

The EEOS July 2023 Newsletter

The goal of our society is to educate ourselves and the general public in the classification, evolution and propagation, culture, care, and development of the cultural and economic importance of orchids; and to support the conservation this fascinating group of plants. Membership is open to anyone who is interested in the objectives, aims, and purposes of the EEOS, Inc.

The East Everglades Orchid Society meets on the FOURTH TUESDAY of each month with Judging at 7:30 PM and orchid related talk held at 8:00 PM

Meeting place: University of Florida Miami-Dade Extension Bldg. at

18710 SW 288th St

Homestead, FL

Visitors are always welcome.

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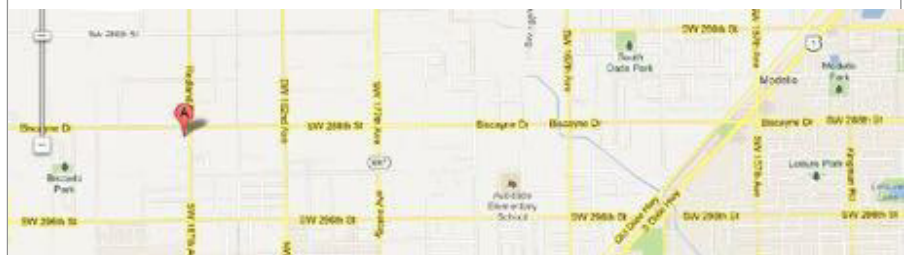
East Everglades Orchid Society The Orchid Column



Our July Meeting

Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 7:00 PM

This month our Guest Speaker will be Lou Lodyga



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Greetings Members:

It seems July just got here but here we are well past the middle of the month. Where does the time go? We are well into our typical summer season in south Florida, with high humid temperatures, and almost daily rains. Watch for fungus on your plants and treat as soon as spotted. A little time release fertilizer will work great with all the rain.

This month our speaker will be Lou Lodyga, speaking about Cattleyas. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us.

We have some more great speakers lined up for the rest of the year. Watch the newsletter for details!

Don't forget to bring a dish to share at our buffet table.

See you at the meeting!



Louis (Lou) Lodyga started growing orchids at an early age in Southwestern Michigan. His first orchid was *Cattleya mossiae*, which is a big favorite! In 1968 he started as manager of Black River Orchids in South Haven, Mi., which specialized in mostly species.

Since there were no orchid societies on the western side of Michigan, he started the Dunes Orchid Society in 1969, which was also in South Haven, Michigan. In that same year, Lou entered the American Orchid Society Judging Program along with the owners of Black River Orchids, out of Saint Louis, MO. Judging center.

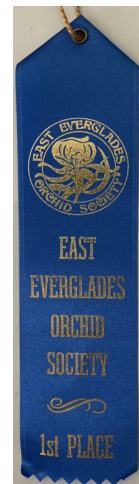
In 1979, he moved to Miami, FL., to manage the orchid section of Jones & Scully, near Miami International Airport. After the Miami World Orchid Conference in 2008, the nursery moved to the Homestead area.

