



# Deerfield Beach Orchid Society **CATTLEYA CURRENTS**

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## President's Message

Hi Orchid Lovers,

The DBOS Board of Trustees and I are looking forward to seeing many of you at the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society meeting **in person** at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, June 8 at the Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach. It will be the first in-person meeting since March 2020. Our speakers will be Segundo and Yolanda Cuesta from Quest Orchids speaking on "Growing Cattleyas and Their Relatives in South Florida." They will provide orchids from their beautiful collection for the raffle table as well as provide orchids to sell. After over a year of not having monthly meetings, it will be fun to add a new orchid or two to our collections. Yolanda and Segundo grow mostly Cattleyas, Vandas, and some Dendrobium species in a 50,000 square foot growing area. They have graciously welcomed the DBOS members who have visited their greenhouse on numerous occasions during our bus trips to the Homestead area. We hope to resume our annual bus trips sometime in 2022.

We will also have a hobbyist table so carefully look through your collection to bring some of your lovely orchids to share with all of us. We will not have our usual food table. We are providing small bottles of water and some packaged snacks for our members and guests. We are requesting that you bring and wear your mask. You may want to bring a beach towel to throw over your chair if that makes you feel more comfortable. You might want to bring your own water bottle. Other organizations have been holding meetings at the Woman's Club for several months, and we want you to feel comfortable in your surroundings.

Our June speaker, Tim Culbertson, provided an outstanding Zoom meeting for our members. Tim's passion for plants and his great experience in working with orchids was apparent throughout the presentation. He has worked at Longwood Gardens in Philadelphia and tended orchids at the Smithsonian Institution and the United States National Arboretum, where he collected rare plants and documented cultivated species and hybrids for their herbarium. He discussed Encyclias of Mexico and Beyond and had numerous photos of the showy flowers and made us wish we could enjoy the fragrances. He discussed the ease of growth and provided an order list of Encyclias for DBOS members. We will have a printed out copy of the Encyclias that he is offering to DBOS members for you to review, and a Gmail will be sent to you with a link to it. Tim is requesting that all final orders be received by June 28. He will either ship your orchids to you directly, and/or as a part of a package that he will send to one of our DBOS Board of Trustees who will bring your orchids to the July 13 DBOS meeting.

A huge thank you to the diligence and time-consuming efforts of DBOS Board member, Dennis Pearl, who has secured a venue for our annual picnic. Mark your calendar now for this popular, fun event that will be held Sunday, October 17 at Tradewinds Park in the Fritillary shelter. Additional information will be provided closer to the event.

Happy Orchiding!

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Cheryl Babcock  
DBOS President

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### Bulletin Board

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 May meeting, check your email for the email sent to you the evening of May 17th from [deerfieldorchids@gmail.com](mailto:deerfieldorchids@gmail.com) containing the recorded link.

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](mailto:deerfieldorchids@gmail.com) and someone will get back to you.

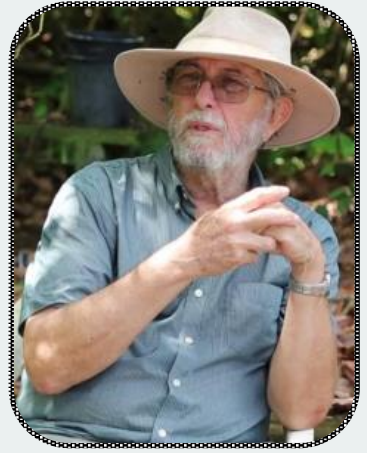
### June Climate Data

Average high: 89.5°F

Average low: 75.2°F

Average mean: 82.4°F

Average rainfall: 9.54"



