

Mid-Lakes Orchid Society



February Program



Chapman's Orchids will be presenting a "mounting clinic" at the February 14, 2012 meeting. Mr. Chapman will provide small cattleyas or phalaenopsis orchids, as well as the mounting material for the orchids, so that members can mount their own orchids to take home at the end of the evening.

The cost is:

\$3.00 for the mounting material

\$4.00 for each cattleya or phalaenopsis orchid

Members will need to pay at the meeting in order to participate in the mounting clinic.

2011-2012 Officers & Directors

- President: Sheila Alsobrook
- Vice President: Chris Miller
- Secretary: Julia Allen
- Treasurer: Ken Carter
- 1-Year Director: Suzanne Farnsworth
- 1-Year Director: Joan Phillips
- 2-Year Director: Jack Batchelor
- 2-Year Director: Mary Yatsko
- Membership: Mary Yatsko
- Refreshments: Marion Perrott
- Newsletter: Nancy Gassler
- Webmaster: Carlene Crowley

Mid-Lakes Orchid Society

January, 2012

Next Meeting

February 14, 2012

7:00 p.m.

Employee Wellness
Center

201 East Dixie Ave.
Leesburg, Florida



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Secretary's Report

The monthly meeting was opened at 7PM by our president, **Sheila Alsobrook**, with a call for the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Guests and new members were welcomed.

*The Secretary's report from December 2011 was amended to state that our meeting location (Wellness Center) is paid for until *December 31, 2012*. (It was incorrectly stated to have been paid through June 2012.) Corrections accepted and the minutes with corrections were approved.

Suzanne Farnsworth suggested the club contact the City of Leesburg this coming September, or even June 2012 to try to negotiate another agreement for the future use of this facility to hold our monthly meetings.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented in the newsletter.

Membership Chairperson, **Mary Yatsko**, announced the present paid up membership is 78 plus a new member, Margaret Hopman. There were also renewals—total of 82 members.

Mary Yatsko also brought up the subject of personal name tags. Some members were interested in having one and our old source was a member a long time ago and really not available. **Ken Carter** suggested he could obtain name tags, if anyone was interested, for the price of \$5.00 and will bring a sample of the name tag in two different colors at the next meeting for us to observe. **Mary Yatsko** passed a list around for those members to sign who are interested in purchasing a name tag. Discussion was had about the club paying for the name tags or not and whether to split the cost between members and the club. The general opinion among the members is that because our dues are so low, individual members should be responsible for the purchase of his/her name tag.

A reminder of our MLOS Auction to be held April 21, 2012 at the Leesburg Women's Club was made. **Suzanne Farnsworth** will begin lining up details for help and donations at our February meeting.

Wally Wilder presented some of his wonderful photography that he took this past month of wild orchids which also included a beautiful scrub jay photo; Wally explained each photo.

Chris Miller, our Vice President in charge of programs, announced the speaker for February will be Mr. Chap-

man of **Chapman's Orchids**. The program will be a mounting clinic for phalaenopsis and cattleyas. The cost for each mounting will be \$7.00 for the plant and mounting supplies.

March's MLOS program will be called "Pitiful Plant" Clinic. The idea is to share and help members with their orchid questions and problems. Everyone is invited to bring one plant they feel might benefit from the clinic.

Marge Fantozzi announced a bus tour to the **Tamiami International Orchid show January 28, 2012**. There are 10 spaces left on the bus. Cost is \$25.00 including admission plus getting a \$5.00 coupon as well. The trip is sponsored by the Central Florida Orchid Society and will leave Winter Garden at 7AM and return about 10:30 PM. The group will stop for dinner at a Golden Corral before returning to Winter Garden. Marge is the person to call.

The program for the evening was presented by Ron Hausermann of E.F.G. Orchids from Deland, FL. Mr. Hausermann gave the club some valuable information not often discussed. He explained how light will determine to a large degree how and when cattleyas bloom. Any light, such as from buildings or street lights at night, will affect the normal blooming patterns in just 2 weeks. He told the meeting how their business forced cattleyas to bloom at different times of the year. Other interesting facts were how light does not affect phalaenopsis blooming patterns, but temperatures do. He also brought some wonderful orchids for sale and donated five exquisite orchids to our evening's raffle. Thank you, Mr. Hausermann, for your generosity!

