



June 2021

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our show was a great success! The judges had somewhere between 55 & 59 plants pulled for evaluation. Out of that came 24 awards!!! (3) FCCs, (15) AM's and (1) AQ. That is more awards than shows double our size produce.

We had about 1400 paying guests & 19 new members, WOW! The feedback we received from the judges, vendors and such was fabulous! And we came in under budget!! This would not have happened without our volunteers!! Please join me thanking the planning committee, plant registration team and event volunteers!! Each volunteer has earned a big round of applause!!

It's time to start thinking about board elections. We are actively seeking a nominating chair person. This person will recruit from our membership to fill seats on the CFOS Board. If you are interested in the position, please let us know. If you wish to be on the slate, please let us know that too.

Our CFOS Member auction is right around the corner. Please review guidelines:

- * Members may bring up to 3 plants (or up to 3 orchid related items/collectables), clean and disease free. Remember, adding flower photos increases the selling price
- * Arrive by 6:00pm to register your plants
- * The revenue share is 30/70. For example if your plant sells for \$100 you receive \$70 and the Society receives \$30
- * Checks will be mailed out within 10 days. Please make sure Ed Eldridge has your correct mailing address on file

Lori Erlacher
CFOS President

Central Florida Orchid Society's 64th Annual Show & Sale Ribbon Winners

As Lori stated in her letter, our show was a great success! Out of nearly 60 plants evaluated, there were 24 awards;

- Three First Class Certifications. An FCC is 90-100 points on the judging scale. There are usually 10-20 of these each year out of thousands of plants judged.
- Fifteen Awards of Merit. Awarded to orchid species or hybrids scoring 80 to 89 points inclusive on a 100-point scale.
- One Award of Quality. Awarded once to a cross exhibited by a single individual as a group of not less than 12 plants or inflorescences of different clones of a hybrid or cultivated species. At least one of the inflorescences must receive a flower quality award and the overall quality of the group must be an improvement over the former type.





C Canhamiana 'Azure Skies' Owner Jerry Steele



Vandachostylis Sun Coast Kisses Owner John Hicks



V Yano Blue 'Ploenpit Blue Spot' Owner Brian Behm



V Peach Owner Alida Eldridge



Vandachostylis Crownfox 'Red Gem' Owner Sharon Cowman



C Lacey Michelle Mathern Owner Brian Behm



Paph Magic Paradise Owner John Hicks



Schilleriana 'Paradise Blue' Owner Cari Johnson

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Second Place Winners



Ctyh Merry Green 'Green Pride' Owner Cari Johnson



Paph Lynleigh Koopowitz Owner Alida Eldridge

Third Place Winners



Paph Mem Serafin Perez Owner Alida Eldridge



V Kultana Gold White Spots Owner Sharon Cowman





V. Ampullacea x Alba 'Thai Snow' Owner Jerry Steele



Epic Kenneth Roberts 'Boon' Owner Lori Erlacher



Central Florida Orchid Society's 64th Annual Show & Sale A Small Sample of Other Amazing Entries



June Winners





Large Vanda V. Gordon Dillon x V. Ajuna Owner Marge Fantozzi



Small Vanda V. Cherry Blossom Owner Nancy Balderson



Vandaceous Alliance Mokara Full Moon Owner Sheila Coburn



Misc Species & Hybrids Cyrt. Paranaense Owner Unknown



Culture/Specimen Plant Encyclia Tampensis Owner Cari Johnson



Evergreen Dendrobium NOID Owner Gretchen Schitter



Paph & Phrags Paph. Lynleigh Koopowitz Owner Alida Eldridge



Large Cattleya Alliance Hnksa. Koolau Sunset x Schomb Grandiflora Owner Jeanne Brenan



Large Cattleya Alliance Hybrid Rlc. Haadyai Delight "Bangprom Gold" Owners Jerry Steele & Adrian Dumitreu



Cattleya Alliance Epidendrum Schlecterianum "Tamara" Owners Jerry Steele & Adrian Dumitreu



CFOS gives a BIG shout out and Thank You to Robert Molpus who has so graciously taken all of these amazing pictures and shared them with us. You are AWESOME and so appreciated!



