

NEWSLETTER

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Lc. Miss Wonderful , Davison



Enc. Cochleata alba, Heineman



C. Jupiter, Davison

LAST MONTH AT  
PAOS

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RIBBON WINNERS

# Dear Members and Friends

Another year is slipping by. September is already here, bringing with it the first glimmers of Fall temperatures. Our rains are a bit more fierce with all that activity out in the Atlantic Ocean, and the moisture is just perfect for our plants. All of our plants, that is. So it is time to prune and make sure our orchids get the light and air flow they require for healthy growing. All that moisture also promotes disease and we need to keep a watchful eye for signs of fungus and other pests. And the snails! Will they ever go away? Remember Dr. Motes' recommendation: snail bait, lightly and repeatedly.

Good reading! See you at our next meeting.

Brassocataleya Pastoral  
Innocence, Rodriguez



## Next Meeting

**Date:** 9-21-2010

**Time:** 7:30

**Location:**

Christ The King Lutheran Church,  
11295 SW 57th Avenue (Red

## From the Refreshments Team

Sometimes our members get really excited about a dish brought by our Refreshment Volunteers. That happened last month and there was such a demand for her Apple Crisp recipe that Erna relented and sent it in. From all of us to last month's volunteers: Thank You for your contribution to our meeting.

This month's volunteers are: Melana Davison, Cecelia DeCastro, Gio Lester, Joan Manley, Eulália Meneses, Javier Morejon, Haydee Navas and Carlos Segrera.

Milt. Dee Fujitake, Davison



### Apple crisp

375 F oven  
1 can sliced apples (not apple pie filling)  
nutmeg  
cinnamon  
juice of 1/2 lemon  
1/2 cup raisins  
1/2 cup sugar  
1/2 box yellow cake mix  
1 stick oleo or butter (melted)  
1 cup chopped pecans (optional)

In a square pyrex dish (8") spray Pam, spread the drained apples, sprinkle with raisins, nutmeg, cinnamon, lemon juice and 1/2 cup sugar. Sprinkle cake mix over sugar. Drizzle melted butter over cake mix. Bake for about 30 minutes. Add chopped pecans and bake 25 minutes more.

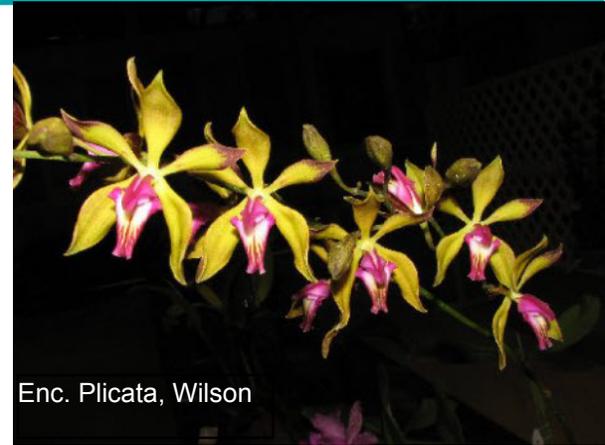
# From the Board

PAOS has a Board of Directors! And what a large board it is! Georgia had the honor of introducing the new Board Members who lined up by the podium for the membership to see and approve. The slate was approved by a show of hands and Sue proceeded to welcome our next president, **Carlos Segrera**, by giving him the keys and the gavel! Many of the new Board members are future officers in training and have accumulated more than one position.

At the helm with Carlos we welcome **Jorge Rodriguez** as 1st Vice-president, **Javier Morejon**, **Lynn Corson** and **Mirta Heineman** as 2nd Vice-presidents. **Shirley Berckmans** is our Treasurer, **Gio Lester** remains as newsletter, but her secretarial duties will be performed by **Jean Tress**, who is also in charge of membership. **Georgia Ruiz** and **Catherine Pendlebury** will remain in charge of Refreshments, while **Bob** and **Audrey Hartwell** take over Special Events duties. **Pat Chen Yin** will share her raffle responsibilities with **Carmen Segrera**, and **Jean Wilson** is has been promoted from volunteer photographer to on staff photographer. Lynn Corson will also serve as AOS Representative and **Erna Maxwell** will remain our Judge. **Michelle Briois** will take care of our Silent Auction while **Gail Weber** and **Candy McDonald** are in charge of the Annual Auction.

