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President's Message

Hi Orchid Lovers,

Great news! We are holding in-person meetings once again! We look forward to seeing you in person, not on Zoom, at 7:30 pm at the Tuesday, July 13 Deerfield Beach Orchid Society (DBOS) meeting at the Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach. Reminder, we hold our monthly meetings at 7:30 pm the second Tuesday of each month at the Woman's Club. If you cannot make the July meeting, we would love to

see you at an upcoming meeting.

Scott Peplin, founder of Orchid Environments, will share his passion for orchids, his growing techniques, and orchid environments in South Florida. Our DBOS members have a wide variety of areas in which to grow their orchids. Scott will provide information that fits your orchid environment, whether you have an apartment balcony, home, or are fortunate enough to have a large open area surrounding your property. For those of you who ordered Encyclias from Tim Culbertson (our June speaker), they will be available for you at the July meeting.

Segundo Cuesta from Quest Orchids spoke at our June meeting on "Growing Cattleyas and Their Relatives in South Florida." Yolanda and Segundo provided beautiful orchids from their collection for sale and for the raffle table. We also were treated to some of the lovely orchids grown by our members on the hobbyist table. Look through your collection and bring some of your lovely orchids to the meetings so we can ooh and ahh over them! We are requesting that you bring and wear your mask at the meeting.

We have resumed many of our annual social events so mark your calendars and plan to attend the following fun activities with your fellow orchid lovers:

Tuesday, September 14 – Eighth Annual DBOS Auction, 7:30 pm, Woman's Club
Sunday, October 17 – Annual Picnic, Tradewinds Park, Frittillary Shelter
Friday and Saturday, November 13-14

Orchid Obsession Ninth Annual Show and Sale, Safe Schools Institute
Saturday, December 4 – Annual Holiday Party, Croatian American Club

Additional information on all these events and volunteer lists will be shared at future meetings.

A final note, I LOVE orchids! In fact, I love all plants. We enjoy time in the Midwest with kids and grandkids, and these are some of the plants at our townhouse that thought you might enjoy if you moved to Florida from cold country like we did. It always amazes me that perennials come back year after year when they are blanketed with snow and ice through the winter months!



Happy Orchiding!

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Cheryl Babcock
DBOS President

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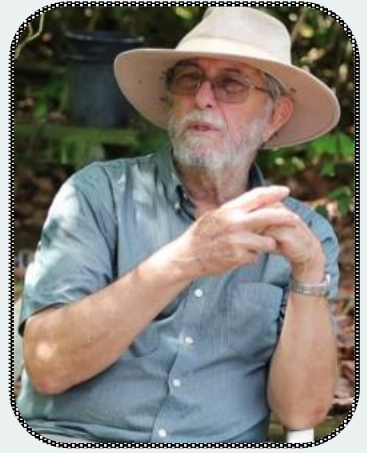
Monthly In-Person meetings resumed with the June 8, 2021 meeting.

We look forward to seeing more of our members at our upcoming meetings. Remember, we meet the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach. The next meeting is July 13.

Please check your email for information pertaining to our social 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.

July Climate Data

Average high: 90.9°F
 Average low: 76.5°F
 Average mean: 83.7°F
 Average rainfall: 5.79"



July in Your Orchid Collection

By Dr. Martin Motes

Although it mostly passes unnoticed to millions locked in their air-conditioned bubbles, July in South Florida is quite different from June. While the pattern of afternoon showers built from the moisture of the morning's sea breeze persists in July, the thunder-storms are sharper and shorter. The clouds linger less and the foliage dries more quickly. Less quantity of rain falls in July than in June and periods of several days typically pass without a drop. This is good news for orchid growers. July (and August) allow orchidists to focus on the first essential of orchid growing, drying the plant out.

Frequently, neophyte growers ask "What if I go away for several weeks in the summer and there is no one to water the plants?" The response is "That's wonderful". Experienced growers use the break in the rainfall during July and August to dry their plants "hard". Depriving orchids of water for several days until they and the media or baskets they grow in are bone dry is essential to good orchid culture. By drying the plants hard, one deals a severe blow to orchids natural enemy, fungus. Orchids have evolved to withstand drought because fungus can not. During severe drought fungus' only defense is to cease all growth and retreat into a spore stage. Hopefully (and with good cultural management) these pathogens will not be aroused from this slumber until the first drizzle of September sets in, allowing our plants two months to mature and harden their growth making them less vulnerable to the September conditions which give some advantage again to the fungi.

