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President's Message

Happy New Year!

The DBOS Board of Trustees and I hope to see each of you sometime soon. We have discussed the possibility of holding in-person meetings and decided to wait another couple of months to see how the COVID-19 cases are in Florida, how well the vaccine is working, and to ensure the safety of all our members. We have been busy contacting speakers for 2021, and we are planning a great year ahead. We have discussed tentative dates later in the year for the picnic, home ramble, bus trip, show, and holiday party, however, we are going to wait until March or April before we finalize any dates. As 2020 was a rather surreal year, we have canceled all the 2020 events that we had to continually postpone. This means no holiday party in February as we had previously announced. We plan to have a great holiday party in December 2021!

We are pleased to welcome our speaker for the 7:30 pm January 12 Zoom meeting, Wendy Mazuk, who will be speaking about *Dendrophylax lindenii*, better known as the Ghost Orchid, which is only found in the Florida Everglades and Cuba. Wendy has relocated from Florida and now resides in the Caribbean. However, her research, interests, and publishing still include projects on the Ghost Orchid, which she researched extensively at Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU). Her FGCU senior research project led to researching the poaching of orchids in the Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve. She has been involved in the orchid world since 2008 when she took a free class on orchids from the Broward Orchid Supply (BOS) and continued to learn as much as she could about orchids and worked many of the large orchid shows with BOS. We do hope you will join us on Zoom. If you are unable to join us live, a recording of the meeting will be made available to paid members a few days after the meeting.

We had a great meeting listening and learning from Fred Clarke, Sunset Valley Orchids in California, who joined us live via Zoom for our November 10 meeting. He discussed the fascinating group of orchids, "Spotted and Splashed Cattleyas." He provided a detailed look at the latest developments in the breeding and growing of these colorful and showy orchids and covered the "best growing practices" for their cultivation.

Fred will be one of the many renowned orchid growers at the Apopka International Winter Orchid Festival, hosted by Krull-Smith, January 16-17, 2021 from 9:00am – 5:00pm each day. If you are interested in attending the festival and purchasing some amazing orchids from these quality vendors, there will be a great assortment from orchid vendors including Popow Orchids (Germany); Mainshow Orchids (Taiwan); and Florida orchid growers Bredren Orchids, Krull-Smith, Florida SunCoast Orchids, and OFE International. Krull-Smith is located at 2800 W. Ponkan Rd, Apopka, FL 32712. Masks are required.

It is time for our annual membership drive, and we hope you will renew your membership for 2021. Our renewal dues membership has not increased. Yearly Membership Renewals are \$20.00 (Individual), \$30.00 (Couples), and \$5.00 (Junior Membership). If you do not belong to DBOS and would like to become a member the yearly dues are \$25.00 (Individual), \$35.00 (Couples), and \$10.00 (Junior Membership). Please call Linda Woodhouse, Membership Chairperson, at 954-234-4623 with a credit card to renew (join), or send a check to Deerfield Beach Orchid Society, PO Box 732, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441 by March 5, 2021. Paid members will be able to join our live Zoom meetings and have a copy of the meeting available to them after it.

Happy Orchiding!

Cheryl Babcock
DBOS President

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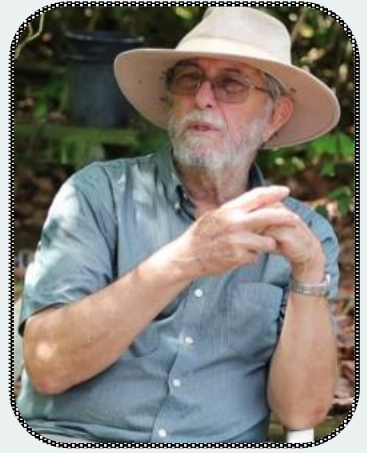
DBOS meetings will be held virtually via ZOOM live until further notice due to **Covid-19 restrictions**.

In case you missed your email for the recorded video link for the November meeting, check your email for the email sent to you the morning of November 11th from deerfieldorchids@gmail.com.

Please check your email for information pertaining to events for 2021. Announcements will be sent to you as information is available. If you have a question, send it to deerfieldorchids@gmail.com and someone will get back to you.

