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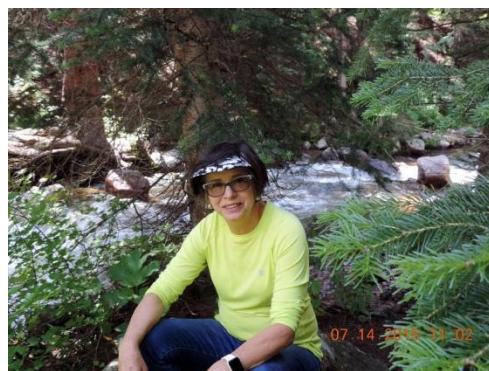
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Meet the Guest Speaker...

Orchids You Should Own!

Carol Holdren will be our speaker on Monday night, November 11th! Carol is a long time orchid lover with a mission of supporting orchidists and orchid societies. Like many orchid hobbyists, she started with a purple Vanda bought at a local garden show - that orchid



led to several others as well as membership and participation in a local orchid society. As her collection grew she took a class in Orchidology at the University of Florida and joined the West Palm Beach Judging Center, becoming an accredited judge in 2003. Carol is a former AOS Trustee, an active judge in the West Palm Beach Judging Center, on the Board for Flamingo Gardens as well as on the Board of the Flamingo Gardens Orchidteers, and a director of the International Orchid Foundation, which has a free orchid web site: www.orchids.org

Carol has gathered information on easy-to-grow orchids for South Florida. She will be sharing her findings in her presentation "Orchids You Should Own" giving orchid information for both beginners as well as the more experienced grower.

Raffle plants will be provided by Orchids in Bloom!



A Word From the President

Hello everyone! Fall is here! The change in temperature feels great – oh, wait, I am sitting inside in the cool, temperature controlled house. Thank goodness for the AC! When is the temperature going to be below 89-90 degrees? Who knows... however, we're so fortunate to live in the sub-tropics. Cue the steel drums and the sound of the breeze rustling the palm fronds. Now the challenge is adjusting to the time change this weekend.

Please welcome the new FGOS Newsletter Editor, EJ Laviolette. There are hidden talents out there and we appreciate those who are willing to take on something to help. Thank you EJ for offering your time and your talent to spread the FGOS News.

The Holiday Party plans are underway. We will be celebrating with a Pot Luck Dinner and our traditional gift from the Society of an Orchid just for you. Remember to RSVP and to sign up for what you are going to bring with Mary or Marcy. Your membership must be current for our year, Sept 1st 2019 – Aug 31st 2020. The complete details will be in the December newsletter. Now is the time to start thinking about your favorite recipe to share for our feast. You all are such good cooks. Let's have a good time celebrating together!

The Board made a decision to make a donation of \$250.00 to the American Orchid Society for the Centennial Celebration. WOW - 100 years of serious orchid interest! AOS is dedicated to the preservation of orchids, research, and educating their members on how to grow orchids. If you are not a member of the American Orchid Society take a look at their website at www.AOS.org! There is so much valuable information from culture information to webinars and beautiful photos of what you might want to add to your collection of orchids.

Mark your calendar for the Photography Challenge on April 13th. There are opportunities to take pictures of the displays at the orchid shows, from your collection, or even at Flamingo Gardens. After the holidays we will put out the guidelines. We are looking forward to another blooming display of your photos. Let the photo shoots begin!

On behalf of the Board there is a great big **Thank You** to all of you for being a part of our Society. Your membership, your attendance at the meetings, your participation in the Raffle, and your volunteering to help are greatly appreciated. Every one of you has contributed to the success of our Society. We have such a great group of Orchid Enthusiasts!

See you at the meeting!

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2019 Orchid Shows and Events to Visit
(click link for details)

Fort Pierce Orchid Society Show
November 9-10, 2019
“Kaleidoscope of Orchids”

River Walk Center, 600 N Indian River Drive, Ft. Pierce, FL

Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Show
November 16-17, 2019
“Orchid Obsession”

1790 Spanish River Blvd., Boca Raton, FL

Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Show
January 10, 11 & 12, 2020
2020 Orchid Vision

Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention Center
1950 Eisenhower Blvd, Fort Lauderdale, FL
33316

Tamiami International Orchid Festival
January 17, 18 @ 19, 2020

Miami Dade County Fair Expo Center
10901 Coral Way, Miami, FL 33165

When should I repot?

When an orchid plant starts to grow over the edge of the pot, it is time to repot it!

