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# Dear Members and Friends

It is election time and we still don't have a candidate for president! Our Nominating Committee has done a wonderful job, now it is time for the membership to step up to the plate and show us you are committed to the future of PAOS. We know we can count on our joint efforts to keep the Society going and growing!

On another note, our newsletter editor got so bogged down with issues in her professional and private life that our newsletter will be a lot thinner this month. Your contributions are always welcome! Just send them to Gio ([giolester@gmail.com](mailto:giolester@gmail.com)). And a special suggestion to the incoming Board: How about a Newsletter Committee??

See you at the meeting at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 11295 SW 57th Avenue (Red Road), Tuesday, July 20th at 7PM!

## Refreshments Committee

Last month our meeting was interrupted. As a result, many of our regular activities did not take place. Our Board has unanimously volunteered to be the Refreshments Committee for the month of July! We are all grateful for their initiative.

## HeartWalk is still going on strong!

Support our members Javier Morejon and Melana Davidson in this special initiative. You can join a team and start raising funds. To learn more about this project to find heart disease, please follow the links below.

Blooming Hearts Team information:

Coordinator: Javier Morejon

<http://www.kintera.org/faf/search/searchTeamPart.asp?ievent=336441&lis=1&kntae336441=BF038C032E284DEDDBA19876085A0EA89&team=3749932&tlteam=3639332>

Event information:

<http://miamidadeheartwalk.kintera.org/faf/help/helpEventInfo.asp?ievent=336441&lis=1&kntae336441=BF038C032E284DEDDBA19876085A0EA89>

## Last Month at PAOS

Because of the power outage we did not finish our meeting. The new Membership Director, Jean Tress, would like all to check their listings in our directory and inform her of any changes. We want our new Membership Directory to be up-to-date and serve as a tool to bring our members together by facilitating interactions between the meetings.

Just to give you an idea, PAOS friends have come together to help one of our members whose orchids needed repotting. We are just a phone call or email away!

## This Month at Paos

When our personal passions guide our professional lives we call it fulfillment. And that is what Ms. Mirro has achieved through her love of orchids, watercolors and travel. She will be generous enough to share her experiences, knowledge and beautiful art with us this Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Angela Mirro studied art and illustration at Parsons School of Design in New York City. Over the past twenty years, she has focused on botanical watercolor paintings of orchids while also developing a career as a textile designer. Her orchid paintings have been widely exhibited and are contained in many private and public collections including that of Dr. Shirley Sherwood in London and The American Orchid Society Headquarters in Delray Beach.

Angela has traveled to some amazing places in pursuit of painting orchids in their natural environment. Currently two of her orchid paintings are in the traveling exhibition *Losing Paradise? Endangered Plants Here and Around the World* which will appear at the Smithsonian Institution National Museum of Natural History later this year. Angela Mirro studied art and illustration at Parsons School of Design in New York City. Over the past twenty years, she has focused on botanical watercolor paintings of orchids while also developing a career as a textile designer. Her orchid paintings have been widely exhibited and are contained in many private collections. She has traveled to some amazing places in pursuit of painting orchids in their natural environment. Currently two of her orchid paintings are in the traveling exhibition *Losing Paradise? Endangered Plants Here and Around the World*