Careful watering and judicious drying will do more than any other practice to ensure healthy plants. Drought is the orchid plants armor against disease. Be sure that your plants dry as completely as the weather of July permits. Nonetheless, as our plants are in full growth they need adequate water in July therefor after a hard drying, orchid plants need a thorough re-hydration. If the next rain fall is insufficient to saturate pot, roots and media, the grower should add to the natural moisture until he is sure both roots and media are saturated, using two or three applications of water spaced a few minutes apart. When the plants stop dripping is the time to apply the next dose of water. Don't stop watering until the "heft" of the pot tells you that it is holding as much water as it can. More typically in July, orchidists should use these opportunities when more moisture is required to substitute fertilizer for water and saturate the roots and the media in the same thorough manner. In July typically think of fertilizing rather than watering. Weekly application of a commonly available balanced fertilizer (20-20-20 or 18-18-18) at two teaspoons per gal. will supply the nutrients that our plants require in this period of lush growth. This balanced formula should be alternated every other week with potassium nitrate and Epsom salts (one tablespoon each) to supply the extra magnesium and potassium we now know are plants need

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Speaker of the Month

Scott Peplin

July 13, 2021 7:30 pm



“A Passion for Orchids”

Orchid Environments is the culmination of 25 years of research, experience, knowledge, and application of orchid growing techniques specific to South Florida. Originally named, International Orchid Services, Inc. the name evolved into Orchid Environments in 2019 to better describe the full range of services provided by owner Scott Peplin.

Scott always had a passion for plants. Arriving in South Florida in 1993, he was immediately "stung" by the orchid bee and began his quest to master the art of not killing orchids.

Through the years Scott has carefully studied the environment of South Florida as it relates to Orchids. He has experimented with almost every type of medium, fertilizers and pest control chemicals recommended for orchid growing.

The heart of the business is The Orchid Bar & Grill, the shade structures and gardens behind Scott and his wife Donna's home. In addition to displaying their massive orchid collection, it serves as the laboratory, classroom, demonstration area, and gathering place for friends, clients and students.

Orchids have captivated mankind since the Ancient Times. Horticulturists, artists, writers, historians, and wealthy collectors were all fascinated by their mysterious beauty, unparalleled variety, treachery, and even murder, all in the name of acquiring these exotic beauties.

Orchids are no longer for the wealthy with large greenhouses. Nearly everyone can find a spot to grow and enjoy orchids, whether they live in apartments, houses, or in the country. South Florida offers one of the best orchid growing environments in the country and is home to many quality growers and hybridizers. Many species are inexpensive to buy and very easy to grow.



Scott's mantra: "If you're not having fun with your orchids, you need to find another hobby."

Scott is an active member and former Trustee of the Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society, guest lectures, and hosts various events for the Society. He has also guest lectured at the Delray, Coral Springs, Sunrise and Ft. Lauderdale Societies.

