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President's Report For March 2016

We are almost there. Where did the time go? It is only 23 days from our meeting until the setup crew will be at the Garden Club. So it is time for you to pick a show slot. We must have your help for the show to be successful. At our March meeting, we will have tables setup for the various chair people to meet with you and answer any questions you may have and sign you up.

I was recently asked by a new member to explain how the raffle, silent auction and sales table work. So here goes and I will try and not confuse you.

Raffle Table—The tickets are \$1.00 each or 5 for \$5.00. When you buy the \$5.00 package, you also get a grand prize ticket. You can also pick up a door prize ticket at the front desk for that drawing (no cost – one per person). The orchids and orchid related items on the raffle table come from three sources. They are donated by our sponsors, members and purchased. Sometimes our speaker will donate a plant and we have even had strangers walk in and give us plants or other items. The income from the sale of raffle tickets goes toward paying the expenses of our speakers.

Silent Auction Table—We have this table for every meeting and CLUB MEMBERS are allowed to bring two orchids or orchid related items for this table. We want to keep it at two items per member in order not to compete with the sales of our speaker. They are not paid; we simply pick up their expense. Their ability to sell their own products is the only true incentive we have for them to come speak to us. If we are not having a speaker that is bringing items for sale, a MEMBER can bring an unlimited number of orchid related items. The income is split 80% to the MEMBER and 20% to the club.

Sales Table—The only time we have a sales table for CLUB MEMBERS is when we will not have a speaker bringing plants or items for sale. Members can bring unlimited numbers or orchid related items for this sale. The income split is also 80% to the MEMBER and 20% to the club.

We always try to inform the members by the Bulletin or by email as to what rules apply to a given meeting. If in doubt call me or one of the other officers. I hope this will clear up any confusion.

See you at the meeting.

John

JOS General Meeting Minutes—9 February 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM, by our President, John Van Brocklin.

John spoke about the upcoming show and the importance of every member new and old volunteering to help committee chairs. John announced that the picnic will be on May 1, 2016.

Margaret Cavin announced that there were still sponsorships available for the show and the nice recognition once receives with the sponsorship. Margaret also spoke about the picnic being held at their home and that if you plan on attending that you need to bring a side dish to share, your own chairs, plates and silverware.

Visitors are: Sherrie Jenkins, member of SAOS and Annalee & Chuck McPilomy, previous members, who rejoined and Pat Zeiser.

Dorothy spoke about cymbidiums and phallus that were donated by Richard Mohr, a former member. She also reminded members that dues need to be paid.

We broke for a snack.



Our speaker for the evening was Paul Storm from Meke Aloha Orchis in Sarasota, FL. Paul and Mary are known throughout the orchid world as the some of the leading experts on Schomburgkia/Laelia and Myrmecophila (“SCHOMBO”). His presentation was “Schombo-Sex 102.” He spoke about the history and development of Schombos.

The show table was called by Harry McElroy. Judges were Karen and Craig Akers, and Dalia Calderon. Bonnie Myers clerked.

The raffle table was called and then the

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meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Stomfay-Stitz, Secretary

**Treasurer's Report
February 2016**

Ending Balance January 2016 **\$ 26,083.31**

Income:

Membership Dues	\$ 280.00	
Raffle Tickets	\$ 95.00	
Donation - Food for 2016 Show	\$ 20.00	
Bank Interest Income	\$ 9.14	
Potting Clinic	\$ 123.00	
Show Vendor Fees	\$ 450.00	
Donation - Society Snack Table	\$ 80.00	
Total Income	\$ 1,057.14	\$ 27,140.45

Expenses:

Speaker Dinner	\$ 37.55	
Speaker Fee	\$ 250.00	
Potting Clinic Supplies	\$ 338.11	
Business Cards	\$ 158.75	
Posters for 2016 Show	\$ 231.90	
Office Supplies	\$ 51.34	
Name Tags	\$ 23.27	
Postage	\$ 9.80	
Replacement of Society Petty Cash	\$ 20.00	
President's Discretionary Fund (Taken from Society Petty Cash)	\$ 20.00	
Total Expenses	\$ 1,140.72	

