

# Deerfield Beach Orchid Society CATTLEYA CURRENTS

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October is here. We are all very busy these days. Holidays are approaching. Snow Birds are on their way. Traffic is getting crazy! BUT.....Cooler weather is greatly welcomed! Please set some time aside to join us in our social functions coming up.

Our October meeting will be held at our Fall Festival on Saturday, October 22nd from I Iam-3pm in lieu of our regular meeting and will be held in Constitution Park, Deerfield Beach Arboretum. Admission \$5 per person includes, hot dogs and hamburgers, and soft drinks. Bring a folding chair and a covered dish with a serving utensil. Picnics are so fun! Please email Rosemary Chenery to let her know what you are bringing. Her email is: chen3566@bellsouth.net

Madeline Felton still has some seats left for the Luxury Motor Coach Trip to Apopka and Tampa on Saturday, November 12th. Money is due by October 14th. \$60 includes transportation, continental breakfast, snacks, water, soft drinks, plant raffle. The 4 stops are: Our Vital Earth, Krull-Smith Orchids, June's Estate Orchids, and Del Favero Orchids. Contact Madeline at: 561-368-0808 or after Oct 13th call her at 954-415-6163

Our last social function for 2011 is our Annual Holiday Meeting which will take place at Joe Ortlieb and Dennis Pearl's house on Saturday, December 10th. You won't want to miss this! Members are free we just ask that everyone bring an appetizer, main course or dessert. Charlene Reiff is the chairperson and would appreciate some helpers. You can call her at 561-715-0179 or email her at chreiff@aol.com to lend your assistance or let her know if you will be attending, what you will be bringing and if you are bringing any guests.

Looking forward to our November meeting when our speaker will be Gail Miller from Miller's Way Orchids. The topic will be "Tricks of the Trade".

See you at the Arboretum!

Heidi Feser

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## **September Ribbon Winners**

Category	Plant	Name
Grand Champion	Oncidesa Gower Ramsey (Oncsa. Goldiana x Oncsa. Guniea Gold)(formerly known as Oncidium)	Carol Ott
Encyclia	Encyclia Grand Bahama (E. plicata x E. tampensis)	Joe Ortlieb
Angraecum	Unkown	Diana Foulke
Species	Grammatophyllum martae	Mary Pritchard
Species	Aerides lawrenceae	Joe Ortlieb
Species	Laelia splendida (formerly known as Schomburgkia)	
Dendrobium  Den. Penang 'Little Magic'		Diana Foulke
Lavender Cattleya	Rlc. Norman x C. Clotho	Rosemary Chenery
Vandaceous	V. Susan Best	Dennis Pearl



#### **Plant Table Registration Instructions**

- 1. You must have owned your plant for at least 6 months.
- 2. Absolutely NO INSECTS.
- 3. Your orchid must have a name.
- 4. It must be in the correct category. (Ask if you don't know.)
- 5. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY the name of the Orchid and your name on the Registration Form.
- 6. Try to place your plant in an attractive container to enhance the orchids beauty.
- 7. Plants must be on the table before judging starts.

PLANTS NOT MEETING THESE CRITERIA MAY BE DISQUALIFIED FROM JUDGING.

#### **REFRESHMENTS**

We are always in need of refreshments for our meetings. Refreshment sample ideas are: cookies, fruits, cheese platters, cakes, breads, candies, pastries, nuts or anything else you can think of. You will receive a raffle ticket for every refreshment you bring in. All goodies are greatly appreciated!

Thank you to all who brought refreshments for our September meeting!

Susan Kolinsky

Tonky Bofill

Ti Pham-Oh

Grace Holliday

Dennis Pearl

Please remember to sign the refreshment list so you can be acknowledged!

# Kappy Birthday

Vince Dicks Oct 8

Melinda Newman Oct 10

Sue Treacy Oct 20





In lieu of our regular October meeting we will be having our meeting and a Fall Festival (picnic) at the Deerfield Arboretum at Constitution Park on Saturday Oct 22, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

The park is located at 2841 W Hillsboro Blvd, on the north side of the road between Powerline Rd and Military Trail. Parking is just inside the entry, and the reserved covered pavilion is just down the path to the north of the parking lot next to the lake. Admission is \$5 per person, parking is free.

The site offers some picnic tables and a BBQ grill. Please bring a folding chair. The Board is providing hamburgers and hotdogs, water and soft drinks. We would like the members to provide a side dish, appetizer or desert with appropriate serving utensils. So far we have 5 appetizers, 4 side dishes and 4 desserts from the members who signed up at the Sept. meeting.

