



AUGUST 2014

NEWSLETTER

Founded in 1963
Affiliated with the American Orchid Society

In 1963, the Eastern Airlines Orchid Club was formed to foster good fellowship through the common love of orchids in all their forms and varieties; to share both the knowledge and techniques of culture and the mystery and beauty of the plants and flowers.

Visitors Always Welcome



MEETING, FRIDAY, AUGUST 15
7:30 PM

Florida International University, South Campus
Room WC 130, Next to the Wertheim Conservatory (greenhouse)
SW 8 Street, turn south on 109 Avenue, first parking garage (red) on right,
building across street directly south of parking garage

(All Meetings are held on the third Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We had a great meeting in June. Our speakers really provided some great information. I hope everyone was taking notes. Now go put it to good use.

Hopefully we are starting to dry out a little after all this rain in June and July. So, we can ease up on the fungicide a bit until we start again in September.

Oh, summer in South Florida!!!

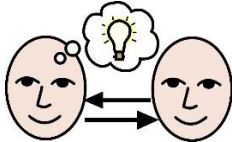
Your President,
Danny

CLUB DUES RENEWAL



Membership renewals were due in June. If you haven't renewed, please do so as soon as possible. Membership dues are \$15.00.

SHARE AND LEARN



The last few monthly meetings have been very successful with members bringing in plants to share. Judging is no longer an issue and, hopefully, others will understand that their plants are worthy for "show and tell". Everyone learns something new!

So, please feel comfortable about bringing your floral children to meetings. We look forward to seeing and learning at the July meeting.

WEBSITE UPDATE



The website is off to a great start! At the time of this newsletter, there have been 125 hits. Users are from the U.S. (New York – 2nd largest group), Belgium, Argentina, Morocco, United Arab Emirates, Chile, Germany, Spain, Italy, Brazil and even Japan!!! We're international!!!

SUNSHINE



No reports have been received for ill or infirmed individuals. If you know of someone who is ill, please call Diane Dickhut at 305-385-4007 and she will send a card from the club.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS



Hooray!!! We have another great member to join us. We are so delighted to welcome her.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



- ✓ **EALOC CALENDAR**
August 15.....Monthly Meeting
December 6-7.....Orchid Festival in Ft. Lauderdale
- ✓ **PALM HAMMOCKS CALENDAR**
August 9....."Houseplants – The Health Benefits"
August 16....."Take the Plunge – Discover Water Gardening"
August 23....."Orchid Care – It's So Simple"
August 30.....St. Fiacre Day – Free Gift with Each Purchase

FESTIVAL EARNING



The following club members volunteered for the Redland International Orchid Festival. As a result they earned a total of \$560 for the club. Thank you for contribution your time.

Barbara Lutz, Danny Lutz, Diane Dickhut, Nora Robbins, Pam Warner and Carmen Segrera

ZOO NEWS



We had a great outing to put up orchids at the zoo. We got all approximately 60 cattleyas up. They went up between the Orangutans and Sun Bears. We also put up 11 quite large Schomburkias . We still have a number of Vandas to go up, but we need to find a place for them. We may also need to supply them with water. Soooo..... we're looking for plumbers. Come out and learn how!

Please remember our only auction fundraiser comes up in November. As you are repotting this summer, be sure to save cuttings for your auction donation. Remember, plants always sell better if you have a picture of the flower or a description of it. We like plants that come from people we know.

RAFFLE PLANTS



The July raffle plants were generously donated by R.F. Orchids. They were a stunning collection of plants!!! We thank them for their generosity!!!

The August raffle plants will be provided by the club. Come for the bargains.

EALOC FACEBOOK PAGE



Do a search on Facebook for “Eastern Airlines Orchid Club” and visit it often. You can learn and share without leaving home!!!

Now, Internet users can connect to the Facebook page from the new EALOC website!!! This gives the club greater opportunities to share, as well as gain additional prospective club members.

