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Thursday, August 7, 2008 Program

7:30 p.m.

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Multi-floral Paphiopedilums

Speaker: Brian Monk

Brian Monk born in Milton, Florida developed an intense passion for nature while growing up in Charleston, West Virginia which led to his profession as a veterinarian and his many hobbies including bird-watching, orchid growing, photography and natural history. Because of his passion for all things orchid, Brian and his wife, Mary-Margaret formed Blu Llama Orchids, Inc. and now reside in Ft. Lauderdale along with their five cats and their ever expanding orchid collection.

Brian started growing and hybridizing orchids in his backyard, but this has recently expanded to a 4000 square foot greenhouse. He will grow anything green, but focuses on his hybridizing projects, which include the development of multi-floral white and pink Paphiopedilums, warmth-tolerant red Oncidiinae and a standard pink Cattleya with an all white lip.

Encouraged by his wife and inspired by his orchids, Brian continues to pursue and perfect his orchid culture and photographic skills. Brian's photography has won awards online, at the 2007 Miami International Orchid Show and at the 2008 World Orchid Conference. Brian is currently a student judge with the American Orchid Society.

See you at the meeting,

Jackie Wood, V.P. Programs

President's Message Cont'd on Page 3

Greetings! Well in case you did not know Dave is on his annual fishing trip. I am filling

in to keep you all up to date. The Society would like to give

a very warm and heartfelt 'Thank You' to Susan and George Barbuty for all their





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## BROS Calendar of Events

Thur Aug 7	7:30pm	Monthly Meeting—"Multi Floral Phaphs" Brian Monk
Wed Aug 13	7:30pm	BROS Board Meeting— Laurie Haarsgaard's Home
Thur Sept 4	7:30pm	Monthly Meeting—Oncidium Paul Wetter
Wed Sept 10	7:30pm	BROS Board Meeting—Sharon Wesolowski's Home
Thur Oct 2	7:30pm	Monthly Meeting— Angraecums Tom Kulkowski
Sun Oct 5		House Ramble—Details coming soon.
Wed Oct 8	7:30pm	BROS Board Meeting—Dave Hogaboom's Home
Thur Nov 6	7:30pm	Monthly Meeting—TBD
Wed Nov 12	7:30pm	BROS Board Meeting—Jackie Wood's Home
Thur Dec 4		Annual Meeting and Holiday Party—Brook's Restaurant

## AOS EVENTS



American Orchid Society

### August 2008

AOS Open House for South Florida Residents

August 2 – 8

All Palm Beach County residents enjoy the AOS Garden free of charge, every day the first week of August.

August 9 – 15

All Broward County residents enjoy the AOS Garden free of charge, every day of the week the second week of August.

August 16 – 22

All Miami-Dade County residents enjoy the AOS Garden free of charge, every day of the week the third week in August.

August 23 – 29

All Martin County, St. Lucie County, and Indian River County residents enjoy the AOS Garden free of charge the fourth week of August.

### Judging at the AOS Visitors Center and Botanical Garden

The West Palm Beach judging center holds its monthly meetings at the AOS Visitors Center and Botanical Garden. On the fourth Saturday of each month at 2 pm, the judges get together to evaluate the flowers brought in for their consideration. This is a wonderful opportunity for orchid lovers to observe the judging process

### The Orchid Doctor is In,

### Wednesday, Saturday, and Sundays

Having problems growing your orchids? Blooms fall off? Are your plants sick? You can find the answers to your questions by bringing the invalid plant to the AOS Visitor's Center and talking with the "Orchid Doctor". Experts are on hand Wednesdays from 10:00 am – 11:30 am, Saturdays, 1 – 4 pm and Sundays 1 – 4 pm.

## President's Message Cont'd

hard work and dedication as Refreshment Chairs of our monthly meetings and annual show.

We would also like to send our wishes prayers to George Barbuty and Lorie Rowan for a speedy recovery's.

A very special "Thank You" goes to Rhonda Heide for stepping in and bringing us a very humorous and knowledgeable program on Vandas last month. Now we all know that Gardenia bushes are homes for thrips, so keep your orchids away from there.