Ending Balance February 2015 **\$ 25,999.73**

Society Petty Cash Fund	\$ 25.00	
Potting Clinic Petty Cash Fund	\$ 25.00	
Raffle Petty Cash Fund	\$ 25.00	

The Jacksonville Orchid Society Presents

Wonderful World of Orchids



Show & Sale, April 2-3
Free Admission

10:00–5:00, Garden Club of Jacksonville

1005 Riverside Ave.

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2016 Jacksonville Orchid Society Annual Show Staff Positions

Position	Name	Contact Information
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**2016 Jacksonville Orchid Society Annual Show Staff Positions
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2016 JOS Speaker Schedule

The 2016 Speaker Schedule is being constantly revised. Here's the current picture of the next couple of months:

Date	Speaker	Topic
8 March	JOS Members	Show Preparation and Round Table
12 April	Jim Roberts Suncoast Orchids	Advancing orchids out of compots
1 May— SUNDAY	Annual Picnic	
14 June	Fred Clarke	To Be Announced
12 July	Louis Del Favero	To Be Announced
9 August	To Be Announced	To Be Announced
13 September	Tom Kuligowski	Something on Angraecum
11 October	Roy Tokunaga	To Be Announced
8 November	Courtney Hackney	Blue Orchids
December 2016	Christmas Party!	

A REMINDER – REPOTTING CLINIC!

- *We need members to help with the March Repotting Clinic!*
- Learn how to remove plant from old pot and ready for repotting
- Learn to determine correct medium for each plant
- Water - Fertilizer - insect/disease info.
- Long-term growers available for questions and advice
- Create friendships with other JOS members and with orchid growers/lovers who come to Hagan Ace
- (some growers/lovers bring in a plant (s) every month)



Up-Coming South Eastern Orchid Show Events

Date	Event	Comments
March 2016		
5-6	Key West Orchid Society Show "Wild About Orchids"	Contact: Jay Pfahl 305-294-1101 jfal@sprynet.com
5-6	Martin County Orchid Society "Orchids Carnivale"	Contact: David Nickerson & Debbie Wilson 561-891-1572 davidnickerson.environmental@gmail.com
5-6	Englewood Area Orchid Society "Orchids by Lemon Bay"	Contact: Mary Anne DiGrazia 941-697-9237 tommaryanne@centurylink.net
5-6	Tampa Bay Orchid Society Show	Eileen or Julio Hector 813-368-7353 or 813-765-9271 TampaBayOrchidSociety@verizon.net
12-13	Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance Show	Contact: Jim Longwell 239-340-5520 jlongwell1@comcast.net
12-13	Orchid Society of Coral Gables	Contact: Melana Davison 760-212-8919 orchidiva@att.net
19-20	Port Saint Lucie Orchid Show "Orchid Paradise"	Contact: Hellen Wagner 772-599-3014 hellenrwagner@aol.com
26-27	Flamingo Gardens Orchid & Bromeliad Show	Contact: Jan Amador 954-347-2738 jbamador@bellsouth.net

Three Amigos Take On Tamiami

It's always good to go south (Miami) when it's cold here in Jacksonville. Stacey, Margie and I were ready to meet other FOGGERS (Florida Orchid Growing) to "tailgate" Saturday morning before the show opened. It was cold (48 degrees) and the wind was blowing about 40 miles per hour so we had to lean into the wind as we "warmed-up" at the tailgate. While there, we met and talked with many people we had interacted with over the past year on the Facebook FOGGERS group.



Once the show opened, we found that many of our Jacksonville show vendors were at the show, so we enjoyed talking and buying from them as well as others. In so doing, we found many flowering plants and bare root plants to choose from, and supplies galore. In addition, everyone was taking pictures of the judged plants and



hoping to find the same ones for their collection in the future.

We also visited Yolanda and Segundo of Quest Orchids at their green houses just a few blocks from the show and hurried through RF Orchids since the afternoon was fleeting. We had filled Stacy's big SUV with plants and supplies and headed back to Jacksonville ----- but we stopped at Green Barn Orchid Sup-



plies to see if we had missed getting any needed supplies at the show.

It was a great time and will definitely go to another show down south. Can't wait for Redlands!