Many members were approached by the Nominating Committee but were not able to accommodate the responsibilities of the presidency at this time. Some of them have committed to serving in the future. Their names are: Ralph Fernandez, Carmen Segrera, Arturo Decastro, Bill Harward, Lynn Corson, Mirta Heineman, Brenda Martinez, Jean Tress, Georgia Ruiz, Gail Weber, Pat Chen Yin, Melana and Jim Davison, Robert Birenbaum, Michelle Briois, Jose Gancedo and Jean Wilson.

Let's thank our new Board Members for their courage and commitment to our group.



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Dimeranda emarginata, Heineman

# Last Month at PAOS

Dr. Ron MacHatton took us on an excursion back in time to the beginnings of orchid history before setting his sites onto Madagascar. It is believed that orchids have been around for 108 to 135 million years. Yes, he said *million*.

Back then we had Pangea instead of separate continents, and flora and fauna migrated from one area to the other - but ever so slowly. That explains the similarity between species found around the globe, and also why some species are endemic - found only in specific areas.

It seems that Madagascar separated itself from the rest of the world before sharing its many species. It is 500 miles long and at its widest it is only 100 miles. However, its altitudes go from sea level to 1000 feet high - what explains Madagascar's diversity of flora and fauna.

Contrary to popular belief, Angraecums are not the only orchid species found in the island. They represent only 1/3 of its orchid offerings. In Madagascar you will find orchids suited to almost every environment: dry, moderately humid, extremely humid, low lands, high lands, mountains...

Man arrived on the island much later than other life forms. History tells that men from Malaysia first set foot there between 200 and 500 A.D.

Dr. MacHatton warned happy travelers that even today Madagascar is not very different from when Darwin visited the place: not a safe or pleasant travel destination. But the orchids! Ah, the orchids!

You can click here to see some of the beauties found in Madagascar: <http://travel.mongabay.com/madagascar/indexes/orchids1.html>



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## PAOS & COS Joint Meeting

**Date:** Sunday, Nov 14  
**Time:** 10 AM  
**Location:** R.F. Orchids, Inc. ,  
28100 S.W. 182nd Avenue  
Homestead, FL. 33030  
Tel. 305-245-4570  
Potluck style event, bring a dish  
or drink.

**Mark your calendar!**

## AOS Beginners' Newsletters

AOS understands that love can be an all consuming emotional adventure, and to guide the novice they have created and made available a series of newsletters targeted to beginning orchid growers:

[http://www.aos.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Orchid\\_Basics&CONTENTID=8079&TEMPLATE=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm](http://www.aos.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Orchid_Basics&CONTENTID=8079&TEMPLATE=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm)

Follow the above link and you will learn important steps in the orchid growing process, such as "Talking to Your Plants", "It's a Balancing Act", "What to look for when buying orchids." You can also sign up so you don't miss any more of these informative newsletters: <http://www.aos.org>

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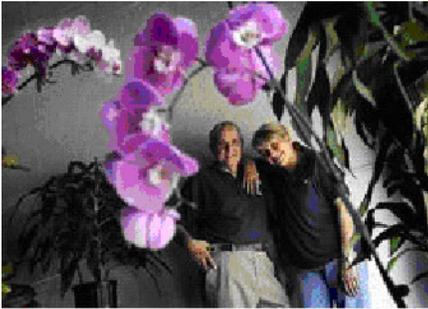
## Support Our Supporters

A few months ago the Board decided to actively encourage our members to support our supporters and expand the distribution of our newsletters to include them. This will be the first time we attempt to do this. If we left anyone out, please write to Gio and let her know so the list can be corrected for future newsletters.

