

# CORAL SPRINGS ORCHID SOCIETY



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## **AUGUST SPEAKER - JUDY BAILEY**

**Monday, August 20, 2018 at 7:30 PM**

**Cypress Park Hall**

**1300 Coral Springs Drive, Coral Springs, FL**

Our August speaker will be Judy Bailey. After retiring to Florida in 2006, Judy joined the AOS and entered the judging program at the West Palm Beach Judging Center. She received her AOS accreditation in 2015. Judy has served, and continues to serve, the WPBJC as training coordinator, webmaster, member of the education committee, and Awards Secretary. Judy's program will be a Cyber Home Ramble consisting of orchid slides submitted by CSOS members. Discussions will center on each orchid shown, its optimum growing conditions, followed by a Q&A about how to improve any problems seen. This presentation will be especially helpful to members struggling with their orchids, offering them advice on how to grow them better.

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## **New CSOS Event**

The CSOS has formed a "Members Ramble Club!" In addition to our monthly meetings (the third Monday of each month) we will be hosting an additional monthly "Rambles" where members will meet at an announced location (weather permitting). These Rambles will take place at various private homes of individuals & growers who would like to share with us their growing experiences & orchids in their backyards or greenhouses. It is open to members only, no guests. If interested let Debbie Malloy know to put you on her separate ramble email mailing list! [yorkierambo@bellsouth.net](mailto:yorkierambo@bellsouth.net)

## Upcoming Event: Bus Ramble September 30, 2018



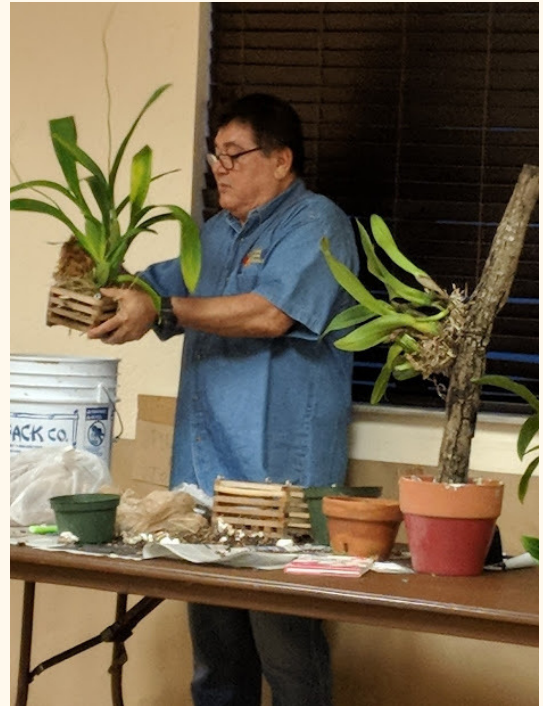
This is our 2nd Bus Ramble to the Miami International Orchid Show, Sunday Sept 30th, 2018. The show is inside so no weather worries. Nice air conditioned bus drives us right to the door. Price \$25 per person & free entry fee. For "Members only" on the day of the event - you will receive \$10 reimbursement from the society. This will be first come first served (no refunds). Leaves 10am returning 4pm. **Mail your check to CSOS, PO Box 770065, Coral Springs FL 33077** or pay at the upcoming Aug Meeting to ensure a seat on the bus. Seats limited - once the bus is filled we will start a waiting list for any cancellations. Any questions call RoseMarie 954-821-1050.



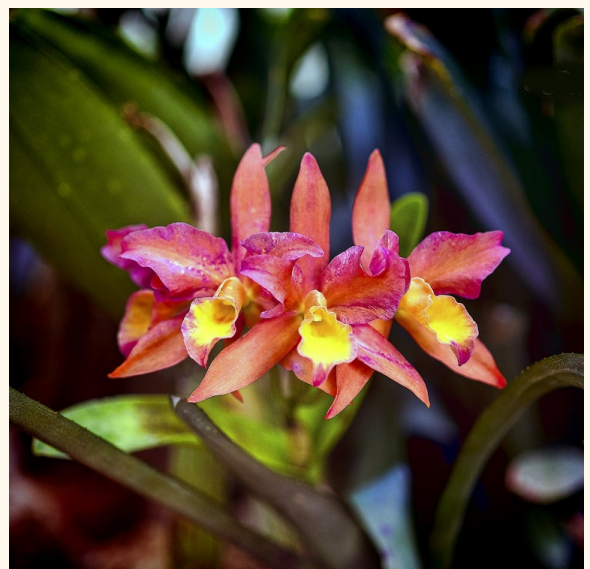
## Past Event: June Speaker

Our guest speaker for June was Scott Peplin, founder of International Orchid Services, a Fort Lauderdale company which manages orchid collections. Scott has been growing orchids for over 25 years & is a member of the Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society. Scott spoke about Creating Orchid Environments & we all enjoyed his slide presentation of various design shade houses that he built for his clients. Thank you Scott & his wife Donna for a great evening!