Linda Schenholm

American Orchid Society Seasonal Orchid Care Checklists

The American Orchid Society (AOS) provides a wealth of information on their website (see <http://www.aos.org>) for members and non-members alike. If you are not a member, please consider joining as you have the interest and opportunity.

Monthly Checklist for March and April

Cattleya

Although March is, in many parts of the country, still a cold and blustery month, the lengthening days and warmer temperatures allowed by increased light are long-awaited harbingers of the coming change of season. Some of the best standard cattleyas of the year will be in bloom, or will be blooming soon. The last of the winter-flowering hybrids will join the earliest of the spring hybrids in a wonderful display. Be on the alert for senescing sheaths that need removal. If these yellowing sheaths are not removed, the moisture they trap can lead to bud rot. Careful removal of the sheath will allow the buds to develop,



although they will need additional support. Changing light conditions can also be a problem in March and April. An exceptionally bright day, especially immediately following a rain, can lead to sunburn of the foliage if shading is not attended to properly. There can still be periods of dull days where spikes can be weakened owing to the lower light. Lengthening days will mean increased metabolic rates necessitating increased water and fertilizer. The plants will indicate needs by drying more rapidly, which means more frequent watering and fertilizing.

With the passing of the season for winter bloomers, and the beginning of the season for spring bloom, it is also the time to be on the lookout for plants that will need potting after they bloom. Immediately after blooming has proven to be the best time to repot winter- and spring-flowering cattleyas. In most cases, they will be ready to grow roots, so if potted at this time, they will root right into fresh mix with little or no setback.

Cymbidium

Plants should be putting on a spectacular show this time of year. Adjust all staking and twist-ties and be on the lookout for aphids, slugs and snails. Give adequate water because flowering strains the plants. As new growths appear later, increase the nitrogen level in the fertilizer. Should a plant look healthy but not be blooming, try increasing the light during the next growing season. The number-one reason for no flowers is lack of light.

Dendrobium (Australian)

These hard-cane dendrobiums will be at their flowering peak now. It is not unusual to see a specimen of this type in an orchid show boasting 1,000 flowers. The secret with this group -- bred primarily from *Dendrobium kingianum* and *Dendrobium speciosum* -- is to provide ample water, fertilizer and light during the growing season.

Lycaste

This genus of superb orchids will be coming to the end of its flowering season. Soon you will see the beginning of new root growth, which is an excellent time to repot into fresh media. As new growth emerges, provide ample fertilizer and water. A sign of good culture is an increase in the size of pseudobulbs with each successive year.

Miltoniopsis

This marks the beginning of the flowering season. Amazing displays of color will dazzle the grower over the next few months. Prepare your plants for optimum display by staking spikes (if needed) and cleaning off the older yellow foliage. Do not miss the wonderful fragrance as the flowers unfold..

Paphiopedilum

March is the beginning of the season of heaviest potting for lady's-slipper orchids. However, it is a month where the volume of plants needing attention is still small. It is an excellent month to take the time to work with your paphiopedilums before the pressure of other potting prevents your doing the thorough job you should. Look at each plant: Is it clean of dead and dying foliage? Is it weed free? Does it need potting? Is it in spike? Does it have an insect problem? Cleaning and restaging your paphs is one of the most satisfying tasks of the orchid year. Cleaned and potted paphiopedilums look happy.

The summer-blooming types will be showing the first of their buds in March and April. Be on the lookout for the buds, as well as any insect pests that may have found their way into the crowns of your plants. It is especially difficult to clean mealybugs, in particular, once they have become established in the plant. Better to get to them before they get a good toehold.

Increasing light levels should give emerging spikes the strength they need to grow straight and strong. Do not be too anxious to stake the spikes, because if they are staked too soon, the flowers may develop a "nodding" stance, where the dorsal will not stand upright. If the spikes seem to develop at an angle, let them, and stake after the flower has hardened for best carriage, especially on the hybrids with fairieanum background.

Phalaenopsis

In most of the country, March is the peak blooming month for phalaenopsis. Staking needs to be carefully attended to, so that the flowers will be displayed at their best for orchid shows and judging -- even those intended for your home will look best if properly staked. One of the most decorative aspects of phalaenopsis spikes is the way they gracefully arch. If not staked properly, the spike will lack this grace and will not be as pleasing. Most growers like to have the final support just below the first flower, allowing maximum support, without sacrificing the beauty of the



arching spike.