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Happy Birthday



July

July 01 Lois Larson

July 03 Jean St. Clair

July 04 Barbara McDermott

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 23 Kathy King

July 30 Kay McGinn

July 31 Adrienne Jaffee

July 31 Felipe Carles



AUGUST

August 01 Millicent Hammill

August 02 Teresa Hammerbacher

August 06 Peggy Noland

August 18 Liz Posey

August 22 Wendy Drake

August 23 Lucie Alessio

August 23 Madeline Felton

August 25 Joni Goldberg

August 27 Tomer Avivi

August 28 Juan Bofill

August 28 Steve Brandt

August 30 Elaine Mende

August 31 Daniela Nikolova





Deerfield Beach Orchid Society

Annual Social Events

2021



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

1. **Sep 14, 2021** DBOS 8th Annual Orchid Auction. Held at the Deerfield Beach Woman's Club
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Joe Ortlieb
2. **Oct 17, 2021** DBOS Annual Picnic Held at Tradewinds Park at the Fritillary shelter
Chairpersons: Dennis Pearl & Kristina Brandt
Committee: Racquel Carles, Lisa Sarno, Jacqueline & Wes Scott
3. **Nov 13–14, 2021** DBOS 9th Annual Orchid Show and Sale. Safe Schools Institute
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock, Kristina Brandt & Joe Ortlieb
4. **Dec 4, 2021** DBOS Annual Members' Holiday Party. Held at the Croatian American Club
The Holiday Party, typically held the first Saturday in December.
Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Linda Woodhouse
Committee: Kristina Brandt, Raquel Carles, Madeline Felton, Grace Holliday & Lisa Sarno

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



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. We are thrilled that we began holding in-person meetings in June of this year, and our DBOS Board of Trustees has been busy lining up many wonderful activities for the remainder of the year. Remember, we hold our monthly meetings the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach.

Our 2021 membership drive is in full swing. Paid members will receive a beautiful 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

New Members

\$25.00/year Individual

\$35.00/year Couples

\$10.00/year Junior Membership

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Highlights From Our June Meeting

Photos Courtesy of John Morris









June Ribbon Winners

Digbyana	Blue	Marilyn McMullen
Bc. Hoku Gem 'Freckles'	Blue & Culture	Susan Kolinsky
Myrm. Elegance	Red	Susan Kolinsky
Brsdm. Nittany Gold 'Dr. John' AM/AOS	Blue	Cheryl Babcock
Den. Touch of Gold (johannis x gouldii)	Blue	Cheryl Babcock
Psychopsis	Blue	Cheryl Babcock
Dendrobium No Id	RED	Cheryl Babcock
Den White Grace	Blue	Grace Holliday
Broughtonia sanguinea	Blue	Grace Holliday
Rhynchorides (perreirara) Bangkok Sunset 'Rapeepaph'	Blue	Grace Holliday
Phal. Yaphon Batman x Phal. Chian x Xen Gold	Blue	John Morris

**DEERFIELD
BEACH
ORCHID SOCIETY**

Invites You To Our 8th Annual

**ORCHID
AUCTION**

September 14, 2021

Preview at 7:00 pm

Auction begins at 7:30 pm

www.deerfieldbeachorchidsociety.org

deerfieldorchids@gmail.com

Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach

910 E Hillsboro Boulevard

Deerfield Beach, FL 33441

the Auction is

FREE

and open to all!

DBOS Annual Picnic—October 17, 2021

Tradewinds Park at the Fritillary shelter



It is DBOS picnic time again! Always a fun and popular event, we would love to have you join us for food, fellowship, and rousing games of Orchid Bingo where you have a chance to win great orchid prizes. Our annual picnic is Sunday, October 17 beginning at 12:00 pm at Tradewinds Park, [3600 W. Sample Road, Coconut Creek, FL 33073](https://www.broward.org/Parks) in the *Fritillary Pavilion*. Tradewinds Park is just West of the turnpike on the North side and South side of Sample Road. (See map—this year our picnic pavilion is on the South side of Sample Road). Park admission fee is \$1.50/person (children 5 and under free). If you cannot make it at 12:00, still come and enjoy the afternoon. Bring food!

Our members not only know how to grow great orchids, but also they are fantastic cooks/bakers. DBOS is providing the hamburgers, turkey burgers, hot dogs, buns and water and soda. You provide the rest. If you have not signed up yet please call or text Dennis Pearl, the DBOS Chief Food Officer, at 561-400-7191 and let him know what you will be bringing, i.e. main dish, salad, dessert, appetizers and how many of you will be attending. Picnic is free for DBOS members and \$10 for guests. Please give Cheryl Babcock your \$10 check made out to DBOS or \$10 in cash at the picnic for your guest(s).



DEERFIELD BEACH ORCHID SOCIETY

presents

ORCHID *Obsession*

9th Annual Orchid Show & Sale



November 13 and 14, 2021

10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Admission \$5.00 Cash Only – Children under 12 Free



Safe Schools Institute

1790 Spanish River Boulevard ~ Boca Raton, FL 33431

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Orchid Obsession Orchid Art by Patti Resso



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. Please also continue to bring in your blooming orchids to our member's table for judging at our monthly meetings.



