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Hello everyone!

Huge thank you's go out to Shannon and Linda Greco for all their work to make the mounting workshop such a success! And a thank you as well to others who helped them. I think everyone who attended had fun, got to work with one or more people they may not have known well and generally enjoyed themselves. Shannon is planning another workshop for later in the year if possible, and she will make up a few mounting kits to sell at the auction.



Speaking of the auction, that will be our next meeting, Thursday, February 9. Charline has ordered wonderful plants, and we will also be counting on member contributions. If you have a started duplicate plant, an offset, or keiki, please consider donating to the auction. Member contributions are pure profit to the auction sale, which is an important fund-raiser for our club and allows us to get excellent speakers throughout the year.

Doris

Hello OSPB,

What time is it? AUCTION TIME...! Grab your mad-money, your check book, or your credit card. Bring along your family, friends and neighbors and get ready to add some exciting new additions to your orchid collection. Don't miss out. Come early at 6:30 to preview the selection and get ready to start bidding as soon as we get underway around 7:00. That's February 9th, mark your calendars so you don't forget.



Happy Birthday February babies! Martha Lawson, Bill Madden, Marie Reddy, Cyndie Sable, Julia Foulk, and Yours Truly. We will be providing refreshments for this meeting. Thank you!

We started 2017 with a full house and I think everyone enjoyed our hands-on mounting experience as Shannon guided us step by step through the process. I am anxious to see the results of this project in a few months when we invite everyone to bring your plants back for a progress report.

We had several guests in attendance and we welcome 3 new members into our orchid family; Julie King, Gen Bobrowski a former member and Danny Salkin. We look forward to spending more time with you as we get to know you and what kinds of orchids you like to grow best.





This incredibly beautiful, specimen plant of Blc. Hawaiian Agenda 'Florida Snow' was brought in for Show & Tell by Bill Madden. You can see the look of amazement on Charlines face.

Please bring your blooming plants in to share with us. We all enjoy seeing them.



The bus trip Cheryl arranged to the Tamiami Orchid Festival was once again a big hit. The bus was filled to capacity with happy, orchid shoppers. The show itself is the 2nd best, in my opinion, with The Redland's International Orchid Festival being number 1. And there will be another bus trip going to Redland's in May. If you have never been on one of Cheryl's trips; what are you waiting for? She plans every event with you and your enjoyment in mind.

Look at Cecy's excitement at finding this special mount of 2 Onc. Twinkles on a palm frond. And look at the happy smile on Mary Jo's face after shopping all day. It's always such a good time.



The Ft. Lauderdale show was also a grand event. It features beautiful exhibits and also AOS judging. Our member Omar Gonzales won a blue ribbon with his Lycaste entry. Congratulations Omar, well done!

Look at this-award winning plant of Blc. Pure Soul. I don't know who the grower is. Some of you either purchased, or won this plant at the holiday party, or the January meeting. There will be 4 of them in the auction. Just look what it can become if you do all the right things for it. Pamper it, feed it and love it. I play music for mine too, 24/7. They have really rewarded me with non-stop blooms ever since September. I think maybe they like the music.



January 21st was a very special day for our past-president.

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Jacob and Kathryn became man and wife. It was a perfect day for a beautiful wedding and I am so happy that Jacob has found his soul-mate and partner for life. I know you all join me in wishing them all the happiness the world has to offer.....and OSPB has gained a new member.

The Boca Raton Orchid Society Show and Sale will be February 11 – 12, 10am – 5pm at the Safe Schools Institute. 1790 Spanish River Blvd. (corner of Military Trail & Spanish River Blvd.) Admission \$5. This is a very nice show too, though it as not as large as the previous shows. I'm sure you will find something there that would love to join your collection. The Green Barn will be there selling supplies as well.

Thank you to everyone who has renewed their membership for 2017. If you have not yet done so, please do it as soon as possible. This will be your last newsletter if not paid by March 1st.

As I write this it is Sunday, a chilly, dreary, rainy day. We have had no winter to speak of to date and I hope it remains that way. We still have a few weeks to go before we can say winter is over. I sure hope this is as bad as it gets. Temperatures are supposed to be a bit cooler tonight. My plants can tolerate this ok.

Repotting season is fast approaching. In fact, I have already started bumping some of my seedlings up into larger pots and they are doing fine. If you need help and can't attend the workshops, I'll gladly give you some help if you come to my place. I'm home most of the time. I only leave to go to orchid shows and the grocery store.

I'll see you at the auction. Bring a friend....

Happy Growing,

Patt Lindsey

P.S. There will be no Show & Tell at the February meeting. It might get sold at Auction.



A note from Charline...



Hello to all of you who have been asking "When do the Saturday workshops begin again?" It's Time!

For 6 months, starting in March, we will have practical, hands-on time, on the 2nd Saturday of the month from 10 to noon, at the Park Pointe community building. Park Pointe is off Jog Rd. (west side), north of Lake Worth Rd. and south of 10th Ave. in Lake Worth. Maps will be available at the Thursday meeting. Bring your problem plants (limit 3 per meeting please) and we will help you pot or diagnose. Bring your own supplies please (clippers, pot, media, tags). Thank you Patt Lindsey for agreeing to be the group leader to start us out. I'll be laid up in March after a knee replacement.

The 2nd Saturday falls after the general meeting on the 2nd Thursday in March. Sometimes it falls before the Thursday meeting, so mark your calendars so you won't miss workshops. Somebody always accidentally misses the earlier date and is disappointed.

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