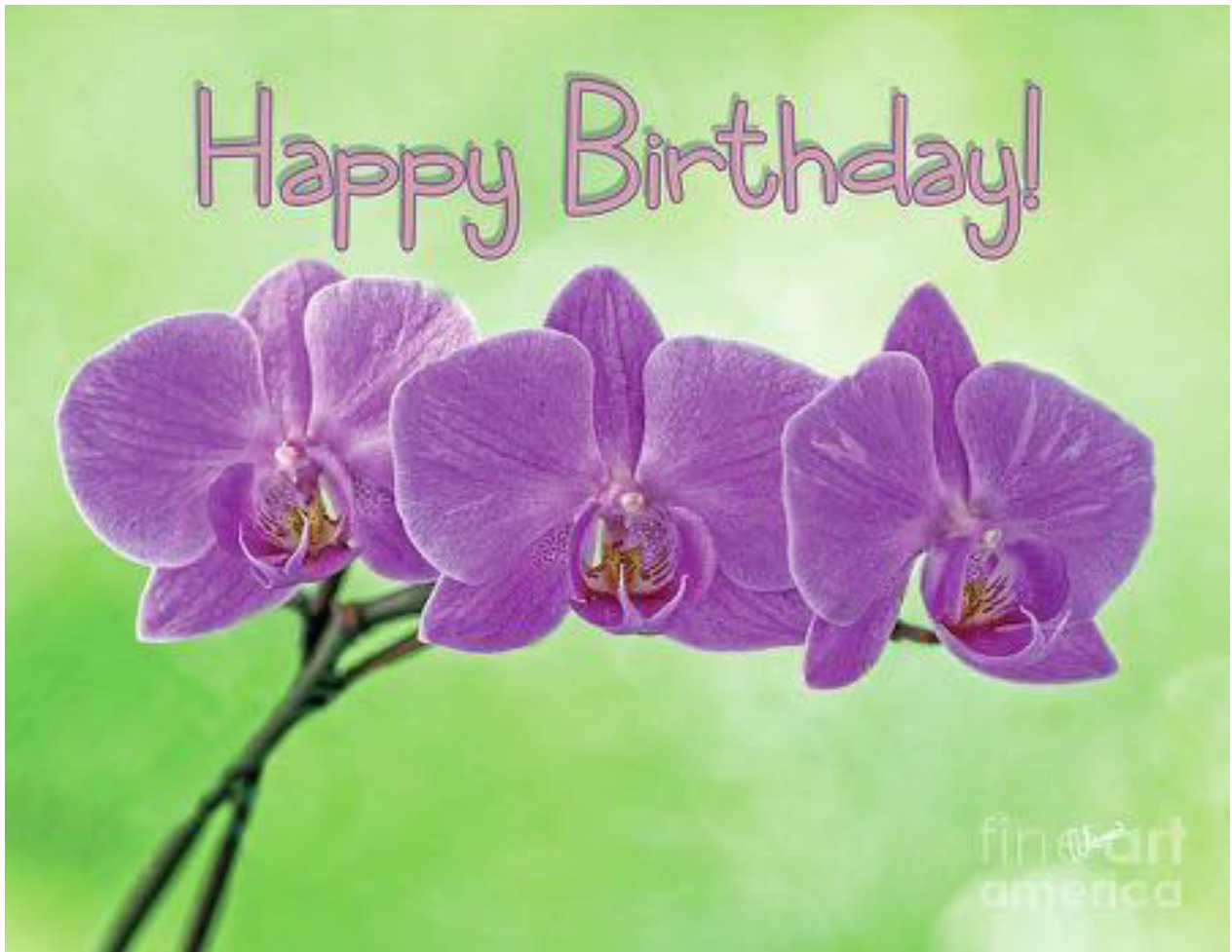
In 1990, Lou started as a plant inspector with the Division of Plant Industry at Chapman Field, Miami. He eventually progressed to Supervisor, and finally as Regional Administrator, retiring in 2012.

Lou is an original member of COS, which started in 1990, and has served as president several times, and is currently secretary.

We will be taking nominations for your EEOS Officers in the upcoming months. If you would like to serve the club as President, Vice President or as a trustee, watch for announcement of the nominating committee, and through your hat into the ring. We always need new blood...oops, I mean ideas.

We are looking for individuals that are interested in learning about judging plants and who are willing to help judge the members plants before the meeting. If you are interested please see David Schaffter.





July Birthdays

Maria Almodovar	4
Kim Belisle	17
Tere Camacho	22
Wayne Congdon	16
Geneva Hairs	11

