



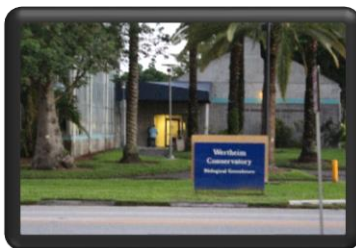
JULY 2014

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, JULY 18
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



This is a new year for the newly elected officers. I want to say "Thank You" to Diane Dickhut as she moves to the position of Past President. She did a great job for us, taking the lead in working with new FIU staff, handling the temporary loss of our FIU room, finding a replacement venue, and, all the while, keeping us in good stead with FIU.

All other officers are staying in place and we thank them for their past service, including Ralph Hernandez, Vice President, who arranged our great plant tables and speakers and to Chris Rawls, Secretary/Newsletter Editor and new website guru. By the way, be sure to tell your friends about the website. It's something to see!

A hearty thanks goes to Chris Bernt for being guardian of our financial records. Also, I send thanks to Dean Powell, Beatriz Sosa, and Jorge Li for their help as Members-at-Large.

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.

SURVEY REQUEST



A PhD researcher at the University of Kent in the UK, studying the international orchid industry and trade, contacted the club, requesting assistance with her research related to her PhD studies.

She has designed a very short online survey aimed at orchid hobbyists and she asked that we send the survey to as many people as we are able. She would be appreciative of our efforts and would be very happy to acknowledge EALOC in her PhD thesis. Additionally she would send a summary of her results once they are analyzed.

It is a short pilot study, the results of which will help her design a final one in a month or two. The survey asks for no personal information and takes less than two minutes to complete. It can also be completed in seven different languages.

Please take the time to complete the survey. Additionally, please forward this survey link to other orchid hobbyists you know in the U.S. or around the world.

The survey can be found here:

<http://www.surveymzmo.com/s3/1619973/orchidsurvey2>.

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, 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



There were no new members reported this month. Club members are the key to encouraging others to join. Invite someone to the next meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS



✓ EALOC CALENDAR

July 18.....Monthly Meeting
August 15.....Monthly Meeting
December 6-7.....Orchid Festival in Ft.
Lauderdale

✓ PALM HAMMOCKS CALENDAR

July 12.....African Violets, Chiritas
and Episcias For Your
Windowsill
July 19.....Mrs. Santa Claus Visits
July 26....."Honey, I Shrunk The
Garden" – Miniature and
Fairy Gardens You Can
Create by Don Pelton

COMMITTEE MEMBERS



We have a significant amount of help from committees that we must gratefully thank:

Suellen Powell and Chris Bernt.....Raffle Sales
Barb Lutz.....Membership and Special Events
Nora Robbins.....Refreshments Chair
Diane Dickhut.....Sunshine Chair
David Foster.....Show and Tell Chair
Danny Lutz.....Zoo Project Chair

Sincere thanks go to all those persons who help with field trips, BBQ cooking, phone tree, event set-up/clean-up, November annual auction plant donations, as well as working the auctions. I'm sorry if I missed anyone and please know that it doesn't work without you.

ZOO NEWS



We were out the last Saturday of June. We had a smaller group than planned, but we got a lot done. All the large Oncidiums and at least half of the large Schomburkias found new homes in the trees. Everyone worked very hard and, yes, it was "warm" as Barb put it.

We also had between 80 and 90 Cattleya Lueddemannianas plants donated to us from Carib Orchids. They have been collected, unspotted, and placed in the greenhouse. Thanks go to Robert Randall. Barb has already I.D.'d a location for them and we would like to get them up while we have all this great rain to give them a good start. We're looking at mid-July for this outing. Barb said it will be nice and warm by then!!



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RAFFLE PLANTS



The plants for this month's raffle will be ready for the taking. It's a fun way to get a good deal on orchids. So, buy those tickets!!!

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.

