

Newsletter

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March 2020

March General Meeting

Wednesday March 4th at 7pm

Location: Venice Community Center (doors open at

6:30pm)

Speaker: Dr. Courtney Hackney

Topic: Wonderful World of Cattleyas



Join us for this month's program as Courtney will be presenting a talk on his favorite genus, "Wonderful World of Cattleyas". Dr. Hackney is Emeritus Professor of Biology and the former Director of Coastal Biology at the University of North Florida in Jacksonville, Florida. Previously he was Professor of Biology and Marine Biology at the University of North Carolina-Wilmington. He began growing orchids in the

Florida Keys in 1962 while working for a small orchid nursery and has continued his interest in both orchid hybridizing and orchid culture since then. He grows many different genera, but his favorite is the Cattleya alliance. He has about 500 mature cattleyas and even more seedlings, but his favorites are classic clones, some of which appeared in orchid collections over 100 years ago. He makes 8-10 hybrids and species sib crosses per year in various genera.

He wrote a Growing Tips column for 20 years, which ended in December 2013, that appeared in newsletters around the country and has published in Orchid Digest. In 2004, he published "American Cattleyas", the culmination of a decade of study and interviews, which summarizes in old photographs and print how all of the modern cattleyas came to be. The book also describes what we know about cattleyas and cattleya hybrids, how to grow them, and what to expect from modern hybrids.

March 2020 Events

Wednesday March 4th
Monthly meeting 7pm
Speaker: Dr. Courtney
Hackney
Topic: Wonderful World of
Cattleyas

Thursday March 12th
Growers Clinic 7pm
Venice Community Center
Room F

Topic: Orchid Basics Part 2
1st hour: Pots, Media,
Repotting and Tools
2nd hour: Hands on Repotting
Clinic

Friday March 13th-Saturday March 14th EAOS Show and Sale (see page 9 for details)

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Courtney Hackney Bio continued...

He and his wife Rose live in Jacksonville, Florida adjacent to a tidal swamp. Rose paints and he enjoys the Epi. conopseum growing in the trees in his backyard, while he conducts his research in the swamp. His orchids are now enjoying residence in a new 24'x25' Florida shade house adjacent to the swamp.

Courtney will have plants and books for sale. Check your email for instructions on pre-ordering!



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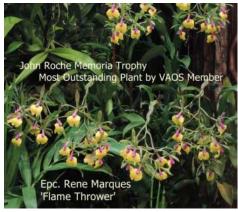
If you've lost the label from your orchid, we may be able to help you identify it. Email a photo of the bloom and the plant to Pres@VAOS.org. I'll share it with the Growers Clinic team and we'll try to ID it for you. Wondering what your plant's parentage is or looking for culture advice for a special orchid? Send an email to me with your plant name and question and our group of experts will help.



What a Show!

A sincere thank you to all of our members who contributed to a very successful show! We had a great turnout with 4100 attendees and our profit from the show will cover all of our expenses for the coming year. We have sent out thank you notes to all of the AOS judges and vendors and received very positive feedback. Many of the comments reflected on the 155 member volunteers – "friendly and helpful". Of course, they also raved about the wonderful food our members brought in for the show!

We would like to thank Jerry Daenzer and his team who set up the exhibit area in record time following the end of the SILLs lecture. Thanks to our volunteers who came in Sunday afternoon for takedown and clean up. By 6pm, the hall was empty and broom swept clean – all of us got home in time for the Super Bowl!





Elaine Ortt and her 30 volunteers sold admission tickets to 4,100 show attendees Saturday and Sunday with a smile. Thank you.

Our hospitality team led by Linda and Bruce Hahn managed the kitchen throughout the weekend and we appreciate the delicious food brought in by our members. Thanks also to Dodi Sullivan and Jane Hyde for their help throughout the weekend.