AUGUST SPEAKER



This month is our presenter will be Jill Godfrey. She will talk about “Thin-Leaved Orchids for South Florida (Calanthes, Sobralias and Stanhopeas)”. If you're not there, you're missing a good thing!!!

JULY FOOD PROVIDERS



A special “thank you” goes to Adaire Reeve and Arlene Randall who stepped in last minute to bring great goodies. They are great examples of the very giving nature of our club members.

AUGUST CATERERS



This month's cuisine providers will Tessie Gonzalez, Yolanda Creamer and David Lopez. Thank you for sharing!!!

JULY SPEAKERS

This month's speakers were special. Instead of bringing in an expert, club members were asked to talk about their specialized skills. It was an exceptionally interesting and informative event.



The first July monthly meeting speaker was Victoria Clemente. She demonstrated "Flasking on a Home Budget".

Victoria took the club members on a step-by-step procedure on "how to flask", using very simple and inexpensive equipment and materials. From seed collection to flasking, she detailed every step. Check out the pollination of a cattleya!



Lourdes Silva was asked to speak because all club members feel she has a "secret trick" to growing stupendous orchids. She spoke about her culture medium, shading, and fertilizer.

So, what was her secret? She stated plainly and simply, "The plants know I love them."

JULY MEETING REVIEW

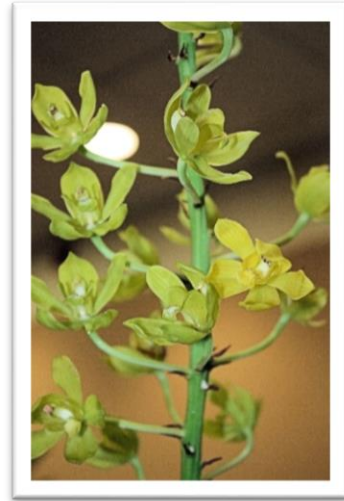
❖ SHARING AND LEARNING



**Bnfd. Glided Tower 'Mystic Maze'
Renny Ramirez**



Den. Crumenatum
Pigeon Orchid
“One Day Millionaire”
Diane Dickhut



Grammatophyllum [Gram.] scriptum
Var. “Citrinum”
‘Hihimanu’
Jorge Li



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Diane Dickhut



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Maria Febres-Cordero



Epi. Green Hornet
Diane Dickhut

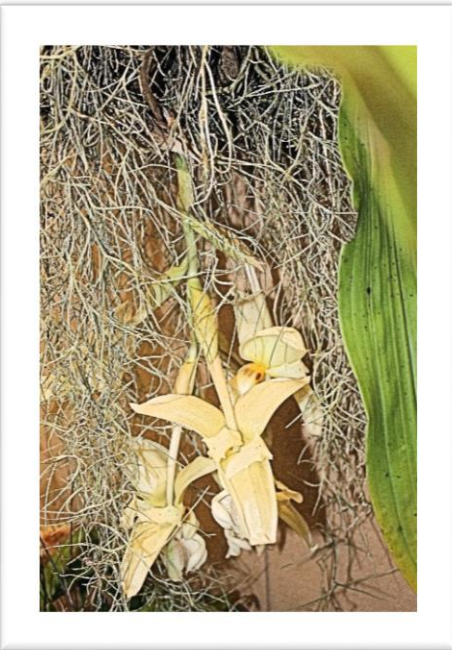


Bratonia [Brat.] Shelob ‘Tolkien’
(syn. Miltassia or Mtssa).
Brat. Olmec x Brs. Edvah Loo
Ernest Garcia