We plan on an orchid swap, so bring one or several orchid related item(s) to sell (at a reasonable price) or swap. We will also have a plant raffle.

Please contact Rosemary Chenery if you are planning to attend, the dish you are providing or for more information: chen3566@bellsouth.net or 561 487-6552.

See you at the Fall Festival in the Park on Saturday, October 22nd!

## Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Annual Social Events

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

I. Apr. ??, 2012 Orchid Ramble. Always a Saturday in addition to our regular meeting.

Chairperson: Heidi Feser. She could use an assistant.

2. Jul. 10, 2012 DBOS Birthday Party. At the Women's Club on the regular meeting

day.

Chairperson: Stephen Lunsford. He could use an assistant.

3. Oct. 22, 2011 Fall Festival. On a Saturday in lieu of our regular meeting and held

in Constitution Park, Deerfield Beach Arboretum. Admission \$5 per person

Chairperson: Rosemary Chenery. She could use assistants.

4. **Dec 10, 2011** Annual meeting/Holiday Party. Held at the home of Joe Ortlieb & Dennis

Pearl. Chairperson: Charlene Reiff. She needs many assistants.

The DBOS will be sponsoring these events, in part, to show it's appreciation for your participation in all Club events. Members will be FREE and guests will have an admission fee.

Please Step-Up and contact the Chairperson of any event to offer your help. THESE EVENTS DON'T JUST MAGICALLY HAPPEN. EACH CHAIR NEEDS 3 OR MORE ASSISTANTS SO HURRY AND CALL THEM. Time is flying!!

## Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Motor Coach Trip to Orchid Growers in Apopka & Tampa

November 12, 2011
6:00 A.M. Meet at Women's Club, 901 E. Hillsboro
Blvd., Deerfield Beach
6:30 A.M. Bus leaves PROMPTLY
11:30 P.M. Return to Women's Club

Cost: \$60 Per Person plus tip for Driver

Contact Madeline Felton for reservations
561-368-0808 (954-415-6163 after Oct. 13)
800 S.W. 17 Street, Boca Raton, FL 33486
R.S.V.P. by October 14, 2011
No Refunds

Included: Transportation
Continental Breakfast

**Box Lunch** 

Snacks

Soft Drinks

Water

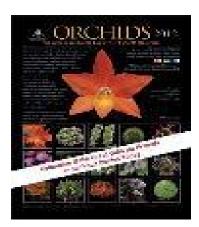
Plant Raffle

Not Included: Dinner, We will stop at a restaurant on the return trip.

We will be visiting four of the top growers in the area and traveling Business class in a luxurious Motor Coach

# Orchid News & Tidaits

American Orchid Society calendars are now on sale through their website or at their Delray Beach location. Please support the Society by purchasing a calendar. The price is \$12.50. AOS members will receive a 10% discount.



# Orchid Tasks for October by Dr. Martin Motes

- Space plants to increase air ciruclation
- Water as early as possible in the day
- Move Himalayan dendrobiums, catasetums, calanthes, and other seasonally dormant plants to dry, bright locations.
- Reduce general fertilizer
- Apply extra magnesium and potassium

## Orchid Ailments by Jackie Wood

#### Shriveled Pseudobulbs:

A sign that the plant is losing water content, it can be caused by low humidity, underwatering, dry medium or loss or roots.

## Blackened Tips or Ends of Leaves:

- This could be caused by overfeeding (especially in cymbidiums). Cease fertilizing and flush plant thoroughly with plain water.
- Excessive soluble minerals in water. Have water analyzed.
- Leaf dieback or a fungal infection. Cut off blackened areas and treat with fungicide.

## **Aphids**

By Susan Jones

Among the most common orchid pests, aphids are slow-moving, soft-bodied insects related to scale. Usually less than 1/8-inch long, greenish white or black, aphids have soft, pear-shaped bodies, long legs, antennae, and sucking mouthparts to feed on plant juices. Most are wingless, but winged versions appear to migrate between plants when a colony becomes crowded..

#### **Life Cycle**

The adult female aphid gives birth to between 60 and 100 female nymphs every day for a period of 20 to 30 days. These nymphs immediately start to feed and grow, molting several times to mature to an adult female capable of reproducing within seven to ten days, all without maturing. Within a few days, thousands of aphids can be born.

When colonies become overcrowded, winged forms appear, to fly to establish new colonies. The insects can cycle continuously under greenhouse conditions, their rate of development affected only by temperature.

In the autumn, females begin producing a few males. Females born at the same time have eggs within their bodies; they mate and lay the eggs to provide next season's offspring.