You will see their contact and location information displayed around the newsletter.

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# PAOS Members on the move



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We all know that PAOS Members have a life outside the many orchid organizations they belong to. We are familiar with **Javier** and **Melana's** Heart Walk initiative, and recently other members of PAOS were the focus of attention.

CS Orchids (**Carlos** and **Carmen Segrera's** business) was highlighted in the Miami Herald on August 3 (Restoring Bloom) as part of a series of portraits of couples in business partnerships. The article went on to point out how by identifying and taking advantage of their strengths, it became easier to organize the business and grow: Carlos takes care of private collections maintenance, while Carmen creates beautiful arrangements. Their compatibility based on a 45-year strong marriage is reflected in their love and commitment to their business. If you want to read more, click here: <http://www.miamiherald.com/2010/08/03/1760076/spouses-in-business-clarify-roles.html#ixzz0xZZZk3ri> You can also visit CS Orchids here: [www.csorchids.com](http://www.csorchids.com)

Other quieter members surprise us once in a while.

That is true of **Renate Van Kempema**. Who, we all learned in July, has a love for helping the disadvantaged. What we did not know is how far her commitment goes. A recent article in the Miami Herald brought to light Renate's efforts and conviction toward the creation of a Pan American World Airways' museum here in Miami. She is the president of the Miami branch of World Wings International, an organization of former Pan Am employees to end poverty in third world countries. Renate, who is now a flight attendant at Delta, stated "Pan Am was great to all of us, and we don't want it to be forgotten." She would like to see a museum in Miami because she believes the younger generation should learn what Pan Am was to the world.

If you would like to read more, click here:

<http://www.miamiherald.com/2010/08/18/1782624/pan-am-fans-want-a-miami-museum.html>

There are sad moments too. On Sunday August 20, our member **Norma A Davis** passed away. Norma was a native of Ohio, but moved to Miami in 1947. Besides her love for her family, Norma had a passion for plants and friends. She was active in PAOS, the Fossil Club, The Bromeliad Club and Fairchild Tropical Gardens. A memorial service was held on August 29.

Rhyn. Coelestis, Morejon



This month we will hear from Pinecrest Gardens Horticulturist, Mr. Craig Morell. He will be gracing us with a very timely lecture on Pests, Diseases and How to Prevent Them.

September is the month for us to take extra care of our plants with regard to diseases and pests, so it is very appropriate that Carmen has secured Mr. Morell to speak to us. Make sure to bring your note pad and a pen, pay attention and apply what you learn to your garden.



## August Ribbon Winners

The beautiful flowers that grace this issue of our newsletters are some of the beauties that won Blue Ribbon at our meeting last month. We thank Jean Wilson for the pictures.



Pros. Cochleata, Wilson

### First Place

C. Pink Leopard	Jim & Melana Davison
Cls. dodsoniana x Ctsm. Alexis Pardo	Jim & Melana Davison
Epi. Magnoliae	Jim & Melana Davison
Lc. Miss Wonderful	Jim & Melana Davison
Lc. Wora x C. Walkeriana 'Chouju'	Jim & Melana Davison
Milt. Dee Fujitake 'Pure Yellow'	Jim & Melana Davison
Dimerandra emarginata	Mirta Heineman
Rhyn. Coelestis	Javier Morejon
Brassocattleya Pastoral 'Innocence' AM/AOS	Ivis & Jorge Rodriguez
Trichoglottis brachiata	Mildred Rodriguez

C. Lulu's Gloss (C. Interglossa x C. Lulu)	Jean Wilson
Enc. Plicata	Jean Wilson
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### Second Place

C. Jupiter	Jim & Melana Davison
Asc. Mikasa	Mirta Heineman
Enc. cochleata (alba)	Mirta Heineman
Phal. cornu-cervi	Mirta Heineman
Brassocattleya binosa	Haydee Navas
Blc. Pali Polka Dot 'Nalo'	Elizabeth Pettit

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