Rapid-growing spikes and open flowers place extra demands on the plant. Careful monitoring of watering and feeding will give the plants the energy they require to give their best floral display. Remember, too, that the lengthening days will also increase the frequency at which plants need water.

Beware of the invasion of sucking pests that accompany the flowering season. Flowers and spikes are favorite targets of mealybugs and scales. Be on the look out for their presence, often indicated by the appearance of sooty mold resulting from the exudate of the bugs, and treat before flowers or buds are too advanced. If flowers and buds are too far along, the chemical treatment may damage or abort them.

Pleurothallids

Members in this large and increasingly popular group will be looking their best now. If plants are not in flower, the next few months provide an excellent time to divide if needed or repot into fresh mix. Taking care of these tasks now will allow enough time for your plants to become established before the hot weather arrives.

The AOS (and JOS) thank Ned Nash and James Rose for this essay.



Show Table Results January 2016

Cattleya Alliance		
1 st Place	Blc. "Red Beauty"	Beth and Billy Strate
2 nd Place	Epidendrum radicans	Jerry Fowler
3 rd Place	Blc. Fuchs Orange Nugget 'Lea'	Art Whittier
Cymbidium Alliance		
1 st Place	Cymbidium Auntie Mary Kovich	Harry and Celia McElroy
Dendrobium Alliance		
1 st Place	Dendrobium Sea Mary "Snow King"	Ed Cavin
2 nd Place	Dendrobium compactum	Dottie Morrison
Oncidium Alliance		
1 st Place	Oncidium Noname	John Rahaim
2 nd Place	Brsdm. Wild Warrior 'Chieftan' AM/AOS	Dottie Morrison
Paphiopedilum Alliance		
1 st Place	Paphiopedilum St. Swithin	James Arnold
2 nd Place	Paphiopedilum Mele Moon	Dottie Morrison
Phalaenopsis Alliance		
1 st Place	Phalaenopsis Take a Salu 'Alison'	Jerry Fowler
2 nd Place	Phalaenopsis Noname	Renee Edmonson
Miscellaneous Hybrids		
1 st Place	Fdk. After Dark 'Sunset Valley'	Dottie Morrison
Species		
1 st Place	<i>Bulb. wallichii</i>	Margie Johnson
Vanda Alliance		
1 st Place	Pachara Delight Pink #2	Jerry Fowler
2 nd Place	Ascenda Noname	Billy and Beth Strate