#### **Symptoms**

These insects are easy to spot. Their rapid reproduction and development quickly produces colonies, which feed on the parts of the plant receiving the most nutrients. They can be found on new growth, at the base of buds, on flowers and on the undersides of leaves. Their feeding causes poor growth, stunted plants or curled and distorted leaves.

Developing aphids shed white skins. A pile of them on upper leaf surfaces may be your first sign that these destructive insects have arrived.

#### Damage

Where buds are attacked, the flower - if it opens at all - will be mottled and distorted. The sap sucking may result in wilting, deformed plant growth, yellowing, and even loss of leaves. Aphids' salivary secretions can also be toxic to their host plant.

Aphids eat more plant fluids than they can digest, excreting honeydew - a sweet, syrupy material - on leaves and stems. This attracts sooty mould, a fungus that grows in honeydew, making leaves look dirty and black. Ants are also drawn to honeydew; they feed on it, and will fiercely defend their source against predators. They will even farm aphids, moving them from plant to plant so that additional honeydew factories can be created. Traveling between plants, aphids can introduce and spread virus and disease.

#### **Control**

Prevention is better than a cure; good cultural practices and purchasing healthy plants reduce the chance of infestation. The most common way of acquiring pests is buying an infested plant. Aphids easily colonize clean plants when they are grown close together, allowing movement from plant to plant. Winged aphids may colonize orchids that are outdoors, or indoors and in greenhouses where air currents from fans help spread the critters. To control the proliferation of aphids, immediately isolate an infested plant.

Fortunately, aphids are not difficult to eradicate. For any treatment method, repeat the procedure twice after the initial application at seven- to 10-day intervals to kill successive generations. Test any treatment on a small population of plants before widespread use.

To control aphids, one must also eliminate ants. Insecticides destroy the worker ants that move and protect aphids, but the colony must be eradicated for total control. Sugar-based ant baits are recommended, as ants that farm aphids prefer sugar over fats.

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## Our Kid's Or-Kidz Update

The kids are learning a lot about orchids at the Zion Lutheran School. They have been watering and taking care of the orchids that were donated and mounted by Deerfield Beach Orchid Society members. We are excited to report that they have their first dendrobiums in bloom! Thank you to all of the members who have made donations or lent a helping hand to this project.

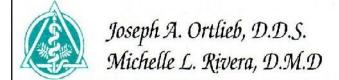


## Proposed Slate of Officers for 2012

- I. President- Heidi Feser
- 2. Vice President- Joe Ortlieb
- 3. Treasurer- Rosemary Chenery
  - 4. Secretary- Norma Melone
- 5. 3 Year Trustee- Debbie Dicks
- 6. 3 Year Trustee- Steve Lunsford
  - 7. 2 Year Trustee-Vince Dicks
  - 8. 2 Year Trustee- Gail Ritchie
  - 9. I Year Trustee Dennis Pearl
- 10. I Year Trustee- Needs to be filled.

The society has a one year trustee position and membership position open and is in need of volunteers. Here is your chance to step-up and give back to the society that you have enjoyed being a part of.

## Please support our sponsors



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## **Newsletter Ads:**

1/8 page: \$10 per month or \$100 per year 1/4 page: \$13 per month or \$125 per year 1/2 page: \$15 per month or \$150 per year Full Page: \$25 per month or \$250 per year



## 2011 Orchid Events

## October 28-30 2011, 10am-5pm

## Delray Beach Orchid Society—Orchids on the Square

Visitors will enjoy viewing judged plants, growers' exhibits, educational displays, 5th graders orchid poster contest as well as the opportunity to purchase beautiful and unusual plants and learn from some of the best orchid growers in Florida. The show is held in the historic gymnasium at Old School Square, corner of Atlantic and Swinton Avenues in downtown Delray Beach, Florida.

Cost is \$5 each day or \$8 for a 3 day pass.

## November 5-6 2011, Saturday 9am-5pm Sunday 9am-4pm

## More than a Fall Plant Sale, Mounts Botanical Garden

This annual Fall Plant Sale features over 80 vendors with an amazing assortment of quality paints and goods. This is your opportunity to learn about that plants that grow well in South Florida and it's the best place to find something new for your garden. Palms, orchids, bamboo, begonias, bromeliads, fruit trees and many other types of plants will be for sale.

Cost is members free, non-members \$10

## November 18-20 2011, 10am-5pm

## American Orchid Society Orchid & Craft Show

First class orchid vendors, supplies, garden crafts, artists, educational classes. Free parking. American Orchid Society, 16700 AOS Lane, Delray Beach, FL

## December 3-4 2011, 10am-5pm

## **Bonnet House 5th Annual Orchid Affair**

Bonnet House Museum & Gardens will be hosting its 5th Orchid Affair in December. An exciting lineup of local orchid and exotic plant vendors will highlight this unique sale in the Bonnet House Grove.

