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## *The Right Pot for the Right Plant* *Speaker: Hyla Levine*

*Hyla Levine will be our guest speaker for February.*

*Hyla is a member of the Boca Raton Orchid Society and co-owner along with Lynn Lapin of Green Barn Orchid Supplies in Delray. Green Barn is a 60 year old barn converted to a store for individuals to purchase supplies and also is a source for out-of-the-area hobbyists and professionals to purchase supplies via the online store [www.greenbarnorchid.com](http://www.greenbarnorchid.com).*

*She will be sharing with us an array of repotting techniques that will help you enhance your orchid growing experience. Hyla will be discussing the correct potting media, pots, plant food and chemicals to get the best blooms possible. She will have supplies for sale and there will be a fabulous raffle table provided by Kawamoto Orchids of Hawaii. So come on out and enjoy a wonderful evening and learn the latest techniques to care for all of the plants you plan to purchase at our show this weekend.*

*See you at the meeting,  
Jackie Wood, V.P. Programs*



## BOCA RATON ORCHID SOCIETY *Valentine's Day Weekend Orchid Show & Sale*

February 14 - 15, 2009

10 am - 5 pm

Safe Schools Institute \* 790 NW Spanish River Blvd. \* Boca Raton

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## Calendar of Events

Thur Feb 12 7:30pm BROS Monthly Meeting—Speaker: Hyla Levine

Sat & Sun Feb 14 & 15 Boca Raton Orchid Society Show

Thur March 12 7:30pm BROS Monthly Meeting

Wed March 18 7:30pm BROS Board Meeting—Shari Weidenbaum's Home

## President's Message

### IT'S SHOW TIME!!!

**V**alentines Day means the Boca Raton Orchid Society is going all out for its Annual Show and Sale. This years show is going to be spectacular! Orchids, Orchid Supplies, Orchid Jewelry, Orchid Clothing, Informative Lectures, Orchid Mania repotting service and much more will be featured. If it's for Orchids, it's at our show!

You can do your part to make this event a success by volunteering your time and talent.

**Thursday** - is set-up day. Help is always appreciated.

**Friday** - the vendors can use help setting up and creating their display.

**Saturday & Sunday** - (the BIG days) we need volunteers in all aspects of the show: security, raffle ticket sales, membership and kitchen.

Note, we provide breakfast and lunch Saturday and Sunday for:

- Judges;
- Vendors;
- ALL-DAY show volunteers.

Call Susan Barbuty @ 561.272.6835 to donate food for the above.

**Sunday 5PM**, last but not least is tear-down. You're finished by 6PM, just in time to go out for dinner.

As you know, B.R.O.S relies on the Annual Show to support on-going and new projects. Your contribution to its success is greatly appreciated.

Dave

PS: DON'T FORGET YOUR CHECK FOR THE ADVANCE SALE TICKETS.



American Orchid Society

## American Orchid Society News:

### February 19

#### Wine and Jazz in the Garden

Come enjoy the orchids in bloom, great jazz, wine and appetizers on the third Thursday of each month. Stroll through the gardens and greenhouse and enjoy the varied orchids in bloom as the sun sets. Enjoy wine tasting from Southern Wine and Spirits, sample appetizers provided by Culinaire of Florida / Embassy Suites Boca Raton, as a different jazz band spices up the gardens with live music each night.

**Time:** 5:30–7:30 pm

#### March 2–29, 2009 - Art Exhibit: "Four Fine Arts in the Garden"

A unique opportunity to view art techniques revolving around the beauty of orchids. Silver and gold jewelry, Japanese wood blocking, original silk paintings and Faience pottery will be displayed. Learn about these four disciplines by attending the demonstrations and lectures during the month. Admission is free to the public and a reception will be held.

Visit: Elegant Orchid- [www.orchid-jewelry.com](http://www.orchid-jewelry.com); Carol Brown's wood blocking- [www.carolbrownstudio.com](http://www.carolbrownstudio.com); Silk Synergy - [www.Silksynergy.com](http://www.Silksynergy.com); Ephraim Faience Pottery – [www.ephraimpottery.com](http://www.ephraimpottery.com).

Contact Valerie Smith at the AOS, 561-404-2052 or eMail [vsmith@aos.org](mailto:vsmith@aos.org) for further details.

#### 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.

### ***FEBRUARY IN YOUR ORCHID COLLECTION***

Despite the bloom on the avocados and the burgeoning new leaves on the live oaks, February is not spring in South Florida. Danger of freeze continues past mid month and frost can occur still into March. Even if the weather is balmy it's too early to let down our guard or take down any protection we have mounted against the cold. The trend however is toward the positive as each lengthening day brings extra hours of warming sunshine to begin waking our plants from their long winter's rest.

Like the avocados and the live oaks, many cattleyas and other sympodial orchids have bloomed and are just commencing new growth in February. Right after flowering is usually an excellent time for re-potting from the plant's perspective and the cool day time temperatures in the greenhouse are hospitable to the orchid grower as well. It's still a bit early to re-basket vandas but an early start on the cattleyas will allow plenty of time and energy for those Spring chores which are right around the corner. With that thought setting out to secure a good supply of pots in anticipation of the potting season ahead is on February's agenda.