## Past Event: July Speaker



Gustavo Valverde of Green Valley Orchids & long-time member of the Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society was our speaker tonight. Green Valley Orchids imports all of its orchids directly from Hawaii as seedlings, and raises them in its South Florida greenhouse. Gustavo discussed as well as demonstrated repotting & mounting orchids, along with the proper use of fungicides and pesticides so important to us here in South Florida! It was an informative and fun evening for all. Thank you Gustavo for visiting with us!







## June 30th Ramble - Nature's Relics

The CSOS Members Ramble Club had a great time visiting with Jesse & Dee Vance of Nature's Relics & walking through their beautiful "Cypress Garden Gallery" on Saturday June 30th! Despite starting off the morning with a rain storm, we were all able to enjoy the beauty of the Garden Gallery. Jesse started the presentation with his guitar, singing his own song rendition of "Old Growth Wood"! Dee explained in detail the history behind old growth cypress & the numerous benefits & uses of America's own exotic wood! We thank you Jesse & Dee for being such fantastic hosts!!!!

## May Ramble moved to June 2nd due to rain

Our first CSOS Ramble Club today was a huge success! Although rain cancelled our first scheduled time of May 27th. We were able to reschedule to June 2nd. Our host was John Budree who demonstrated repotting different varieties of orchids. We toured his growing areas & many of us found great treasures to take home from John's beautiful collection! Many thanks to John, his wonderful wife & daughters for being such great hosts today! We all had the best time. John presented each attendee an orchid to take home! Thank you John for hosting us!







## May Meeting / Member Sale

Our May meeting was our annual Member Fundraiser! It was a great success with so many beautiful orchids for sale brought in by our members! In addition to this featured member's orchid sale & auction, there was a dinner & installation of officers/board members for 2018/2019.

We would like extend a "special thank you" to the following people who supported & donated orchids for this event! Chris & Tom Binder, Richard Wong, Sue & Ken Wuest, Maija Nemati, Chuck Medcraft, MaryAnn Sisto & Moveta Sanchez.

## Sawgrass Nature Center Orchid & Plant Festival April 7 & 8th

The Coral Springs Orchid Society was represented at the Sawgrass Nature Center Orchid & Plant Festival April 7th & 8th. So many visitors stopped by to chat & sign up for our free raffle to win a beautiful orchid! Our lucky raffle winner was Paige Cohen of Parkland! Special thanks to Carmela (Pres) & her daughter Marie who worked so hard to organize & set up each day plus man our booth the entire weekend!!!! Also special thanks to Ken & Sue Wuest who volunteered on Saturday & Debbie & Bob Malloy on Sunday.

## July Ramble

Zoe Bejar invited our July Ramblers to visit her home. Zoe shared with us how she grows many different types of orchids & we were able to view the various growing areas around her beautiful property. We enjoyed seeing her many orchids mounted in the trees as well. Thank you to Chris & Tom Binder & Zoe for adding orchids for the raffle table & thank you to Bob & RoseMarie, Ken & Sue for adding to the refreshment table. Many thanks to Zoe for hosting us!



## Welcome New Members!



CSOS would like to welcome the following new members! Eileen Damirjian, Jennifer Pagnant, Beth Arnel, Larry Autrey, Kathy & George Duma, Mary Lou & Monica Eastep, Harvey Friedman, Alicia Hamilton, Carol Kong, Linda & Alfred Latimer, Carmen Lee. Lets all give them a great big welcome!

## Special "Shout Outs!"

**August Happy Birthday to MaryAnn Sisto**

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If you know any member who has a birthday or anniversary please let me know so we can post it in the news letter! contact **Debbie Malloy, [yorkierambo@bellsouth.net](mailto:yorkierambo@bellsouth.net)**



## Refreshment Table

Thank you Mary Ierubino for heading the Refreshment Table Committee! If any member would like to add to the enjoyment of the table by donating a refreshment or beverage, you will earn a free raffle ticket! (Dont forget to sign the sheet at the table when you drop off your donation!)

Of course we can't forget to thank our "coffee man" Steve Sikora for keeping us coffee lovers happy with a freshly brewed pot of coffee! Thanks Steve!



## Sunshine Chairman

If you know any member who may be ill, hospitalized, etc, please let Ellen Donovan know so she can get a card right out to them from our Society! **[ellro115@aol.com](mailto:ellro115@aol.com)**



## Our Raffle Table

At each of our monthly meetings we have a vendor plant raffle table set up so that our members can enjoy winning the beautiful plants our vendors donate to our Society. It is a great way to add to your orchid collection while supporting our society!!



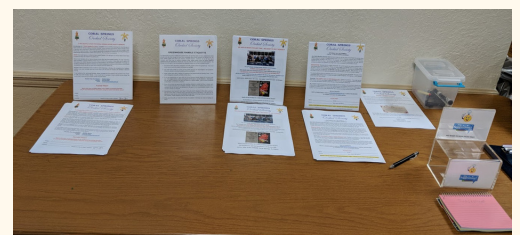
## DID YOU KNOW??