Judges: Karen and Craig Akers, and Dalia Calderon

Clerk: Bonnie Myers

Harry McElroy called the Table

March 2016—Show Table



Blc. "Red Beauty"
Billy and Beth Strate
1st Place — Cattelya



Epidendrum radicans
Jerry Fowler
2nd Place — Cattelya



Blc. Fuchs Orange Nugget 'Lea'
Art Whittier
3rd Place — Cattelya



Cymbidium Auntie Mary Kovich
Celia and Harry McElroy
1st Place — Cymbidium



Dendrobium Sea Mary "Snow King"
Dottie Morrison
1st Place — Dendrobium



Dendrobium compactum
Ed Cavin
2nd Place — Dendrobium



Cymbidium Auntie Mary Kovich
Celia and Harry McElroy
1st Place — Oncidium



Dendrobium compactum
Ed Cavin
2nd Place — Oncidium



Fdk. After Dark 'Sunset Valley'
Dottie Morrison
1st Place — Miscellaneous

March 2016—Show Table, Continued



Paphiopedilum St. Swithin
James Arnold
1st Place — Paphiopedilum



Paphiopedilum Mele Moon
Dottie Morrison
2nd Place — Paphiopedilum



Bulb. wallichii
Margie Johnson
1st Place — Species



Phalaenopsis Take a Salu 'Alison'
Jerry Fowler
1st Place — Phalaenopsis



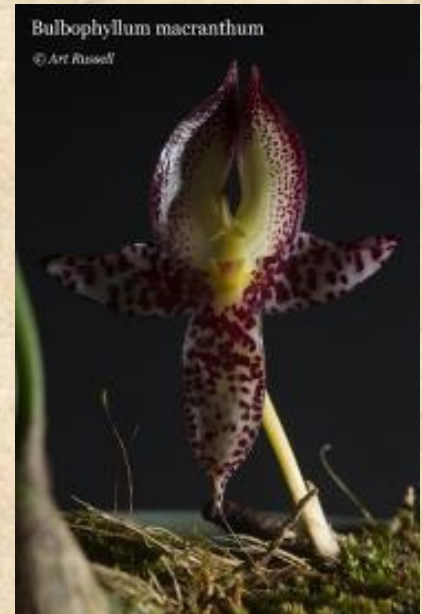
Paphiopedilum AlbNoname
Renee Edmonson
2nd Place — Phalaenopsis



Vanda Pachara Delight Pink #2
Jerry Fowler
1st Place — Vanda



Ascenda Noname
Billy and Beth Strate
1st Place — Vanda



Editor's Notes

Speaking of the AOS, you are a member, are you not? If not, take a look their website, <http://www.aos.org/>. There you will find a wealth of resources intended to help improve your understanding and appreciation of orchids. I renewed for 2 years—How about you?

New Sponsor! Claude Hamilton of Hamlyn Orchids, <http://www.mekealohaorchids.com>, and on [Facebook](#), is now a sponsor. Be sure to take a look at his website. Claude is a well respected AOS Judge and his offerings are as varied as they are interesting. Claude will be at Redlands so be sure to look him up!

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Claude W. Hamilton
American Orchid Society Judge



Notes for Newcomers, New Members, and Novices

Hands-On Training. During the Spring thru Fall seasons, the JOS conducts “Re-potting Clinics” at the Hagan Ace Hardware on San Jose in Mandarin. This is a *de facto* training session for anyone wanting to learn how to repot their orchids. Older, or more experienced (!), members will be on hand to repot orchids for members of the public. More importantly, they are also there to help our new members, novices, and anyone interested learn how to report orchids of all types and descriptions. We do charge a nominal fee to recoup the cost of materials used in repotting, but other than that, there is no cost. More importantly, you can come by and “suck the experts’ brains dry” regarding orchid esoterica.

There is no better way to learn, than to learn by doing, so plan to come by and take advantage of our members’ knowledge, and learn how to repot orchids under their expert tutelage. The good news is that orchids are tough, and our members will help you learn about orchids from those that know—*Active Growers!*

American Orchid Society. Experienced growers know and recognize the value of the American Orchid Society (AOS). They are located on the World Wide Web at: <http://www.aos.org>. They offer information and expertise spanning the entire field of orchids. Locally, several of our members are practicing or past AOS judges. When you visit their website, you’ll find references, resources of all types, and often an invitation to participate in an on-line seminar of topics of interest to all orchid growers. You might also notice that elsewhere I’ve included monthly-themed American Orchid Society Seasonal Orchid Care Checklists. A benefit of membership is that AOS resources are available for member use.

Another AOS benefit is training. The AOS trains and provides judges for Orchid Shows, judging of AOS member orchids, and other events. You are welcome to attend AOS training and their doors are always open.

Resources. Thinking of the World Wide Web; the Web offers near-endless resources. Of course, the difficulty is finding accurate resources. Several of my favorites include not only the AOS, but:

The Internet Orchid Encyclopedia — <http://www.orchidspecies.com>

The Orchid Wiki—http://orchids.wikia.com/wiki/Main_Page

The St. Augustine Orchid Society—<http://www.orchidspecies.com>

Show Table—For the Novice. Novice Growers and new members should not hesitate to display orchids on the monthly show table. There are several benefits, but the most important one is that you’ll get experience displaying your orchids in comparison to those of your peers, and also have an opportunity to learn about the process. Moreover, as a novice you’ll have an opportunity to display your orchids in your own category—Novice. But, here’s the thing, every one wants to see others’ orchids and are always pleasantly surprised when their own orchid places. So where are your orchids and why aren’t they on the Show Table?

- *The Editor*

Footnotes ...

On Sponsors...

Please be sure to let our sponsors know that you are a member of the Jacksonville Orchid Society. It is important that we let them know through our patronage of our appreciation of their support.

