

#### SFOS July 20th 2016 Program

ohn Odom graduated from the University of Florida with a BA in agriculture. John worked in citrus management for Cassens Grove Service in the Indian River area for twelve years and then went to work for Rohm and Haas in agricultural sales for twelve years. He then joined Ocean Spray Cranberries and retired after twenty years.

What started as a small back yard business grew to more than 90,000 square feet of greenhouse. Odom's Orchids, Inc. is one of the top retail shippers in the United States. Odom's has many types of orchids, but the Cattleya orchid is John's absolute favorite! He has a lab and do many of our own crosses, always looking for that special flower that no one else owns!

For years, John was involved in teaching beginners orchid classes and various talks at orchid societies, and garden clubs. John's enjoys orchids so much that he wanted to share knowledge with other growers; that started the annual Odom's Cattleya Symposium. The symposium, which is now in it's sixth year, is recognized as one of the premier events in the orchid world.

Odom Orchids has been a supporter of our Annual Shows for many years. Odom Orchids is only a 2 1/2 hours drive north of the Miami area and is very easy to find

John's topic tonight is "Best Catts of 2013 from each Judging Center - winners of the Myamoto Award"

# Odom Orchids will kindly be providing plants for our raffle table and will also have plants for sale!

# Holiday Party at Shorty's BBQ.

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The Party will be on our regular meeting night, the 3rd Wed, Dec 21st at 7:00 - 9:30, dinner will be served at 7:30.

There are drinks, wine & beer available but must be purchased separately.

Sodas, tea & coffee are included in the dinner price of \$25 per person, both members and guests.

Dessert will be provided by the club.

The members will receive a member plants & free ticket for a raffle.

We look forward to seeing everyone! .

#### **Upcoming Events**

- South Florida Orchid Society meeting, August 17th.— Peter Kouchalakas
- South Florida Orchid Society meeting, September 21st.— Brian Monk
- 70th Miami International Orchid Show, Sept. 30th, October 1st. and 2nd

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#### President's Message

#### Hello:

Thank you for continuing to share with us in your orchid adventure. You have just voted in a new board of directors. Congratulations to them all. Our mandate is to continuously improve on your society for the benefit of all members. Please participate, share your comments, we want your input.

You will be reading these words in early July. So, let's talk about the weather. Hot, hot, hot, with rain, rain, rain. All the insects that were making your life miserable have just



been replaced by fungi and bacteria. You need to start using your fungicides. Popular retail size names are SA-20, Physan-20, Thiomyl (Cleary's 3336), Dithane M-45 (Mancozeb), Captan, L.O.V. with Daconyl, and finally Liquid copper. Please remember to mind your bromeliads and some of your dendrobiums (soft cane) when using copper based fungicides. It is toxic on them).

There are other choices, but they come in larger commercial sizes (2-5Lbs). Popular choices are, Aliette, Banrot, Kocide, Truban, and Subdue-Maxx. We as a group, can buy one of those larger containers and split it amongst the interested members. I will make an announcement about this opportunity at our next meeting July 20<sup>th</sup>.

Rule of thumb on dosages of any of these fungicides is to use a couple of teaspoons in a gallon of water. Notable exception would be Subdue-Maxx. Please note that this is only a recommendation. I am only stating what I have used on my own orchids. Make sure to follow the manufacturer's label instructions.

Home remedies include cinnamon, yes, the spice, and hydrogen peroxide.

We have a new SFOS roster. If convenient, please come to one of our meetings to collect your copy.

We need more members. This will be my underlying effort, and my request to you all. Bring new people. Invite them over. They don't have to be members to participate in our presentations. However, they do have to be members to have their plants judged, participate in our silent auction, and to receive free raffle tickets.

Our next meeting will be on July 20<sup>th</sup>. Doors will open at 7:00pm. Presentation starts at 8:00pm. Check this newsletter for speaker's information.

Thank you,

Carlos



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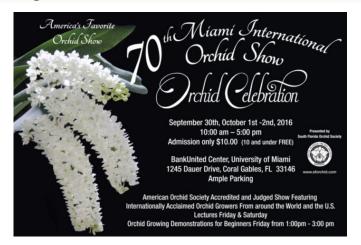
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