Jack Batchelor and **Suzanne Farnsworth** did the Show-n-Tell for the group.

Refreshments were provided by:

Snacks: Jennie Nelson, Beverly Merrell & Marge Cruise

Drinks: Bob Durand & Ken Carter

Ice: Liz Krech, who volunteered to bring the ice for each meeting

Thank you all for your wonderful food and drinks!

No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia H. Allen, Recording Secretary

Treasurer's Report

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Treasurer's Report as of 1/01/2012—1/31/2012

<i>Balance as of January 1, 2012</i>	\$4,178.02
<u>Monthly Transactions:</u>	
<i>Income for January :</i>	
Dues	+60.00
Mystery Plant	+ 5.00
Plant Raffle	+136.00
<i>Total Income:</i>	\$201.00
<i>Expenses for January:</i>	
Guest Speaker (Ron Hauserman)	—125.00
Raffle Plants (Chris Miller)	—77.04
<i>Total Expenses:</i>	\$202.04
<i>Balance as of 1/31/2012</i>	\$4,176.98



Newsletter Note: If you have anything to submit for the newsletter or if you have questions or comments about the newsletter, please contact Nancy Gassler at 352-753-6437 or na10@comcast.net.



Information for New Members



Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month from September—June at the Cultural Arts Center in Leesburg.

Meetings usually include a business meeting, guest speaker, refreshments, show & tell plants and a raffle. Speakers often bring plants and/or supplies for sale. Orchid books are available for check-out at each meeting. December & June meetings include a covered dish buffet with meats provided by the Society.

Each Fall & Spring a fundraiser auction is conducted. Members who contribute plants can get a share of the sale price. A potting clinic, that is held at a nearby garden center, is also a fund raiser.

The Society has many knowledgeable, experienced members who are happy to share information with newcomers.

DUES

Singles: \$15.00

Couples: \$20.00

Families: \$25.00

Each membership year begins in September.

Upcoming Events



AOS Local Event's Schedule

- February 4-5—Venice Area Orchid Society Show
Venice Community Center
326 Nokomis Ave. S, Venice, FL
Contact: Carol Wood (941) 497-4995
cwood12@msn.com
- February 10-12—Greater Orlando Orchid Society Show; Orlando Garden Club
210 E. Rollins St., Loch Haven Park, Orlando, FL
Contact: Joy Prince (407) 299-8003
dp691955@aol.com
- March 2-4—Martin County Orchid Society Show
Martin County Fairgrounds, Building 6
2616 SE Dixie Hwy, Stuart, FL
Contact: Wayne Parrish (772) 919-1830
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MLOS Schedule

- April 21—MLOS Orchid Auction at the Leesburg Women's Club



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER:

Margaret Hopman

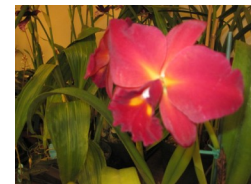
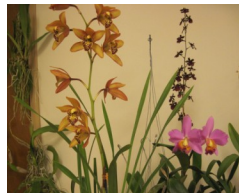


Caught You!

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

- Chris Miller, our Vice President and Program Chair, who picks up the raffle plants every month.
- Marion Perrott for doing the refreshment list and calling the refreshment volunteers every month.

January Meeting Photos



Plants brought by E.F.G. Orchids for sale



Members deciding which orchid to buy

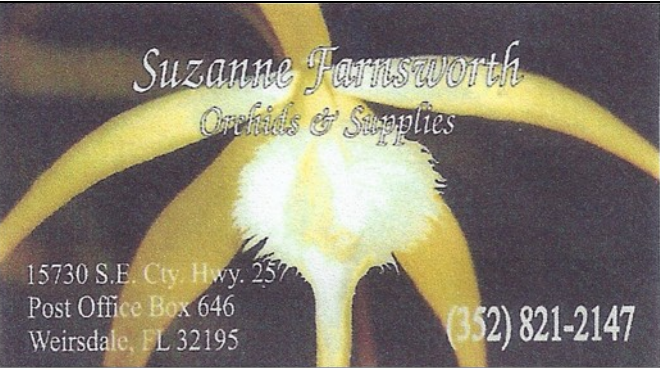
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