



MARCH 2013

# 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 or culture and the mystery and beauty of the plants and flowers.

*Visitors Always Welcome*

**NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY  
MARCH 15 AT 7:30 PM (IDES OF MARCH)**

**Temporary Meeting Venue  
The Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith  
10901 SW 28 Street  
Miami, Florida**

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

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We will be meeting at The Church of the Abrahamic Faith again this month. The address is 10901 SW 28 Street. We may be having meetings there for a few more months.

I called F.I.U. last week, and was told that repairs had been made to "our" room, but then, it leaked again! I will continue checking, but I'm not holding my breath as to a specific date. They have no other room to offer us at this time. However, I have been assured we are "first on the list to be called".

We are so lucky to be able to use the church during this crisis! I have heard that other

other clubs are having difficulty finding space and being able to afford to rent that space!

In appreciation for the church's assistance, the Board has voted to make a donation to the church in the future.

See you at the meeting!

Your President,  
Diane



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If you have any additions, deletions or corrections, please e-mail Chris Rawls at [ccrawls@bellsouth.net](mailto:ccrawls@bellsouth.net) or call him at 305-253-6715.

## TEMPORARY MEETING



### VENUE

The EALOC has received permission from The Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith to use their facility for our meetings until a room can be obtained from FIU.

We have thanked them for helping us out. If anyone knows of another facility they like better, please let the Board know. Cost is a big factor for us.

## REFRESHMENTS



Those who are providing the goodies this month are Jorge Li, Chris Rawls and Rene and Lou Silva. Thank you so much for your time and effort to make the meeting more pleasurable.

## SUNSHINE



No one has been reported as being ill or infirmed. If you know of someone, please contact Diane Dickhut so that a card can be sent from EALOC. 305-385-4007.

## MONTHLY PROGRAM



The program this month will be Bill Peters of Whimsy Orchids. His topic will be "Growing Cattleyas".



## FIELD TRIP

The February field trip to Henington Farms was both successful and educational. An educational talk was given to the group about orchid diseases.

Members of the Coalition for Orchid Species (COS) joined us. There were approximately 25 to 30 participants.

The breakfast was great!!! Thank you Barbara and Danny for your special efforts to see that everyone had a delicious breakfast, including the use of a toaster for the bagels.

## ZOO NEWS



We have more orchids that need to get new homes in the trees that already have irrigation in them. So, we are ready to go. If you would like to help on a Thursday or Saturday morning, call Danny at 305-448-8057. You neither need not be experienced in tying up orchids nor do you need to be able to climb a ladder. Come out and learn a new skill.

We have aggregatums and oncidiums blooming throughout the Zoo. So, with all this great weather, go out to the Zoo and keep looking up. Don't miss the lions as the males and females are out on the paddock together. It was a very interesting introduction, needless to say.



## RAFFLE

The raffle plants will be provided by Whimsy Orchids. You can't win without tickets. So, buy, buy, buy!!!

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### > EALOC CALENDAR

March 10.....Daylight Savings Time  
March 17.....St. Patrick's Day  
March 15.....EALOC Meeting  
March 20.....First Day of Spring  
March 31.....Easter

### > PALM HAMMOCKS EVENTS

March 9.....Orchid Basis  
March 16.....Creating a Miniature Garden in  
Small Spaces  
March 23.....Spring Garden Faire  
March 30.....Creating a Shade Flower Garden  
April 27.....Spring Flower Fest

Every Thursday at 10:00 am - Garden Tour  
of What is New and Flowering

Luck of the Irish Event - 15% off plant  
purchases only, excluding discount card,  
orchids, and hard goods

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL



The yearly renewal is just around the corner.  
Renewal is in June. Please keep this in mind.  
Dues are \$12.00 per person, the best deal in  
town.

## CLUB SHIRT ORDER



Diane will have the sample shirt sizes  
available one more time at the March  
meeting. Hurry and check out the sizes and  
make your order before it's too late.

## EALOC FACEBOOK PAGE



Here is a way to meet more than one time a  
month. You have the opportunity to seek or  
share information with other orchid  
enthusiasts. Leave photos, ask questions,  
share what you just learned or write about  
anything else that could be of interest to  
others.

Without your input and participation, it's  
only an online page. It won't work without  
others participating.

Do a search for "Eastern Airlines Orchid  
Club" and visit it often.

## SHARING AN ORCHID WONDER



The genus *Cypripedium* (Ladyslipper Orchids)  
that Darwin Experimented With