



AUGUST 2018

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



AUGUST 17, 2018 MONTHLY MEETING 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,
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 hopeful that the Kampong volunteer initiative will be successful. Four members have already expressed an interest in participating. Please read below for details. More participants are needed and welcome.

We want to create a perpetual plant science

scholarship fund for FIU. See newsletter for details. If everyone donated \$10 to \$15 each year, that would insure success. However, any amount would be appreciated.

Please consider helping. You may pay by cash or check. Starting in September, we will have a donation jar available at all monthly club meetings.



Your president,
Chris

UPCOMING EVENTS



August 17.....EALOC Monthly Meeting 

September 3.....Labor Day

September 21.....EALOC Monthly Meeting 

September 29-30...International Orchid Show
(University of Miami)

October 5-7.....East Everglades Orchid Show
(R.F. Orchids)

October 19.....EALOC Monthly Meeting 

November 16.....EALOC Orchid Auction 

December 15.....EALOC Holiday Party 

January 11-13.....Tamiami Orchid Show
(Miami-Dade Fairgrounds)

January 19-21.....Orchid Jubilee (Ft.
Lauderdale War Memorial)

MayRedland International
Orchid Show

JULY SPEAKER



Literally, at the very last minute two delightful presenters stepped in to be substitute guest speakers. Our total “hats off” go to Jim and Melana Davison. They are valuable, contributing EALOC members. Thank you so much!!!

AUGUST SPEAKER



Carlos A. Cahiz of OFE Orchid Supplies will be our August speaker. He will also be providing the raffle table plants.

Please remember that he has relocated to Homestead. His new address is 17899 SW 280 Street (Amazonica Orchids).

PAY CLUB DUES ONLINE



IT'S SO EASY!!!

Now you can pay online at the club's website, using PayPal, debit or credit card. Go to “Member Renewal” and e-mail the completed renewal form. Then, remit payment. If using another credit or debit card, follow directions at the bottom of page.

ANNUAL CLUB DUES



It's time to renew your membership. Annual dues are \$15.00 per person. If not paying online, you may pay at the meeting by cash or check only. Correct change is always appreciated.

See Barbara at the meeting or mail her a check,

made out to Eastern Airlines Orchid Club, to 1042 Catalonia Ave. Coral Gables, FL. 33134. If your dues are not paid by September meeting, you will not be eligible for your holiday gift plant.

FOOD PROVIDERS



This month we're looking forward to dining with the dynamic trio of Jose Alcalde, Andres Bosmenier, and Ralph Hernandez. Please be sure to thank them as you enjoy their goodies. It's so gratifying to have members such as them!!!

NEW MEMBERSHIP



No new members were reported this month. Please keep inviting friends and relatives. Club members are the best form of recruitment.

CONNECT TO PROTECT



Fairchild's "Connect to Protect Network" enlists Miami residents to plant native plants in order to connect the few remaining isolated fragments of pine rockland—a globally, critically imperiled plant community.

Joining "Connect to Protect" is free and easy! You only are required to be located in Miami-Dade County, have an e-mail address,

and can maintain pine rockland plants on your property for at least two years. If you would like to join the network, but do not own property, you are welcome to join as an e-mail-only member. To join, simply send an e-mail to ConnectToProtect@fairchildgarden.org, and provide your name, address, and telephone number.

Here's the good part!!! New members have the opportunity to receive a free "pine rockland starter kit," of 5 plants grown by native plant experts in Fairchild's nursery.

For more information, please go to the website listed above.

KAMPONG ORCHID CREWS



The club would like to reach out to the community as we do for Zoo Miami. We are looking for club members who could assist the Kampong, Dr. David Fairchild's historic home/botanic garden, with their orchids.

It will not be as involved as the Zoo Crew, regarding both time and work. Basically, the garden is looking to increase the number of mounted plants. Also, there would be some maintenance of those orchids.

If we could organize two or three groups of two, we could alternate times, making it even less time and work. Schedules can be flexible. The garden will provide all necessary supplies. The crew would only have to show up and help.

