

February 3rd, 2020 SOS Meeting – Final

Marta Hudson started by welcoming all new members who joined in January!! Guests will also be welcome at no charge, for no more than 2 meetings

We want to remind people that 2020 membership dues and are now payable and the cutoff for final dues payment is February 15, 2020. You can now pay with a credit card.

- **Welcome New Members**

Livia Marques Dianne Reddy Alan & Neille Wilson Terry Dansbury Michael & Patricia Kane Nancy & Billy Morrison Jennifer Freitag Teresa & Othon Bueno Cherie & My VanCoppenolle John Rich Ruta Bukauskas Bruce Oltchick Chrystelle Ensley Joe & Lorraine Downs Dan Lewis & Lamphay VongKuthong	Melanie & John Danza Raymond Keller, M.D. & Patricia Villamena Susan Wollwage Sherry & Steven Woeber Larry & Franke Halse Lynn Larson Elfie Espino Stuart Shikora Renee Faircloth Sue Cannistra John & Lesana Holly Claude Nash Carolyn Johnson Gene & Shelley Gelpke
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- In addition to those who signed in during show, we have another 10 whom registered at the February meeting.
- 2020 Second Semi-Annual SOS New Members Gathering - February 29 from 10:00 – 12:00 - Chairs: Leta Mulholland & Marta Hudson
- **2020 SOS Annual Show** Orchids in Paradise Summary: SOS Display: 2nd Place

	Entries	First	Second	Third	Trophies
Sarasota	68	22	13	9	8
Total in show	210	34	31	24	11
% of Total	32	65	42	38	73

Trophy	Name	Plant
Best Specimen Plant - Species	Laurie Stoner	Bulb. lasiochilum
Best Speciment Plant - Hybrid	Dennis Pavlock	Den. Andréé Millar 'Avery Lynn' AM/AOS
Best in Laeliinae Alliance	Susan Gerhardt	(Blc. Waianae Leopard x Ctna. Why Not)
Best in Cyrripediodeae	Jack Knuese	Paph. Magic Lantern (Paph. micranthum x Paph. delenatii)
Best in Vandeeae Alliance excluding Phalaenopsis	Marie McGee	V. Pachara Delight (V. Karulea x V. Gordon Dillon)
Best in Oncidiinae	Cathy Lewis	Alcra. Marfitch 'Howard's Dream' AM/AOS (Brat. Charles M. Fitch x Onc. Fremar)
Best in Dendrobiinae	Dennis Pavlock	Den. Andréé Millar 'Avery Lynn' AM/AOS
Best of Diversified Genera	Laurie Stoner	Bulb. lasiochilum

- **VAOS Show Orchid Island Summary:** SOS received 1st Place on Display

First	Second	Third	Trophies
17	14	9	4

*No other data available from VAOS.

- **Next Show: Englewood Show “Orchids by Lemon Bay” March 13 - 14**
- Marta reminded everyone to place bids for favorite Silent Auction Plant and to **Vote for favorite Orchids**
- **Word of the month: Deciduous (di-SIJ-oo-uhs):**

The shedding of leaves or other organs at maturity, or at the end of the growing season; not permanent, transitory.

Loose their leaves annually and go dormant such as some Dendrobiums, Catasetum, some Lycaste...etc.

- **Orchid Tasks For February by Motes**
 - Spread snail bait lightly.
 - Spread again lightly in two weeks
 - Spray for Botrytis using Florida recommended fungicides or Bicarbonate of soda
 - Begin Spring potting
 - Watch for mites.

- **Quote of the month:** “To be kind is more important than to be right. Many times, what people need is not a brilliant mind that speaks but a special heart that listens”.
Empathy is the most important leadership skill needed today!

- **Near Future Activities:**
 - Selby’s Wednesday, Feb. 5, 1:30-2:30 pm - Carriage House/a presentation on Epidendrum orchids by Eric Hågsater founder of the Asociación Mexicana de Orquideología
 - **Next Board Meeting:** February 24, 2020 – Bruce Mikkelson
 - **Next Monthly Meeting *TUESDAY, March 3rd** Orchid Auction. Please take a flyer home and invite your friends and contact Susan Gerhardt if you have any plant donations.
 - **April Meeting:** Monday, April 6th. Dr. Courtney Hackney; Topic: Orchid “Triage” – Saving Your Dying Orchid.
 - Considering Board Positions...? Marta asked. Remember that **April is our annual members’ meeting**. so if anyone is interested in joining the board, please contact me. We are always looking for new board members. You usually start off on the board doing a well-defined project. To learn more about the positions, we have Job descriptions documents available.
 - **April** house Walk TBA
 - **August ...? Orchid tour to Colombia TBD**

Display Table: Roy Krueger reviewed all the plants on the display table.

Today’s Speaker was Allen Black Hobbyist Grower; Topic: Brassavola cucullata and Its Hybrids. His presentation was amusing and informative. He donated some seedlings for the raffle and brought some for sale.

Plant raffle was announced by Jinny Wiseman & Susan Gerhardt.

Marta thanked everyone for attending and meeting adjourned making a plea for everyone to stay and help clean up!!!