Bonnet House Museum & Gardens, 900 N. Birch Road, Ft. Lauderdale www.Bonnethouse.org, 954 563-5393

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.

### New Dues for 2012

We thank all our members for their participation in our meetings and their continued support of DBOS!

The dues increase was required by increases to fixed costs to run the Society. We sincerely appreciate our members continued support of the Society.

<u>Renewals</u>		<u>New Members</u>	
Individual	\$20.00 yr.	Individual	\$25.00 yr.
Couples	\$30.00 yr.	Couples	\$35.00 yr.
.Ir Membership	\$ 5.00 vr	.Ir Membershin	\$10.00 vr

You are encouraged to bring a guest to our meetings or bring a neighbor who can share your love and enthusiasm for these lovely plants and get to know our members and learn more about this "wonderful addiction".

Thank you for a wonderful year, and we hope to keep you as a member in our Society.

Mail your dues payable to Deerfield Beach Orchid Society

#### Share Your Story...

#### Be Part Of The Newsletter

In order to keep the newsletter interesting, I'm suggesting that members share their stories with us. We've had articles from members in the past and everyone loved it! I think that this will be a fun way to learn what other members have to contribute. We've all had our experiences with orchids... Now is the time to share yours with us. All articles can be given to me at a meeting so I can scan it into the newsletter. Or, you can email it to me at

DBOSorchids@gmail.com. It must be in typed form. Pictures are okay. The article:

"Email me your story today!

#### Once, Twice, Three Times A Member

We always encourage members to bring a guest to our educational monthly meetings. This helps promote and increase our membership. Our speakers cost money. After an individual is a guest more than 2 times, they are no longer considered a guest and need to join the society by paying the Annual Dues. Being a member has so many benefits why would you not want to join after being a guest a few times? See Gail Ritchie for New Membership

## Calendar of Meetings

#### Thursday, October 13, 7:30 PM

#### **Boca Raton Orchid Society**

Safe Schools Institute -Don Estridge Middle School

1790 NW Spanish River Blvd, Boca Raton, FL.

### Monday, October 10 7:30 PM

#### Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Society, Inc.

Christ Lutheran Church Parish Hall 1955 E. Oakland Park Blvd. Ft. Lauderdale, Fl

Tuesday, October 11, 7:30 PM

## Deerfield Beach Orchid Society-Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach

911 E. Hillsboro Blvd, Deerfield Beach, Fl 33441

## Wednesday, October 19, 7:30 PM

#### **Delray Beach Orchid Society**

The Adult Recreation Center in Veterans Park 802 NE First Street, Delray Beach, FL.

#### Saturday, October 29, 2 PM

West Palm Beach Judging Center

American Orchid Society Monthly Judging

AOS Visitors Center/Botanical Garden

#### **2011 Committee Positions**

I.	Membership	Gail Ritchie
2.	Programs	Stephen Lunsford
3.	Judging Plant Table	Don Carpenter
4.	Newsletter	Lisa Krukoski
5.	Librarian	Diana Foulke
6.	Meeting Place	Heidi Feser
<b>7.</b>	Sunshine	Lois Larson
8.	Raffle table	Debbie & Vince Dicks
9.	Nominating	Debbie Dicks
10	Publicity	Rosemary Chenery
11.	Events	Madeline Felton
12	Refreshments	Mary Pritchard
13	AOS Representative	Judy Bailey
14	Budget	Madeline Felton
15	Courtesy	Donna Edwards

## **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

P.O. Box 732
Deerfield Beach, FL 33443

Deerfield Beach Orchid Society, founded in 1965, is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. The purpose of our society is to stimulate interest, provide education and enable the exchange of information among those interested in the culture of orchids in all of its aspects. We are affiliated with the American Orchid Society.

### **Deerfield Beach Orchid Society**

We meet once a month (except
December when we have our Annual
Meeting at another location) on the
second Tuesday of the month. Our
meetings are held at the Deerfield
Beach Woman's Center, located at 910
E. Hillsboro Blvd. The building is
located 2 miles east of I-95, on the
south side of Hillsboro Blvd. Meetings
start promptly at 7:30 pm.

Each meeting consists of a educational program about orchids, refreshments provided by the members, ribbon judging of member's plants, a raffle table of orchids and orchid sales either by the speaker or members.

The general public is invited to attend.

INVITE A FRIEND!