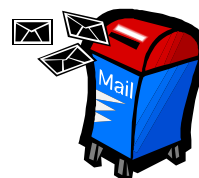
Thank You to Judy Chilsom who also

came to the rescue and provided us with a beautiful Raffle Table of Phals.

The Boca Raton Orchid Society extends our condolences to Carlos Fighetti who recently lost his wife Tere. Carlos has asked that anyone wishing to express his or her sympathies might consider making a donation to the Heritage Collection of the American Orchid Society. Tere was impressed with the idea of preserving the special orchid species and hybrids that are the foundation of our hobby and commercial businesses. A donation in Tere's name would be a lasting way to remember a gracious person who, through her patience and understanding, gave us her husband and friend to lead the revitalization of the AOS.

That's all for now. Dave will be back and bring us another wonderful article about orchids in your garden next month. Don't forget to ask Dave about the fish that got away!

Laurie Haarsgaard  
Editor



Thank You  
Hella Weiss  
for Mailing  
the Newsletter  
Each Month

Welcome New  
Members  
July 2008

Jeanie Simone  
Patty Vrobel



## Membership

### Boca Raton Orchid Society Membership

FIRST YEAR		RENEWAL	
SINGLE	\$20.00	SINGLE	\$18.00
COUPLE	\$30.00	COUPLE	\$25.00
BUSINESS	\$40.00		

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## SFOS SPEAKERS DAY 2008

SFOS will host its annual Speakers Day on Sunday, October 5, 2008 at Signature Gardens, 12725 S.W. 122 Avenue, Miami, FL. We have a wonderful panel of highly respected speakers presenting an enjoyable and educational program. Speakers Day also includes AOS Judging and SFOS Medal Judging. Plants for judging must be registered by 10:00 A.M. and can be picked up at 12:00 P.M. Speakers' Day has AOS approval for judging seminar credits as well. Several of our speakers will have plants to sell and sales will be open only to registered seminar participants. This year's speakers are:

**Roberto Agnes** started growing orchids while living in South Africa at the age of 11. In 1984 he moved to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil where he continued to expand his collection and soon after participated in founding of the Rio Orchid Society - OrquidaRio. Roberto was involved in running the judging school and was the editor of the orchid magazine for several years. Roberto also helped tender the bid for the WOC which was held in Rio de Janeiro in 1996 where he was Chairman of Judges. Roberto is a partner of Aranda Orquídeas. They are actively involved in the preservation of species in their laboratory. They have produced several improved strains of their various *Cattleya* and *Laelia* species. The title of Roberto's program is "Brazilian *Cattleya* and *Laelia* Species and Their Hybrids". Roberto will be bringing plants to sell.

**Ron McHatton, Ph.D.** is a chemist by training and is currently the AOS Director of Education and Regional Operations. Prior to that position he was Apopka production manager for Kerry's Bromeliad Nursery, possibly the largest wholesale orchid nursery in the United States. In addition to his professional position, Ron is an accredited American Orchid Society Judge and he has also been a long-time supporter of the Orchid Digest. The title of Ron's talk is "The Orchid World in Microcosm – *Masdevallia* and *Pleurothallis*". This lecture will examine a slice of this diversity along with a discussion of some of the newest taxonomic changes and cultural information for those preferring warmer conditions.

**Glen Decker** began growing orchids at the age of 15 and holds the degree of Associate in Applied Science in Ornamental Horticulture. Glen is the owner of Piping Rock Orchids in Galway, New York. He was the previous chair of the American Orchid Society's Publications Committee and is presently a Director of the Orchid Digest Corporation. He has appeared in Martha Stewart's Better Living Magazine and on the PBS TV special "Orchid Delirium". He recently rewrote the Slipper section of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden's "The Best Orchids for Indoors" and was the technical editor for the "Orchids for Dummies" book. The title of Glen's program is "PHRAGMIPEDIUMS - Past to the Present". This is a complete look at hybridization, past to the present and what we could expect in the future. Glen will be bringing plants to sell.