## June in Your Orchid Collection

By Dr. Martin Motes

June is the most dramatically tropical month in South Florida. As the southeast Trade Winds blow cool moist air off the Gulf Stream daily, as surely the heating effect of the center of the peninsula percolates up massive thunder heads. The increased cloud cover drawing a veil across the afternoon sun provides much cooling relief for our plants late in the day. Because of this additional cloud cover, our plants are less stressed than in the brightest of May sunshine. The increased humidity makes June feel hotter to us, but this humidity brings blessed balm to our plants from the unrelentingly dry heat of late spring. The shading clouds are also the harbinger of the almost daily rains that arrive like clockwork with the thunderstorms that re-circulate the moisture laden air back toward the ocean in the afternoon. These showers can drop the temperature 10-12 degrees in almost no time, again bring our plants relief when they need it most in the peak heat of the day. In June, such soaking rains that can sometimes be an inch or more an hour, are the norm rather than the exception. For orchids grown outside in South Florida this month, how to dry them out becomes more the question than how or when to water them. For most sympodial genera (cattleyas, dendrobiums, oncidiums, etc.) the natural rainfall of June is sufficient. Only in those rare once or twice times during June when no rain falls for nearly a week is it necessary to think of watering sympodial orchids in June. Even then it usually is a thought that can be dismissed. A thorough, "hard" drying in this first month of the rainy season is usually of much more overall value to sympodial orchids than the slight extra push of additional water. Harder plants that have not been pushed with extra water are much more disease resistant than softer more lushly grown orchids. Vandas and other high water requirement plants may still need periodic watering in June but remember that these types too relish occasional "hard" drying and the heavy often lingering, rains of June are just the nostrum for re-hydrating them even when they have become as dry as the cork in a wine bottle dry. When watering in June, remember at no season is the standard 'water early in the day' rule more relevant; those extra hours of drying are crucial. If your vandas or other orchids really need water, water early in the morning to allow time for them to dry not merely by night but by the time the all too likely afternoon thunderstorms arrive to soak them again. Be sure when you water that the roots of the vandas are saturated until they turn overall dark green. This will still take two applications of water spaced a few minutes apart. June is the archetypical month for careful but totally thorough watering. For those of us committed to sloth, this month is one in which benign neglect becomes a virtue.

With an eye to efficient drying which the season demands, June is an excellent time to review the spacing of

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# Speaker of the Month

## Segundo Cuesta

June 8, 2021 7:30 pm



### “Growing Cattleyas and their Relatives in South Florida”

Segundo Cuesta graduated from Florida International University in 1980. Soon after that he started collecting orchids and species. Hybridizing for compact plants and more of the art shade colors was a goal he set out to be accomplished. In 1994 Quest Orchids was relocated to Horse country located at 12110 SW 43rd Street, Miami Florida 33175. Our hours are Tuesday thru Saturday 9:30am to 5:00pm. Our growing area is approximately 50,000 square feet. We are growing mostly Cattleyas, Vandas and some Dendrobium species.



Boca Raton, Florida, USA. 10th Feb, 2018. Segundo and Yolanda Cuesta of Miami-based Quest Orchids are seen in their orchid stand at the Boca Raton Orchid Society Show & Sale at the Safe Schools Institute in Boca Raton, Fla., on Saturday, February 10, 2018. Dozens of vendors brought orchid displays and arrangements for hundreds of flower lovers to view and purchase. Credit: Andres Leiva/The Palm Beach Post/ZUMA Wire/Alamy Live News

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# Happy Birthday



## JUNE

**June 05 Claudia Barrington**

**June 05 Michael Gittleman**

**June 11 Jackie Adamo**

**June 14 Claudette Bish**

**June 15 Sami Alvarado**

**June 18 Lisa Krukoski**

**June 22 Marty Norris**

**June 22 Denise Rouah**

**June 23 Carol Stokrocki**

**June 24 Jeri Monical**

**June 29 Judith Stanich**

**June 30 Taryn Palo**

## 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**





# 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 2021 TBD** 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](mailto: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!*

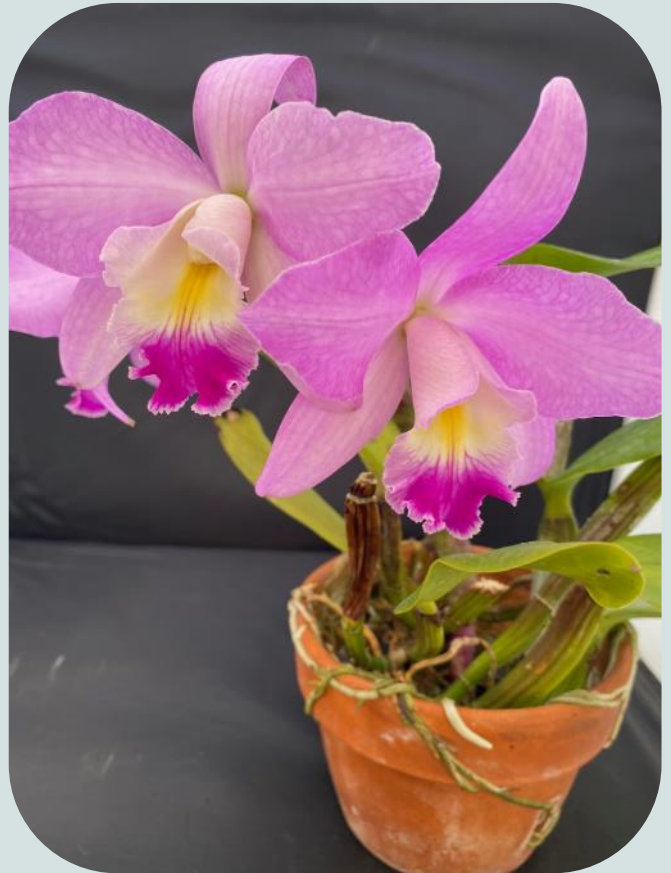
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**Madeline Felton**



