

Mid-Lakes Orchid Society



October Program



Vanda Photos from Goodwin Orchids

Donna Goodwin, a MLOS member, will be our speaker for the October meeting. Donna and her husband, Duane, specialize in orchids from Thailand. We will learn all about vandaceous orchids with lots of hints to successfully grow vanda orchids.

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Mid-Lakes Orchid Society

September, 2011

Next Meeting

October 11, 2011
7:00 p.m.
Employee Wellness
Center
201 East Dixie Ave.
Leesburg, Florida



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Secretary's Report

The first meeting of the new season was called to order by our new president, Sheila Alsobrook, with a Pledge of Allegiance to the USA flag.

New visitors were welcomed. It was noted that one of our longtime members, Betty Lonsdale, passed away during the summer. Several sympathy cards were signed by all the MLOS members to send condolences to the family.

A correction was brought to the floor regarding the **website cost** of \$97.13 for three years voted on at the June 2011 meeting. **The actual cost will be \$216.63 for three years**, which includes last year and the next two years. A motion was made and approved for the correction.

Announcements: Marg Fantozzi reminded us that the Central Florida Orchid Society is to hold their fundraiser at Lew Gardens on September 17, 2011.

Jack Batchelor announced that his wife, Ellen, is opening a new business called **"High Flalutin" Mercantile at 121 N. Highland Ave. and CR 46 in Mt. Dora. Grand Opening is October 1, 2011.** Jack requested that this announcement be placed in the newsletter and on the website.

Chapman Orchids is having an orchid sale on October 15, 2011 at 1916 Magnolia Ave. in Winter Park. Phone: 407-284-1704

Wally Report: *(Thank you, Wally, for providing this information in writing to the secretary!)*

July 4, 2011: I met Joel, my brother, in the Citrus Wildlife Management Area to see *Triphora craigheadii*, "Craighead's nodding caps" for the third year in a row on July 4th.

August 4, 2011: While on our way to north Florida, my brother and I stopped in Goethe State Forest and looked at *Platanthera ciliaris*, the orange fringed orchid.

August 5, 2011: My brother and I traveled to Carey State Forest to find *Platanthera cristata*, the orange crested orchid. From there we looked around in Baker County at the *Platanthera chapmanii*, "Chapman's" fringed orchid.

September 9, 2011: Joel and I went to the Citrus Wildlife Management Area and found *Triphora trianthophora*, the Three Birds Orchid in bloom. These orchids will likely bloom for the next several Fridays.

The speaker for the evening was Jerry Steele. He presented a very informative talk with great tips for growing various types of orchids, from using horse manure for cymbidiums to sweetening up *Orthene* with brown sugar for thrips. These are but two of the many helpful tips presented to the meeting by Mr. Steele, who also brought lovely orchids for purchase.

Refreshments were provided by:

Snacks: Jack Batchelor & Nancy Gassler

Drinks: Ken Carter, Bob Mathes, Bob & Ginny Durand

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia H. Allen, Recording Secretary

Refreshments for the October 11, 2011

meeting will be provided by:

Snacks: Chris Miller & Jessica

Leslie Davis

Drinks: Ken Carter & Liz Ward

Treasurer's Report

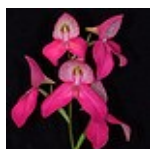
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Treasurer's Report as of 9/01/2011—9/30/2011

Balance as of August 31, 2011	\$3,488.11
<u>Monthly Transactions:</u>	
<i>Expenses:</i>	
#1272 Word-Pro, Domain Name	—\$16.99
#1273 Nancy Gassler, (copying & postage)	—\$30.00
#1274 GFWC Women's Club (room rental tax)	—\$14.00
#1275 Chris Miller (raffle plants)	— \$76.00
#1276 Sheila Alsobrook (cards)	—\$10.70
#1277 Jerry Steele (September speaker)	—\$100.00
#1278 Jerry Smith (raffle tickets)	—\$10.69
<i>Total Expenses:</i>	—\$258.38
Deposits (dues & raffle monies)	+\$660.53
Balance as of September 30, 2011	\$3,890.26

*** Reminder: Yearly membership dues need to be paid by November. ***



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.

Just for a Few Laughs



An elderly Floridian called 911 on her cell phone to report that her car had been broken into. She was hysterical as she explained her situation to the dispatcher: "They've stolen the stereo, the steering wheel, the brake pedal and even the accelerator!" she cried. The dispatcher said, "Stay calm An officer is on the way." A few minutes later, the officer radioed in, "Disregard." He said, "She got in the backseat by mistake."

As a senior citizen was driving down the freeway, his cell phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, "Herman, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on Interstate 77. Please be careful!" "Heck," said Herman "It's not just one car...It's hundreds of them.!"

Upcoming Events

- December 3, 2011—Orchid Auction at Rogers Park
- April 21, 2012—Orchid Auction at Leesburg Women's Club

AOS Local Event's Schedule

- October 15-16—Gainesville Orchid Society Show, Kanapaha Botanical Gardens, Gainesville, FL
Contact: Candace Hollinger at drahcir7@bellsouth.net
- October 21-23— Orctoberfest, Power Plant/EFG Orchids, 4265 Marsh Rd., Deland, FL
Contact: George Hausermann at powergrown@aol.com or 386-738-8600
- October 28-30—Tampa Orchid Show & Sale at USF Botanical Gardens



Check out the following:

- The MLOS website at www.mlos.org. Thanks to Carlene Crowley for making sure that our website is always current and informative.
- The American Orchid Society website at www.aos.org. You will find a lot of valuable information available here even if you are not an AOS member.

September Meeting Photos



Raffle plants won by some lucky members at the September meeting.

September speaker, Jerry Steele, who shared a lot of practical information about orchids.



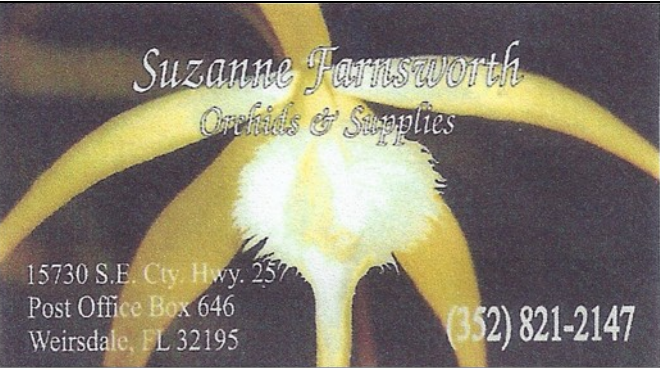
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