



# Deerfield Beach Orchid Society **CATTLEYA CURRENTS**

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Hi all,

I hope everyone is coping well with the summer heat. Our speaker for the August 8th meeting is AOS Student Judge, Tony Millett. Tony will try to educate us on the process of flasking and de-flasking orchids. These are steps one and two of bringing orchids into existence whether they are a new cross or reintroducing an already established cross. Good stuff!

The Orchid Obsession Show (November 4-5) will be upon us before we know it so we will begin distributing pre-sale tickets and advertising promotional material as well.

We do have very few tickets available for the overnight bus trip to Sarasota on September 23-24 so time is getting short to enroll. We have a cut-off date to meet with Hampton Inn on the reduced rate rooms so please see Debbie Dicks (954-551-1410) or Cheryl Babcock (954-464-8996) at the meeting or contact them at the listed phone numbers. These seats are available on a first come, first served basis and only a few remain so act now to ensure your spot.

Hope to see you all on Tuesday and as always, bring a friend....Vince

## July Ribbon Winners

Dendrobium Hibiki	Dennis Pearl / Joe Ortlieb
Dendrobium Isabel Sander ( Dendrobium Sanderae v. luzonica x Dendrobium dearie)	Dennis Pearl / Joe Ortlieb
Vanda Robert's Delight Garnet Beauty	Grace Holliday
Vanda Kulwadee Fragrance Blue Spots	Susan Kolinsky
Bromecanthe Garnet Glory (Guaritonia Why Not x Myrmecophila thomsoniana)	Susan Kolinsky
Vascostylis Veerawan	Tammy Hall

## Happy Birthday

**Millicent Hammill Aug 1**

**Josee LaPointe Aug 16**

**Lucie Alessio Aug 23**

**Madeline Felton Aug 23**

**Juan Bofill Aug 28**



# Highlights From Our July Meeting

Photos Courtesy of John Morris



# *Get to Know Our Members*

## *Susie Martin*



### **How Long Have You Been Growing Orchids?**

Since 1983 when my husband brought me a beautiful cattleya to celebrate the birth of my son.

### **How Many Orchids Do You Currently Have In Your Collection?**

75 to 100

### **What is Your Favorite Orchid?**

Whatever is blooming

### **What is Your Favorite Orchid Show To Go To (besides ours of course)?**

The Boca and Fort Lauderdale shows

### **How Long Have You Been A Member of DBOS?**

Two years

### **What is the Most Useful Thing That You Have Picked Up From Our Meetings?**

Common sense growing tips

### **Who Has Been Your Favorite Guest Speaker That We've Had?**

Mac's Orchids and Craig Morrell

### **What DBOS Event Do You Like the Best (ramble, bus trip, picnic etc)?**

I love it all. The ramble is so fun

### **What Topic Would You Like to See Discussed at One of Our Meetings?**

Attention to Florida native orchids

### **Please Share a Tip or Two That You Have Learned About Growing Orchids.**

Not to take the loss of a plant too personally. Find what grows well for you and your environment

# Speaker of the Month

## Tony Millet

My mom started my growing career at a very young age, growing everything from seed. Growing up in Brooklyn NYC started my orchid growing career delving into cool, intermediate and warm types. Having the experience of growing in underground cold frames to an above greenhouse did set the tone for my new semi retirement lathe house Florida style growing. The early childhood experience of growing from seed set the tone for my own orchid hybridizing program.

I breed and grow unusual hybrids in the large Cattleya alliance, I also perform all flasking activities, lecture and teach. I am an AOS student judge. Many of my hybrids have been AOS awarded. My present growing goal is to impart warm tolerance to some of the cooler growing colorful hadro laelias.

Objective: to have a hands on friendly session keeping it very simple using every day words and concepts. Some audience participation.



## 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. **Mar ?, 2018** DBOS Orchid Auction. Held at the Deerfield Beach Women's Club.  
Chairperson: Vince Dicks
  
2. **Mar ?, 2018** Orchid Home Ramble. Always a Saturday in addition to our regular meeting.  
Chairpersons: Tammy Hall & Jesus Hill
  
3. **Apr ?, 2018** Spring Picnic/DBOS Birthday Party. Location: Quiet Waters Park  
Chairpersons: Dennis Pearl, Lisa Krukoski & Jesus Hill
  
4. **Sept 23, 2017** Growers Bus Trip  
Chairperson: Cheryl Babcock and Debbie Dicks
  
5. **Dec 2, 2017** Annual meeting/Pot Luck Dinner Our regular Dec. meeting to be held here.  
Chairperson: Debbie Dicks and Cheryl Babcock

Please consider joining a committee to help out the Chairperson.