**Bulbophyllum roxburghii**  
**John Pancoast**



**Bct. Little Mermaid 'Janet'**  
**John Pancoast**



**Cattleya NoID**  
**John Pancoast**



**Bratonia Dark Star**  
**John Pancoast**



**Cattleya NoID**  
**John Pancoast**

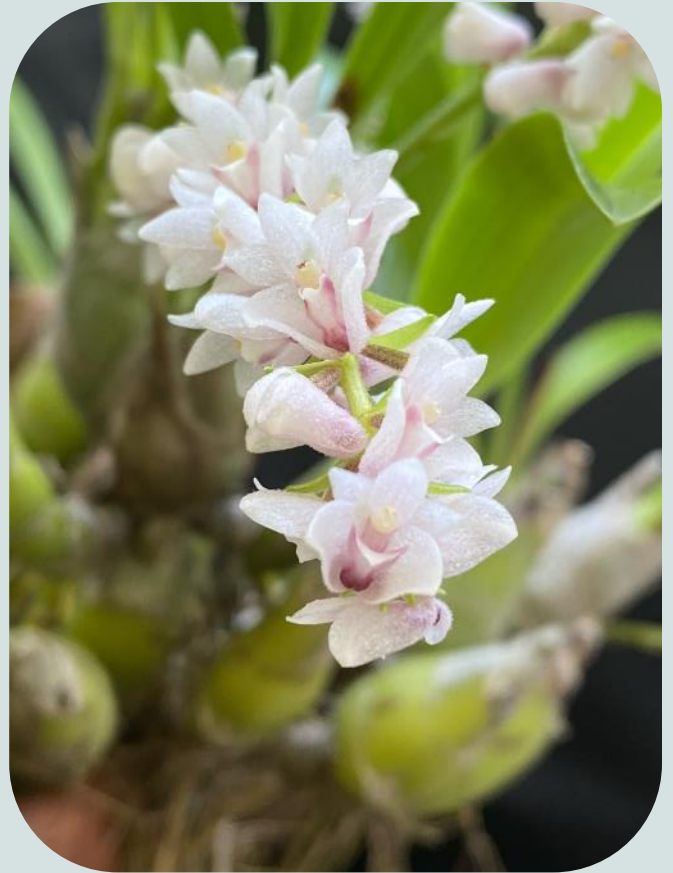


**Den. Scarlet Yuka**  
**John Pancoast**





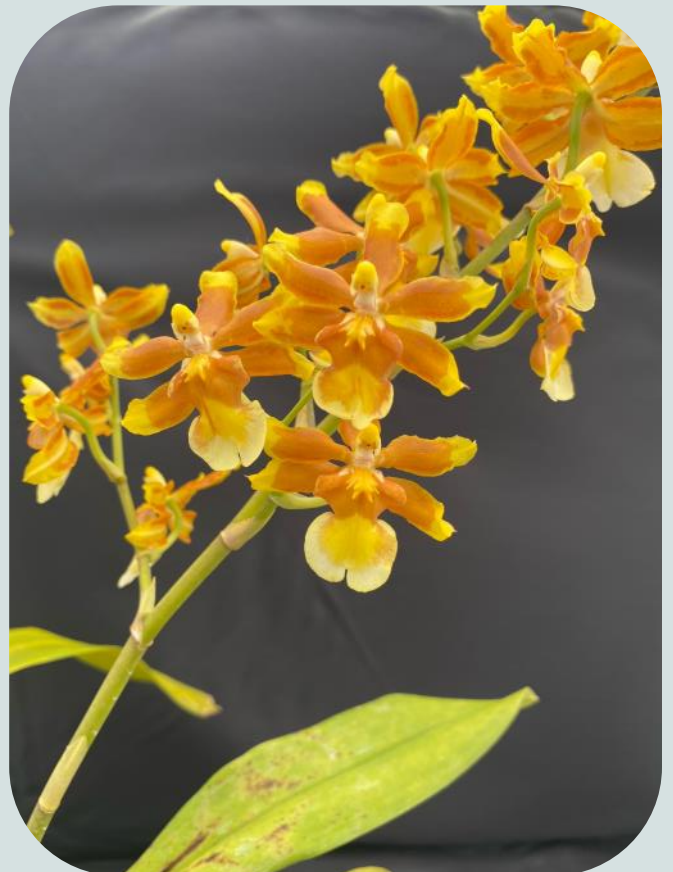
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**John Pancoast**