Orchid plants need repotting for one or a combination of two main factors: Potting mix breaks down, often evidenced by dead roots, or the plant outgrowing the container. In the first case, a larger pot may not be required, simply replace the growing medium. In the second case, the plant may need dividing or may be shifted into a larger pot.

Fresh media should always be used. A good general rule of thumb is to pot for the bottom of the plant, the root system, and not for the top, the foliage.

<http://www.aos.org/orchids/orchid-care/when-should-i-repot.aspx>



Monthly Member Meetings are the Second Monday of the Month @ 7:30 P.M. in The Gallery @ Flamingo Gardens
3750 South Flamingo Road Davie, Florida 33330
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Contact 954.347.2738 for more info and to join!

Why join F.G.O.S.?

- **Learn How to Care For & Cultivate Orchids**
- **Monthly Guest Speakers**
- **Show & Tell Your Own Blooming Orchids**
- **Annual Events & Field Trips**
- **Spring Orchid Show & Holiday Dinner**
- **Comradery & Philanthropy**

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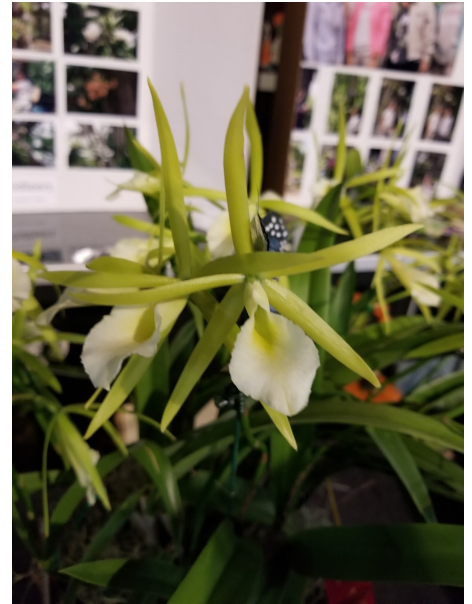
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Member Choice Awards

Congratulations to these members who are recognized by their peers for growing beautiful orchids.



1st Place and Culture ribbon
Brassavola subifolia
presented by
Mike Vaupel



2nd Place ribbon
Pvc Walnut Valley Lime Stars
presented by
Bill Hodnett



3rd Place ribbon
Dendrobium spectabile
presented by
Thad Bialecki.



Speakers Choice ribbon
Vanda Adisak Happiness No. 26
presented by
Bill Hodnett

Everyone is welcome to bring in an orchid to show.
Don't forget about our "Never Won A Ribbon" table as well.

Win a Blooming Orchid!

Bring something for the Refreshment Table
Get a Ticket!

Bring a Blooming Orchid for "Show and Tell"
Get a Ticket!

Purchase \$5.00 or more of Raffle Table Tickets
Get a Ticket!

Wear your FGOS Name Badge
Get a Ticket!

NEW!! Show your AOS Membership Card
Get a Ticket!

These tickets are only for the "Membership Plant" and cannot be purchased.

***The more things you do,
the more tickets you get!***

And, you're helping Support YOUR Orchid Society!



*Please Welcome our Newest
Members to the FGOS*

Tatiana Alioa

Peggy Mazzone

Thank you for Joining!

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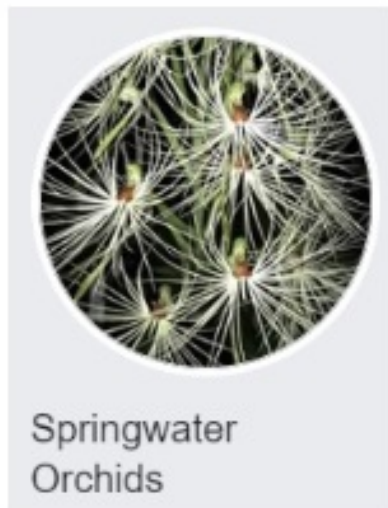
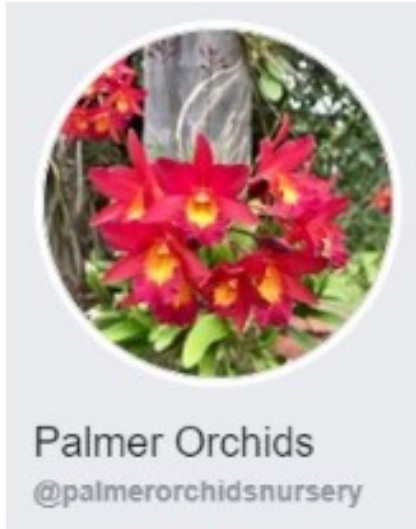
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International
Orchid & Bromeliad Show