January Climate Data

Average high: 76.5°F
 Average low: 59.6°F
 Average mean: 68.1°F
 Average rainfall: 1.88"



January in Your Orchid Collection

January is somewhat like December but in reverse, with each succeeding day bringing longer hours of sunlight until days are long enough that afternoons return at the end of the month bringing extra sunshine to warm us after the extra sharp cold snaps. January, like December, is cold and dry, in fact even colder and drier. Dry is good, cold can be very bad. We need to accentuate the positive by especially careful watering in January. By keeping our plants as dry as possible and spacing our waterings as far apart as possible, we conserve our potential to use water to protect our plants from the cold, keeping our powder dry, as it were. In January water early, water thoroughly when you do and do so sparingly. The cooler overall temperatures of January are much less dehydrating even to plants which have received less water. remember, many of our orchids come from seasonally dry and cool climates not so different from South Florida. Many orchids are equipped to handle the drier cooler conditions of our January. A good strategy is to "top-up" the light watering that our plants receive with the passing showers that each successive cold front brings. This slight additional irrigation may prove to be all the watering that many genera need. Such parsimony, preserves the possibility of using water on truly cold nights to warm our plants.

Water is the only feasible source of heat available to plants grown in the open, under trees, in shade houses or on patios in South Florida. Ground water here (and in most of the rest of the world is about 63 F. (16C). Water out of municipal systems is not far different. On truly cold nights turning on the water can be of great benefit to our plants, provided that they have not been over-watered in the days and weeks preceding, thus inviting the ever present fungi to do more damage than the cold. For this reason as well, in general, orchids are better off dry until temperatures approach frost or freezing. The logic for maintaining plants dry is not only to minimize fungal problems but also because cold air is typically very dry air. If plants are wet in very dry and rapidly moving air say 10 or more MPH, evaporative cooling can take place, chilling our orchids further and faster than they would if dry. When the water goes on it needs to be in heavy volume and it needs to stay on to keep the plants thoroughly bathed in its warmth. Very still air on the other hand, presents a different danger as frost is possible at temperatures higher than is commonly realized. In calm air frost can form at higher elevations and settle in on plants while the surface temperature is only in the upper 30's. The best forecast for nights when the temperature will hover near 40 is a light wind of 2-5 miles per hour. This light wind mixes the warm air near the surface and draws warm from the earth. Clear, cloudless, still nights with bright shining stars elevate the spirit but harbingers frost.

Forecasts of temperatures below 40 F should stimulate us to action.

If it is not practical to bring all the *Phalaenopsis*, vandas and hard cane dendrobiums into the house or garage, think of using water to help protect them. Shade cloth or even patio screen hold in a surprising amount of heat like an lacy Mantilla. Under screen, a fine mist head attached to a hose and left running beneath the bench or plant rack will provide several degrees of additional warmth that will often sufficiently temper the chill and ward of any light frost settling in. Growers with swimming pools frequently turn on the recirculating pump to keep a supply of warm water near the pool's surface where it can add heat to the ambient environment. A few degrees of warmth frequently makes all the difference to our sensitive orchids. In more open areas not protected by a permanent irrigation system, an oscillating sprinkler at the end of a garden hose is very effective.continued.....



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Speaker of the Month

Wendy Mazuk

Virtual ZOOM Presentation

January 12, 2021 7:30 pm



“The Elusive Ghost Orchid”

Our January speaker is Wendy Mazuk who will be speaking about *Dendrophylax lindenii*, better known as the **Ghost Orchid**.

Wendy has been immersed in the orchid world since 2008. Starting from a free class on orchids from Broward Orchid Supply (BOS) and quickly learning much about everything orchids that you can, she later began working the large orchid shows with BOS. Throughout her time at Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU), she did many projects on the Ghost Orchid, including her senior research projects, which led to researching the poaching of orchids in the Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve.

Wendy graduated FGCU with a Bachelor’s Degree in Environmental Studies and a minor in Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS). She also helps with camera work and collecting data every summer with park rangers and environmental scientists, so much so that she has a slough named after her! She has also published articles on the Ghost Orchid.