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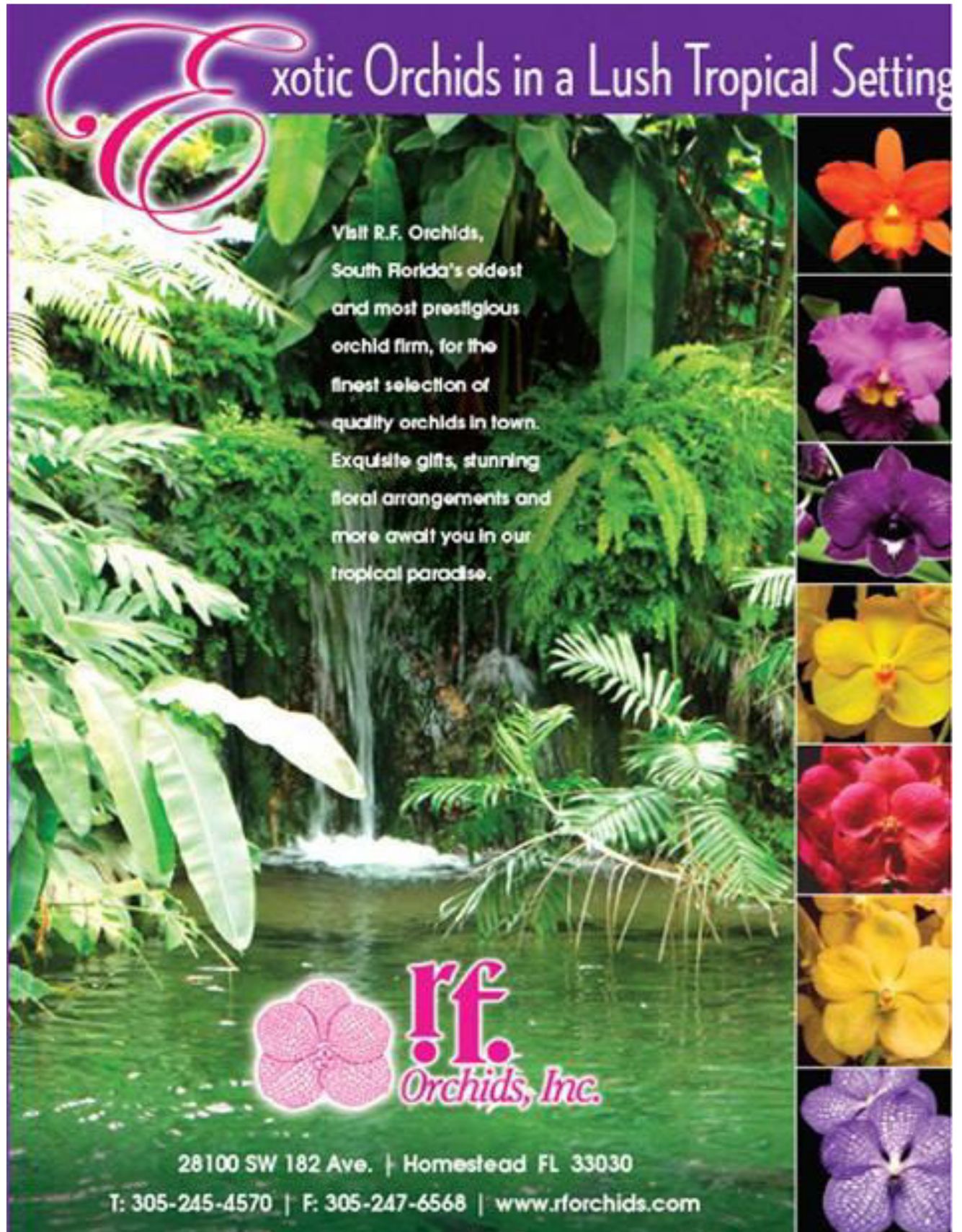
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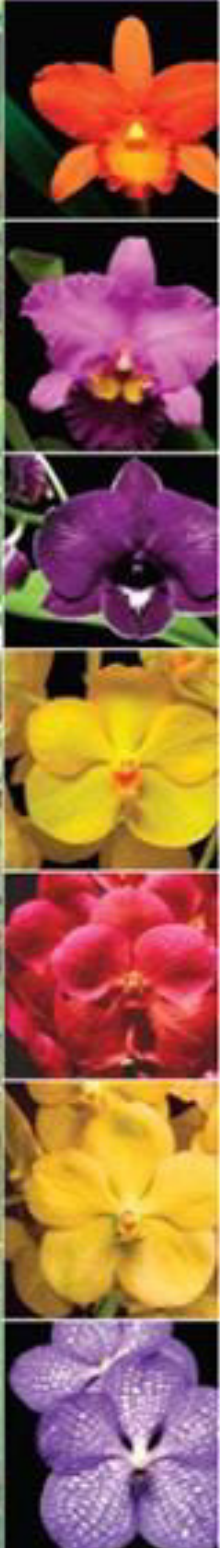


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