## Fort Pierce Orchid Society Newsletter www.myfpos.com ~ DECEMBER 2016 ~

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### Ralph Zeblin

There is a cool chill coming in the air, and the days are getting shorter. There are Christmas lights going up around the neighborhood and there is that holiday feeling again, just like when we were kids. I guess we can't really count on any snow here in South Florida, and I hope it doesn't get so cold that I have to bring in all my orchids. I wish that every year, but eventually it gets cold enough and I find myself bringing in all my plants. I'm never really prepared either.

Well we are all set for our Christmas party. I'm sure Rita has be emailing everyone on what to bring, as far as food, gifts and donations. We will be installing the officers for this year. Then we will be honoring the men's and women's members of the year. This is an award that the board of directors voted on and that goes to the most important members and their contributions. It can be hard to choose sometimes because there were a lot of deserving people this year. I wish we could give an award to everyone!

And don't forget one of the best parts - the orchid we get every year for paying members. Besides seeing all of my friends, getting our orchids at the Christmas party is one of my favorite things. Can't wait to see what they look like, but we will have to wait until Saturday.

So bring good cheer and an appetite, and we'll all have a good time.

Merry Christmas

-- RPZ

# 2017 Membership Dues New Rates! \$15 \$20 Per Person Couple Please send your dues to Fort Pierce Orchid Society, P.O. Box 12726, Fort Pierce, FL 34979

or see Rita Zeblin, Treasurer, at the next meeting.

### **SHOW CHAIR MESSAGES**

Rita Zeblin

Here it is the last newsletter of the year! We had a quite a challenging year! We hope that next year will hold out much better!!

Our show was a success in spite of all the hiccups that occured. First it was the hurricane Matthew that caused us to reschedule the show to November. We had issues with the ad not getting in the Treasure Coast papers which caused low attendance, especially on Sunday. But we are getting a free ad for our garage sale ad in January to replace their error.

We are looking forward to making some money in January at our garage sale. But we need your help with your items to sell to benefit our society. If it is successful we will do it every year. See page 4 for more information.

I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas!!



### CAN YOU NAME THIS ORCHID?



The answer will be in the next newsletter



Answer for the orchid that was in the last newsletter is:

bulbophyllum dearei