Take it virtual!

Cattleya Nold

Lois Larson



Cattleya Noid
Lois Larson



Cattleya Noid
Madeline Felton

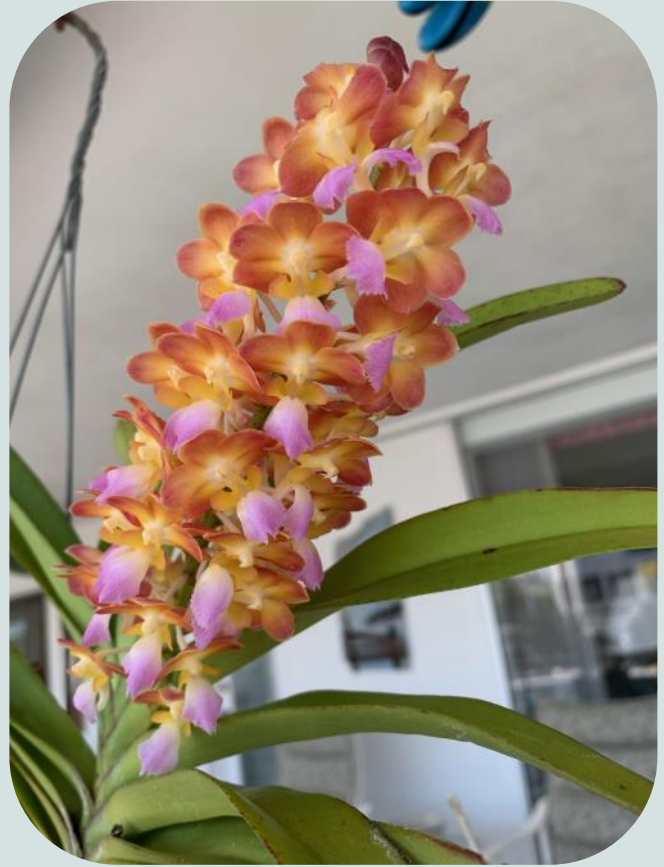


No Id
Lisa Sarno





**Bc. Punakea 'Lee
Grace Holliday**



**Motes Bangkok Sunrise
Grace Holliday**



**Mickey's Otaara Gold
Grace Holliday**



**Ctsm. Louise Clark 'wonder woman x
John C Burchette 'Ursa Major
Grace Holliday**



**Of Tropical Pointer 'Cheetah'
Grace Holliday**



**Paph. Liemianum #1 x Hyinying Frantz #2
Grace Holliday**



**V. Prayat Muang Ratchet x V. Luzonica
Grace Holliday**



**Vanda chostylis #45 'Pine River'
Grace Holliday**



Ascda. Jakkit Gold 'new one'
Grace Holliday



Rlc. Chomthong Delight 'Yellow watermelon'
Grace Holliday



Brassavola perrinii
John Pancoast



Gongora galeata
John Pancoast



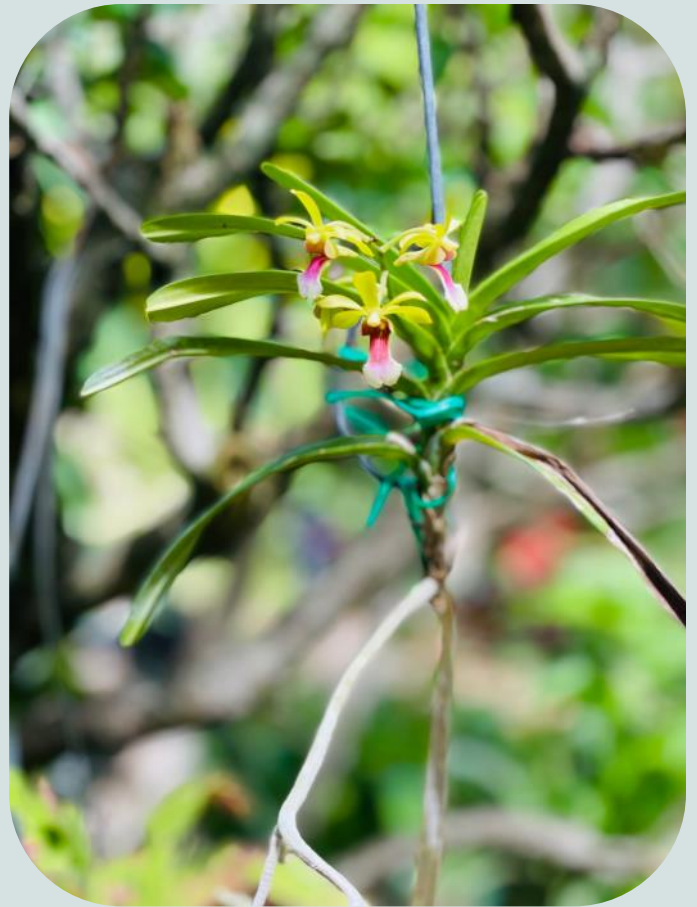
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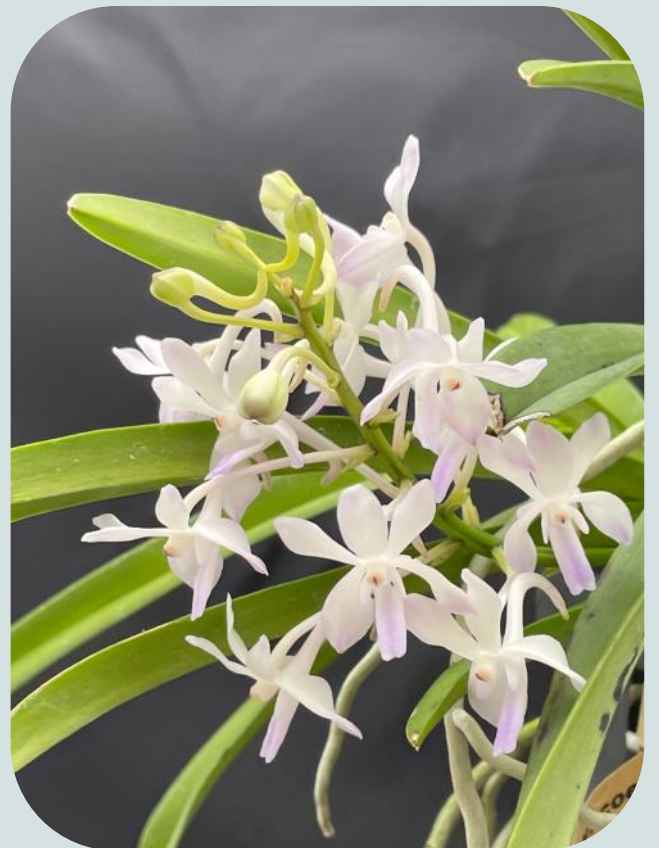
Thecopus secunda
John Pancoast



Trigonidium egertonianum
John Pancoast



Vanda Motes Impetuous
John Pancoast



Vandachostylis Lou Sneary
John Pancoast



**Blc. Pathum Green
Cheryl Babcock**



**Ascocenda 'Laksi' Chili Pepper
AM/AOS x V. Thonglor
Cheryl Babcock**



**Two similar NOID Vandals growing on tree
Cheryl Babcock**



Blc. Andean Treasure 'Paradise'
Cheryl Babcock



Vanda Ruchiroj
Cheryl Babcock



Schomb. Tibinicus
Cheryl Babcock



Waironara Tango Fire AM/AOS
Cheryl Babcock



Blc. Yen Surprise 'Seiko' #1
Cheryl Babcock



Bromecanthe Jamaica Fire
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Phal. Gigabell
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Bromecanthe Jamaica Fire
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Brassavola Nodosa
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Encyclia Nold
Stephanie & Terry Morkert



Encyclia Nold
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

DBOS members have access to our orchid library, insightful and informative web pages, opportunities to purchase plants from our speakers, tips from our members, and 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

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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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Dennis Pearl

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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