**Eria hyacinthoides**  
**John Pancoast**



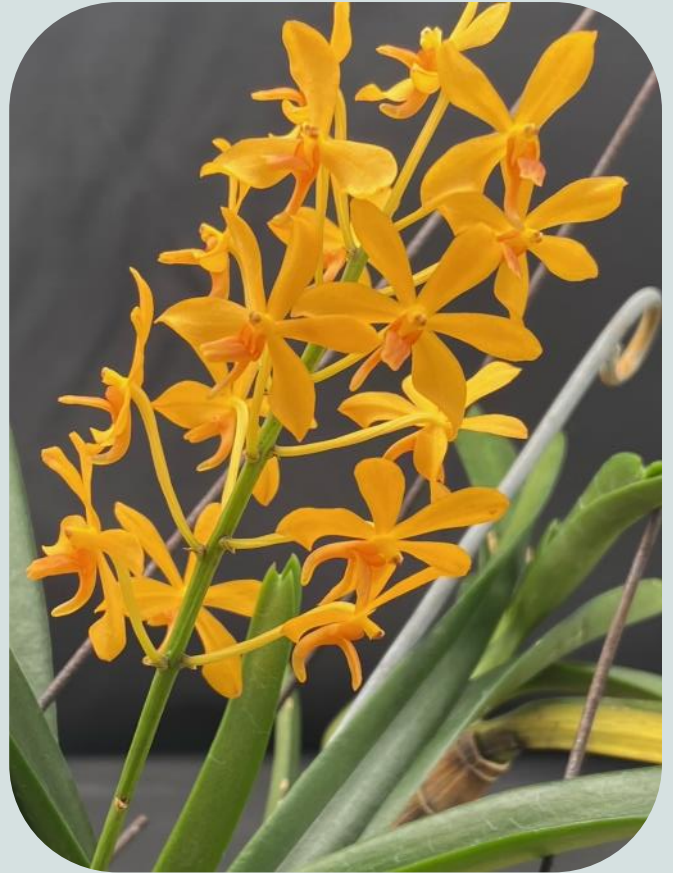
**Maxillaria tenuifolia (yellow) 'Yamada' AM/AOS**  
**John Pancoast**



**Oncidium Noid**  
**John Pancoast**



**Sarcoglyphis comberi**  
**John Pancoast**



**Vanda Prema Indigahawela**  
**John Pancoast**



**Vanda Thai After Glow**  
**John Pancoast**



**Aerides Houlatania**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Vanda Nold**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Vanda Nold**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Nold**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Oncidium Tropical Breeze 'Everglades'**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Perreiraara Rapeepath**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Phalaenopsis Noid**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Vanda Magic Gold**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Aerides Houlatania**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Vanda SM Delight**  
**Grace Holliday**