Courtesy of Martin Motes Monthly e-mail Newsletter

## *Boca Raton Orchid Society 2009 Show and Sale*

*In Love With . . . Orchids*



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Admission \$5.00

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### ***VOLUNTEERS NEED FOR B.R.O.S SHOW***

*Here is your chance to get involved. We have positions in Security, Hospitality, Raffle Tables, B.R.O.S Booth, and Clerking for the AOS judging.*

*We will also need volunteers to help with the show set-up on Thursday, February 12th. 2009.*

*Please call Jackie Wood at 561.367.0278 and Sign Up today.*

*If you have not volunteered before, now is your chance. It is a lot of fun being around Orchid Enthusiasts and shifts are only a few hours.*

## Hospitality

As a special thank you to our Vendors, our Society serves a light lunch on Friday, Saturday and Sunday as well as a breakfast for the AOS judges. WE NEED your tasty treats to feed these supporters of our show. If you would like to make a desert, bring in a salad or any other favorite recipe to share, please contact:

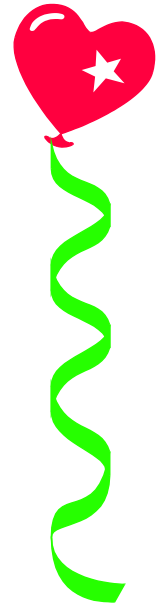
**Susan and George Barbuty at 561-272-6835**

## Sponsorship

This year Denise Libby and Corrine Juliano are heading up Sponsorship. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor of our Society, please contact:

**Denise at 954.796.7559 or Corrine at 561.483.2411**

Your \$100.00 donation (tax deductible) will go toward trophies for our Annual Show, support of our sponsorships, donations into the community, and activities throughout the year.



## Pre-sale Show Tickets

*Please remit your check for pre-sale tickets.*

*This is our Society's biggest fundraiser of the year and BROS depends on your support. School programs, guest speakers and monthly operational costs are funded by your pre-sale ticket sales.*

*Bring your friends, neighbors and co-workers to a fabulous show and introduce them to the 'Wonderful World of Orchids'.*

*Additional tickets available, contact Lorraine Conover: 561.395.2145*

## Plant Registration

*Registration for Individual Plants for our Orchid Show and Sale.*

*Registration is Friday, Feb 13 3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.*

*at Safe School Institute*

*For more information contact:*

## Membership—2009 Membership Began January 1, 2009

### Boca Raton Orchid Society Membership

#### FIRST YEAR

**SINGLE \$20.00 COUPLE \$30.00 - Newsletter e-mailed**  
**SINGLE \$25.00 COUPLE \$35.00 - Newsletter U.S. mailed**

#### RENEWAL

**SINGLE \$18.00 COUPLE \$25.00 - Newsletter e-mailed**  
**SINGLE \$23.00 COUPLE \$30.00 - Newsletter U.S. mailed**

**Business: \$40.00 - Newsletter e-mailed**

### FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

**Sharon Wesolowski**

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#### MAIL CHECKS TO:

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**BOCA RATON, FL 33427**

### Welcome New Members January 2009:

*Marilyn Browde \* Gerald Chojnacki \* Ron Haggquist \* Karen Linek \* Jane Napoli*

*Refreshments are needed for our upcoming*

***February 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 Carol O’Grady, Debra Rosen, Don & Pat Salas, Marina Kraus, Kim Hitt, Marian McElligott and Jane Walters for bringing those wonderful goodies to share at our January meeting.

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

**BOOK TIP OF THE MONTH**

***Growing Orchids in Your Garden***

By Robert G.M. Friend

Timber Press Books / ISBN 0-88192-659-0

Whether you grow orchids in a garden landscape , courtyard or balcony this book offers something for every orchid growing scenario. Filled with lots of colorful photos showing examples of growing orchids attached to host trees and in pots & containers, this book is packed with interesting and helpful information for every type of orchid enthusiast and grower.

Check out this book from our large selection of orchid topic books in our very own B.R.O.S library.

Marian McElligott

**Speakers Wanted**

If you are interested in giving an hour of your time to speak at our show on a topic about Orchids that you feel you are experienced with. We need you.

Please contact:

Laurie Haarsgaard at 561.251.0903

**Plant Table Registration Instructions.**

1. You must have owned your plant for at least 6 months.
2. Absolutely NO INSECTS.
3. Your orchid must have a name.
4. It must be in the correct category. (Ask if you don't know.)
5. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY the name of the Orchid and your name on the Registration Form.
6. Try to place your plant in an attractive container to enhance the orchids beauty.

IF THESE CRITERIA ARE NOT MET, YOUR PLANT MAY BE DISQUALIFIED.

**Boca Raton Orchid Society Plant Table**

**Judge: Rafael Romero - January 2009**

Category	Ribbon	Orchid Name	Owner
Dendrobium Alliance	Blue	Goldschmidtianum	Sue & Ed Kaplan
Cattleya Unifoliata	Blue	BC Donna Kimura ‘Paradise Tanu’	Sue & Ed Kaplan
Paphiopedilum	Blue	Paph. Battle of Egypt ‘Alpha’	Shari Weidenbaum
Other Vandaceous	Blue	Rhynostylis, gigantea ‘Great White’	Shari Weidenbaum
Species	Blue	Epi Cillare	Jane Fishkoff

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

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BROS Meetings are Held the  
2nd Thursday of each Month at  
7:30 p.m. at:

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Southeast Corner of  
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1790 N.W. Spanish River Boulevard  
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