**SATURDAY & SUNDAY
 Easter Weekend
 9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.**

Flamingo Gardens Members Preview Sale Starts at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday

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Show Admission includes general admission to
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Happy Birthday
to our
November Members

- Marissa Gittelman Nov. 2nd
- Gloria Messler Nov. 3rd
- Leslie Colon Nov. 10th
- Lee Lester Nov. 11th
- Barbara Lester Nov. 12th
- Mary Lou Ruiz Nov. 12th
- Ernest Rose Nov. 17th
- Sandra Slempp Nov. 17th
- Joelle Hester Nov. 25th
- Cynthia White Nov. 27th

It's Rip Van Winkle Time for Some of Our Orchids!

By Sandi Block-Brezner, 1st Vice President

Not that we want to put our orchids to sleep for 20 years but it is that time of year when **certain** orchids do not need our constant attention! If you haven't begun, you are now past the time to stop watering and fertilizing **certain** orchids. As a general rule of thumb, one would stop watering and fertilizing these orchids at Halloween or Thanksgiving and not start again until Valentine's Day. Some growers stop fertilizing them at Halloween and stop watering at Thanksgiving, and some stop both at Halloween. But remember, this is just a general guideline...and some folks don't change their routine at all!!

Also for some orchids, you would not start watering again until they show new growth in the spring or until the new growth is a certain size, which will probably be later than Valentine's Day. Some growers and hobbyists, who have a greenhouse, segregate these plants in their growing area so they don't get watered or fertilized accidentally. If you have an outside structure that has a clear roof, you could segregate them to one area where they will get plenty of light but not water. Many other folks, who grow mainly outside, segregate them and they only get the water that Mother Nature provides. If you don't have the room to segregate, place a colored tag in the pot so that it will alert you not to put any extra water or fertilizer on those plants. By doing this, you are mimicking the way these orchids grow in their natural habitat. Hopefully they will reward you with many blooms when they awaken!

In any case, most of the rest of our orchids don't need as much water when the weather cools down, and less water also means less fertilizer. Fertilizer is comprised of NPK (Nitrogen, Phosphorus, and Potassium) which encourages orchids to grow and bloom (hopefully!). In the cool months, the growth rate is slower and orchids don't need as much nitrogen and phosphorus. One thing orchids can benefit from in the winter is magnesium, especially Cattleyas. Some growers do give their orchids magnesium all year long. An easy way to do this is with Epsom Salt (1 TBS per gallon). And since you don't want to starve your orchids, you could also add 1 TBS of Potassium Nitrate so they get some nutrition (the K in NPK). Before watering, do check that the media has dried sufficiently!

If you are on **FOG** (*Florida Orchid Growing* on Facebook) or **Newbie FOG** you can find information or ask about certain orchids or species. Also if you are a member of **AOS** (American Orchid Society), there is a great article in the October 2019 issue on *Fall Preparations* written by Sue Bottom! Fred Clarke, Sunset Valley Orchids, also has good advice on his website about giving a winter rest to Catasetinae orchids (Catasetums, Cycnoches, Mormodes, and Clowesia). Below is an article "Winter Rest for Orchids" that was reprinted from an online orchid forum many years ago, www.orchidboard.com. Use it as a guide as to whether you should be giving your orchids a winter rest.

Winter Rest for Orchids

This information was compiled from www.orchidboard.com threads.

There is much confusion about orchids and which ones get a "winter rest"...even those of us with extensive collections and LOTS of research has found it a daunting question. If orchids originated from a location with very dry, cool winters, we try to mimic that habitat as well. As classified by Rebecca Tyson Northern, there are six groupings that describe the differences in growing needs of Dendrobiums. This is paraphrased to avoid copyright infringement.

Type I (deciduous, so-called nobile type) intermediate to warm in summer, cool to cold in winter, full winter rest. Examples: *D. nobile*, *D. chrysanthum*, *D. wardianum*.

Type II (deciduous) intermediate to warm all year, full winter rest. Examples: *D. speciosum*, *D. aggregatum*, *D. findlayanum*, *D. heterocarpum*, *D. superbum* (anosmum), *D. parishii*, *D. pierardii*.

Type III (persistent) intermediate to warm summer, cool in winter, no winter rest -simply reduce water. Examples: *D. densiflorum*, *D. fimbriatum*, *D. thyrsoflorum*

Type IV (persistent) cool all year. Short suspension of water early autumn. Examples: *D. bellatulum*, *D. secundum*.

Type V (persistent) intermediate all year. No rest. Examples: *D. antelope* and hybrids of type V and type VI.