Presently she has begun to start her own part time business helping people with their orchids at home, doing classes and lectures. She is no longer running her orchid business in Florida as she now lives in the Caribbean.

Wendy is a grower, photographer, researcher, and has done extensive work with the Ghost Orchid. She has a strong interest in our natural habitats, the Everglades, wetlands restoration, horticulture, and research projects. Her special hobby is studying the Ghost Orchid, which is only found in the Florida Everglades and Cuba. She has developed a side passion that involves occasional speaking engagements to chapters of the American Orchid Society around the US.

Link to the ZOOM meeting will be sent to members from deerfieldorchids@gmail.com prior to the meeting.



Email: wmazuk@gmail.com

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B9llrpOLJ14>



<http://angraecums.blogspot.com/2015/04/the-ghost-orchid-into-slough.html>

Happy Birthday



JANUARY

Jan 02 Ariana Adams
Jan 02 Tileia Almeida Cromwell
Jan 05 Elizabeth Wittl
Jan 12 Jane Maechtle
Jan 15 Jacqueline Scott
Jan 17 Jean-Ellen Riess
Jan 19 Luis Martinez
Jan 21 Suely Taylor
Jan 24 Eileen Cipriano
Jan 24 Sue Louise Ullom
Jan 24 Madeleine Rosenblatt
Jan 24 Alan Manas
Jan 28 Joyce Rosselli
Jan 31 Greg Keesecker

FEBRUARY

Feb 01 Linda Trotter
Feb 06 Elvia Kenney
Feb 04 Valentyna Dyecheva
Feb 07 Louise Albright
Feb 08 Don Carpenter
Feb 10 Lisa Ray
Feb 10 Diana Fedrigo
Feb 13 Joseph Ortlieb
Feb 14 Jeff McMullan
Feb 17 Rosemary Chenery
Feb 18 Elliott Hechtman
Feb 22 Rick Bellas
Feb 25 Dot Heley





Deerfield Beach Orchid Society

Annual Social Events



These events may be held on the meeting date or on another day of the week instead of a general meeting.

1. **TBD** DBOS 8th Annual Orchid Auction. Held at the Deerfield Beach Woman's Club
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Joe Ortlieb
2. **TBD** DBOS Annual Orchid Home Ramble
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Linda Woodhouse
Committee: TBD
3. **TBD** DBOS Annual Picnic
Chairpersons: Dennis Pearl & Kristina Brandt
Committee: Racquel Carles, Lisa Sarno, Jacqueline & Wes Scott
4. **TBD** DBOS Annual Bus Trip
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Kristina Brandt
5. **Nov 13 –14, 2021** DBOS 9th Annual Orchid Show and Sale. Safe Schools Institute
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock, Kristina Brandt & Joe Ortlieb
6. **Dec 4, 2021** DBOS Annual Members' Holiday Party
The Holiday Party, typically held the first Saturday in December.
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Lisa Sarno
Committee: Kristina Brandt, Raquel Carles, Madeline Felton, Grace Holliday & Linda Woodhouse

If you are interested in joining a committee, please contact Cheryl Babcock or Kristina Brandt.





MEMBERS' PLANTS

DBOS members, please send images of some of your favorite images at any time to deerfieldorchids@gmail.com so we can share them with our membership. We all used to like to ooh! and aah! at our monthly meetings when we had our members' table and people brought in their blooming orchids to show. We often saw orchids that we put on our list of orchids to add to our collections. If we get enough of our members to submit photos each month, we can have a virtual orchid display. So many of you have commented on FOG or Facebook that you have a beautiful orchid to show and no place to take it.

Take it virtual!



