were no names on it. I signed up to help Ted with the setup and sale. At the end of the meeting there was still only one name on the list. So it's not just us if that makes us feel any better. That is pretty much the end of my griping. I will not gripe any more because starting in January there will be committees for everything like helping set up the church for the meeting and then putting all the tables away, and picking up the plants to be awarded at the end of the year and making a connection for give-away plants and about ten other jobs. The reason there will be no griping is that if there are no volunteers the task will not get done and we will forget about it like the historian position that no longer exists.

I am now going to go play with my orchids and try to get back in my head the reason I play with orchids. I know I will have more time for them next year. Think about it.

John Masters,
EAOS President



Roger Perrault collects money from shoppers at the EAOS Plant Sale on Nov. 1.

Minutes

November 10, 2008

7:00 PM--Meeting called to order by John Masters

Guests were introduced and welcomed.

Plant sale was discussed. We made a nice profit, \$ 505.00. Recognition for donations and requests for MORE MEMBER participation was made-loud and clear.

December Dinner Meeting reminder - 1st Monday in December - COMING UP SOON. The money needs to be in NOW! If not able to pay tonight, make reservations and pay at door. Menu is chicken or salmon.

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November Minutes *(Con't)*

Election Time! Names and office positions announced.

President: John Masters

Vice President: Joe Crook

Treasurer: Rose Hutchinson

Corresponding Secretary: Pam Bombardieri

Recording Secretary:

Edna McClenney-Willis

Motions were made and seconded! A very big "AHHHHH".

Suggestions were made for more money making ideas. Some included were:

- A Silent Auction-auction of members
- Photo Contest- for membership directory cover
- Donation Jar to be kept at meeting for "left-over" change or extra money

Local Vendors-sale this weekend

Venice Plant Sale-next weekend-Nov.15-16-
at Centennial Park

Benefit Sale -coming up

Vendor and speaker for the evening: Paul and Mary Storm -- Meke Aloha Orchids-specializing in Schomburgkia, Myrmecophila and their hybrids.

A very informative evening with a lot of new names to remember!

Members Plant Table: Beautiful- full of color and various species

Raffle Table held a lot of beautiful plants. A big thanks to Meke Aloha Orchids and our members who participated. Some were left from the sale.

Respectfully submitted,
Edna McClenney-Willis



The Jackie Weber Sale

-- December 6th,

-- 9am - 3 pm

-- 5328 Rumson Road, North port

I'm asking for EAOS members to give special consideration to attend and buy orchids at this sale. The sale has two purposes: to raise funds in memory of Jackie and to distribute her collection of nearly three hundred plants to caring area orchid growers.

I had the chance to review the collection with Norm Weber last week. He has been keeping excellent care of the plants, but it is not an easy task. The plants were Jackie's; every moment with the plants is a reminder of her love of orchids. Norm hopes the plants will be grown with the care Jackie would have given them.

It is a mixed collection with Cattleyas, Phragmipediums, Vanda's, and Dendrobiums most prevalent. Phalaenopsis, Oncidiums, Bulbophyllums and many other genera are represented. Most are full grown plants, with many mericlones of awarded plants. The plants were purchased from many different growers. The condition of plants is very good. They have been grown in an extended lanai area with an extra layer of shading. While only a few are in bloom at this time, almost all should bloom during the next year.

The sale will also include Jackie's Orchid books and orchid growing materials. There are new 8 ft benches that Norm made earlier this year. I look forward to seeing you there.

Ted Kellogg



Joe Crook and John Masters help at the EAOS Plant Sale.

Upcoming Events

- Mark Your Calendar -

Dec. 1 Dinner Meeting
La Stanza 6 PM

Dec. 6 Jackie Weber Sale

Jan. 12 EAOS Meeting

March 20 & 21, 2009
EAOS Orchid Show



Paul Storm of Meke Aloha Orchids talks about Schomburkias at the November meeting.

Treasurer's Report

November, 2008

Checking Account		
10/28/08 Balance		1,081.93
Deposits	2	1,554.00
Checks	8	(1,182.93)
11/20/08 Balance		1,453.00

Respectfully submitted:
Roger Perrault,
Treasurer

This Month's Meeting

December 1, 2008
at
La Stanza
Cocktails 5:30, Dinner 6 PM

Dinner Meeting

November Plant Table

First Place:

C. Tomonori, Roy Klinger

Second Place and Members Choice:

Pot Hawaii Thrill 'Palmer Orchids',
Michele Glemboki

Third Place:

Blc. Helen Brown x L. Purpurata,
Joe Crook

Best Species and Speakers Choice:

Coelogyne rochussenii', Roy Klinger

Ted Kellogg



First Place was awarded to Roy Klingler for *C. Tomonori*.



Third Place went to Bc. *Helen Brown* x *L. Purpurata* from Joe Crook.



Second Place and Members' Choice was *Pot. Hawaii Thrill 'Palmer Orchids'* grown by Michele Glemboki.



The Best Species and Speaker's Choice award went to *Coelogyne rochussenii*' from Roy Klingler.