In the Jacksonville area - Please visit the ***Williams Plant Nursery*** for your yard and greenery needs. The ***Williams Plant Nursery*** has supplied the Jacksonville Orchid Show with the greenery filling out the display spaces for the past several years. Let's make sure we support them as they have supported us.

On our Speakers...

Many of our speakers accompany their presentation with a selection of orchids, many of which relate directly to their presentation. Their sales of orchids is how they defray the true cost of traveling to make their presentation to the Jacksonville Orchid Society. Please be sure to view their orchids and purchase the temptation they've brought your way... ***It may not be available later!***

Email Newsletter...

If you know of a JOS member that is not receiving the newsletter via email, please send their email address my direction. I'll add it to the list if we don't have it, or correct a bad email address.

Thanks - The Editor

2016 Jacksonville Orchid Show Vendors (Tentative -Still under development!)

Art Stone/Palmer Orchids

Quest Orchids

Macs Orchids

So Orchids

Florida Sun Coast Orchids

Odom Orchids

Krull/Smith Orchids

Hick's Orchid Supplies

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Springwater Orchids

E. F. G. Orchids

Footnotes Continued ...

March 2016 Pre-Meeting Dinner

A number of JOS members meet for dinner before the monthly meeting. In **March 2016** we'll meet at "**The Derby House**" on Park Street, in the Riverside District of Jacksonville, at 5PM. Please feel free to join us—We look forward to seeing you.

See the link on GoogleMaps: <http://goo.gl/maps/VQzAI>

Audio Visual Support:

*Steve Dunn has graciously agreed to handle Audio Visual Support for the society.
Thanks Steve! —Art Russell*

Orchids from Roy Tokunaga

Members attending the February meeting received an unexpected gift of an orchid from JOS Friend and primary of H&R Orchids in Hawaii, Roy Tokunaga! JOS Director Cammy Koeber arranged the gift and also brought along a card for members to sign in appreciation. According to Camy, Roy was "*Surprised and Delighted*" to learn of members' appreciation of his gift. The good news is that we'll be seeing Roy again as he is slated to be our featured presenter in October. Although we don't know the topic yet, when Roy last spoke to us, his presentation was very well received—*AND* the orchids he brought along for sale were wonderful as well!

A note from your Editorial Staff:

Your newsletter, *The Bulletin*, is only as good as the content provided by its members. Often times the Editorial Staff writes the articles or uses others' with permission. Better yet would be if we build the newsletter around **Your** contributions. You don't need to be an accomplished author; you just need a willingness to take on orchid-related, or other topics of interest to the membership. Send your submission to the Society Secretary or President, and they'll get it to us.

On another note, the Society needs assistance setting up audio-visual equipment for our monthly meetings. Please let the Society President or Art Russell know if you can help out.

Thanks—***The Editor***

These are our sponsors & the folks who supply our raffle table.

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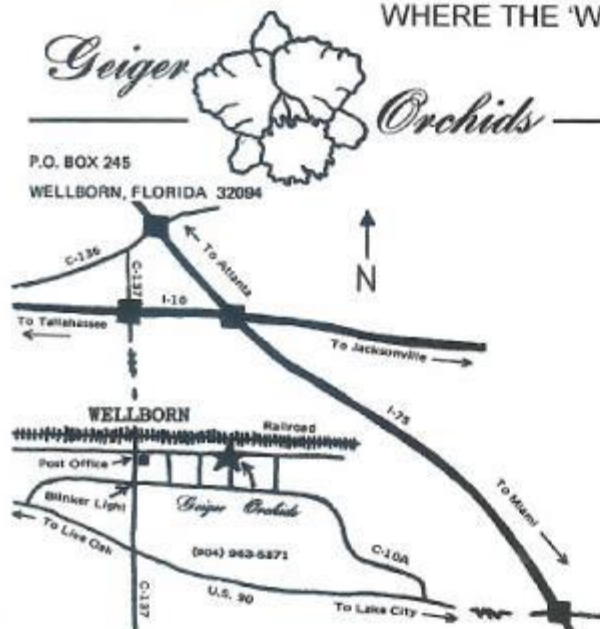
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