



# Deerfield Beach Orchid Society **CATTLEYA CURRENTS**

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# September Ribbon Winner

| Category | Plant   | Name           |
|----------|---|----------------|
| Species  | <i>Vanda sanderiana</i> (also know as <i>Euanthe sanderiana</i> ) | Grace Holliday |



# Happy Birthday

**Vince Dicks Oct 8**  
**Stephanie Morkert Oct 26**



## 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 the following people for providing refreshments for our **August** meeting!

**Mary Pritchard**

**Janet Peer**

**Norma Melone**

**Madeline Felton**

**Cheryl Babcock**

**Jane Maechtle**

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

While scanning the **Members Only** portion of the American Orchid Society web site, I discovered a link to these amazing videos of orchids as they mature and flower.

Click on **Orchid Videos** in the list on the left of the page.

<http://www.healingorchids.com/livingtreeorchidvideos.html>

I encourage you to become a member of the AOS for just \$65 a year.

Join today and begin receiving a wealth of membership benefits including:

- TWELVE issues of award-winning ORCHIDS magazine
- Access to reliable on-line orchid information and features available only to our members at [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org)
- Receive the annual Orchid Source Directory detailing orchid suppliers worldwide
- Free and discounted admission to [more than 200 botanical gardens and arboreta](#)

10% discount on purchases on-line at [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org) including discount on back issues of ORCHIDS magazine and on American Orchid Society published books

Rosemary Chenery  
 AOS representative

# Speaker of the Month

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# *Orchid Obsession*

## **Show and Sale**

**November 10—11 2012  
Sat 10-5 Sun 10-4**

**Emma Lou Olsen Civic Center  
1801 NE 6th St., Pompano Beach**

This is the MAJOR fund raiser for the year. The show is sanctioned (and judged) by the American Orchid Society. We are hosting ten vendors, all of whom are required to mount an orchid display on a 5 ft round table in the center of the hall.

Advertising (rack cards) will be available at the meeting. Each member is encouraged to give them to friends and neighbors. You may be able to leave some on the reception desk at your physician, hair salon, or other business you frequent.

Tickets will be distributed. Each member is expected to sell 5 tickets, but there is no limit to the number you take.

### **Volunteers are needed for:**

- Friday            Nov 9 9 –noon Skirt tables
- Friday            Nov 9, day time, Assist vendor load in.
- Sat                Nov 10 8:30 a.m. - noon Assist judging teams
- Sat                Nov 10 morning and afternoon (security checking)
- Sat & Sun        Assist Donna Edwards at Membership table
- Sun                4 pm Assist vendor tear down and load out.

**Sign up at the meeting, or call or email Rosemary Chenery 561-487-6552**

**DBOS is providing light snacks and coffee for the vendors, and judges, so any donations would be welcome.**

*A Personal Invitation To  
The Deerfield Beach Orchid Society  
Second Annual Business Class Motor Coach Trip*

November 3, 2012 Saturday

7:00 A.M. Leaving Deerfield Beach women's Club parking lot at 910 E. Hillsboro Blvd, Deerfield Beach, FL33441  
7:30 A.M. A quick stop at Exit 99 on Turnpike (Okeechobee Blvd. (S.E. Quadrant) College Plaza Shopping Center

behind 'Chick-Fil-A' . Look for the red ribbon on the tree.

9:45 P.M. Return to Deerfield Beach Women's Club parking lot with a prior stop at Okeechobee Blvd. Chick-Fil-A

Cost: \$70.00 per person cash or check only. This includes breakfast, lunch, luxury bus, drinks, snacks and All the fun you can soak up. We will stop at a Cracker Barrel on the way back for dinner and this is

NOT

Included. We will pass the hat to tip our same driver James. THERE ARE NO REFUNDS!!!!!!!

Deadline: For Reservations is October 12, 2012.

Contact: Madeline Felton at 800 S.W. 17 Street, Boca Raton, FL 33486  
Phone 561 368-0808 until October 14 and then I am leaving town and you can reach me at 954 415-6163 or 828 963-8808. I do not have email, sorry.

If you had fun last year, I have a few more surprises for you this year. Our Motor Coach is small and exclusive so make

Your reservation soon. There are only 36 seats.

We will be going up the East Coast and stopping at 1. Odom Orchids, Inc., 2. Ritter Tropic Orchids, 3. Chapman's Orchids/Our Vital Earth, 4. Mount Dora Plant and Garden Fair on Lake Dora with numerous Orchid Growers, plants and crafts. This will be a very memorable day!!

You will need to bring a carton or box with your name on it to put under the bus for the orchids you just can't live without.

## Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Annual Social Events

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

1. **Apr. ??, 2013**                      Orchid Ramble. Always a Saturday in addition to our regular meeting.  
Leaving Women's Club at 9am  
Chairperson: Heidi Feser. Assistant: Madeline Felton
  
2. **Oct. 13, 2012**                      Fall Festival/DBOS Birthday Party. Held in Constitution Park, Deerfield  
Saturday                                  Beach Arboretum. Our regular October meeting to be held here.  
Chairperson: Mary Pritchard assisted by Norma Melone
  
3. **Nov 3, 2012**                         Second Growers Bus Trip  
Chairperson: Madeline Felton
  
4. **Nov 10-11, 2012**                    Fall Show and Sale. To be held at the Civic Center in Pompano Beach.  
Saturday & Sunday                      Chairpersons: Rosemary Chenery and Stephen Lunsford
  
5. **Dec 11, 2012**                        Annual meeting/Holiday Party. Brooks Restaurant, Deerfield Beach. Our  
Tuesday                                      regular December meeting to be held here.  
Chairperson: Susan Kolinsky

Please consider joining a committee to help out the Chairperson.

