

# Deerfield Beach Orchid Society CATTLEYA CURRENTS



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## **President's Message**

Hi Orchid Lovers,

True confession time! The one orchid that I seem to have trouble growing is Paphiopedilums, often called "slipper orchids" because of their unique pouch. I've read that they are easily grown as houseplants and their care is quite like African Violets. Spending most of my life in cold country, i.e., born and raised in Nebraska, spent

years in Illinois where my children were born, and spent additional years in Minnesota, so I'm no stranger to African Violets and have had many through the years that bloomed profusely. All were houseplants and reminded me of my maternal grandmother, who lived in Nebraska and had a sun porch with over 100 African Violets on shelves across two windows. I believe this is where my love for plants and flowers began, and my mother always had houseplants. Moving to Florida where almost anything grows if you stick it in the ground, put it in a pot with soil or medium, or mount it to a tree or any other satisfactory object has been amazing and wonderful!

I've tried many different times over the last five years to add Paphiopedilums to my collection and have one that is still hanging in there. Perhaps I've stumbled on why mine don't survive and thrive. I grow them and all my other orchids outside. I put them with my Phalaenopsis, and I guess from now on I will put them in my kitchen window because the uniqueness of their blooms is something to behold.

If these exotic orchids are something that you also admire because of the uniqueness of their blooms, you will want to attend our Tuesday, June 13 meeting because our speaker will be Thanh Nguyen, an expert on these orchids. He grows and sells many different orchid genera, however his forte is Paphiopedilums, for which he has won many awards. Thanh, owner and operator of Springwater Orchids in Melbourne, FL, is a great orchid grower and friend of the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society. He has been growing orchids for over 40 years. He will be bringing a broad variety of orchids to sell at the meeting and orchids for our raffle table.

Thank you to Brian Spitler, who was our May speaker on "Researching Your Orchids Culture with a Focus on Dendrobiums."

Mark your calendar for our July 11 meeting when Rafael Romero from Plantio de Orquidea will be joining us as our speaker.

Happy Orchiding!

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Speaker of the Month Thanh Nguyen

## Springwater Orchids



June 13, 2023 7:30 pm

## "Paphiopedilums"

Thanh is an owner-operator of Springwater Orchids (Melbourne, FL). He is an engineer by trade, but also has been collecting and growing orchids for 40 years. His orchid business began in 2001, mainly selling on the internet but gradually moved to orchid shows in recent years.

Thanh loves orchid species. And although he grows and sells all orchids genera, his forte has always been the genus of Paphiopedilum. He collects fine plants; grows, sells, breeds, and enjoys sharing his experiences with his customers and colleagues. His passion in paphs resulted in numerous award winning plants and an on-going paphs breeding program using local lab work, and local growing environment. His breeding program recently extended to mini/compact plants, focusing on brassavola genera. And in parallel with conservation of breeding species, improving overall plants and flowers quality, broaden their growing conditions to make growing orchids a joy, not an aggravation!

Give it a try, and buy a seedling!



**Springwater Orchids** Melbourne, Florida





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### Join or Renew Your 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

> Monthly Events DBOS & AOS Members Prize Drawings

**Guest Speakers** 

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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, and DBOS 2023 renewals DUE by April 12

Happy Birthday



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JUNE June 07 Maxine Weimer June 09 John Sargent June 13 Alan Silverstein June 14 Claudette Bish June 18 Lisa Krukoski June 19 Claudia Barrington June 21 Beth Bowe June 22 Marty Norris June 22 Rebecca Stallard June 24 Jeri Monical June 24 Jeri Monical JULY July 01 Lois Larson July 03 Judy Klein July 06 Darcy A. Corsaut July 07 Barbara Weimer July 11 Ron Franz July 13 Doug Dicks July 13 Doug Dicks July 14 Kristina Brandt July 14 Wes Scott July 19 Cynthia Cummings July 23 Kathy King July 23 Kathy King July 24 Jean Marie Gordon July 29 Wendy Silverstein July 30 Kay McGinn

#### **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.

### 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 our plants. Always give your plants sufficient space to allow for good air circulation to permit rapid drying. Crowded plants stay wetter longer encouraging fungus and bacteria. Scale and mealy bugs also thrive on the soft lush growth generated by overcrowded, overshadowed plants. Mites too love the extra protection from dislodging rain that overgrown plants provide. When looking at the spacing of your plants also allow some extra space for the new growth that will be rapidly developing in the new growing season. Remember your well grown plants will be much larger at the end of the rainy season when the fungus are savagely on the prowl. Plants and trees in your yard also will have grown in the past year and will be growing more in the rains of summer. June is a good time to think of pruning vegetation that is blocking light and air from our orchids. Come the true heart of hurricane season in September you will be glad that you did! Tree pruning alas, slips to a low priority in the face of an approaching storm. Your orchids will be glad right away that you pruned, rewarding you with harder, healthier growth sure to produce yet more lavish blooms in season.

