

### OCTOBER 2017

# 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



# OCTOBER 20 MONTHLY MEETING 7:30 PM

Florida International University, South Campus
Room WC 130, Next to the Wertheim Conservatory (greenhouse)
SW8 Street, turn south on 109 Avenue, first parking garage (red) on right,
the building across the 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



It's October and we will be celebrating Halloween. However, let's look forward to November when we will have our annual sale. This is our only fund-raising event.

So, be sure to start saving your orchid cuttings. Remember that plants sell better if there's either a bloom or a picture of the bloom.

Increasing membership is best accomplished through its current memberships. Be sure to invite friends and family to attend meetings.

Do you have suggestions for the club? If so, please don't hesitate to contact a board member.



Your president, Chris



October 13-15......S. Florida Orchid Society **Show (University of Miami)** 

October 20..... EALOC Meeting



October 27-29......E. Everglades Orchid **Society Show (R.F. Orchids)** 

November 4-5.....Orchid Obsession Show and Sale (Deerfield Beach **Orchid Society**)

November 17.....EALOC Plant Auction



December 2.....EALOC Holiday Party (Zoo Miami)



#### OCTOBER SPEAKER



Our speaker for this month is John Romano. He will be presenting, "Growing Sobralias".

John started growing orchids in 1979 at the age of 13. He worked in Pennsylvania and Delaware before moving to Delray as a grower for JEM Orchids. He currently lives in Homestead, Florida.

He manages "Sobralias" and "Dendrobium Species" FaceBook groups, as well a video blog on YouTube. Check out that blog at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k1o9a3-UVpM.

#### MIEMBERSHIIP RENEWALS



Since we had no meeting in September, the deadline for membership dues has been extended to the meeting in October. If your dues are not paid by then, you will not be eligible to receive a holiday plant from the club.

Remember, You may also pay online at the EALOC website, using PayPal!!! Just follow the directions on our website at http://ealoclub.com.

#### ANNUAL AUCTION



Our EALOC Auction is the third Friday in November. It's our only fundraiser of the year. The Board has met and jobs have been assigned to bring in some great plants for the orchid collectors, hobbyists, and gardeners in general and someone looking for a Thanksgiving gift or for holiday parties starting in December.

We will have a lot of flowering orchids, blooming size orchids, even down to bare root orchids. It's going to be a great time and, HEY!, we take CREDIT CARDS thanks to Carlos Ochoa.

#### MIEMIBIERSHIIP



There were no new members reported this past month. Invite someone you know to the next meeting.

#### **ZOO NEWS**



We are sorry to report that the Zoo and our greenhouse suffered extensive damage as you can see from the pictures. The screening on the roof was torn off. The sprinkler system was ripped out. Many orchids landed on the floor.

On Thursday after the storm, it was requested by the Zoo director that someone come to rescue the orchids off the trees that went down or were badly damaged and were going in the chipper. Danny, Barbara, Chris and Diane went and drove all around the Zoo collecting orchids and/or relocating them.

Danny, Barbara, Diane and Libby Mahaffey (Zoo volunteer) went back on Saturday and worked in the greenhouse. Danny was able to untangle the roof screening and get it somewhat back in place. The rest of them went through the benches and threw out plants that were badly sunburned and would not survive. To date we lost 150 Phals, 15 Cattleyas and about 20 miscellaneous plants. I'm sure we will still lose more.

We will need volunteers to come down and help replace the irrigation system. We are thankful for the rain that is helping to keep the plants well hydrated.

#### HOLIDAY PARTY



Our Holiday Party will be on December 2, at Zoo Miami. The zoo gates will open at 6:00 PM and close at 6:30 PM. No will be admitted after 6:30 PM since security is the only one that has the key. The room is yet to be determined.

It is \$10.00 per person. Payment must be received by November 18. Please see Barbara Lutz to sign up and pay. The club will cater the

entire meal. No one needs to bring anything, except an appetite.

We must all leave as a group. So, the more help we have cleaning up, the faster we can leave.

## DEADLINE TO PAY NOVEMBER 18

(The Day After The Auction)

Every year we have a centerpiece contest. Since no one needs to cook anything, we're hoping that more will participate. The rules are simple.