Sharon and John Kahnowski and their 56 volunteers did a great job as our show hosts ensuring a smooth operation and receiving many compliments from our vendors – thank you!

Jane Camarota, Karen Mann and their Orchid Boutique 21 volunteer team raised \$2600 for our society through their sale of orchid floral arrangements, jewelry and accessories and their plant bas-

ket raffle. Thank you!

Thank you Mary Anne DiGrazia and her 30 volunteers who served as AOS judge clerks. The judges appreciated your help and the clerks found the experience invaluable.

Congratulations to Bruce Weaver, Jay Loeffler and their team for creating a beautiful display reflecting our show theme, Orchid Island. VAOS members took home 40 ribbons and five trophies – congratulations!

Noreen Chervinski artfully arranged our member Arts & Crafts display on the edge of the stage. Our members took home seven ribbons and one trophy - congratulations!

Ted Kellogg managed plant registration for our show and coordinated the AOS judging – thank you Ted!

Thank you Ian Kennedy, Kate and Al Burda for placing the show signs around town and picking them up after the show.

Jim Thomas and Rick Belisle conducted basic orchid culture classes Saturday and Sunday to packed audiences. Very popular with our show attendees – thank you!

Judy Loeffler, Sue Grimmer and their team managed the Membership and Information Desk throughout the weekend, answering questions, handing out culture sheets, signing up new members and selling books and old AOS magazines. Thank you!



What A Show, continued....



Sue Grimmer led our show sponsorship campaign raising \$9700 for our society. Cynthia Vance and Kate Burda provided marketing support and the Show Magazine, produced by Sue, was distributed to our 4100 attendees and our volunteers. Thank you!

Special thanks to Ed Soengten who traveled from North Carolina to work our show. He was there from Thursday afternoon to Sunday – the last to leave. Ed handled so many aspects of our show including our layout diagram, heavy lifting, front door show host throughout the weekend and chief problem solver. Thank you Ed and we hope that you will return again next year for our show.

V. lamellata var. boxalli

Thank you all who contributed to our show! You are amazing people and we are proud to be part of VAOS!

Submitted by Carol Wood & Judy Loeffler

VAOS Show Co-Chairs

VAOS Show Co-Chairs Carol Wood and Judy Loeffler with Venice Mayor Ron Feinsod

VAOS DISPLAY TAKES SECOND PLACE AT VAOS ORCHID SHOW!



Congratulations to Bruce Weaver and TEAM VAOS for taking Second Place Society Display at the annual VAOS Show and Sale February 1 - 2. Three displays exhibited at the VAOS show. The SOS exhibit took 1st place, Venice took 2nd and Englewood exhibit took 3rd. The Art Stone/Palmer commercial exhibit took the AOS trophy.

Sixty-one (61) plants were entered by 23 VAOS members and their

plants were awarded 40 ribbons and 5 trophies. In addition, member arts and crafts entries earned 7 ribbons and one trophy.

Plant ribbon and trophy winners were:

Buddy Beachum - 1 yellow ribbon

Tracie Cady – 1 red ribbon

Jerry Daenzer – 1 red ribbon

Bill Fahrenback - 1 blue and 1 red ribbon

Peg Fahrenback – 1 blue and 1 red ribbon

Vicki Fisher – 4 blue and 2 yellow ribbons. Trophies: Best Dendrobium and Best

Miniature

Richard Hindman – 1 yellow ribbon

Dorothy Johns – 1 red ribbon

Sharon Kahnoski – 1 blue ribbon and Trophy: Best Vanda

Naoki Kawamura – 1 blue ribbon

Steve Keller - 2 blue and 1 red ribbon

Ian Kennedy – 1 red ribbon

Jay Loeffler - 1 red and 1 yellow ribbon

Stephanie Luberger – 2 red and 1 yellow ribbon

Courtney Miles – 1 blue ribbon and Trophy: Best Phalaenopsis

Sharon Miles – 1 blue ribbon

VAOS ORCHID SHOW AWARDS, continued...

