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President's Message

Hi Orchid Lovers,

I am certainly looking forward to our Tuesday, July 11 meeting and hearing from Rafael Romero. Plantio La Orquidea, who will be discussing Schomburgkia orchids. Rafael was born in Caracas. Venezuela, in March 1960. Rafael and his wife have a small nursery, approximately 7,000 sq ft, where they have established a good sample of the species and hybrids they

produce and have been adding interesting species and hybrids from all over the world. Rafael will be bringing orchids for sale as well as orchids for our raffle table. I have requested a few bare root Schomburgkias and some of their hybrid orchids for the raffle table and for sale.

Speaking of our raffle table. Do you buy tickets for the raffle table each month? I have bought \$10.00 worth of raffle tickets at each monthly meeting since joining the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society over 10 years ago. Some months, when there was an orchid that I really hoped to win, I bought even more tickets. I view this more as a monthly contribution to the society so we can provide our members with many of the fun activities throughout the year like our FREE picnic; FREE home ramble to members' home with breakfast, refreshments, and lunch provided; FREE holiday party with a FREE orchid for members who attend; and our annual bus trip where the society subsidizes the cost. Additionally, our monthly speaker fee where members receive invaluable information has increased; our fee for the speakers to bring orchids for the raffle table has risen due to the increased cost of orchids; our monthly rental for the Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach; and, so much more. The best part of buying raffle tickets is that occasionally, I also win an orchid! Where else can a person get an orchid for \$10.00? We want you to have the opportunity to win some of these lovely orchids, too, and encourage you to buy raffle tickets. Once again, "Do you buy tickets for the raffle table each month? If not, consider buying \$5.00 or \$10.00 worth of tickets. For the price of a cup of coffee, you could go home with a lovely new orchid for your collection.

Thank you to Thanh Nguyen, Springwater Orchids, who was our June speaker on Paphiopedilums.

Mark your calendar for our August 15 meeting when Tomas Bajza from the Tarzane Group will be our speaker and discuss "Giant World of Miniature Orchids and How to Grow Cool in A Hot Climate." The Tarzane Group will generate coupon codes for our society that will be active for their website Tarzanegroup.com or Tarzanorchids.com, which will be valid July 24 - August 6, 2023, for 18% off our members' purchases. This is not available to the public, and only available to DBOS paid members. You will receive an option with your website orchid purchases for free pick up at the August 15 presentation. Watch your email in the next couple of weeks for a message with the coupon code. and please do not share it with people who are not DBOS paid members. This is another benefit that paid members receive.

Happy Orchiding!

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Speaker of the Month Rafael Romero Plantio La Orquidea





July 11, 2023 7:30 pm

"Schomburgkias"

Rafael Romero , a native of Caracas, Venezuela, studied for two years at the United World College of the Atlantic, in Wales in the UK, where he learned English and graduated in 1978. He later graduated with a Degree in Biology from Universidad Simon Bolivar in 1984.

Rafael started working with orchids with his wife Christine (Tina) and her father, Henrique Graf, in the laboratory in 1986. Henrique is the founder/owner of the largest orchid nursery in Venezuela, *Plantio La Orquidea*, founded in 1952. Henrique still operates the nursery in Caracas to this day.

In August 2003, Rafael and Christine moved to Sarasota, Florida, opening the 7,000-squarefoot nursery *Plantio La Orquidea* to better serve their U.S. customers (plantiolaorquidea.com) which specializes in warm-growing species and hybrids from all over the world.

Because of political troubles in Venezuela, in 2015 they decided to open a small lab in Sarasota where they are now producing plants.

Rafael will be bringing orchids to our meeting for sale as well as orchids for our raffle table.





Email: info@plantiolaorquidea.com Phone: (941) 504 7737

Web site: https://plantiolaorquidea.com You Tube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q_iC9YpGCRU

Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Membership 2023 DBOS Membership Annual Fees

New Members: \$30/Single or \$40/Couple ~ Membership Renewal: \$25/Single or \$35/Couple Reasons to join or renew your membership in the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society

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DBOS & AOS Members Plant Judging/Awarding Ribbons 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 or to pay by credit card, please contact Linda Woodhouse, DBOS Membership Chair, at <u>lindawoodhouserealtor@gmail.com</u> or call 954-234-4623. If you prefer to pay by check, make it payable to Deerfield Beach Orchid Society and send to Deerfield Beach Orchid Society, PO Box 732, Deerfield Beach, FL 33443-0732. DBOS meetings held the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach, 910 E. Hillsboro Blvd., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441 (except December Holiday Party).

Membership year Jan. I-Dec. 31, 2023

Happy Birthday



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JULY July 01 Lois Larson July 03 Judy Klein July 07 Barbara Weimer July 11 Ron Franz July 13 Doug Dicks July 14 Kristina Brandt July 14 Wes Scott July 24 Jean Marie Gordon July 24 Keith LeBlanc July 29 Wendy Silverstein July 30 Kay McGinn

July 31 Felipe Carles

AUGUST August 02 Steve Brandt August 03 Tina Huyghe August 05 Anna Bouche August 09 Kip Tatman August 14 David Bowe August 15 Andy Kamm August 23 Madeline Felton August 25 Joni Goldberg August 27 Tomer Avivi

Bulletin Board

DBOS holds monthly in-person meetings.

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, 910 E. Hillsboro Blvd., Deerfield Beach FL 33441.

