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2007 SFOS HOLIDAY PARTY

Sunday, December 2nd at Signature Gardens
12725 S.W. 122 Avenue
6:30 P.M. until 10:30 P.M.

President's Message

Joy to the World- the WOC is coming- fast!

Get out the Cal-Mag and dust off the Cygon. Stake the flower spikes and battle the thrips. Now is time to get your orchids in tip-top form for the biggest orchid show ever in South Florida. Imagine the thrill of receiving an award at the WOC! Let's show what great growers we have in SFOS!

More volunteers are needed to staff our booth at the WOC. This is our chance to showcase the South Florida Orchid Society and recruit new members. Please email me or call me if you would like to help for a 4-hour shift. We are enormously proud that our SFOS is a co-sponsor of the World Orchid Conference, and participation by all of us will help make it the best WOC ever!

Looking for holiday gift suggestions? Consider giving a membership in SFOS and/or the American Orchid Society as a gift that the recipient can enjoy all year long. Here's another idea: A \$20 one-day pass to the WOC.

Happy Holidays and have a healthy and prosperous New Year!

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THE 19TH WORLD ORCHID CONFERENCE®
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Registration Now Open for Most Prestigious Orchid Event on Earth

MIAMI, FL. – Orchids have been revered for centuries for their botanical properties and luscious foliage. To ancient civilizations, these delicate flowers came to represent adoration, luxury, beauty, virility and fertility. Now, the public can witness the timeless appeal of these captivating plants when the 19th World Orchid Conference®, the most prestigious Orchid event in the world, comes to Miami January 23-27, 2008. Hosted jointly by the Ft. Lauderdale and South Florida Orchid Societies, the show's theme is "**Orchids–Nature's Masterpiece®.**" The newly renovated Exhibition Center of the Sheraton Miami Mart Hotel in Miami will house this world-class event that includes lectures, workshops, parties and, of course, one of the largest orchid shows and sales on the planet.

Held once every three years in a different international location, the World Orchid Conference is the biggest and most influential gathering of orchid enthusiasts, growers, hybridizers, and scientists. The Conference draws top local, regional, national and international growers and their most unique and stunning plants. Horticulturists and orchid lovers alike will be dazzled by the array of orchids on display at the conference. Orchids by the thousands, as potted plants and cut flowers, will arrive from every major orchid growing center in the world. Rare species, fragrant floral compositions, and creative hybrids will seduce and impress visitors to this momentous show.

Throughout the Conference there will be extensive seminars and educational lectures on conservation and horticulture. There will also be celebrations, networking events, and sightseeing op-

2007 SFOS HOLIDAY PARTY

December is approaching which means we should take time to be thankful for our health, good friends, and family and, of course, our beautiful orchids. Which brings up our next and favorite subjects – Christmas, Chanukah, and everything that goes with December, like our Holiday Party? There will no regular meeting/judging this month. Dress code will be semiformal.

The party will be on Sunday, December 2nd at Signature Gardens, 12725 S.W. 122 Ave. from 6:30 P.M. until 10:30 P.M. If you've never been there, this will be a real treat for you. Plenty of parking and large banquet rooms decorated beautifully for the holidays. The food is wonderful and there will be an open bar!

The meal will be a buffet and will include: Caesar Salad, Cold Pasta Salad Primavera, Whole Honey Glazed Ham, Roast Vermont Turkey with Old Fashioned Stuffing, Giblet Gravy and Cranberry Sauce, Tender Pork Slices, Sweet Potato Soufflé with Crushed Pineapple and Marshmallows, Steamed Long Grain White Rice, Black Beans with Chopped Onions, Assorted Cakes and Pies, Rolls, and Coffee. Happy Hour will begin at 6:30 P.M. and dinner will be ready at 7:00 P.M.

We will have a D.J. for the evening and they will play music for all generations. We will also have our gift exchange. There is a \$5.00 limit on the gifts and please put tags stating male or female. You don't have to participate; this is optional, but fun! There will be a raffle during the evening. All members will, of course, receive a beautiful seedling upon presentation of there membership badge; if you have lost your badge, please notify the office (305-255-3656).

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Remember the party is scheduled for Sunday, December 2nd and admission is by reservation only. We must know by Monday, November 26th if you plan to attend. The price for members is \$20.00 and \$35.00 for non-members. Tables of eight can be reserved. If you have any questions, please call the office (305-255-3656) or Marlene Clark (305-253-7627). We invite all of our members, especially our new members, to join us for a delightful evening.

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MIAMI, FL – After a quarter century in exotic locations such as Dijon, France; Shah Alam, Malaysia; and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; the World Orchid Conference® and Show will return to another exotic city for its next global show, sale and educational symposium – Miami. The “blooming” extravaganza’s host committee has recently announced the much anticipated list of distinguished awards and trophies that will be distributed at the conference in January 2008.

Collector’s item ribbons will be given for first, second and third place “bests” in a multitude of categories. These ribbons will hold the 19WOC® logo and will be awarded in categories that recognize beautifully designed displays, quality flowers, rare orchids and excellent orchid culture. Exquisite lead crystal trophies will be awarded to the “Best of the Best” in each category. Made up of two crystal stylized cattleya leaves holding a globe of the world on a beautifully proportioned base and etched with the 19WOC® logo, the crystal trophies are guaranteed to become a collector’s item. Each trophy will be displayed on a wooden stand with a brass plaque designating the name of the trophy, the 19WOC® logo and the name of the trophy sponsor.

