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The Orchid Oracle

Presidents Message

Hi To, All Members,

Thank you for your support this year. The board regrets to inform you that Ronnie Oerth, our president, has sent us an email electing to step down from his position this year, needing to better attend his business. We thank him for all of his help in growing our society and wish him the best. As per the by-laws, our vice president, Weyman will be our interim president until next years election. We also need a nominating committee to nominate our board members for 2020.

Please think about volunteering and helping our society.

Weyman has been working hard scheduling speakers and events for the rest of the year. Check our calendar for details.

He also will be sending out a separate note about our meeting on Wednesday along with some other useful information.



Hello, I am now your newsletter editor. Cheryl has done such a wonderful job in the past. We truly miss her! I am going to try and continue in her footsteps with her and Cherie's help. Please bear with me as I try and learn how to use Microsoft Publisher. Feel free to email me with any pictures or articles that you would like me to include. Thank you, Kim Webster hkwjupiter@bellsouth.net

April: In Your Orchid Collection

By Martin Motes

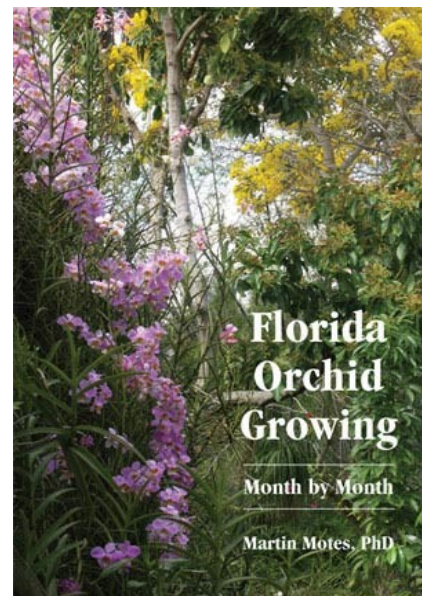
March weather has been as much a delight for our orchids as it has been for ourselves! With wide swings from day to night temperature our March weather this year has mimicked the mid elevations of tropical mountains from whence so many of our cultivated species come. The lower than usual high temperatures, have kept mites from their typical rampage in the dry air of March.

Thrips, too have not been as happy with the cooler temperatures. Snails have not had as much opportunity to roam with the lower rainfall this month. Fungal diseases too have been stanchied by the drier air. All good news for a great start to the growing season!

With that thought in mind we need to finish repotting all the plants which have out grown their containers. We also need to be sure that we have applied time release fertilizer. The brand "Dynamite" is best in the low Phosphorus formula available at Lowe's. Liquid fertilizer in the Michigan State formula (or comparable low phosphorus formula) available from the "Sources" listed in *Fla. Orchid Growing*. Low temperatures have also given us a final indication of magnesium deficiency in the reddening foliage of some of our plants. One tablespoon of magnesium sulphate (Epsom salts) in combination with 1Tbs. potassium nitrate (available in small quantities from suppliers listed in *Fla. O. Growing*) per gal of water will erase the red and the deficiency.

With some luck the ideal growing conditions will persist into April but with rising temperatures the usual culprits, mites and *Thrips* will re-emerge. Be ready to take the recommend actions for their control. Meanwhile enjoy the weather and the profusion of spring bloom.

Martin Motes
President, Motes Orchids



Remember: Good air circulation and proper watering are the keys to disease prevention.

You may continue reading this article on www.motesorchids.com listed under: This Month in your Orchid Collection



Fresh on the Waterfront!



Our April Program

Roy Tokunaga BIO

Roy grew up on the beautiful island of Maui, in the Hawaiian Island chain. He left Maui for Honolulu, Oahu to attend the University of Hawaii. It was in the honors program, his favorite mentor, Dr. Yoneo Sagawa, introduced him to Orchids and the new emerging technology of Orchid seed germination and cloning. He eventually earned a Bachelors in Education, to teach biology. He was recruited to work at an Orchid cloning laboratory, E&R Orchids, and for seven years he honed his skills in seed germination and cloning. In 1981, he partnered with Harry Akagi to start H&R Nurseries in Waimanalo, Hawaii on the island of Oahu. He is an accredited judge for the American Orchid Society as well as the Honolulu Orchid Society.

UPCOMING FLORIDA ORCHID EVENTS

April 12-14th- Panamerican Orchid Society Fest, 28100 SW 182 Ave, Redland, FL. Contact Carlos Ochoa.

April 13- 14: Tallahassee Orchid Society Show, Doyle Conner Bldg. 3125 Doyle Conner Blvd. Tallahassee.

April 20 at 12pm: AOS Florida Caribbean Judging Center Monthly Judging

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden / 10910 Old Cutler Road / Coral

April 20-21st-Flamingo Gardens Show, 3750 S. Flaming Rd. Davie. Contact:

Jan Amador jbamador@bellsouth.net.

April 27-28th-Vero Beach Show, Riverside Park, 3001 Riverside Park Dr., Vero Beach. Contact Carol

Marvin, carolnmarv@aol.com.

Coming: Redland International Orchid Show

Fruit & Spice Park 24801 SW 187th Ave. Homestead FL

May 17,18,19.2019 (9:00am-5:00pm)

Admission still only \$10.00 or save with the 3-day weekend pass, only \$25.00

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A free raffle ticket is given to those that bring in goodies



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at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden

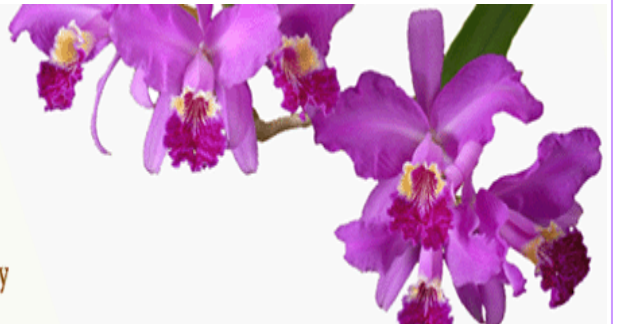
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Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each Month at 7 pm unless otherwise noted
 Jupiter Community Center 200 Military Trail

Board Meetings are held on the following Tuesday after each meeting
 at Panera Bread, Indiantown Road at 6:30pm (All members are welcome to attend)

<p>January 2019 9th 7 pm</p>	<p>February 2019 13th 7 pm</p>	<p>March 2019 13th 7 pm Vern Bloch Brassavola Nodosa</p>	<p>April 2019 10th 7 pm Roy Tokunaga H&R Nursery Dendrobiums, Species and hybrids</p>
<p>May 2019 8th 7 pm Auction</p> 	<p>June 2019 Date and time TBA BBQ - Pot Luck Potting Party Home of Weyman & Alexis 515 se Ault Ave Stuart, FL</p>	<p>July 2019 10th 7 pm John Budree Paph's in South Florida</p>	<p>August 2019 14th 7 pm Patrick McClintock History of FOG</p>
<p>September 2019 11th 7 pm TBA</p>	<p>October 2019 9th 7 pm TBA</p>	<p>November 2019 13th 7 pm Auction</p>	<p>December 2019 11th 6:30 Holiday Party</p> 