



# Deerfield Beach Orchid Society **CATTLEYA CURRENTS**

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## President's Message



**Hello Orchid Lovers,**

Thought it would be fun this month to share some orchid trivia with you during the long, hot summer! Orchids have been around for a long time and fossil evidence indicates that orchids have existed on the planet around 80-100 million years. Guess even the dinosaurs enjoyed these beautiful flowers!

One thing that most of us have in common is our love for the amazing variety of orchids. Did you know that orchids are great for people who suffer from allergies? Since orchid pollen is stored in a waxy substance called the pollen packet, it is not airborne and the pollinator delivers the packet to

another orchid—not to you and me. The amount you save on tissues and allergy medicine will mean more money to buy another orchid!

We have been visiting in the Midwest this summer, and our family and friends here think orchids are extremely difficult to grow. Orchids are not difficult to grow; they are just different. An orchid can be in bloom for months each year, rebloom, and live indefinitely if they have proper care. It is important that the orchid roots get adequate air flow, adequate exposure to mild to moderate natural or fluorescent light, regular weekly watering (except Vanda's and bare root orchids which need watering more often), and a water soluble-type fertilizer, they are likely to do well. Many new orchid owners throw away the plant after it has bloomed thinking it has died, however, the plant has just gone into a resting period and is storing energy to prepare for its next flowering period.

We enjoy our orchid blooms and sometimes the accompanying lovely fragrance. There is a variety of purposes for orchids. In industry, substances isolated from orchids used in perfumes, spices and in traditional Asian medicine. Many of us have a vanilla orchid climbing up a palm tree in our yards. It is one of the best-known and widely used flavors extracted from the pod of *Vanilla planifolia*, a species of orchid. Some believe that certain orchids have healing and protective properties. For example, the Aztecs consumed vanilla orchid to improve their strength, and the Chinese used orchids to make medicines for curing coughs and lung illnesses,

Why are orchids special to you! Their beauty is hard to deny—ranging from simple and elegant to many-petaled and exotic. No other flowers look quite like an orchid. Get out for an early morning stroll and delight in the beauty of these remarkable flowers that are aesthetically pleasing to nearly everyone.

Happy Summer!

**Cheryl Babcock**  
DBOS Co-President



**Joe Ortlieb**

**DBOS Co-President**

**Hello Everyone,**

## President's Message

We are now officially in our "summer". The rains are a daily event, the sun is very intense and the humidity is high. Although we have daily rains in July, they tend to be shorter thunderstorms which allow for more sunshine and a drying out of our collections as opposed to the continuous rains of June. Continue to fertilize thoroughly through the month of July to support the new growth on your plants. Potassium nitrate and epsom salt should also be alternated with your fertilizer to provide your plants with the extra magnesium and potassium required for strong growth.

This month our speaker is Tom Kuligowski speaking on mounting your orchids. He is a great speaker with a very informative topic. Join us for what will be a very relevant talk.

Don't forget to sign up for our bus trip September 14, 2019. We will be traveling by luxury coach to R&R Orchids, Odom's Orchids, Krull-Smith Orchids and Ritter Tropic 1 Orchids. We depart the Woman's Club at 7:45AM and return at 9:30PM. The cost is \$55.00 per person.



### Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Annual Bus Trip—September 14, 2019



**Krull Smith Orchids - Aerial View**



Are you saving your money for the annual DBOS bus trip on September 14, 2019? Half the seats are already spoken for by DBOS paid members. In August, we will see if any seats remain and open the trip to other interested guests. **Bus leaves the Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach at 7:45 am, and we return by approximately 9:30 pm.**

We start the day with none other than "the Vanda Man," Tony Romani, at **R & R Orchids in Loxahatchee, Florida**. Prepare for a feast for your eyes and take some of these stunning beauties home with you. Magnificently grown orchids in this orchid paradise for Vanda lovers!

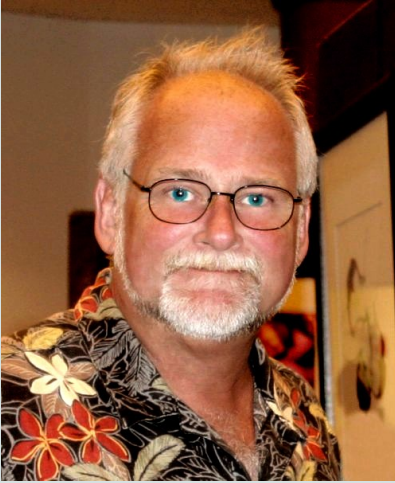
Our next stop is **Odom's Orchids in Fort Pierce, Florida**, which specializes in Cattleya orchids, but they also grow Phalaenopsis, Lady Slippers, Oncidiums, and many species from different genera. Most of their orchids are mature, blooming size plants so if you do not want to wait years for them to bloom be prepared to take a few home to enjoy!