## Renew Your DBOS Membership for 2017

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 2017. Our dues structure has not increased. Anyone who joined DBOS in October-December 2016 will not have to pay dues for 2017. 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 2017. We will be collecting 2017 membership dues at the January and February 2017 meetings. Stop at the membership table and pay John or Cheryl and meet Linda Woodhouse who will be taking over membership responsibilities later this spring. If you plan to mail your dues, please do so by February 19, 2017.

Mail your dues payable to: Cheryl Babcock  
Deerfield Beach Orchid Society  
5532 NW 60th Drive  
Coral Springs, FL 33167

## Please Like Our Facebook Page



The image shows a 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 buttons for "Create Call to Action", "Liked" (with a dropdown arrow), and "Message" (with a dropdown arrow). At the bottom of the page, there are navigation tabs for "Timeline", "About", "Photos", "Likes", and "More" (with a dropdown arrow).

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- 1/2 page: \$15 per month or \$150 per year
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# 2017 Orchid Events

## Bonnett House Orchid Class Schedule

### August 12

Topic: Orchid Basics

Location: Mounts Auditorium

Learn how to pick the correct plant for your growing environment. We'll talk about light, water, temperature and how to fertilize

(Two classes offered 10:00-12:00 and 1:30-2:30)

### August 19

Topic: Orchid Repotting & Mounting

Location: Exhibit Hall A

Learn how often an orchid should be repotted, the difference between potting medias, how to pick the correct pot, basket or mount (cork, tree fern, cypress). There will be a repotting and mounting demonstration.

### August 26

Topic: Training your eye—Orchid Pests & Diseases

Location: Exhibit Hall A

Learn about bugs and diseases (fungus/rot) we need to watch out for. What to do preventively and how to treat once we have the problem. If you are serious this is need to know information. **Orchids leaves may be brought in for diagnosis, but must be in a plastic bag.**

Bonnett House, 900 N. Birch Road, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304

Saturdays 10:00am to 12:00pm

Admission for each class: \$30 members, \$35 non-members

Class limit 25. Pre-registration required

## 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 2017, this will include their 2018 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

- Monthly Orchid Raffles
- Guest Speakers Monthly
- Monthly Newsletters
- Monthly Drawings
- Annual Show & Sale—Orchid Obsession
- Annual Home Ramble
- Monthly Judging and Awarding of Ribbons to Member's Orchids
- Annual Bus Trip
- Annual Orchid Auction
- Annual Picnic
- Annual Holiday Dinner
- Access to our Orchid Library
- Insightful & Informative Web Page

For further information on how to join the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society (DBOS), please contact Cheryl Babcock or John Williams, DBOS Membership Chairs, at [crbabcock1@netzero.net](mailto:crbabcock1@netzero.net) or call 954-464-8996

**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.

# Calendar of Meetings

**Thursday, August 17 7:30 PM**

**Boca Raton Orchid Society**

Safe Schools Institute -Don Estridge Middle School

1790 NW Spanish River Blvd, Boca Raton, FL.

**Monday, August 14, 7:30 PM**

**Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Society, Inc.**

Christ Lutheran Church Parish Hall

1955 E. Oakland Park Blvd. Ft. Lauderdale, FL

**Tuesday, August 8, 7:30 PM**

**Deerfield Beach Orchid Society**

Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach

910 E. Hillsboro Blvd, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441

**Wednesday, August 9, 7:30 PM**

**Delray Beach Orchid Society**

The Adult Recreation Center in Veterans Park

802 NE First Street, Delray Beach, FL.

## 2017 Committee Positions

<b>AOS Representative</b>	<b>Vince Dicks</b>
<b>Events</b>	<b>Cheryl Babcock Debbie Dicks</b>
<b>Librarian</b>	<b>DBOS Officers/ Board of Directors</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Cheryl Babcock John Williams</b>
<b>Newsletter</b>	<b>Lisa Krukoski</b>
<b>Nominating</b>	<b>DBOS Officers/ Board of Directors</b>
<b>Plant Judging</b>	<b>John Budree</b>
<b>Publicity</b>	<b>Cheryl Babcock</b>
<b>Raffle Table</b>	<b>Dennis Pearl Jesus Hill</b>
<b>Refreshments</b>	<b>Dennis Pearl Millicent Hammill</b>
<b>Sunshine</b>	<b>Lois Larson</b>
<b>Webmaster</b>	<b>Joe Ortlieb</b>

## 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)