19WOC® medals will be presented at three levels: bronze, silver and gold. Designed by renowned graphic artist and sculptor Fred Caravetta, each medal will display the 19WOC® logo with the scenic design of South Florida’s signature coconut palms on the reverse. All medals will be cast in bronze; silver medals will be plated with sterling silver and gold medals with 18K gold. Each medal will include a commemorative rosewood box that will also serve as a display base.

The crowning glories of the 19WOC® will be the awards given to the Grand and Reserve Champion orchids and displays. These four winning entries will garner spectacular one-of-a-kind trophies designed exclusively for the 19th World Orchid Conference® by nationally renowned glass artist Larry Mayse of Nature’s Glassworks. Each of these works of art will be signed by the artist. They will be presented to the lucky winners at the Tropical Night Gala on Saturday, January 26th.

The opportunity to sponsor a trophy is available and open to the public. This is a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate support for the production of high quality orchid flowers or to recognize a loved one. To sponsor a trophy contact the 19WOC® office at 786-621-9962 or email director@19woc.com. To register as a vendor or attendee for the 19th World Orchid Conference® or for more information on the Conference and a complete schedule, visit www.19woc.com or send an e-mail request to: director@19woc.com. The website is translatable into a dozen languages via the Babel Fish link at the bottom of the home page.

19th World Conference

To register on-line at the 19th World Orchid Conference® Registration site please select from the following choices:

- Full Registration
- One Day Registration
- Banquet Registration
- Judges Registration
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portunities to keep the registrants happily and productively involved in the exchange of ideas and appreciation of this engaging plant. Orchid art and related items will be on display and, of course, there will be a large sales mart carrying plants and all things related to orchids.

“The South Florida Orchid Society and the Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Society annually sponsor the two largest orchid shows in Florida, and their expertise and experience is exactly the right combination for organizing and hosting a World Orchid Conference,” said co-chairman of the conference Robert Fuchs, president of South Florida Orchid Society. “Indeed, having hosted the 11th World Orchid Conference in 1984 in Miami, the two local societies are looking forward to bringing this event back to beautiful South Florida for a spectacular and successful conference.”

Orchid connoisseurs and novices alike will convene for five days to admire the stunning orchid displays, discuss a variety of topics related to Orchids, and network within the Orchid community. The organizers of this international event expect more than 250,000 people from around the world to attend this hotly anticipated tribute to the plant that has inspired a spectrum of emotions from admiration to infatuation.

“Orchids, with their lively hues, elegant blossoms and vibrant flora, evoke passion and awe among gardeners, collectors and flower aficionados across the globe,” said co-chairman of the conference Col. Kenneth Kone, past president of Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Society. “The lush, tropical setting of South Florida is a perfect place to host the World Orchid Conference. With international vendors and experts attending, this orchid show will be the epicenter of the Orchid world.”

Orchids are the largest and most diverse of the flowering plant families, with more than 25,000 species. The Chinese were the first to cul-

tivate orchids, but Victorian England was obsessed with them — sending explorers to South America to bring back exotic varieties. Now conference attendees will have the chance to see the flower that has evoked such fervent adoration.

Orchids now account for over \$120 million in sales and are the fastest growing segment of the United States’ floriculture industry. The 2008 event will be only the fourth time that a World Orchid Conference has been held in the United States, making this a triumph for Florida orchid devotees. Last year’s conference in Dijon, France, attracted 200,000 visitors and vendors from 30 countries. Other major cities that have hosted this celebrated event include Rio de Janeiro, Glasgow, and Tokyo.

Interested Conference exhibitors and attendees can register online by simply going to www.19woc.com. For those who do not wish to register on-line, registration packets can be obtained by emailing a request to: director@19woc.com.

Remember, if you would like to volunteer, go to www.19woc.com and register.




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- Makes: 2 servings

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1 tsp. chili powder
1/4 tsp. garlic powder
2 small boneless skinless chicken breast halves (1/2 lb.)

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Luscious Four-Layer Pumpkin Cake

- Prep Time: 20 min
- Total Time: 1 hr 42 min
- Makes: 16 servings, one slice each

1 pkg. (2-layer size) yellow cake mix
1 can (15 oz.) pumpkin, divided
1/2 cup milk
1/3 cup oil
4 large eggs
1-1/2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice, divided
1 pkg. (8 oz.) PHILADELPHIA Cream Cheese, softened
1 cup powdered sugar
1 tub (8 oz.) COOL WHIP Whipped Topping, thawed
1/4 cup caramel ice cream topping
1/4 cup chopped PLANTERS Pecans

PREHEAT oven to 350°F. Grease and flour two 9-inch round cake pans. Beat cake mix, 1 cup of the pumpkin, the milk, oil, eggs and 1 tsp. of the pumpkin pie spice in large bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until well blended. Pour evenly into prepared pans.

BAKE 28 to 30 min. or until wooden toothpick inserted in centers comes out clean. Cool in pans 10 min. Remove from pans to wire racks; cool completely. Beat cream cheese in small bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until creamy. Add sugar, remaining pumpkin and remaining 1/2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice; mix well. Stir in the whipped topping.

CUT each cake layer horizontally in half with serrated knife. Stack layers on serving plate, spreading the cream cheese filling between layers. (Do not frost top of cake.) Drizzle cake with caramel topping just before serving; sprinkle with the pecans. Store leftover cake in refrigerator.

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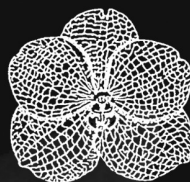
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