Ready to add another beauty from **Krull-Smith Orchids in Apopka, Florida**? They are a leading orchid hybridizer in the world for award-quality show plants, have received over 700 quality and cultural awards from the American Orchid Society. You will find something here to love and take home with you from their highest quality species and hybrids of Phalaenopsis, Cattleya's, and Paphiopedilums as well as a wide array of novelty orchids such as Bulbophyllums.

We begin our journey back south with a stop at **Ritter Tropic 1 Orchids in Kissimmee, Florida**. After a great day of orchid hunting for those must-have orchids, we stop to see what final orchid treasures we can find from Linda Ritter and her daughter. Vanda's, Cattleya's, Dendrobium's, Encylia's and more await you at this stop so find room to add a few more orchids!

Breakfast, lunch, and Happy Hour adult beverages and hors d'oeuvre's provided on the bus. We will also make a quick stop at one of the Service Centers on the Turnpike for you to stretch your legs, use the facilities, and purchase a quick bite to eat or a drink.

Each person may bring one box (write name on all sides) for your purchases. Scheduled times may vary. Must receive payment by Sept. 1, 2019. Pay Cheryl Babcock, 954-464-8996 and [babcock@nova.edu](mailto:babcock@nova.edu) or Kristina Brandt, 954-661-7261 and [kristina@shbrandt.com](mailto:kristina@shbrandt.com) at the June, July, or August meetings. Mail a check payable to Deerfield Beach Orchid Society to Kristina Brandt, 5311 NE 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Lighthouse Point, FL 33064, or call Cheryl at 954-464-8996 with your credit card information. Cost is \$55.00/person. Don't delay as we always sell out the bus trip early.



## Speaker of the Month

Tom Kuligowski

July 9, 2019



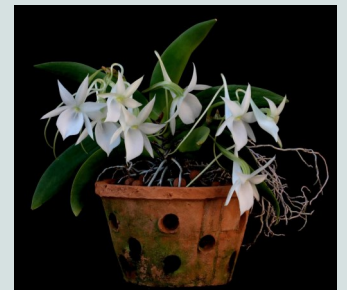
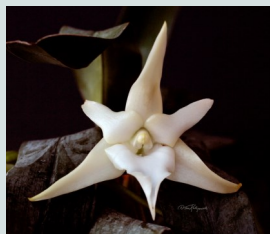
### "Unusual and Natural Mounting"

Our speaker for this month, Tom Kuligowski, is an avid orchid grower specializing in angraecums. He has been growing orchids for more than 25 years and has a great angraecum blog.

Tom has created and cared for three collections throughout that time period. Each collection being larger in number and healthier than the previous. As any other hobbyist, he is a firm believer that you learn from your mistakes. As you learn, you should see your collection not only grow in size (the mortality rate or loss of plants decreases) but you should also see an improvement in the quality and number of blooms in your collection.

He is also an award-winning photographer with over 45 years of experience. Being a professional photographer, Tom has documented every aspect of his collections.

He has created two programs over the last few years using the images that he's captured. The first program is that of the Angraecums he has specialized in growing since early 2000. The second regarding an orchid's natural growing ability as epiphytes and/or as lithophytes. The second program entitled "**Unusual and Natural Mounting**" is his latest to be presented to various orchid societies. In it he discusses the reasons behind mounting, why mount, materials that work best and shows results he has achieved through his mounting techniques.



You can contact **Tom Kuligowski** at:  
 Facebook: [Tom Kuligowski](#)  
 Angraecums Blog: <http://angraecums.blogspot.com>