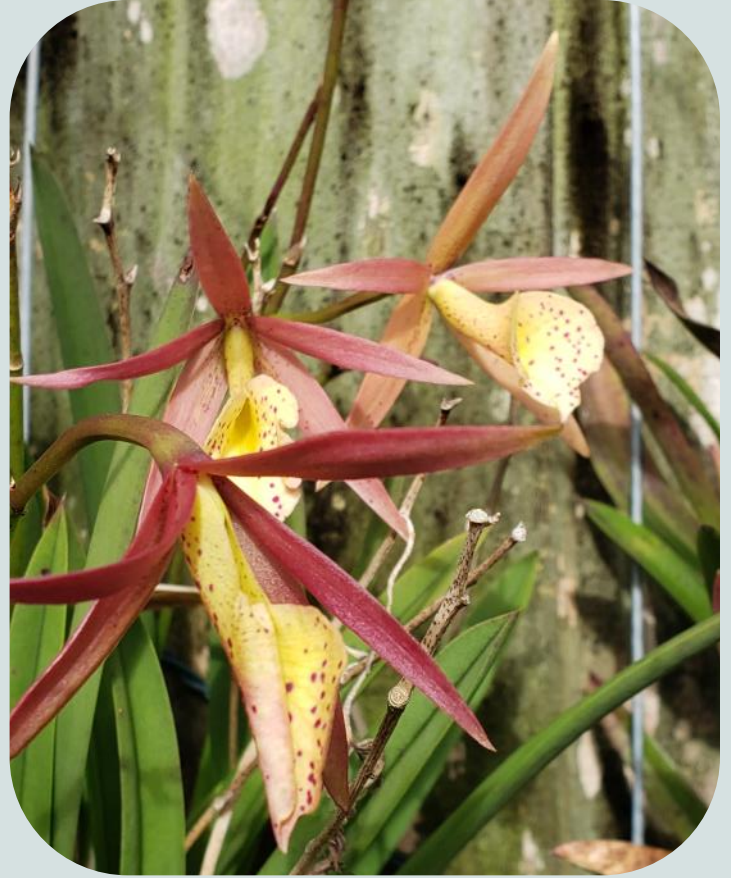
Encyclia Tampensis
Ron Franz



Encyclia Cochleata
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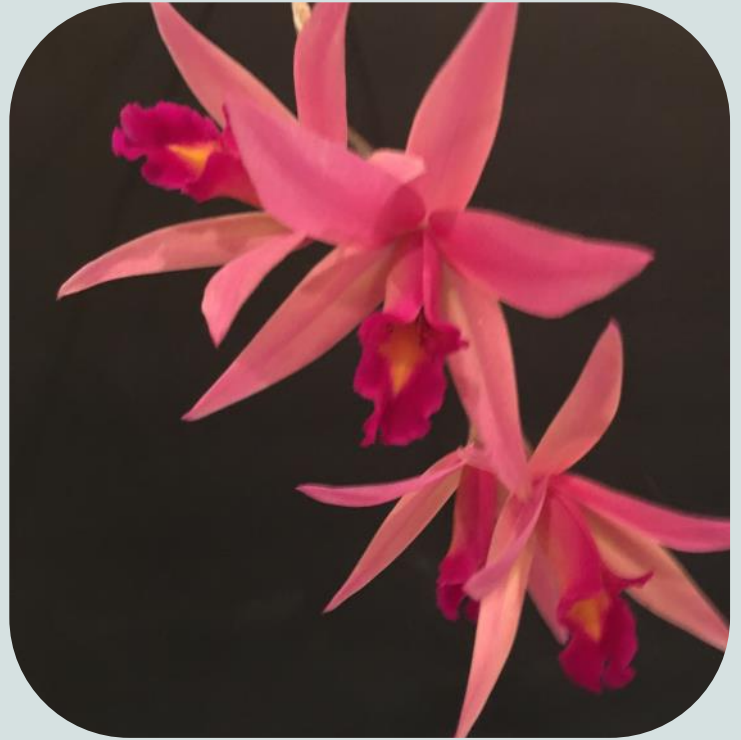
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Bc. Hoku gem
Susan Kolinsky