❖ RAFFLE/AUCTION OFFERINGS



**Bulbophyllum [Bulb.] makoyanum
(Species)
David Foster**



**Stanhopea [Stan.] wardii
David Foster**

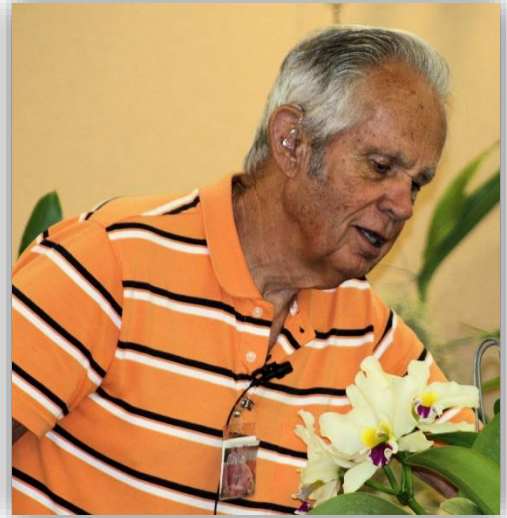


**Blc. Memoria Helen Brown
'Full Moon'
Blc. Xanthette x Lc. Ann Follis
Lourdes and Rene Silva**

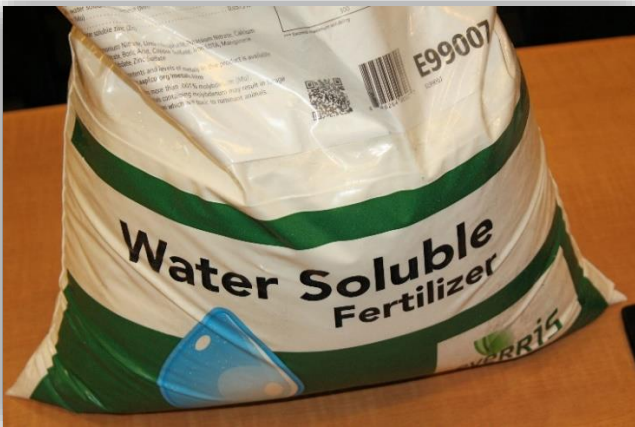




◆ MEMBERS IN ACTION



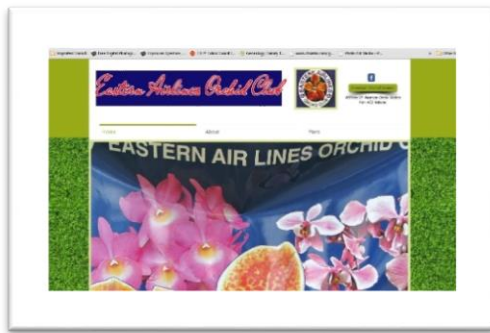
David Foster Leading Share and Learn Session



Ernest Garcia Sharing Mtssa. Shelob 'Tokien'



EALOC WEBSITE UPDATE



The Eastern Airlines Orchid Club website is flourishing!!! To date, we have 246 hits with 163 viewers from 10 countries:

United States, Brazil, Italy, Spain, United Arab Emirates, Argentina, Belgium, Chile, Columbia, Germany, Japan and Morocco!!!

The site is still in its infancy, but it continues to improve page by page. Everyone is encouraged to submit ideas as to what they would like to see become available online. The goal of this website is to provide as much useful information as possible to the users. As time passes, the website should become an expansive wealth of information, knowledge, and resource for all orchid fans.

Now, the club has access to the most current EALOC directory that is downloadable. Members have the option of making changes at any time. There are other plans in the making that will bring the club farther into the 21st Century!!!

One of the next initiatives will be to create a blog. However, in order to do so, input from everyone is greatly needed. A blog doesn't work if people don't take an active role by participating. Club members and non-members are encouraged to contribute orchid related content. Examples of content could be, but not limited to the following:

- ✓ Information articles
- ✓ Tricks and Secrets to Cultivating
- ✓ Specific individual inquiries of persons seeking orchid growing solutions
- ✓ Editorials, opinions
- ✓ Any type of useful information
- ✓ Workshop and meeting information

Please feel free to share with us. You'll be able to go online and communicate directly with the world.

However, in order to get started, please send articles, information, etc., to the web master and it will be a part of the initial entries for the blog. Please send your written donations to E_A_L_O_C@yahoo.com

Note:

- ❖ Use Search Engine: "Eastern Airlines Orchid Club"
or
- ❖ Type Address Line: "www.ealoclub.com" (fastest)