As an incentive, this would also allow crew members access to this "Hidden Treasure". This garden is truly a very special place.

If you are interested or need further information, contact Chris Rawls via e-mail. Hopefully, you can represent EALOC and be a positive force to the community.

FIU SCHOLARSHIP



NEWS FLASH!!! IT'S HAPPENING!!!

The board members have approved to sponsor a scholarship to one FIU student who is majoring in any field of plant science. The scholarship will be for \$1,000. FIU has approved and will design and manage the scholarship program.

At this time, it will be a one-time award, but the board members hope to be able to continue to sponsor this worthy, community initiative on an annual basis. In order to make it an annual event, it will be necessary to find sources of funding.

This project possibly could be funded through donations and/or partial use of our annual plant auction or income from the Redland Orchid Show volunteer appreciation payment. If every member generously donated \$15 to \$20 each year, that would assure our being able to continue with the scholarship awards.

If you could be a donor, please let us know. Starting immediately, we, gratefully, are accepting donations! (see president's message)

ZOO NEWS



It seems the Nodosas don't know what time of year it is. Many of them are blooming for the second time this year! The vandas are also blooming. All the wonderful rain has made all

the orchids very happy.

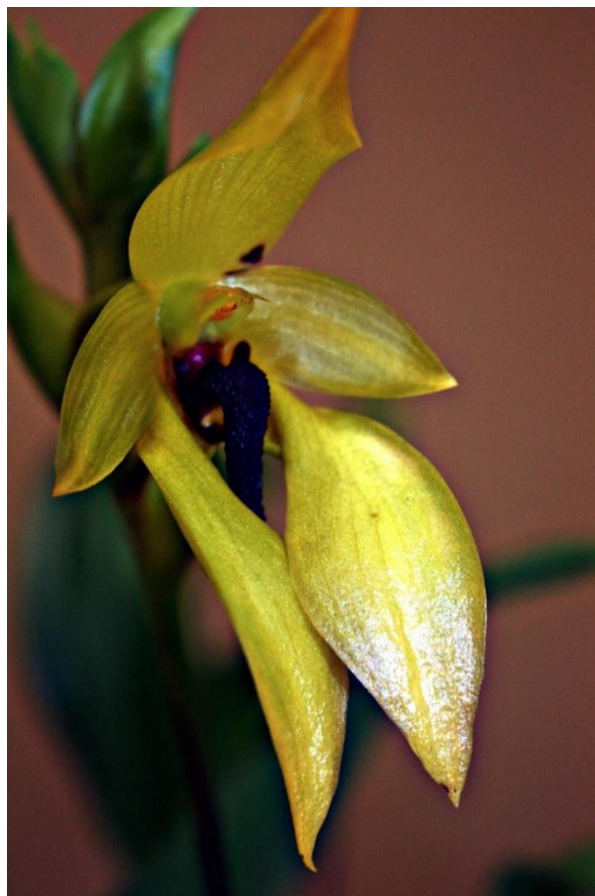
HOLIDAY PARTY



The zoo has graciously offered the Florida Room to us again this year-free of charge. Our party will be on December 15, starting at 6:00 pm. There will be a sign-up sheet at the September meeting. Payment will continue to be \$10.00 per person.

MONTHLY MEETING REVIEW

> Share and Learn



Bulbophyllum [Bulb.] *amplebracteatum*
(syn. *Bulbophyllum carunculatum*)

Diane Dickhut



Miltonidium [Mtdm.] (syn. Miltonia or Milt.)
Star of Nuuanu
Ralph Hernandez



Dendrobium [Den.] Enobi Purple
Ralph Hernandez

FIU ANNUAL PLANT SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD FUND



Be a part of this community initiative by donating to this worthy cause. You may pay by cash or check.

**Important !!!
 Soon, a dedicated club website page will be available for donations.**

Starting in September, a donations jar will be available at monthly club meetings.

We are so appreciative of our caring, generous club members and thank them for their continued support.