## June Ribbon Winners

|   |             |                                   |
|---|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Tricovanda Thai Velvet "Meechi"</b>                | <b>Blue</b> | <b>Susan Kolinsky</b>             |
| <b>Potinara Hoku Gem</b>                              | <b>Blue</b> | <b>Susan Kolinsky</b>             |
| <b>Brassolaeliocattleya Lime Cooler "Krull Smith"</b> | <b>Blue</b> | <b>Joe Ortlieb / Dennis Pearl</b> |
| <b>Ascocenda Tubtim Velvet "Sunset Red"</b>           | <b>Blue</b> | <b>Carol Ott</b>                  |
| <b>Renanstylis Bangkok Beauty</b>                     | <b>Blue</b> | <b>Joe Ortlieb / Dennis Pearl</b> |
| <b>Vanda Pine Rivers</b>                              | <b>Blue</b> | <b>Grace Holliday</b>             |
| <b>Lycaste Phobe</b>                                  | <b>Blue</b> | <b>Joe Ortlieb / Dennis Pearl</b> |
| <b>Laeliocattleya purpurata var. carnea</b>           | <b>Blue</b> | <b>Joe Ortlieb / Dennis Pearl</b> |
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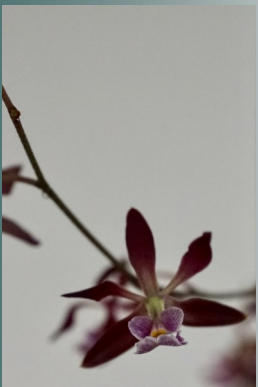


# Highlights From Our June Meeting

## Photos Courtesy of John Morris

















# *Happy Birthday*



**July 01 Lois Larson**

**July 04 Bill Scott**

**July 07 Barbara Weimer**

**July 11 Ron Franz**

**July 13 Doug Dicks**

**July 14 Kristina Brandt**

**July 14 Wes Scott**

**July 19 Cynthia Cummings**

**July 30 Kay McGinn**

**July 31 Adrienne Jaffee**

**July 31 Philippe Carles**

**A great big THANKYOU to PUBLIX for donating the refreshments for our meeting every month. There is nothing better than Publix pastries!**

# 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. **March 2020** DBOS Annual Spring Picnic.  
Chairperson: Dennis Pearl  
Committee: Kristina Brandt, Jesus Hill & Lisa Sarno
  
2. **March 10, 2020** DBOS 7th Annual Orchid Auction. Held at the Deerfield Beach Woman's Club  
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Joe Ortlieb
  
3. **April 2020** DBOS Annual Orchid Home Ramble.  
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Kristina Brandt  
Committee: Vince & Debbie Dicks, Grace Hall, Susan Kolinsky,  
Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl
  
4. **Sept 14, 2019** DBOS Annual Bus Trip to Orchid Growers  
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Kristina Brandt
  
5. **Dec 7, 2019** DBOS Annual Holiday Party at the Croatian American Social Club. The Holiday Party is in place of our December monthly meeting.  
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Kristina Brandt  
Committee: Debbie Dicks, Madeline Felton, Grace Hall & Linda Woodhouse

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



DEERFIELD BEACH ORCHID SOCIETY

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# ORCHID *Obsession*

8th Annual Orchid Show & Sale



**November 16 and 17, 2019**

10:00 am – 5:00 pm

General Admission \$5.00 Cash Only – Children under 12 Free

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**Safe Schools Institute**

1790 Spanish River Boulevard ~ Boca Raton, FL 33431

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[deerfieldorchids@gmail.com](mailto:deerfieldorchids@gmail.com)

*Orchid Obsession Orchid Art by Patti Resso*



# 2019 Orchid Events

**April 6 to April 7, 2019**

## **12th Annual Bonnet House International Orchid & Garden Festival**

The Festival will allow orchid enthusiasts, and plant lovers in general, the opportunity to vividly experience – and purchase – diverse, colorful and fragrant varieties of orchids, tropical plants, herbs and fruit trees sold by local and for the first time international vendors from Thailand, Malaysia, Ecuador and Hawaii. The orchids and tropical plants, though, are only the beginning. This exciting two-day event will offer something for everyone to enjoy, including orchid and tropical plant displays, food vendors, libations, garden art, orchid care and general gardening lectures, book signing with Dr. Martin Motes and a lecture on The Million Orchid Project with Dr. Jason Downing, live performances by the Pride Steel Band & Daniel Clocanas Music and much more!

**The entry fee for the Orchid Festival is \$10 and parking is free.** Parking is also available at the southeast corner of The Galleria Mall with tram service by The Free Ride on 9th Street. Ticket sales are final and non-refundable. **Self-guided house tours are available for an additional \$5.** <https://www.bonnethouse.org/>

**May 17 to May 19, 2019**

## **Redland International Orchid Show**

Plan a trip to the largest annual orchid show in the United States right in our own backyard! The Festival features educational exhibits and over 65 vendors from throughout the United States and 14 countries. Held from 9:00am to 5:00pm each day at the Fruit and Spice Park. Cost is \$10.