A persistent problem in June is how to apply liquid fertilizer to our plants under these often persistently wet conditions. As all of our orchids are in rapid growth in June they need to be fed, ironically this comes in the face of super abundant moisture. While rain contains minute quantities of nitrogen, heavy persistent rain can in fact strip nutrients from our plants by reversing the normal osmot-



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## Highlights From Our May Meeting Photos Courtesy of John Pancoast and Terry Morkert









































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Enc. Cordigera var. Rosea BLUE Ribbon Rosemary Chenery



Myrmecocattleya Adel Fuchs BLUE Ribbon Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl



Enc. Cordigera Rosea x Sib. BLUE Ribbon Grace Holliday



Guaritonia [Ctna.] Why Not ('Yellow' x Self) BLUE Ribbon Cheryl Babcock & John Williams



Ctna. Maui Maid x Graf's Atardercer BLUE Ribbon Susan Kolinsky



V. Perreirara Varachayo BLUE Ribbon Susan Kolinsky



Neofinetia Falcata BLUE Ribbon Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl



Paraphalaenopsis lubakensis x Seiden fadenia mitrata BLUE Ribbon Joe Ortlieb & Dennis Pearl



Vandachostylis Ploenpit Prize RED RIBBON Susan Kolinsky



NoID Cheryl Babcock & John Williams



Shom. Humboldetti Rosemary Chenery



Enc. Cordigera var. Randii Rosemary Chenery

## May Ribbon Winners

Enc. Cordigera var. Rosea	BLUE	Rosemary Chenery
Enc. Cordigera Rosea x Sib.	BLUE	Grace Holliday
Myrmecocattleya Adel Fuchs	BLUE	Joe Ortlieb Dennis Pearl
Guaritonia [Ctna.] Why Not ('Yellow' x Self)	BLUE	Cheryl Babcock John Williams
Ctna. Maui Maid x Graf's Atardercer	BLUE	Susan Kolinsky
Neofinetia Falcata	BLUE	Joe Ortlieb Dennis Pearl
V. Perreirara Varachayo	BLUE	Susan Kolinsky
Paraphalaenopsis lubakensis x Seiden fadenia mitrata	BLUE	Joe Ortlieb Dennis Pearl
Vandachostylis Ploenpit Prize	RED	Susan Kolinsky



### 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



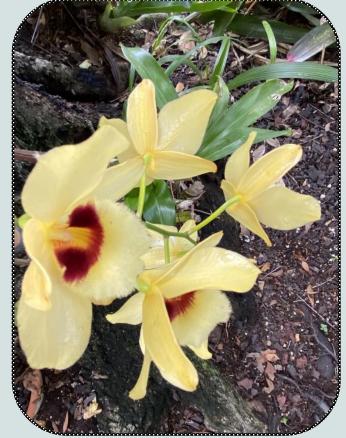
DBOS members, please send images of some of your favorite orchids at any time to <u>deerfieldor-</u> <u>chids@gmail.com</u> so we can share them with our membership. Mother Nature doesn't always allow some of our beautiful 'orchid babies' to bloom at the right time for our monthly meetings. We enjoy 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 Dr. Della Suantio Lee S.G. Soft Pink Cheryl Babcock and John Williams



Dendrobium Gatton Sunray Cheryl Babcock and John Williams



Schomburgia Rio's majestic Cheryl Babcock and John Williams



Schomburgia grandiflora Cheryl Babcock and John Williams



Schomburgia tibiana Cheryl Babcock and John Williams





Schomburgia tibicinis Cheryl Babcock and John Williams

Schomburgia tibicinis (diff. color variation) Cheryl Babcock and John Williams



Waironara Tango Fire AM/AOS Cheryl Babcock and John Williams



Vandachostylis Ploenpit Prize'Quinn' (V. Memoria Thanchai x Rhy. gigantea) Cheryl Babcock and John Williams



Asco. Cherry Blossom John Pancoast



Den. Regal Vista John Pancoast



Bulb. zamboangense John Pancoast



Encyclia granitica John Pancoast



Encyclia tampensis John Pancoast



Epi. oerstedii John Pancoast



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Laelia praestans John Pancoast Maxillaria tenuifolia 'Yamada' John Pancoast

Rhyncholaelia digbyana John Pancoast

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V. tessellata Alba John Pancoast









Rhv. Ploenpit Prize Stephanie and Terry Morkert



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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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### **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