Ed Murphy – 2 blue and 2 red ribbons

Tony Nacinovich – 1 red ribbon

Charlie Rogg – 1 yellow ribbon

Natasha Romero – 2 blue ribbons

Joanna Shaw – 2 blue, 1 red and 1 yellow ribbon. Trophy: Best Member Plant

Society Exhibits: VAOS - Red ribbon, 2nd place

Arts and Crafts ribbon and trophy winners were:

Carol Marcus – 1 blue, 1 red ribbon

Tony Nacinovich – 1 blue and 1 red ribbon. Trophy: Best Arts & Crafts Entry

Natasha Romero – 1 blue, 1 red and 1 yellow ribbon

VAOS created a 10' x 10' floor display with the theme "Orchid Island". Bruce Weaver created a beach hut that was placed offset to the left in rear. Colors flowed from white orchids in the top right, down the left side with colors from light to darker yellows. Off to the right side was pale pinks leading to deeper pinks. Down the center of the display were orchids of white/yellow,



white/green colors flowing across the floor, with a path offset to the left side leading to the beach hut. With a wonderful variety of orchids from our members it created very nice color flow.

Several VAOS members supported this team in putting in our exhibit – their work involved building the display props, cleaning and prepping the ferns and greenery used in the display, plant registration, plant labels, transporting display materials and plants to the show, building and designing the display and take down on Sunday.

Entering your plants in orchid shows is a great way to support our society and those who work so hard to create a winning display. Thanks to all who participated!

Jay Loeffler

FEBRUARY GROWERS CLINIC RECAP

Last month's Growers Clinic was "Orchid Basics Part 1 – Air, Light, Water, Fertilizer and Supplements" presented by Jimmy Thomas. This was the first Growers Clinic since our show. With almost 60 members and 30+ "problem plants" Jimmy turned the plant section in the actual clinic. Jimmy went over each plant explaining how well they were doing or what problem they have had with a particular plant. With so many plants to go over Jimmy covered basic culture for many different types of orchids. Feedback from the many new members was very positive and they thought very easy to understand. Hats off to Jimmy for running a great clinic on the fly.



MARCH GROWERS CLINIC

On **March 12th,** Jim Thomas and team VAOS will present Orchid Basics Part 2 - Pots, Media, Repotting and Tools (hour 1) - and Hands On Repotting Clinic (hour 2). They will explain the supplies, tools and planting media, demonstrate basic procedures and share their tips of the trade. Participants will then repot their own orchid with the assistance of several experienced growers and helpers.

- All plants must be removed from their pot. All old media and dead roots must be removed prior to the clinic
- Only one plant per person
- Bring your pot and shears
- Please make sure your plant is free from pests or diseases.

Media and supplies for most orchids will be provided.

Venice Community Center. 7pm. Park on the left side of the building and enter Room F at the side entrance. Bring problem plants for expert help. Guests are welcome.

Attendees are requested not to wear perfume or scented lotions as this is a small room and many of our members have allergies. Thank you.

Jay Loeffler

VAOS DISPLAY TEAM NEEDS YOUR BLOOMING PLANTS! EAOS PRESENTS "Orchids by Lemon Bay" March 13-14, 2020

Members make it possible for us to participate in orchid shows. We would not be able to build our wonderful displays if our members did not grow beautiful orchids and allow them to be shown. Your blooming plants are needed to create our display.

The Englewood Area Orchid Society (EAOS) will hold their annual show and sale at: Englewood United Methodist Church, 700 East Dearborn St, Englewood, FL

Show Schedule:

Set up: Thursday March 12th 10am to 5pm

Show: Friday March 13th & Saturday March 14th – 10am – 5pm

Take Down: Saturday March 14th – 5pm

<u>All plants must be registered in advance via email by Tuesday March 10th.</u> Plant Registration starts on Saturday March 7th.