# June Ribbon Winners

## FIRST PLACE

Vanda Barbara Ornest	Jim & Melana Davidson	Epi Oerstedii	Mirta Heineman
Perreiraara Motes		E. Cindy	Mirta Heineman
Leprechaun	Jim & Melana Davidson	P. Phillpenais	Javier Morejon
Ascocentrum ampullaceum	Jim & Melana Davidson	Bulbo mandubulase	Sue Samuels
Ascda.Fuchs Sunkist 'Orange Glow' FCC/AOS	Jim & Melana Davidson	Bulbophyllum lobbii AM/AOS	Sue Samuels
Christensoniana vietnamica			
x Ascocentrum aurantiacum	Jim & Melana Davidson		
Pleurothallis tribuloides	Jim & Melana Davidson		
Prosthechea cochleata	Jim & Melana Davidson		
Phal deliciosa	Jim & Melana Davidson		
Broughtonia sanguinia			
Star Splash	Jim & Melana Davidson		
Epi oerstedii	Jim & Melana Davidson		
C guttata x C forbesii	Jim & Melana Davidson		
C Dupreana 'Kodama'	Jim & Melana Davidson		
Paph Laudanum	Jim & Melana Davidson		
Aerides houletiana	Jim & Melana Davidson		
Den hercoglossum	Jim & Melana Davidson		
Brassavola nodosa	Jim & Melana Davidson		
Meiracyllium trinasutum	Betty Eber		
Chiloschista lunifera	Betty Eber		
Vanda Robert Cross	Ned Feenane		
Paph Lady Isabel	Mirta Heineman		
Paph Pinochio	Mirta Heineman		
Epi Penang Star	Mirta Heineman		
Epi belizensis	Mirta Heineman		
Schomburgkia Atropurpurea	Mirta Heineman		
Metracy Mee Tfiara Sutreng	Mirta Heineman		
Brasavola Cucullata Perrenei	Brenda Martinez		
Rhydigbyana 'Palmer's Pink'	Javier Morejon		
Enc Tampensis	Mildred Rodriquez		
Myrom Alba-Purpura	Mildred Rodriquez		
Vanda Maiinee x Vanda			
Denisoniana	Mildred Rodriquez		
Bulbo Tsiku Tannus	Sue Samuels		
Oncidium Wils Tropic			
Breeze "Everglades"	Renate Van Kempema		
Vanda Pachara Delight	Renate Van Kempema		
Alcra Pacific Novo	Gail Weber		
Epi Alata	Gail Weber		

## SECOND PLACE

Paph St. Swithin	Jim & Melana Davidson
Ascda Mikasa Princess	Ghislane Greene

There is something missing in this issue of our newsletter. Can you guess what? Our Volunteer Official Photographer will be away in July also, so if you are confident behind the camera, please bring it to the meeting and send us your best pix!

# AOS Corner

By: Chris Rehmann

Lynn Fuller, the new Affiliated Society Chairperson has given me this opportunity to introduce myself to each of the Affiliated Society members through the *AOS Corner*. I am your new AOS President and have the pleasure to serve each of you for a one year term.

Who am I? Well, I am an orchid hobbyist like most of you. I grow mainly Cattleya species with some multi-flora Paphiopedilums to take up the darker spaces in my greenhouses. In order to support my "*orchid habit*," I own a Civil-Environmental Engineering firm located in southern New Jersey.

The Affiliated Societies are the backbone of the American Orchid Society. We all probably started as a member of a local society to find more information about these beautiful flowers called, orchids. My local society is the Sandpiper Orchid Society, located near Atlantic City, New Jersey. This great group of orchid lovers has assisted me in many ways to cultivate better orchids.

Walter Off, the co-owner of a local commercial orchid business helps to organize the Sandpiper Orchid Society and has been a tremendous assistance to new and long time growers. Walt provides information on local conditions that improve culture and eliminates the trial and error methods to find the right fertilizer for our local conditions.

I am sure each Affiliated Society has a local commercial grower that is involved with their group. Support them so that they are there to provide the best cultural information for your area.

Many commercial growers provide discounts to AOS members. Ask them to see if they participate in this program. If you are like me, I pay for my AOS membership with discounts from orchid purchases.

One of my initiatives is to provide better communication between the Affiliated Societies and the national organization. All too often, the AOS Trustees come to a Show that has been organized by an Affiliated Society, become engrossed in meetings and never mingle with our local members. After organizing the Show, raising funds to rent the venue needed, and all the backbreaking work to set up exhibits, it would be nice to be able to interact with your national leaders. It is my goal to encourage this discourse.

The Merritt Huntington Memorial Symposium is being held in Virginia Beach, Virginia from October 27 - 31, 2010. This will be a great event. Please consider joining us at the Show. The hotel has given the event planners great prices so come for the weekend. There are international speakers from France and Germany. It is a once in a lifetime chance to hear their words of wisdom about orchid culture.

Thank you again for affording me the opportunity to serve you as President. It is a great Society of wonderful people. Join us. Become a member of the American Orchid Society.

**Susan Taylor**

**Orchids Editor, BellaOnline**

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