To be held at the monthly meeting, July 12

IT'S TIME FOR OUR ANNUAL MEMBER AUCTION!

This is an opportunity for our members to bring in the one or two orchids that don't quite fit in to your collection the way you hoped they would. It's also a chance for you to scoop up some unique plants at some very nice prices. Each member may bring up to 3 plants/3 orchid related items(plants must be clean and disease free). Including photos of the plants in bloom increases the chance that you will get higher bids. The revenue share is 30/70. So, if your plant sells for \$100, you receive \$70 and the Society receives \$30. If you are bringing items for the auction, please arrive by 6:00pm to register. Please make sure Ed Eldridge has your correct mailing address on file so your check is sure to get to you.



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Summer Orchid Growing Tips

Cattleya Alliance Plants

In most areas of the country, higher light and higher temperatures require more fertilizer and water for Cattleyas. If you are in one of the areas with extremely high temperatures cut back on the fertilizer since your plants will be stressed from the heat and will go into a period of very little growth until the temperatures moderate in the fall. Be sure to watch for fungal diseases as well as scale since both proliferate in higher temperatures.

Phalaenopsis or Moth Orchids



Phals are one of the warm growing orchids and as such are happiest during our summer months. They should be fertilized every week during these months so that they can achieve maximum growth to support spikes in the fall. Very high temperatures (over 90F) will cause leaf loss. So if possible try to keep your plants in areas where they are not exposed to these high temperatures. Be very careful of water in the crowns of plants to avoid rot and provide good air circulation.

LEFT: Heat stress is usually a function of, or accompanied by excessive light. Early signs are a bleached, withered appearance of leaves (top) followed by cell collapse (bottom). Additional shade and air movement can help prevent these summer problems.

Paphiopedilums or Slipper Orchids



Paphs generally like a little cooler temperatures than some of the other orchids. Even the so-called "warm growers" will not like temperatures above about 85F. Good air circulation is a must for these plants especially during warmer weather. Make sure that they do not dry out and that high humidity is provided if the plants are in warm areas.

Watch for fungal infections

Fungus infections are especially prevalent during the hot and humid summer months, especially on thin leafed orchids. If you notice spotting on the leaves of your plants, spray with a good fungicide such as Physan or Consan to keep the problem from getting worse. Be sure to spray both the bottom and the top of leaves for best results. Increase

your air circulation around that specific plant if possible since poor air circulation is one of the causes of fungal infections.

Watch for new growth and stake inflorescences

Stake new inflorescences on most of the summer growing orchids such as Epidendrum, Dendrobium, Brassavola, Oncidiums and Phrags. It is a good idea to put in the stake as soon as you notice the inflorescence so that you can keep track of where it is and stake when the growth has reached about 4 inches. Be careful not to pinch the inflorescence because all the growth and flower development is nourished through the stem.

Copied from AOS All about Orchids https://www.aos.org/orchids/additional-resources/summer-orchid-growing-tips.aspx



June

4 - Jerry Steele
7 - Gerry Barko
8 - Debi Johnson
9 - Dave Grieve
9 - Wanda Sarles
12 - Bette Barkley
15 - Brian Behm
21 - Robert Molpus
24 - Gretchen Schitter
25 - Carol Mears
26 - Randy Young

July

3 - Bill Wendorf
7 - Daniel Iskanyn
8 - Brenda Walker
10 - Georgeanne Lewis
13 - Fabiola Da-Costa
16 - Douglas Watson
20 - Ron Talcott
21 - James Sabetto
23 - Pat Jackowski

Happy Anniversary

Kay Wong Alida & Ed Eldridge 6-5-2019 7-20-2011 6-7 Ed & Jean Gilliland 7-20-2020 Ron Talcott 7-1-2015 7-21-2004 Judith Chacon Dave Grieve 7-5-2020 Lisa Moore 7-23-2017 Sigrad Flor 7-8-2005 Priscilla Debler

Welcome to our New Members!!!