**Ruben P. Sauleda, Ph.D.** has been growing orchids since the age of 12. He started the family business in 1962, Ruben In Orchids. His main interest is hybridizing the unusual, specializing in *Encyclia* and *Schomburgkia* hybrids. In addition he propagates many species from seed, especially Florida Natives. Dr. Sauleda with his wife, Claudia, moved three years ago to the Redlands after 45 years in the Kendall area. Dr. Sauleda has a Masters Degree in Orchid Ecology and Taxonomy from Florida Atlantic University and a Ph.D. in Orchid Taxonomy from the University of South Florida. He has written several books and has published dozens of papers in scientific journals. He was Chairman of Education for the 19th World Orchid Conference as well as a speaker. The title of Ruben's program is "The Genus *Psychilis*, A Little Known Caribbean Group." Ruben will have plants for sale.

**Howard Ginsberg** is an accredited AOS judge and head of the Montreal Judging Centre. He began growing orchids in 1977. He has spoken to orchid societies across North America, throughout New Zealand, Australia and has been a featured speaker in AOS judges training at several centers. Howard has also been a featured

speaker at AOS Trustees meetings and was a featured speaker at the 18th WOC in Dijon, France. He is the most recent winner of the Ernest Hetherington Award for an article on Sc. Beaufort. The title of Howard's talk is "Golden Peoker, Golden Parent". Howard will be bringing plants to sell.

Speakers Day Schedule:

- 8:00 - 9:00 Breakfast, plant registration (for judging), plant sales open
- 9:00 - 10:00 Roberto Agnes
- 10:00 - 11:00 Ron McHatton
- 11:00 - 12:00 AOS Judging and panel discussion, plant sales open
- 12:00 - 1:00 Lunch
- 1:00 - 2:00 Glen Decker
- 2:00 - 3:00 Ruben Sauleda
- 3:00 - 4:00 Howard Ginsberg
- 4:00 - 5:00 Plant sales open

\* Plant sales area will also be open during breaks and between speakers

Tickets for Speakers Day are \$40.00 per person. The price includes a continental breakfast and cold buffet lunch. This is one of the major orchid events held annually in South Florida! Be sure to register early since tickets are limited and sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets are not available at the door. To register, please send your check and this order form to the SFOS office: 10801 S.W. 124 St., Miami, FL 33176. For more information call (305) 255-3656.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ AOS Judging Center & Status  
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Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seats @ \$40.00 Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Refreshments

Refreshments are needed for our upcoming August Meeting

These refreshments can be: Cookies, cakes, punch, soft drinks, vegetables & dip, cut up fruit, fruit salad , nuts, chips or anything tasty to share with the other members during the break.

Thank You to Angele di Liscia, Carol O’Grady, Jane Walters, Tom Haarsgaard, Jeanie Simon and Briana Hagquist for bringing those wonderful goodies to share at our July meeting.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN IN SO WE CAN ACKNOWLEDGE YOU IN THE NEWSLETTER.



**Thank you Carol O’Grady and Marina Kruse for supporting our Society with the Refreshment Table in July.**

## Boca Raton Orchid Society Plant Table

**Judges: Rhonda Heide and Brian Monk**

**July 2008**

Category	Ribbon	Orchid Name	Owner
Epidendrum/Encyclia	Blue	EPV Green Hornet	Jeanie Simon
Species	Blue	Grammatophyllum Scriptum var. Citrioom	Mary Kritch
Misc. Genera	Blue	Bulbophyllum Sikkimense	Kaplan
	Blue	Ctsm Thinger Dinger ‘spots’ x ctsm imperiale	Donna Edwards
Cattleya Bifoliata	Blue	Guarisopheleya Netrasiri Waxy ‘Jairug’	Shari Weidenbaum
Other Cattleya Alliance	Blue	Ctna. Why Not x Schom. thompsoniana	Jackie Wood
Dendrobium Alliance	Blue	Den bracteosum	Juan Bofill

If you would like to view the pictures of these winning Orchids, Please visit our web site at:

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