**Columbiana
Susan Kolinsky**



**L. Santa Barbara Sunset
Photo after our class on backdrops
Susan Kolinsky**



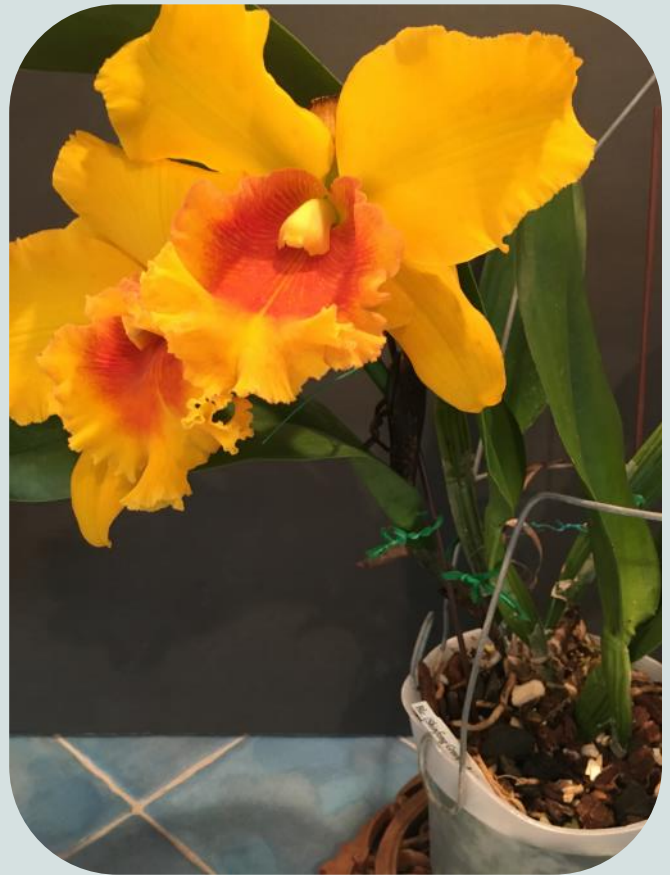
**Phalanx NOID
Photo after our class on backdrops
Susan Kolinsky**



**Vanda lamellata X Noi Blue Rhy coelestis Blue
Susan Kolinsky**



Rlc. Cheong Guu Benz
Photo after our class on backdrops
Susan Kolinsky



Blc Shinfong Green x Apricot Flare
Photo after our class on backdrops
Susan Kolinsky



cyncnodes Taiwan Gold
Susan Kolinsky



Vanda Gordon Dillon x Aer. Lawrenceia
Susan Kolinsky



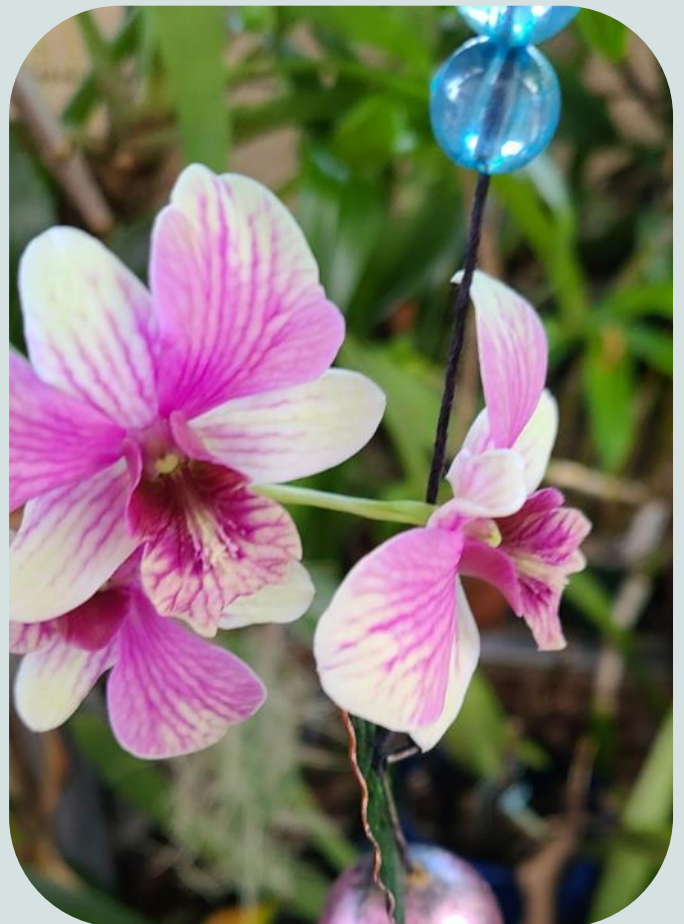
**Dendrobium NOID
Raquel Carles**



**Vanda NOID
Raquel Carles**



**Cattleya NOID
Raquel Carles**



**Dendrobium NOID
Raquel Carles**



Cattleya labiata
Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl



Dendrobium NOID
Photo after our class on backdrops
Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl



**Brassocattleya Yellowbird
Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl**



**Phalocalanthe Kryptonite "EFG Orchids" AMAOS
Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl**



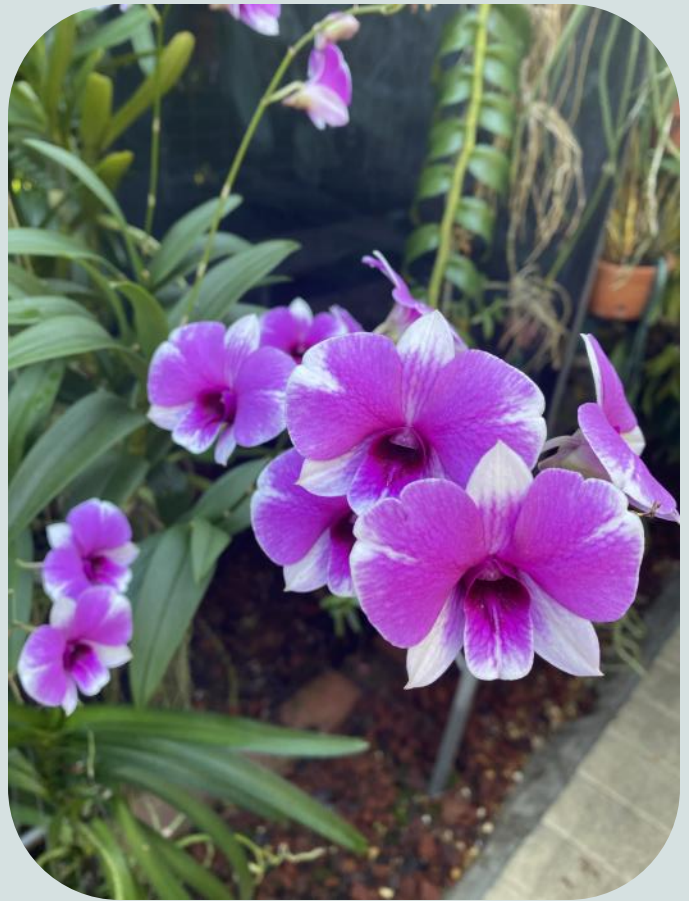
**Ascocenda Fuch's Sunflow "Orange"
Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl**



**Blc. Golden Chieftain 'Akukii'
Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl**



**Rhyncattleanthe Momilani Rainbow
"The Gypsy" HCCAOS
Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl**



**Dendrobium Yaya Victoria
Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl**



**Laeliocattleya Pure Soul
Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl**



Ascocenda NOID
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Shomcat NOID
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Dendrobium Spectabile
"The Alien Orchid"
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Oncidium Sharry Baby
"The Chocolate Orchid"
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Brassavola nodosa
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Bulbophyllum NOID
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Oncidium sphacelatum
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Oncidium NOID
Stephanie & Terry Morkert

Become a Member of the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society!

Win FREE Raffle Tickets for You and Your Guest(s) !!

The chances of you winning a stunning orchid or other enticing items off our monthly raffle table are much greater than your chances of winning the lottery. We all like the opportunity to win a new orchid for our collection so why not bring a guest to our next meeting? Guests are welcome at all of our meetings and events. Your guest(s) will each receive five FREE raffle tickets. After a guest visits the monthly meetings twice and wants to continue attending meetings, we respectfully ask them to become a member and pay the annual dues. If a guest joins in October, November or December 2021 this will include their 2022 membership dues as well.

BONUS: If your guest joins the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society, you will receive 10 FREE raffle tickets!