## GROWING TIPS for October

By

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Gone are the hot days of summer, but the fall season reminds us that it is time to prepare for the coming cold season. Even those of us growing indoors need to begin planning for the changing weather if we grow under lights.

A large number of hobbyists move plants outside once spring takes hold each year, but it is now time to begin moving them back to their winter growing area. Not all orchids need to come inside right away. Phals can be left outside until night temperatures drop below 55 F as long as day temperatures are moderate. Moving phals inside before they receive a week or so where the difference between night and day temperatures are at least 15 degrees F can delay the initiation of spikes. Once spikes emerge, it is a good idea to move them inside and away from pests that love those tasty flower spikes.

Vandaceous orchids are usually considered the most cold-intolerant, but that is not universal. Neofinitia hybrids are often part of hobby collections, especially where there is limited space. They can survive considerable cold since the natural habitat of the parent is on the cold side. Many vandas and ascocendas with *Vanda coerulea* in the background bloom with brighter color if they are experiencing cool nights. Ideally, however, most strap-leaved vandas don't like it when day temperatures drop below 80 degrees F and nights are below 60 F.

Cattleyas are surprisingly tolerant of cool nights and flower better with brighter colors when nights are cool and days warm.

The most tolerant orchids for cold are Cymbidiums and most flower best when exposed to near frosting temperatures. Once spikes emerge, it is best to avoid extreme cold, but this group of orchids is cold tolerant. Once spikes begin to form buds there is a risk of bud blast, so move Cymbidiums into warmer areas.

Of course, there are many kinds of orchids with all sorts of requirements during this transitional season. If there are plants in your collection that do not bloom or bloom poorly, but grow well there may be special conditions you need to provide. If the non-blooming orchid is a species, there are likely books that can tell you what you need to do to get it to bloom. Hybrids are usually easier to bloom, but often require conditions similar to species in their background.

If you grow in a greenhouse it is time to check heaters and vents to be sure they are working properly. The first cold usually comes when you have the least time to get ready so do it now.

Not only are you planning for cold, but so are many of the pests that cause problems in winter. If you have your orchids outside and plan to move them in, you need to avoid bringing these pests inside too. Dipping orchids in your preferred pesticide, pot and all, is a way to get rid of pests hiding in pots. For me, large roaches are a real problem that plagues me all year long here in Florida. An old friend introduced me to a new product that seems to be working well. The product is Niban Granular Bait which has orthoboric acid as its active ingredient. So far, I have not put it in pots, but on benches alongside pots. There was no sign that it was working at first, but soon large roaches started appearing dead on the greenhouse floor. In addition, there is now little damage to new roots and flower buds. Hopefully, this will continue when the greenhouse is closed in winter.



# 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

## Membership News!!

As you all know, when you bring a guest to a meeting the guest will receive 5 raffle tickets for from our raffle table.

Now, if your guest ber, you will receive 10 next meeting! That is a involved.

So round up your to join us at one of our

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a chance to win an item

should become a membership raffle tickets at the win-win for everyone

friends and invite them monthly meetings. We

November 3, 2012 Saturday

## 2012 Orchid Events

**October 5-7, 2012**

### **Autumn Festival of Orchids**

South Florida Orchid Society is presenting an orchid show. The show will feature orchids displays, Vendors with orchid plants and vendors with orchid related items.

BankUnited Center (University of Miami), 1245 Dauer Avenue, Coral Gables, FL

10:00am to 5:00pm

Admission: \$10 at the door

**October 26—28, 2012**

### **Delray Beach Orchid Society Show “Orchids on the Square”**

Old school square gymnasium, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach, FL

10:00am to 5:00pm

Admission: \$5 each day or \$8 for a 3 day pass

**November 3 & 4, 2012**

### **Garden Fall Plant Sale**

Mounts Botanical Gardens, 559 North Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL

9:00am to 5:00pm Nov. 3, 9:00am to 4:00pm Nov. 4

Admission: \$25 members, \$35 non-members

**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. |
| Jr. Membership  | \$ 5.00 yr. | Jr. Membership     | \$10.00 yr. |

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 Donna Edwards for New Membership**

# Calendar of Meetings

**Thursday, October 11, 7:30 PM**

**Boca Raton Orchid Society**

Safe Schools Institute -Don Estridge Middle School

1790 NW Spanish River Blvd, Boca Raton, FL.

**Monday, October 8 7:30 PM**

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

Christ Lutheran Church Parish Hall

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

**Tuesday, October 9, 7:30 PM**

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

911 E. Hillsboro Blvd, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441

**Wednesday, October 10, 7:30 PM**

**Delray Beach Orchid Society**

The Adult Recreation Center in Veterans Park

802 NE First Street, Delray Beach, FL.

## 2012 Committee Positions

1. Membership..... Donna Edwards
2. Programs.....Stephen Lunsford
3. Judging Plant Table.....Don Carpenter/Juan Bofill/Rosemary Chenery
4. Newsletter.....Lisa Krukoski
5. Librarian.....Diana Foulke
6. Meeting Place .....Heidi Feser
7. Sunshine.....Lois Larson
8. Nominating.....Debbie Dicks
9. Publicity.....Rosemary Chenery
10. Plant Table.....Speaker or DBOS
11. Events.....Madeline Felton
12. Refreshments.....Mary Pritchard
13. AOS Representative.....Rosemary Chenery
14. Courtesy .....Denice Willis

## 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)

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*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!**