Type VI (persistent) warm growing all year. Restrict water twice during the year. Examples: *D. phalaenopsis*, *D. bigibbum*, *D. superbiens*.

See the lists below. Put these orchids on the side to rest and treat differently from Halloween through Valentine's Day. Use those holidays as a general guide...if you see lots of action in late January, you might want to bring them out of their rest earlier. As with everything orchids...there is no one exact set of rules...pay attention to your plants and they will tell you what they need.

In September, you might want to start moving winter rest orchids to their own bench or rack, away from the other racks to avoid any overspray. They are still getting misted at the moment but it is a much lighter misting...and it will stop on Halloween. After that, the bench/rack will get a very general light misting once every two weeks or so until Valentine's Day. They need a cooler temperature and little to no watering and no fertilizer at all.

If yours are still in bloom, wait until out of bloom.

Aerangis punctata

Aerangis luteo alba v. *rhodosticta*

Brassavola nodosa –occasional misting, light water every 2 –3 weeks

Den parishii

Den nobile
Den aggregatum
Den lindleyi (aka aggregatum)
Den smilleae
Den farmer
Den farmeri x griffithianum
Den kingianum -rest 2 months in summer and 4 in winter, mist daily, water every 2 weeks, if stressed then add water
Den primulinum
Den Little Sweet Scent
Den Medy Stripe
Den Super Star x Ise 'Pearl'
Den mohlianum x Den sulawesiense
Den violetta
Den amethystoglossum
Den moschatum
Den canaliculatum
Den dantaniense
Den pierardii has now had a name change and is known as Dendrobium cucullatum
Den aphyllum
Den anosmum (superbum)
Den christyanum (syn margaritaceum)
Den senile
*Den hercoglossum (slight rest)
*Den moniliforme (slight rest)
*Den goldschmidtianum (slight rest)
Den primulinum
Den wardianum
*Dendrochilum filiforme (slight rest)
Coelogyne cristata
Cuitlauzina pendula
Ctsm Rebecca Northen
Ctsm pileatum
Encyclia mariae
Fredclarkeara After Dark
Galeandra batemannii x greenwoodiana
Mystacidium braebonae
Mystacidium capense
Neo falcata (now Vanda)
Neo. Falcata 'Benisuzume' -light water every 2 weeks, highest light now, 3 month rest, occasional mist between 1st of Nov and end of January
Psychopsiella limminghei (Still wetting the back of the fern fiber after it dries out, but that's it. No water around the roots on the front of the mount.)
Schomburgkia galeottiana
Solenangis aphyllum

**Den hercoglossum*, *goldschmidtianum*, and *moniliforme* –Some folks say they only need a 2 week rest. Slightly less water, no fertilizer and higher light for 2-4 weeks and then warm it back up again for them. Some say they only need temps down to about 50F although others have been down to 39F and seemed to be fine.

All *Catasetinae*: *Catasetum*, *Cycnoches*, *Mormodes*, *Clowesia*, *Galeandra*, *Fredclarkeara*, etc. Also *Calanthe* (some of them), some *Eulophias* and "some" *Lycaste* (not sure if there is any species which does not do it.) They all like *Cattleya* light now. When in active growth, use 1 teaspoon per gallon of fertilizer. Nov 15th reduce watering by half, no fertilizer. Jan. 1 should have no leaves = no water. Severe shrivel –water once. Wait to water when roots are 3-5" long. If the pseudobulbs are not mature yet, continue watering until mature.

For the orchids below, due to heavy dew in their location, the water should be heavily reduced but they shouldn't be allowed to go completely dry for long periods of time. Occasional early morning misting, especially on bright sunny days will help keep them from becoming too dry. Eliminate fertilizer until you see new growths.

Barkeria spectabilis

Barkeria scandens

Barkeria Marsh Melton (slight rest...first year with this one and only one parent likes an actual rest)

Stan lietzi (slight rest)

Grammatophyllum –when growth is complete (March –October), 2 –3 week rest needed. Sensitive to salt buildup. Likes fish emulsion as fertilizer. *G. speciosum* likes to be in baskets.

Encyclia cordigera –occasional misting in winter, light water every 3 weeks.

Laelia tenebrosa –reduce watering and eliminate fertilizer in winter, but don't dry out completely

Psychopsis papilio –water every 2 weeks, occasional misting in winter

Rhynchostylis gigantea –eliminate fertilizer, water one time every week or two. Keep rather dry between watering in winter.

Zygopetalum –reduce fertilizer, less water, do not dry out completely