Top Reasons to Join the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society

In addition to access to our orchid library, insightful and informative web page, and occasional plant sale table provided by our guest speakers, DBOS members enjoy the following benefits and activities

Monthly Events

- AOS & DBOS Member Prize Drawings
- Guest Speakers
- Judging/Awarding of Ribbons for Members' Orchids
- Newsletter
- Orchid Raffles
- Plant Sales

Annual Events

- Auction
- Bus Trip to Orchid Growers
- Holiday Party
- Home Orchid Ramble
- Orchid Obsession, Show & Sale
- Picnic

For further information on how to join the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society (DBOS), please contact Linda Woodhouse, DBOS Membership Chair, at deerfieldorchids@gmail.com or call 954-234-4623

JUST A REMINDER: Use of the membership roster is limited to the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society, American Orchid Society and affiliated society news dissemination only. Use of the roster for commercial purposes is prohibited and is cause for cancellation of membership for misuse.

Renew Your DBOS Membership for 2021

We thank our members for supporting DBOS during the surreal year we experienced in 2020 when we were unable to meet in person after our highly successful auction in March. The DBOS Board of Trustees had so many wonderful activities lined up for the year, and we are hoping that they will be even bigger and better in 2021 once the Covid-19 virus is in check, the vaccines are effective, and social distancing is a distant memory.

We figured out Zoom and had some great meetings with renowned speakers that we might not have had the opportunity to hear from for an in-person meeting due to travel schedules. Our speakers included Bill Thoms, who shared great photos of his world-class Bulbophyllums; Dr. Martin Motes, who shared beautiful photos of his amazing vanda hybridizing; a tour of the lovely Soroa Orchids and a walk and talk with Jose Exposito; step-by-step instructions from Tom Kuligowski, who showed us how to take fantastic photos with our cell phones and shared some of his exquisite orchid photos; and, Fred Clarke from Sunset Valley Orchids in California who showed amazing photos of his unique orchids.

If things improve enough to begin holding in-person meetings this year, we will let you know. They will continue to be held at the Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach at 7:30 pm on the second Tuesday of the month. However, until that time we have some great Zoom speakers lined up for the first few months of 2021. If you are unfamiliar with Zoom, please let us know and one of our board members or members familiar with Zoom will be more than happy to help you. Many of us have found that we can really see and enjoy the photos and take notes and then go back and review the recording afterward to catch what we may have missed the first time.

Our 2021 membership drive begins January 12, and we would like to sign up as many members as possible by our March 9 meeting so you will be able to continue joining us for the meetings and recordings. Paid members will receive a FREE orchid at the December 2021 holiday party.

Our dues structure has not increased. If you want to pay by credit card, please call Linda Woodhouse, our Membership Chair, at 954-234-4623, or send a check to Deerfield Beach Orchid Society, PO Box 732, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441. Renewals are \$20/single membership and \$30/couple membership per year.

Membership Renewals

\$20.00/year Individual

\$30.00/year Couples

\$ 5.00/year Junior Membership

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2021 Committee Positions

Calendar of Meetings

DUE TO COVID-19, CHECK WITH LOCAL ORCHID SOCIETIES TO SEE WHEN THEY WILL RESUME FACE-TO-FACE OR VIRTUAL MEETINGS

2nd Monday Every Month 7:30 PM

Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Society

Christ Lutheran Church Parish Hall
1955 E. Oakland Park Blvd. Ft. Lauderdale, FL

<https://www.flos.org/>

2nd Tuesday Every Month 7:30 PM

Deerfield Beach Orchid Society

Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach

<https://www.deerfieldbeachorchidsociety.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/deerfieldbeachorchidsociety/>

2nd Wednesday Every Month 7:00 PM

Delray Beach Orchid Society

The Adult Recreation Center in Veterans Park
802 NE First Street, Delray Beach, FL.

<http://www.delraybeachorchidsociety.org/>

2nd Thursday Every Month 7:30 PM

Boca Raton Orchid Society

Safe Schools Institute -Don Estridge
Middle School

1790 NW Spanish River Blvd, Boca Raton, FL.

www.brosonline.org/

In the meantime, support your local vendors through online ordering and/or gift certificates so you can buy new orchids later.

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Sunshine Committee

Did you know that we have a **Sunshine Committee**? Lois Larson is kind enough to send a card to any society member that is ill or in the hospital. If you know of someone that could use a little uplifting card, please contact Lois either by phone 954-782-2314 or email at loisj2200@yahoo.com