Email your plant name with a photo or bloom size and color description to PlantReg@VAOS.org.

Carol will send you a return email to confirm your plants are registered.

Label your plant pot with your name and the plant entry number Carol emails to you.

Plants should be cleaned, staked, and free of pests and disease and in prime condition to last through the show. Please water your plants thoroughly before the show.

Bring your plants to the show on set up day Thursday March 12th at 10am:

Englewood United Methodist Church

700 East Dearborn St, Englewood, FL

The church is just 8 miles past the Rt. 41 and Rt. 776 intersection. Directions: Travel south on Rt. 776/Englewood Rd for 7 miles. Turn left on E. Dearborn St. then 1 mile to the church on the left.

Plan to pick up your plants at show take down on Saturday March 14th, 5pm

If you are not able to bring your plants to the Englewood show Thursday morning, you may drop them off at one of two locations by Wednesday, March 11th, 6pm:

South Venice: Carol Wood, 4941 Bella Terra Dr., Venice (Venetia), 941-497-4995 (Leave on front porch)

Venice Island: Bruce Weaver, 328 West Bay Dr., Venice, 941-800-7804 (leave by front door)

Any questions please contact Bruce Weaver 941-800-7804

Thank you for entering your plants at our show!!!



Orchid Show & Sale Friday & Saturday March 13 & 14, 2020 10am - 5pm

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February 2020 Meeting Plant Table Awards

Narrative and photos by Cynthia Vance



First Place and Blue Ribbon was captured by **Stephanie Luberger** for her striking Rhyncattleanthe (Rth.) Young-Min Orange a hybrid of Rth. Viola Nuggett x CTT Trick or Treat. The plant was originated and registered by Wen Chung Hung in 2005 at Shinfong Orchids, Taiwan. February is a great month when many of our orange orchids

decide to bloom and Rth. Young Min Orange is a superior hybrid bringing us much joy. It loves our Venice growing conditions with dappled light, warm temperatures and mostly 50-60% humidity. Mature plants must dry out between watering and for superior growth, fertilize weekly, weakly. Congratulations Stephanie for growing a superior specimen!

Both Second Place and Members' Choice Ribbons were granted to Ian Kennedy for his delightful Rhyncattleanthe (Rth) Eye Candy 'Mellow Yellow'. The 3-colored blooms of this plant are the result of hybridization of Ctt. Candy Tuft x Rlc. Love Calland -- originated and registered by Jeff Newman, Newman's Nursery, Hawaii in 2014. It's thrilling to know that Ian earned a second-place ribbon for this plant at our 2020 VAOS Show especially since this is



the first rebloom since his purchase. Already this demonstrates his excellent cultivation skills. Congratulations, Ian, for all three of your awards!!



Third Place Yellow Ribbon was awarded to Dale Richter bringing us the stately Beallara (Bllra.) Marfitch 'Howard's Dream' AM/AOS with its gorgeous purple star-shaped flowers. It's a hybrid of Brat. Charles M. Fitch x Onc. Fremar. It was originated and registered by Robert B. Dugger in California in 1983 and is a mericlone of one of the best and most popular intergeneric Oncidium hybrids. These plants can produce many tall flower spikes with up to 7 to 12 flowers per spike on average — promising to be a beautiful addition for all of our collections. Dale's plant demonstrated its large, deep grape-purple colored flowers that made us envious to have this showy plant. Congratulations Dale!

February Plant Table Awards, Continued...



New Member Grower Pink Ribbon was awarded to Denise Rychlik for her (NOID) which means 'No Identification' for the orchid name tag was missing. However, after some study, our VAOS experts decided it is the same plant as was Ian Kennedy's awarded plant tonight. Note that Denise's plant blooms were a darker color for often the original whitish blossoms turn pink, then a darker orange-pink as the colorful flowers approach completing their

blooming. This color change makes it an ongoing treasure to enjoy. And remember, new members – when you re-bloom a plant that you've purchased be sure to enter it in the New Member's section of the Plant table. Over the first 2 years as a member, you may win an award without having to compete with more seasoned VAOS members. Great growing, Denise!

