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### Tuesday August 4, 2015

Setup/Social 6:45 – 7:00 p.m. Presentation starts promptly at 7:15 – 9:00 p.m.

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#### From the Vice President

Dear POS Members and friends.

Many thanks to our July speaker Tom Kuligowski, who gave us an insight on how to photograph our orchids using simple tools and techniques. Judging by the number of members bunched around his camera setup at the end of his talk, I gather it was a greatly received and a lot of budding photographers will come to the fore this year. I am looking forward to next year's photography contest.

Special thanks to John Budree for his presentation of the Show table, always educational and informative

Our speaker this month is Hyla Levine from Green Barn Orchid Supplies. Hyla is an avid grower and has a lot of experience in potting, fertilization, special mixes and secrets to grow better orchids, which she will be sharing with us.

Get your list of supplies together and go on their web site or phone to place your order early. Hyla will bring any orders to the July meeting.

Contact number is 561-499-2810 or web site at sales@greenbarnorchid.comSee you at the meeting

Tony Blanc Vice President





COMING SOON, In October The POS Auction!

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JULY RIBBON WINNERS!



BLUE RIBBON
V.Kagawera
Ren.Phillipensis x
V.PandaKrailerk
GigiLouis



BLUE RIBBON Blc. Hawaii Stars 'Paradise' Lynn Molitor



BLUE RIBBON Onc. Jivhbao Gold Jeff Tucker



BLUE RIBBON V. Pachara Delight 'Isabella' Jeff Tucker



BLUE RIBBON

Den. Antennatum (species)

Helene Albee



BLUE RIBBON B.'Adoabil' B.Nodosa 'Adorabil' Phyllis Durst



BLUE RIBBON
Phal. belina Krull's Perfection
x Krull's Prince
Gig iLouis



<u>RED RIBBON</u> Aerangis Lutioalba Syn. rhodostkta Sue Dohn



RED RIBBON Blc. Solar Flare Tom & Barbara Van Strander



RED RIBBON
Ascda. Mem Tienchai
x tessalata
Sue Dohn



RED RIBBON
Blc. Hawaiian Fantasia x
Blc. Lake Murray
Jeff Tucker



RED RIBBON Blc. Siamese Doll Helene Albee



RED RIBBON
Phal. violacea
Var. Green Valley
Gigi Louis





As a reminder, all plants brought in for the show table should be free of pests and diseases. Take some time to stake and clean the leaves of your plants, this allows for better presentation. Also, please do not bring newly-purchased plants for the show table. The show table is an outlet for members to share the great job they have done in growing and flowering their orchids; therefore, please respect the unwritten rule of owning and growing an orchid for a minimum of 6 months.













Special thanks to Angela Puca and Helene Albee for doing the photography for this issue.













## HOSPITALITY

A big Thank You to the members who brought snacks to the July meeting! Unfortunately we can't thank you by name since the sheet was lost.

Remember, we always love the treats you bring but:

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE SHEET SO WE CAN THANK YOU IN SEPTEMBER! Coffee and soda will be provided by the Society courtesy of Tina Pena.

### **CURRENT EVENTS**

American Orchid Society Judging Educational Presentation

Saturday, July 25, 2:00 - 4:00

Visit www.wpbjudging.org for plant entry procedures and more information
West Palm Beach Judging Center at Flamingo Gardens
Contact Carol Holdren at (561) 212-4876 or email cjholdren@gmail.com for more information.



### THE POS NEEDS YOUR EXTRA PLANTS!

Our October Auction will be here before you know it.

Now is a great time for all good members to get those gardening gloves out, clean out your leftover pots and divide your plants! We must raise funds to pay for our wonderful speakers, meeting room rentals, along with non-profit and bank fees and other miscellaneous. The club needs your extra plants to auction at the October meeting. Please help us out and share!

# Our August Program "Better Blooms with the Right Products" will be Presented by Hyla Levine of Green Barn Orchid Supply

Hyla Levine is the co-owner of Green Barn Orchid Supplies, which is located in a charming 60-year-old barn in Delray Beach. Hyla began the business 9 years ago with the idea of providing a local source



for orchid supplies as well as a source for people to ask questions and learn more about orchids.

The program covers all the basics! Hyla also offers a variety of orchid related supplies. We all need growing media. Green Barn stocks Hydroton, hydrorocks, lava rock mixes, coconut, bark and alaphlor, phalaenopsis mixes and more. Pots like the medium should be tailored to the plant and watering conditions. Green Barn carries a large selection of pots, from clear pot for photosynthesizing roots, net pots for air circulation and rapid drying to coco husk and clay pots for bulbs like Cattleya. The Green Barn also supplies a variety of insecticides, fertilizers, and supplements, including some hard to get favorites, like Rose Pride and Root Juice root stimulator.

Hyla will have supplies for sale at the meeting, but you might want to go to their website and choose the supplies you know you need. Give them a call to place your order and be sure to mention that you will be at the Plantation Orchid Society meeting on August 4, to pick up your supplies!

Green Barn Orchid Supplies 5185 Conklin Drive Delray Beach, FL 33484 (561) 499-2810 email: sales@greenbarnorchid.com

website: http://www.greenbarnorchid.com/home.html

### A Big POS Welcome To Our Newest Member!

Martha Archer









# Our July Program "How to take the best Orchid Photo with whatever camera you have"



# Was Presented by Tom Kuligowski

By Elise Chapman

Tom Kuligowski, our presenter at the July meeting, was well received by those present. He gave many helpful hints on how to improve on the photographs we take of our beautiful blooming orchids.

Tom prefers natural light to flash photography. Photoshop is an option if you have it and want to use it.

He gave several ideas on simple easy to make back drops which are used to place or have a helper hold behind plants being photographed.

- 1) Spray paint one side of a piece of cardboard black, the reverse side white
- 2) Cover your board with black construction paper or fabric like felt
- 3) Folding science project boards work well also.
- 4) Fix your camera on a tripod.
- 5) Put plant on a black draped table in front of a black backdrop and snap away!!!

Tom says to be sure to fill the frame with your flower, avoid shadows and try to pick up texture in the photograph of the orchid. (tk\_images@msn.com; www.artimages.us)

# We Are Still Accepting Renewals For Your 2015-16 POS Membership

Cost for renewal is \$25.
Additional family members are \$15.
Just print out the separately attached registration form, fill it out and bring it to the meeting Tues.

### PLACE AN AD

We are still accepting annual advertisement ads for POS web/newsletter/membership booklet for only \$60.00. All current ads need to be renewed June. If you would like to place an ad for your business and/or club please contact Angela Puca 954-791-1874. All ads will be posted on the POS website, in the monthly newsletters and the POS membership booklets from August 2015 to August 2016.

### **Help and Volunteer!**

Due to travel plans,
HELP and backup is sometimes needed photographing
the orchids and meetings.
Do you have a camera?
Can you please help out?
Contact Mary Lee at
954-473-0456

### POS 2015 CALENDAR

### August 4

Hyla Levine from Green Barn in Delray "Better Blooms with the Right Products"

### September 1

Jim Watts Leafless orchids

### October 6

**Annual Auction** 

### November 3

To be Announced

#### **December**

Holiday party

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