**White Grace**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Yellow bird**  
**Grace Holliday**



**Nold  
Ron Franz**



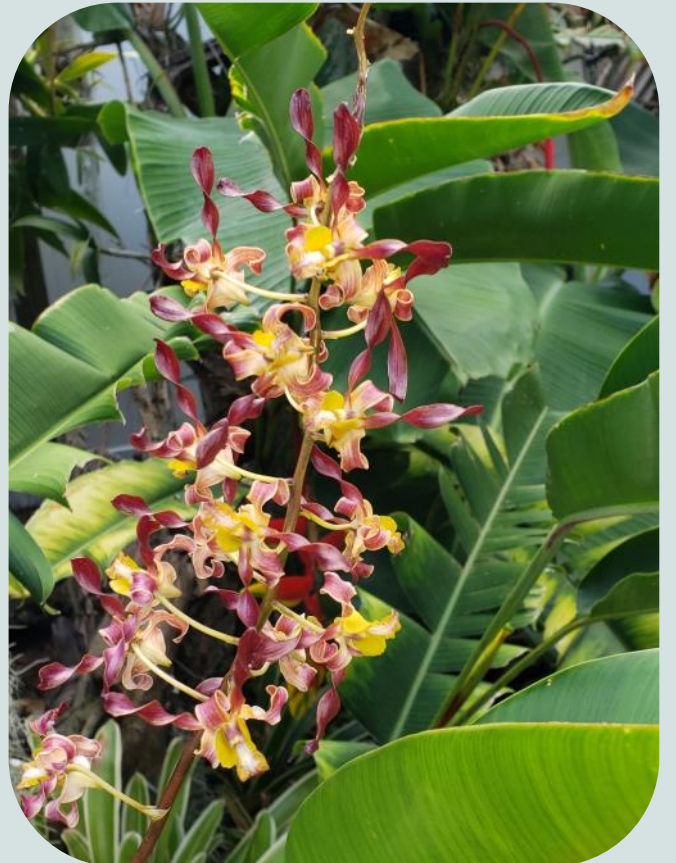
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**Ron Franz**



**Nold**  
**Ron Franz**



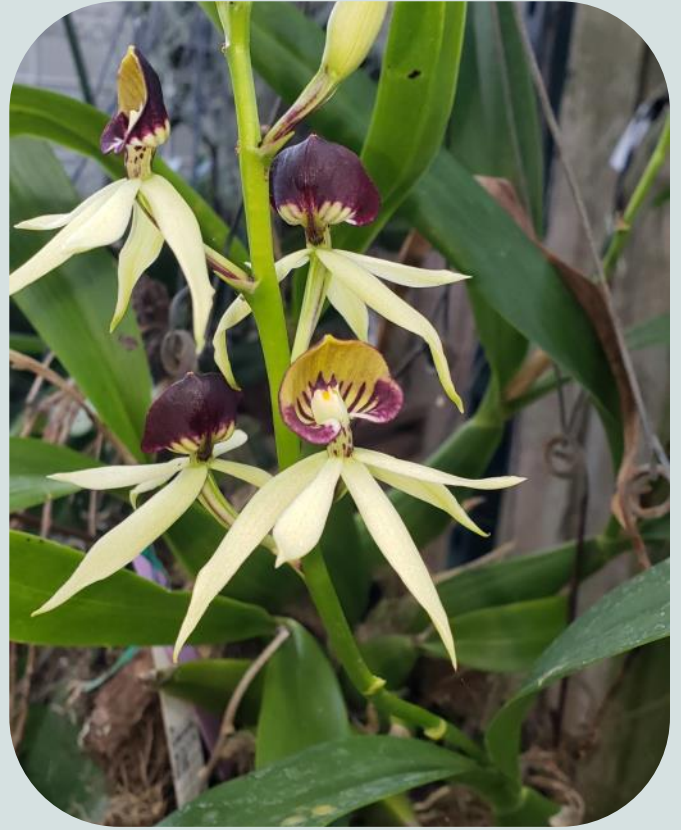
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**Nold**  
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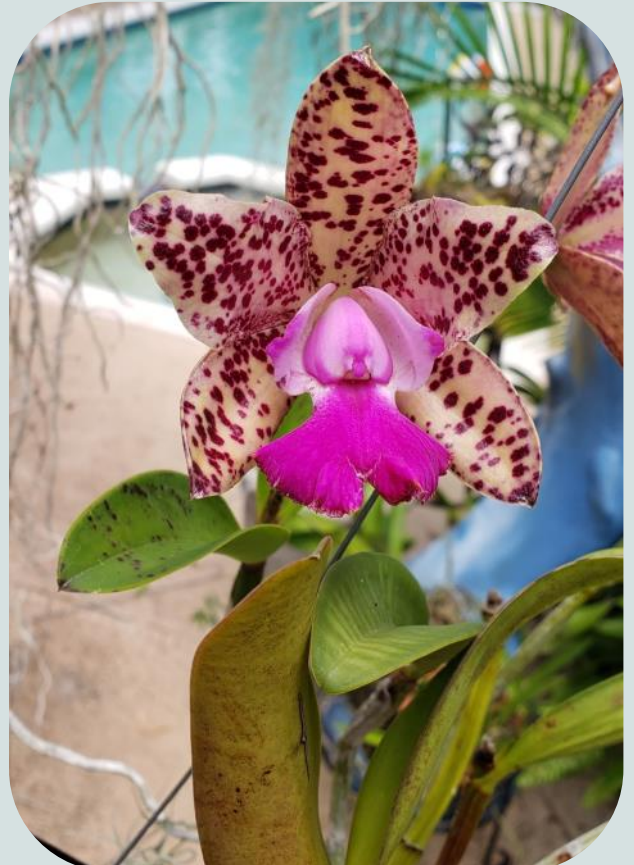
**Nold  
Ron Franz**