Were given to Donn Smart for his magnificent Dendrobium (Den.) sanderae var. luzonicum. Donn's plant is typical of this variety -- floriferous when blooming and exhibiting impressive white flowers with a touch of apple-green in the throat of the lip, or as Donn's plant has, a lovely lavender in the lip. This plant comes from the Philippines -- endemic to the Catalyan Island to the north of Luzon where it grows at low elevations. Because of its



extremely long-lasting flowers which re-bloom on the old canes, it is a must have for Dendrobium lovers for it likes our low elevation, it blooms several times a year, the flowers are long lasting and the plant grows into specimen size quickly. Thanks for bringing it in, Donn, and congratulations on receiving two ribbons.

Thank you to everyone who brought their orchids to share!

Don't forget our monthly Raffle Table when dividing your plants. Many new members start their collections from our raffle table. Share your plants and support our society.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MEETING TECH SUPPORT

VAOS needs two members to volunteer to help set up and take down our tech equipment at our 10 monthly meetings. Basic knowledgeable of computers and projection systems with microphones. Training will be given for "plug and play" of equipment. Set up starts at 6:15 pm prior to the meeting and take down immediately following meeting. It involves setting up our laptop and projection system and mics, and assisting speaker as needed.

We also need website maintenance help. Keeping our website secure. Keeping a regular backup schedule. Keeping our website current and updated.

Basic WordPress Knowledge is helpful, but not necessary for right person with interest. See link below for basic information:

https://www.teamwpsekure.com/top-website-maintenance-tips-beginners/

Please contact Jay Loeffler at programs@VAOS.org if you can help.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MEETING REFRESHMENT TABLE

We need 2-3 members to help with our monthly meeting refreshment table. Set up coffee, soft drinks, and treats brought in by members. Take down and clean up at end of meeting.

Please contact Janet Keown at Social@vaos.org if you can help.

Venice Area Orchid Society Meeting MInutes

Date: February 5, 2020

Carol Wood called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Carol welcomed all new members and guests. She went over the meeting format for the evening.

Announcements

- Carol introduced Kate Burda who spoke about the Venice Area Orchid Society Show and showed a wonderful Show Volunteer Video to thank all the members for their efforts. She noted that of our 450 members there were 150 members who volunteered to help put on a great show this year. The room erupted in applause for all the great help.
- Carol thanked Kate Burda. The membership agreed with Carol that the Show was successful.
- Carol went over the following points of importance about the show. The Show boasted 4001 attendees. 91 new members signed up at the Show. The Grower's Guide was given to everyone who attended the Show. The Society made \$9000.00 from sponsors in the Grower's Guide. Orchid Boutique made \$3000.00. Thank you Karen Mann. The Plant Venders did very well also. Growers said we are now considered the best show in the State of Florida! Our member's plants and Arts and Crafts combined were awarded 50 ribbons and 4 trophies. The Show is the fundraiser earning us the most money and Judy Loeffler thanked all the volunteers for helping to make the Show a success.
- Carol Wood and Judy Loeffler announced that they volunteer to Co-Chair the Show again next year.
- Show Committee chairs were acknowledged and all Show volunteers and kitchen food volunteers stood to a round of applause.
- Carol Wood gave a <u>Special Thanks</u> to Co-Chair Judy Loeffler. She said she was proud of our Society, a place where members have fun and can learn a lot about orchids.
- February is our annual nominations for the VAOS Board. We will hold elections at our March Meeting. We currently have one opening for President. The nomination candidate to succeed Carol Wood for President is Joanna Shaw. In addition to the elections in March we will thank Carol and other board members who have agreed to stay in their current positions. We also have a volunteer position available to help setup the microphone and computer.
- Vern Block, our speaker for this evening, was introduced to a full room of excited orchid growers. Vern spoke on "Leaves and Roots".