JULY SPEAKER



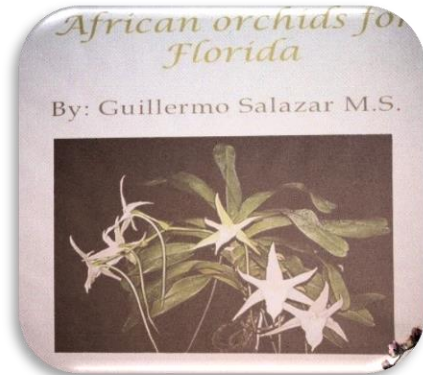
This month is very special. Instead of an outside presenter, club members will make different presentations. Come and discover just how knowledgeable our own members are!!!

JULY CATERERS



This month's cuisine crew will be David Lopez and David Foster Thank you for sharing your time and food contributions!!!

JUNE SPEAKER



The June monthly meeting speaker was Guillermo Salazar. The topic was "African Orchids". Much was learned.

JUNE MEETING REVIEW

❖ SHARING AND LEARNING



Green Hornet
Prosthechea [Psh.]
(syn. *Epidendrum* or *Epi.*) *cochleata* x
Prosthechea [Psh.] trulla
(syn. *Epidendrum trulla*)
Jorge Li



Psychopsis [Pyp.] papilio
(syn. *Oncidium papilio*)
Diane Dickhut



C. Star Parade
(*C. Tokyo Magic* x *C. walkeriana*)
“Volcano Queen”
Diane Dickhut



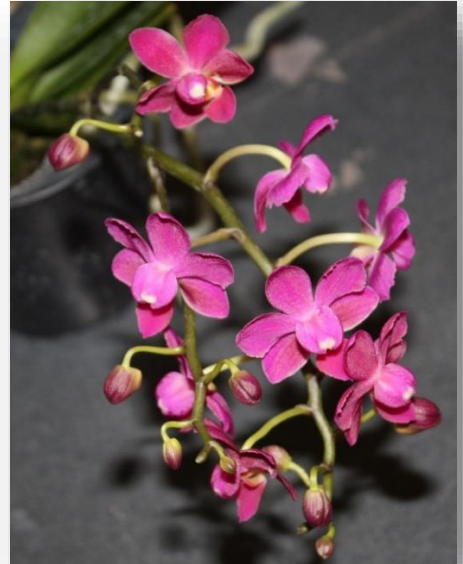
Rlc. Little Toshie
“Pot. Little Toshie Mini Flared”
(*C. Beaufort* x *Rlc. Toshie Aoki*)
Danny and Barbara Lutz



Brassia Caudata “Alba”
Jem
David Foster

❖ RAFFLE/AUCTION OFFERINGS





❖ **MEMBERS IN ACTION**



Diane
“Name That Plant”



Gene and David
“Check Out The Fabulous New Orchid Basket”



Ralph
“Plant Guardian and Program Chair”

ANNOUNCING...EALOC NEW WEBSITE



Eastern Airlines Orchid Club is now technologically in the 21st century!!! The club has its own website!!!

Since the club's goals are to expand one's knowledge of orchids and their care, as well as promote appreciation, this new website will provide a far wider audience to be able to meet the club's objectives. More persons can "learn and share", reaching out to club members and non-club members, as well.

To connect to the website, just search for "Eastern Airlines Orchid Club". Another way is to type "www.ealoclub.com". Please be aware that there are older entries online that are no longer applicable to the club.

It's easy to identify the new site by its "ealoclub.com" address. There are links throughout the website that connect the user to the EALOC Facebook page, yet, another way to reach out to everyone.

Through the website, the user is able to send e-mails to the editor regarding comments, sharing, and inquiries. Additionally, all past newsletters are available at the touch of a button. Non-members may read these newsletters and even subscribe to receive all e-mail newsletters. This is a great way to spread the word about the club's positive initiatives and benefits. It's a way for the club to grow!!!



Note:

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or
- ❖ **Type Address Line:** "www.ealoclub.com" (fastest)