**Encyclia Cochleata  
Ron Franz**



**Nold  
Ron Franz**



**Nold  
Ron Franz**





**Aerides odorata**  
**Cheryl Babcock**

Beautiful and fragrant gift from Rosemary Chenery in April 2015 (with 8 spikes)



**Colorfull tree**  
**Cheryl Babcock**



**Myc. humboldti x Myc. exaltata**  
**Cheryl Babcock**



**Ctna. Henry Wan (Ctna. Why Not 'Lindsay' AM/AOS x Bro. negrilensis)  
Cheryl Babcock**



**Dendrobium Lorrie Mortimer  
Cheryl Babcock**



**Encyclia Gail Nakagaki (alata x coerdigera  
Cheryl Babcock**



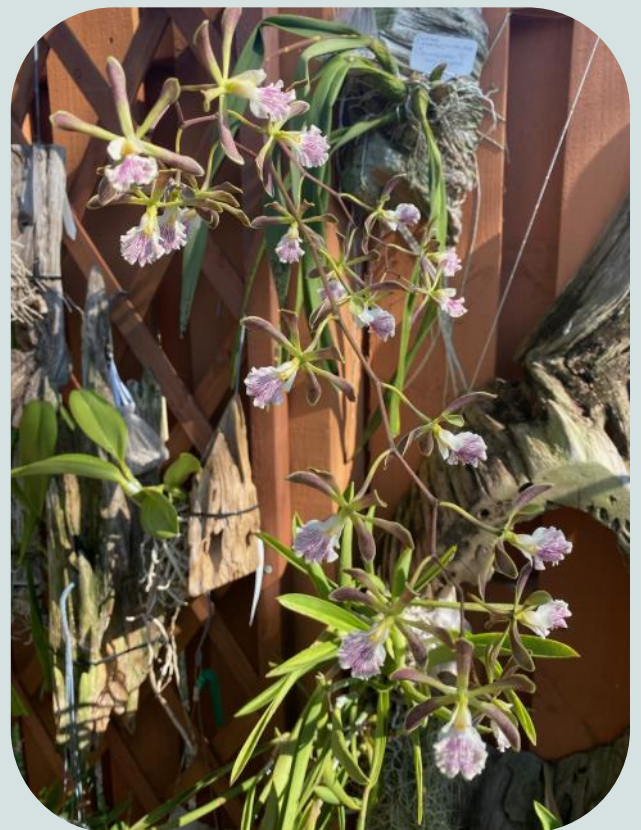
**Oncidium NO ID  
Cheryl Babcock**



**humboldtii cross of some sort  
Cheryl Babcock  
From Vince and Debbie Dicks 2018**



**Brsdm. Nittany Gold 'Dr. John' AM/AOS  
Cheryl Babcock**



**Cattleya F. alata Epijim HCC/AOS  
x F. Green Glades Jerry Templet  
Cheryl Babcock**



**Dendrobium aggregatum**  
**Stephanie & Terry Morkert**



**Nold**  
**Stephanie & Terry Morkert**



**Oncidium Tropical Breeze 'Everglades'**  
**Stephanie & Terry Morkert**



**Nold**  
**Stephanie & Terry Morkert**



**Yellow bird**  
**Stephanie & Terry Morkert**



**Encyclia tampensis**  
**Stephanie & Terry Morkert**



**Phal. Gigabell**  
**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](mailto: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; Fred Clarke from Sunset Valley Orchids in California who showed amazing photos of his unique orchids; Wendy Mazuk, who shared stunning photos of Dendrophylax lindenii, better known as the elusive Ghost Orchid, and Prem Subrahmanyam, who spoke about Florida's Endangered 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 re-view 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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**\$25.00/year Individual**

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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/](http://www.brosonline.org/)

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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](mailto:loisj2200@yahoo.com)