- Centerpieces are to have a holiday theme.
- The flowers must be real (no silk flowers).
- They can be made of plants or cut flowers.
- They will be placed on the tables for display.
- Prizes will be given.

#### **UPDATED DIRECTORY**



The directory was recently updated to reflect the newest membership information. Members may check and update their contact information at any time by sending the corrections to the webmaster. Just e-mail corrections to <a href="mailto:ealoclub@gmail.com">ealoclub@gmail.com</a> and updates will be entered.

#### WEBSITE



The website continues to be visited by many countries, including United States, Brazil, Italy, Chile, Colombia, Spain, Argentina, Germany,

Peru, Portugal, Japan, Morocco, Indonesia, Finland, Canada, Romania, Luxembourg, Philippines, Finland, Hong Kong, United Kingdom, Curacao, Kenya, Malta, Greece, Georgia, Albania, Russia, Ecuador, Australia, Israel, Poland, Belgium, Malaysia, Iraq, Czech Republic, Qatar, South Korea, India, China, the Netherlands, South Africa, Taiwan, Mexico, Cyprus, Morocco, Thailand, Estonia, Austria, Norway, Vietnam, Hungary, Guatemala, Sweden, New Zealand, Bangladesh, Mauritius, Mozambique, Slovenia, Cambodia, Saudi Arabia, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Barbados, Egypt, Guernsey, Belize, Uruguay and Nigeria. The newest country is Brunei.

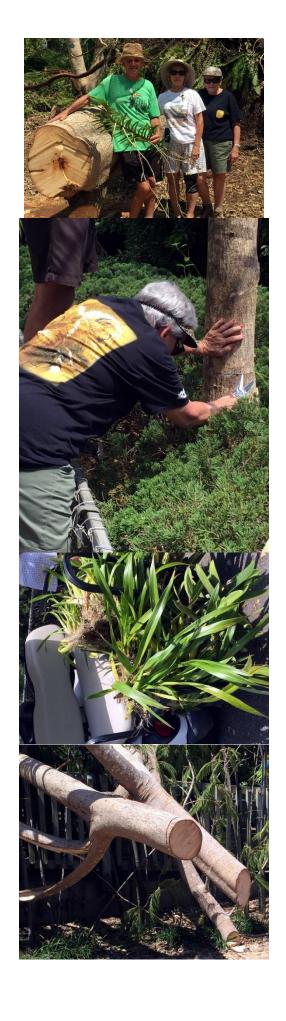
#### OCTOBER FOOD FEST



Wow!!! The fun and food continues. This month we are fortunate to have Dean and Suellen Powell provide the food. We look forward to their spooky treats. We thank them for being both generous and faithful club members. They are key factors for the success of the club.

#### IRMA VS. ZOO MIAMI

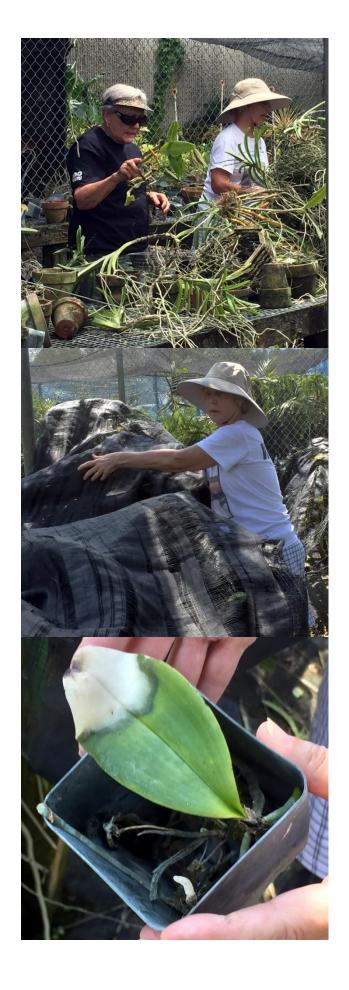


















# Orchid Auction

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NOVEMBER 17, 2017 7:00 p.m.

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**Door Prizes** will be drawn every hour from 7 p.m. 'til 10 p.m

(Must be present to win.) **FREE REFRESHMENTS**ou will find excellent bargains on orchid plants, many
in bloom, some bare root, most are potted. Plenty of
species. Most of our selections come from professional,

