
Brevard County Orchid Society

Bulletin – January

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2007

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The BCOS is a non-profit organization established to develop, improve, and preserve cultivation and hybridization of orchids; collect information relating to growing and developing orchids; disseminate information concerning the culture, hybridization or development of orchids through meetings, exhibitions, lectures, or publications; to provide awards for excellence in the development or culture of orchids; increase public interest in the growing of orchids; and generally to extend the knowledge, production, use and appreciation of orchids.

The BCOS meets monthly each 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 P.M in the American Homestead Foundation Building, 535 Hammock Rd., Melbourne Village, Florida.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to take this opportunity to wish all our members a Happy New Year; I hope your holidays were merry and fill with joy and good fun.

May 2007 be, a great orchid year and another hurricane free year.

The Christmas party was a great success and enjoyed by all who attended. I want to thank all the volunteers who gave so freely of the time, ideas, plants and flowers to help make the party so great. A thank you to Linell Anderson for her time and ideas for the decorations. Also a thank you to Joann

Amos, Joan Pappas and Ginny Oliphant for their time and work. A special thanks to Tracy Adams for all her time and dedication in making our party such a success. Thanks for Joe Bryson who provided the entertainment, also to Fred Zepf for the slide show. For those who could not attend the 2006 Service award winners were: Tracy Adams, Terry Copija, Bill Lambert and Dave Siegrist. The Service Award plaque was updated with their names. The plaque will be displayed at all BCOS functions and meetings. The board of directors also awarded Life Membership to Ed Dunham and Ron Johnson for their

dedication and years of commitment to our society.

It's that time of year again when your membership needs to be renewed. It's \$15.00 for a single, \$20.00 for a couple (that's 2 people residing at the same address) and \$1.00 for a junior membership (16 and under). You can either send your check to Fran Weber or pay her at the January meeting.

See you at the next meeting!

Julie Zepf, President, BCOS

NO BCOS BOARD MEETING FOR DECEMBER 2006

The meeting was cancelled because we could not get a quorum to meet.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

As the BCOS President I want to welcome our new members and hope that you enjoy your membership in our organization.

Here you should ask questions and learn. Just listen, learn and enjoy.

Julie Zepf, BCOS President

Thanks Julie Zepf

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

This Christmas season Boon Bryson underwent extensive knee surgery to repair two tears; Joe assures us that she is currently improving with physical therapy. Barbara Olsson had extensive foot surgery, which will require much time to heal. Fortunately her daughter has been able to help at home where Barbara is recovering. Pat Thimlar has a hip replacement scheduled for early January, 2007. We send our wishes for a successful operation.

We send our prayers and sincere best wishes to Boon and Barbara for rapid recoveries, and we wish all of our Members and their Families a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2007. May our orchids continue to bloom.

If you know of a BCOS member who is ill or has suffered a loss, the Brevard County Orchid Society would like to express our caring and concern. If you have some news to celebrate, we would like to share in that also. Please contact Elaine Chambers 213-6341, Chairman, Sunshine Committee.

Elaine Chambers

JANUARY PROGRAM

The Program to kick off the New Year is a presentation by Vern Bloch on Hybrids of *Brassavola nodosa*. *Brassavola nodosa* is a prominent species in the Cattleya Alliance. It breeds readily with all of the Cattleya Alliance species and hybrids and produces very distinctive and usually readily identifiable hybrids, such as BL Richard Mueller and BL Morning Glory.

Vern is a Life Member of the society and the former owner of Palm Bay Orchid Range. He is extremely knowledgeable in most orchids and especially in the Cattleyas. Vern has given several presentations in the past and is very entertaining and informative. Don't miss this one. You will enjoy the evening and first meeting of the year.

No members sales will be permitted at this meeting, since Vern plans to bring some great hybrids of *B. nodosa* and other plants for sale.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCOS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan 2nd at 6:45 PM at the Satellite Beach Library.

GENERAL MEETING. The next meeting of the BCOS general membership will be held on Tuesday, Jan 9th beginning at 7:30PM, at the AHF Hall, Melbourne Village.

UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND FLORIDA

January 13-14

Orchid Show and Sale

Ft. Pierce Community Center, 600 N. Indian River Dr., Fort Pierce, FL. Contact: Faith Conte, (772) 461-0735; faith222@comcast.net.

January 15

The Museum of Art and Science

Monday series is having Wae Nelson publisher of the magazine Florida Gardening. Wae will concentrate on dispelling many of the myths about Florida gardening in his talk "Gardening' in Florida; It's different Down Here". The talk will be Monday January 15, 2007 at 10:00 am at the Museum of Art and Science located at 1463 Highland Avenue in old Eau Gallie. It's free to the public and refreshments will be served. For additional information call 242-0737.

January 19-21

Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Show

War Memorial Auditorium, 800 NE 8 St., Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Contact: Bob Henley, 4508 NE 21 Lane, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308; (954) 7724836; bobdot@bellsouth.net.

FROM THE EDITOR

THEBCOS.ORG is the address for the New Brevard County Orchid Society Web page. I will try and keep the latest copy and some of the archive copies of the News Letter there for perusing. It is going to be going through growing pains until we stabilize the look and function so please be patient.

This newsletter is available in both paper hardcopy (Snail-Mail), and electronic Distribution (E-Mailed) using Adobe Acrobat PDF format. If you send an e-mail request to dave@siegrist.net, I will add you to the electronic distribution list. I can also take you off the Postal Mailing list and save the society a little money on postage and reproduction costs. The e-mail version will be sent as soon as it is available so you will have it at least a couple of days before the mail would have delivered it. Move into the 21st century with E-Newsletter.

FROM THE LIBRARIAN

We have many new books in our library available to check out. The list is on the web page. Please feel free to contact me about the library.

Helga Lamb 773-5713

JANUARY 2007 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 Dec	1 Jan 07'	2 BCOS Board of Directors Meeting. 6:45pm . at the Satellite Beach Library	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 BCOS Meeting. AHF Hall, Melb Village 7:30pm	10	11	12	13 Ft. Pierce Community Center
14 Ft. Pierce Community Center	15 Gardening' in Florida; It's different Down Here*	16	17	18	19 Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Show	20 Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Show
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28	29	30	31	1 Feb	2	3

* See the “**Upcoming Events Around Florida**” information enclosed in the newsletter for further details on the Calendar of Events activities

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