**For more information visit** [www.redlandorchidfest.org/](http://www.redlandorchidfest.org/)

**October 25 to October 27, 2019**

## **Delray Beach Orchid Society Annual Show**

What's the connection between Halloween and orchids? Both are weirdly wonderful and great fun, and both arrive at Old School Square each year in late October.

Our growers are generous with their expertise, so you can learn how to care for your acquisitions. Have fun participating in our raffles. Enjoy the work of budding artists from a local elementary school, inspired by the exotic beauty of our favorite flowers.

Old School Square Vintage Gymnasium Building, 51 N. Swinton Avenue, Delray Beach, FL 33444

Friday & Saturday: 10am to 5pm, Sunday 10am to 4pm

Admission: \$5, Children under 6 are free <http://www.delraybeachorchidsociety.org/>

**November 16 to November 17, 2019**

## **Deerfield Beach Orchid Society 8th Annual Show & Sale “Orchid Obsession”**

The Deerfield Beach Orchid Society (DBOS) is holding its annual Orchid Show & Sale, Orchid Obsession, at the Safe Schools Institute in Boca Raton. Thousands of specimens from Florida growers will be for sale ensuring that these fascinating and exotic plants will be appropriate for your own backyard. Your spirits will be lifted when you see the spectacular table displays our vendors will be showcasing, which will be judged by American Orchid Society (AOS) judges on Saturday, November 16. Our non-orchid vendors will provide everything you need to grow beautiful orchids including pots and plant benches/stands.

Safe Schools Institute, 1790 Spanish River Blvd., Boca Raton, FL 33431

Saturday & Sunday: 10am to 5pm

Admission: \$5, Children under 12 are free <https://www.deerfieldbeachorchidsociety.org/>



## Renew Your DBOS Membership for 2019

We thank all of our members for their participation in our meetings, social activities, and continued support of DBOS. We sincerely appreciate your enthusiasm for our monthly speakers and raffle drawings, willingness to bring in your plants for judging so we can all enjoy them, and sharing your love of orchids and best practices with your fellow members.

We are starting our membership drive for 2019. Our dues structure has not increased. Anyone who joined DBOS in October-December 2018 will not have to pay dues for 2019. What a deal!

| <u>Renewals</u> |             | <u>New Members</u> |             |
|-----------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Individual      | \$20.00 yr. | Individual         | \$25.00 yr. |
| Couples         | \$30.00 yr. | Couples            | \$35.00 yr. |
| Jr. Membership  | \$ 5.00 yr. | Jr. Membership     | \$10.00 yr. |

You are encouraged to bring a guest to our meetings who shares your love and enthusiasm for these lovely plants and gets to know our members and learn more about this “wonderful addiction”.

Thank you for another terrific year. Our membership has grown this year, and we welcome all of our new members as well as our longtime supporters. We hope you have enjoyed the year as much as we have and will renew your membership for 2019. We will be collecting 2019 membership dues at the January and February 2019 meetings. Stop at the membership table and pay Linda Woodhouse who is in charge of membership. If you plan to mail your dues, please do so by March 12, 2019.

Mail your dues payable to: Deerfield Beach Orchid Society  
PO Box 732  
Deerfield Beach, FL 33443

## Please Like Our Facebook Page



The image shows a screenshot of the Facebook page for the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society. The main header features a large photograph of various orchids in shades of pink, purple, and white. Below the header, the page name "Deerfield Beach Orchid Society" is displayed, followed by "Non-Profit Organization". To the right of the name are three buttons: "Create Call to Action", "Liked" (with a dropdown arrow), and "Message" (with a dropdown arrow). At the bottom of the page, there is a navigation bar with the following options: "Timeline", "About", "Photos", "Likes", and "More" (with a dropdown arrow). A small profile picture of a purple orchid is visible in the bottom left corner.

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

The chances of you winning a stunning orchid or other enticing item 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 2019 this will include their 2020 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

### Monthly Events

- AOS & DBOS Member Prize Drawings
- Guest Speakers
- Judging/Awarding of Ribbons for Member's 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 [deerfieldorchid@gmail.com](mailto:deerfieldorchid@gmail.com) or call 954-234-4623

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# Calendar of 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

**2nd Tuesday Every Month 7:30 PM**

## **Deerfield Beach Orchid Society**

Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach  
910 E. Hillsboro Blvd, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441

**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.

**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.

**1st Thursday Every Month 7:30 PM**

## **South Broward Orchid Society**

Taft Street Baptist Church  
7241 Taft Street, Hollywood, FL 33024

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Terry Morkert**

## **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](mailto:loisj2200@yahoo.com)