Eileen Akers Vivian Luscuskie Scott & Dolly Akers Tran Ly Dana & Will Brotz Mary Pick Dianne Campbell Caryl Robinson Felix Rodriguez Samantha Fischer Ivette Santiago Dawn Garraputa Vickie Stephens Roque Goitia Janice Hepburn Samantha Starr Rhonda Hunt Ave Armstrong Nicole Oda Nancy Parkhurst

See Ed Eldridge at one of our meetings to pay dues or send to: 3631 Hawthorne Lane Winter Park, FL 32792

Yearly dues:

Individual - \$20 Couple - \$35 Under 18 - \$15



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AOS Centennial Celebration The AOS Celebrates 100 Years!

The Centennial Celebration will be held at the Historic Biltmore Hotel in Coral Gables, Florida, October 27th - 30th, 2021 with the Centennial Gala and Banquet being held Saturday, October 30th, 2021. We are proud to present the American Orchid Society's Centennial Celebration! We invite you to join us for this once in a lifetime celebration. The four-day celebration will encompass our 2021 Fall Members Meeting activities, an exciting live auction, and a splendid gala banquet that will feature a gourmet dinner, live entertainment, music, and dancing in a beautiful and historic setting. We'd love to have you join us! Click the link below for more

information.

Celebration Information

https://www.aos.org/



You can visit The Central Florida Orchid Society on the web where you can get information about upcoming events, see who next month's speaker is, read about our society's history, find some great resource links for care of your orchids, and pay your dues. Check us out at https://cflorchidsociety.org





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Like the "Central Florida Orchid Society group" on Facebook. We post details about all of our events, meetings and shows. There is an amazing collection of pictures of our orchids from previous events and judgings, as well as an open forum for questions and discussion. Click on the link below and join in on the fun!! https://www.facebook.com/groups/cflorchidsociety



Most of us know Marge Fantozzi as the little spitfire that loves Orchids. She is a wealth of information and is generous in sharing that knowledge. She has a beautiful collection in her backyard greenhouse a that she has to regularly downsize because she runs out of room as she acquires more. This is Marge with one of her monster sized orchids that she

brought in for judging at the June meeting. One thing you may not know about Marge is she also has a love of fossils and gems. If you ever get an opportunity to visit, the inside of her home is decorated as



extensively with her fossil and gemstone collections as her greenhouse is with her orchids. She is very meticulous in recording names and dates for each of her beauties. That includes all orchids, gems and fossils.

Central Florida Orchid Society could not be held every month without our team of leaders. They are invaluable in planning, scheduling and keeping our society alive.

Please remember to thank these volunteers.

Remember: They volunteer for the benefit of the society. If called upon by these individuals to assist, please find a way to say 'yes'!!

Leadership

President: Lori Erlacher Vic President: Brian Behm

Nancy Balderson **Treasurer:** Helen Tomaszewski Cor. Secretary:

Robin Buckler **Rec. Secretary:** Ed Eldridge **Membership:**

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Board of Directors

Lorna Gordon

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Culture Group

For those members interested in learning about the care and culture of all types of orchids, the Cultural Study Group meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00PM at Leu Botanical Gardens. These meetings teach the basics of orchid growing, care and maintenance. Members are urged to bring their "problem plants" in for discussion. This group is also active at area shows and take occasional field trips. Teri Scott oversees this meeting and is a wealth of information that she gladly shares.

JULY 2021						
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				7pm Culture group		
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11	7pm CFOS Meeting & Member Auction 12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Society membership dues can be paid at one of our meetings or on our website

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