**YOU CAN EARN A FREE RAFFLE TICKET BY:**

- 1) wearing your name badge at each meeting
- 2) donate a refreshment item

## CHECK OUT OUR INFORMATION TABLE!

Be sure to stop by & visit our information table set up by Debbie & Bob Malloy. They will be able to answer any questions you might have! Check out all the latest flyers on events, upcoming speaker, member rambles & upcoming club activities! There is also a suggestion box as we love to hear from our members! Your comments/suggestions are very important to us!





## MEET OUR JUDGES!!

Meet Chris Binder & Jim Rogan who do an excellent job with judging our members entries each meeting. They award first place, honorable mention & cultural ribbons in each category. Thank you so much Chris & Jim!!



## CSOS UPCOMING SPEAKERS & EVENTS!

AUGUST 20, 2018 Guest Speaker: JUDY BAILEY, "Cyber Home Ramble"  
SEPT 17, 2018 Guest Speaker WENDY MAZUK, "the Ghost Orchid"  
SEPT 30, 2018 Bus Ramble to the Miami International Orchid Show  
OCT 15, 2018 VENDOR AUCTION  
Nov 19, 2018 Guest Speaker TONY MILLET  
Dec 17, 2018 CSOS HOLIDAY PARTY

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**Mounts Botanical Garden Orchid Sale & Shady Affair - September 16 & 17, 2018 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

**2nd Miami International Orchid Show, September 29-30, 2018, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

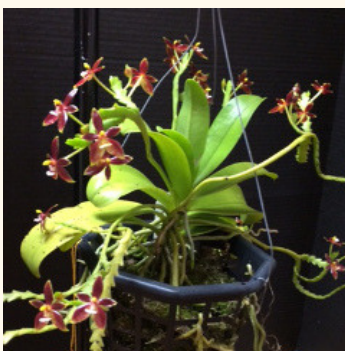
Watsco Center, University of Miami, 1245 Dauer Drive, Coral Gables, FL 33146 Join us on the bus!

***Delray Beach Orchid Society Show "Orchids on the Square"; Friday, October 26—Sunday, October 28, 2018.*** The show takes place at the Old School Square Vintage Gymnasium at 51 North Swinton Avenue, Delray Beach, FL 33444. Hours are 10 am to 5 pm (4 pm Sunday). Tickets are \$5.00. Children under 6 are free. Sorry—no pets allowed. Questions? Call Annette at (561) 573-2422

**Mounts Botanical Garden Fall Plant Sale - November 4, 2018 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., & November 5, 2018, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Fort Lauderdale Orchid Show, January 25-27, 2019 War Memorial, Ft Lauderdale, FL**

## Blue Ribbon Award Winners - July 2018



Ted & Dorothy Rich  
Phal.Cornu-Cervi 'Red'



Chris Binder  
Blc.Waianae Leopard 'Ching Hua'



Sandra Griffiths  
Alca.Pacific Nova 'Butter Buds'



Sue Wuest  
Rhy.coelestis 'Pink'

## 12 Incredible Fun Orchid Facts That You May Not Know!

Orchids are the largest family of flowering plants.

They have also been around the longest as they are one of the oldest flowers in existence. Since varieties of orchids are found all over the world, it's accepted that orchids were in existence prior to the separation of the continents.

There are more than 25,000 documented orchid species throughout the world.

This means the number of orchids on the planet is four times the number of birds and four times the number of mammals! That's A LOT of orchids!!

Although generally thought of as a tropical plant, orchids grow on every continent.

From the Arctic Circle to the southernmost jungle (except Antarctica). They're valued and thought of as beautiful across continents and cultures with varying meanings and customs surrounding their existence.

The smallest orchid is the size of a dime.

This amazing orchid is small enough to fit in a doll house!

The vanilla orchid (and its vanilla bean) is the only commercially grown orchid crop (*Vanilla planifolia*).

Orchids yummy enough to eat and cook with!

Orchids have the tiniest seeds in the world.

This makes them a challenge to grow and cultivate. They take forever to sprout and actually turn into a plant!

Growing orchids from seeds is only for the patient and very green-thumbed.

There can be up to 3 million seeds in a single orchid seedpod.

You'll never see them though, they are the size of a speck of dust and are only visible under a microscope.

Part of the reason for their small size is that they lack an endosperm and have no nutrients within. They require contact with a particular fungus to germinate and grow. We find this fact particularly interesting!

It takes patience to grow an orchid.

The plant's first flowers won't appear until at least 5 to 7 years after germination. The houseplants you find in stores are often a decade old. From duck to swan!

Some orchid flowers bloom for mere hours, while others last up to half a year.

Phalaenopsis orchids are versatile enough to last in a cut flower arrangement longer than most. That's why we like Phalaenopsis orchids the best!

Orchid flowers always grow upside down when mature.

The orchid can have enough blooms to be heavy enough for the orchid to hang down. Gravity always wins!

Orchid plants can live to be up to 100 years old.

Orchids have become one of the most popular houseplants of all time.

**\*Adapted from Fairchild Tropical Botanical Gardens\***

**Do you have something you would like to submit to the newsletter? We love to hear from our members!**

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