Richard Ho and Joanna Shaw presented the Plant Table.

John and Sharon Konowski presented the abundant Raffle Table with an assist from Carol Wood and Natasha Contreras Romero.

Submitted by Kathryn Jeske, Secretary

Membership Dues Are Now Due

Time to renew! Dues that are for January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 can be paid at the March 4th meeting or mailed to:

VAOS

P.O. BOX 443

VENICE, FLORIDA 34284-0443

This is also the time to make sure we have your current contact information - address, phone and email address. If your contact information has changed or if you have any questions contact Suzanne Grimmer, Membership Chair, at Memb@vaos.org.

Membership Directory

If you do not wish to be included in the 2020 Membership Directory please contact Suzanne Gimmer at Memb@vaos.org by March 15th.

Treasurer's Report January 31, 2020	
Operating Fund Starting Jan. 1, 2020 + Income - Payments Closing Balance January 31, 2020	\$27,387.50 \$ 4,146.01 \$10,883.44 \$20,650.07
Petty Cash	+ \$ 75.00
Total Operating Fund Jan. 31, 2020	\$20,725.07
Reserve Fund	
Starting Balance January 1, 2020	\$24,886.88
+Interest Income January 1, 2020	\$ 0.20
Closing Balance Jan. 31, 2020	\$24,887.08
Submitted by Judy Loeffler, Treasurer	

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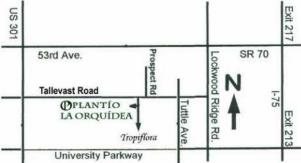
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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 4 (1st Wednesday) – Monthly Meeting. Venice Community Center. 6:30pm. Speaker: Courtney Hackney Topic: Wonderful World of Cattleyas

March 6-8 – Martin County Orchid Society Show, Stuart FL. Info: davedebwilson@hotmail.com

March 7 – 8 – Tampa Bay Orchid Society Show. Tampa, FL. Info: Eileen Hector 813-368-7353 or TampaBayOrchidSociety@verizon.net

March 12 2nd Thursday) – Growers Clinic. Venice Community Center Room F. 7pm. Presentation: Orchid Basics Part 2 (Pots, Media, Repotting, Tools) and Hands On Repotting Clinic. See instructions in this newsletter.

March 13 – 14 – Englewood Area Orchid Society Show & Sale. Set up Thursday March 12, 10am – 5pm. See flyer and plant registration instructions in this newsletter.

March 13-15 – Orchid Society of Coral Gables Show, Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Coral Gables, FL. Info: orcidiva@att.net

March 21-22 – Jacksonville Orchid Society Show. Info: dirt2021@yahoo.com

March 28-29 – Nature Coast Orchid Society Show, Spring Hill, FL. Info: stevemattana123@gmail.com.

April 1 (1st Wednesday) – Monthly Meeting. Venice Community Center. 6:30pm Speaker: Mac Rivenbark Topic: Popular Species for Florida Growers

April 9 (2nd Thursday) – Growers Clinic. Venice Community Center Room F. 7pm Culture Basics for Phalaenopsis and Seedling Competition Awards

April 18—VAOS Spring Member Growers Tour

May 15 – Redlands Bus Trip. Details to follow.

Ongoing

<u>Mentor Program</u>: help for beginning growers, contact Rick Belisle <u>Mentor@vaos.org</u>

Orchid Judging takes place at Christ the King Catholic Church, McLoughlin Center – Room C, 821 S. Dale Mabry Hwy., Tampa, FL 33609. at 6:30pm on the fourth Wednesday of every month. Info: http://www.fncjc.shutterfly.com/

Next Meeting March 4th

Bring a friend
Bring a treat to share
Donate plants for the Raffle Table

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