Please check your email for information pertaining to our social events for 2023. 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 on a regular basis. Even better (although not so readily available) lower phosphorus fertilizers containing extra magnesium and calcium with a formula like Peter's Excel (15-5-15) have been.....continued.....Click..link below for. "Read this month's complete article at:"



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Highlights From Our June Meeting Photos Courtesy of John Morris and Terry Morkert









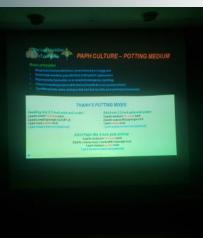












































Rhynchocentrum Lilac Blossom BLUE Ribbon John Pancoast

Vanda Tango Fire BLUE Ribbon Grace Holliday



Meiracyllium trinasutum BLUE Ribbon John Pancoast



Blc. Lime Cooler "Krull Smith" HCC/AOS BLUE Ribbon Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl



Encyclia Tampensis BLUE Ribbon Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl



Ascocenda Brighton Gold BLUE Ribbon Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl



Grammatophyllum Lovely Mellody "Sweet" BLUE Ribbon Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl



Vanda Sanderiana x Vanda Lenavat RED Ribbon Susan Kolinsky



Williette Wong 'The Best' AM/AOS RED Ribbon Stephanie Currie



Ascocenda Brighton Gold BLUE Ribbon Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl

June Ribbon Winners

Vanda Tango Fire	BLUE	Grace Holliday
Rhynchocentrum Lilac Blossom	BLUE	John Pancoast
Meiracyllium trinasutum	BLUE	John Pancoast
Blc. Lime Cooler "Krull Smith" HCC/AOS	BLUE	Joe Ortlieb Dennis Pearl
Encyclia Tampensis	BLUE	Joe Ortlieb Dennis Pearl
Ascocenda Brighton Gold	BLUE	Joe Ortlieb Dennis Pearl
Grammatophyllum Lovely Mellody "Sweet"	BLUE	Joe Ortlieb Dennis Pearl
Vanda Sanderiana x Vanda Lenavat	RED	Susan Kolinsky
Williette Wong 'The Best' AM/AOS	RED	Stephanie Currie



Annual Picnic

Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Annual Social Events





I. January 28	DBOS Annual Bus Trip to Growers. Meet at Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach at 7:45am and return by 6:15pm. Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Kristina Brandt
2. March 14	DBOS 10th Annual Orchid Auction to be held at the Deerfield Beach Woman's Club. FREE EVENT Public Welcome. Preview at 7:00 pm—Auction begins at 7:30 pm. Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Joe Ortlieb
3. March 25	DBOS Annual Home Ramble. DBOS members only. We will visit DBOS members' homes / orchid collections. Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Linda Woodhouse
4. October 15	DBOS Annual Picnic at Tradewinds Park. DBOS Members and invited guests. Chairpersons: Dennis Pearl & Kristina Brandt Committee: Racquel & Felipe Carles, Steve Brandt
5. November 11-1	2 DBOS 10th Annual Orchid Show and Sale, Orchid Obsession. Safe Schools Institute. Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock, Kristina Brandt & Joe Ortlieb
6. December 2	DBOS Annual Members' Holiday Party to be held at the Croatian American Social Club at 6:00 pm. Chairpersons: Cheryl Babcock & Linda Woodhouse Committee: Kristina Brandt, Raquel Carles, Madeline Felton, Grace Holliday

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



Annual Bus Trip to Growers



Annual Auction





Annual Ramble

Annual Holiday Party

MEMBERS' PLANTS



DBOS members, please send images of some of your favorite orchids at any time to your newsletter's editor at morkert.tm@gmail.com so we can share them with our membership. Mother Nature doesn't always allow some of our beautiful 'orchid babies' to bloom at the right time for our monthly meetings. We enjoy seeing

your blooming orchids in the newsletter as well as in person on our members' table at the monthly meeting. We often see 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!

Vanda Trellis Grace and Bill Holliday



Vanda Trellis before - 2017 Grace and Bill Holliday

CLUB MEMBER'S

INSPIRATION PAGE

THE CHALLENGE BEGINS!



Vanda Trellis 6 years later - 2023 Grace and Bill Holliday





Ladda gold Grace and Bill Holliday

Bangsai Star Blue Grace and Bill Holliday



NoID Grace and Bill Holliday



Den. Alien Grace and Bill Holliday



Den. Blue Berry Grace and Bill Holliday



Encyclia green hornet Grace and Bill Holliday



Encyclia Cordigera Grace and Bill Holliday



Lc. Good Days Grace and Bill Holliday



Vanda Tango Fire Grace and Bill Holliday



Miss Joaquin Trellis Grace and Bill Holliday



Schom. Hackie. Brysiana cbesfas x self Grace and Bill Holliday



Tropical Breeze Grace and Bill Holliday





Tropical Pointer Grace and Bill Holliday



Yellow bird Grace and Bill Holliday



V. Lamellata x Noi Blue x Rhy. Grace and Bill Holliday





Den. moschatum John Pancoast



B. nodosa x C. alegoensis John Pancoast



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Den. crumenatum John Pancoast



Dyakia hendersoniana John Pancoast



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Maxillaria hennisiana John Pancoast



Rndta. Sunrise 'Prasong' John Pancoast







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meeting every month. There is nothing better than Publix pastries!

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.

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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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