



# The Orchidist

## SFOS July 16<sup>th</sup> 2014 Program

**D**r. Catharine Mannion will present tonight's program.

Catharine is an Associate Professor and Extension Specialist with the University of Florida, Tropical Research and Education Center ([T.R.E.C.](http://www.trec.ufl.edu)). Catharine will present a program on ***"Insect and mite pests of orchids."***

Catharine is responsible for developing a research and extension program on integrated pest management of ornamental plants with an emphasis on invasive pests. Her research has focused on the biology and management of several introduced pests such as whiteflies, scales, thrips and weevils.

Catharine received a B.S. degree in Biological Sciences from University of California, a M.S. degree in Entomology from North Carolina State University, and a Ph.D. in Entomology from the University of Florida. This will be a very informative program for anyone that grows orchids.



## President's Message

Hello everybody:

We have gone past the month of May. And with it, the last of the local spring orchid events, the Redland International Orchid Festival has come and gone. It was followed the very next weekend by our friends at Orchid Mania's, and their annual orchid fundraising event. Not a bad, 'one-two' orchid calendar combination!

Our June meeting had a plateful of activities. We had the installation of our new board officers and the presentation of trophies for our annual award winners. Congratulations to each and every one of our award recipients. Thank you for sharing the fruits of your efforts with us. We all learn when we share.

I would like to use these lines to thank each exiting member of the board, for all their unique contributions throughout these many months and years. Your efforts have proven time and again to be an invaluable asset to our society. Thank you.

Continuing with the meeting, we had a wonderful program presented by Tom Harper of Stones River Orchids in Tennessee. Tom's program is titled ***"12 Most Important Phalaenopsis Species."*** His presentation was informative, entertaining and illustrative of the 'what, how and why' of all we have seen in Phalaenopsis orchids for the last 20-30 years. Tom managed to leave us doing that maxim of entertainers: 'always leave them wanting more.' Those tantalizing last images

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## Dan & Margie Orchids will provide our plant raffle table



Look for our billboard advertising the SFOS 2014 Miami International Orchid Show starting in September. on the Palmetto Expressway near the NW 103rd Street exit heading south.

## NOTICE: WE WILL BE MEETING IN THE 'RED ROOM' THIS MONTH!

### Upcoming Events!

- August 20, 2014 — Guillermo Salazar "Miniatures of South Florida"
- September 17, 2014 — Glen Decker "How to Grow Great Slipper Orchids"

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**Erna Maxwell accepts the John D. Simmons Award for Best Other Genus judged during the past year.**



**Betty Eber accepts one of her numerous flower quality awards for the past year.**

Certificates of Appreciation to those who give so much of their time and energy to the SFOS



## PHD RESEARCH ON ORCHID GROWING - HELP NEEDED.

I am writing to you because I have designed a very short online survey aimed at orchid hobbyists and I was wondering whether your Society has a newsletter or a mailing list that it could be sent out to? I would be very grateful if so and would be very happy to acknowledge the society in my PhD thesis and also to send a summary of my results once they are analyzed, if you would like one.

The survey can be found here: <http://www.surveymoz.com/s3/1619973/orchidsurvey2>

It is a short pilot study, the results of which will help me design a final one in a month or two. The survey asks for no personal information and takes less than 2 minutes to complete. It can also be completed in seven different languages so please forward it on to any other hobbyists you know in the US or around the world.

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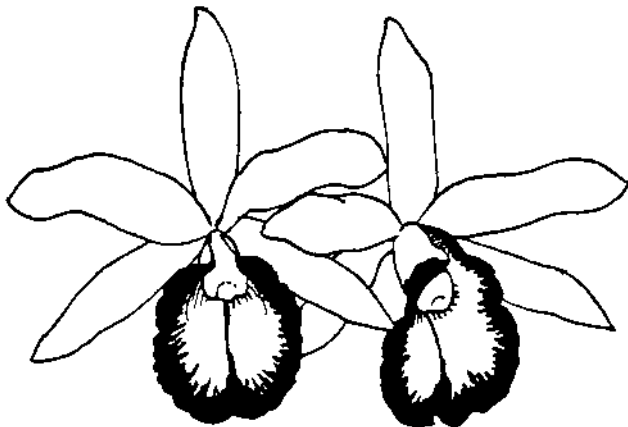
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### Please join us at our new meeting location

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## Items of Interest

### *(President's Message Continued from page 1)*

from Tom's presentation, of all new phalaenopsis flowers coming up laboratories' production lines were amazing.

June started the way it is supposed to start. Rain, rain, and more rain down every day. Combined with high humidity, we have higher temperatures day and night. Fungi and bacteria will make their presence known on your orchid collection. Start using your fungicides, bactericides regularly. Give yourself 48 hours between any sprays. At OFE, we recommend start spraying with any new chemical a minimum of three weeks in a row. That way you will allow the chemical to really interact with your plant and have enough backing to allow it to do its job properly. You can combine Dithane M-45 (Mancozeb), a topical fungicide, with Thiomyl (Cleary's 3336), a systemic fungicide. Dissolve each fungicide at the rate of two teaspoons per gallon of water, and spray all your plants, one day per week for three consecutive weeks. Then, spray with the same concentration once per month for preventive maintenance. That regiment will help keep the fungi doctor away.

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When do you fertilize if you are fumigating during the week? You can do it as soon as 48 hours later! What happens if it rains right after you fumigate with your fungicide? Spray again!

You might want to consider adding a bit of Nutracote/ Dynamite time release fertilizer to your plants, during our rainy season. That way they will eat every time it rains. How do you apply time release granules to hanging Vandas? Make a pouch with cheese cloth, or old panty hoses, or any soft mesh material, and fill it with about 2-3 tablespoons of Nutracote/Dynamite timer release fertilizer. Tie the pouch to the top of the basket wire hanger, where the wires join together. As the pouch receives water, it will release the fertilizer onto the plant. This also applies to tree mounted orchids. Place the fertilizer pouch between the trunk and the top of the orchid.

Lastly, our friends at The Coalition for Orchid Species are having their annual Orchid Species Symposium Sunday, July 27, at Fairchild Gardens. This year they feature the following speakers and topics: Manolo Arias, 'Orchids of Peru.' Alan Koch, 'Unusual Species for the Cattleya Grower.' Bruce Rogers 'Sobralias.' Peter Tobias 'Orchid Conservation.' Tickets are \$45.00 for members \$50.00 for non-members.

For tickets, or more info, contact Erna Maxwell at 305-382-3055, or [hendrinamax@bellsouth.net](mailto:hendrinamax@bellsouth.net).

Wishing you all happy growing,

Carlos

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Submissions from members are always appreciated. If you have an orchid growing technique that works for you we want to know about it. You don't need to send anything fancy; a text file is fine. If you have digital photos send them along too. We'll take it from there. You will, of course, receive credit for your submission. Please send your submissions to ...

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See you next month!

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