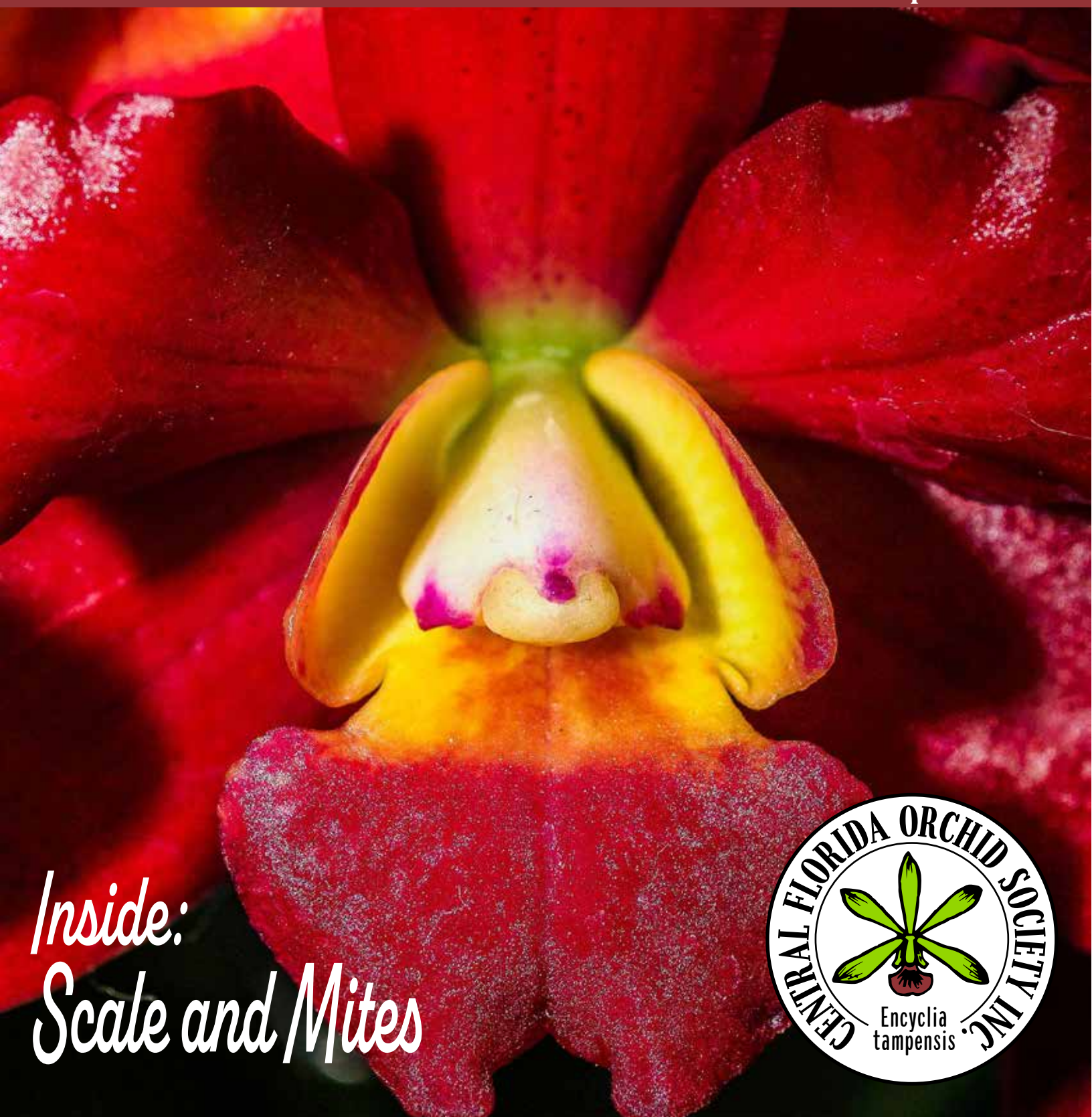
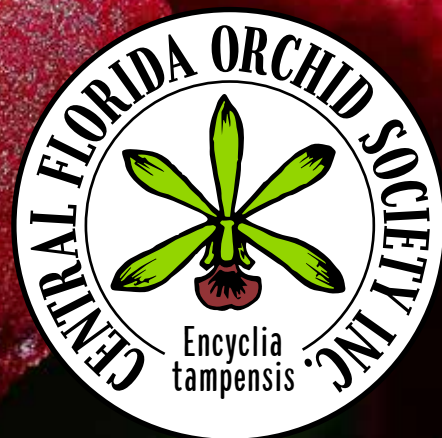


# The Tampensis

April 2023



*Inside:  
Scale and Mites*



# A Note from our Editor



With summer showing it's hot head already, we have a lot of things to look forward to. Moving our plants to adjust for the sun's position and summer intensity is very important at this time.

So many of our beauties are in full bloom already or have some very impressive spikes showing. Since we are doing a display at the upcoming Platinum Coast show, YOU could win a ribbon or even possibly an AOS award by letting us take your blooming plants to the show. If you have any plants ready to be displayed, please contact Teri Scott or myself. We can make arrangements to pick up your plants, so we can get them registered.

Please check out the image below for more information about the show. And don't forget to start planning for our "Rainbow of Orchids" show June 3 & 4.

CFOS Editor  
Jeanne Brennan

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**June 3-4 CFOS Show**

**CFOS meeting May 14**

## 2023 Platinum Coast Orchid Show



phalaenopsis

<b>Event:</b>	Platinum Coast Orchid Society 58th Annual Orchid Show
<b>Date/Time:</b>	May 5, 9am-5pm May 6, 9am-5pm May 7 9am-4pm
<b>Location:</b>	Kiwanis Island Park Gymnasium and Annex 951 Kiwanis Island Park Road, Merritt Island, FL 32952 (Off SR 520, Merritt Island Causeway, East of Merritt Square Mall)
<b>Admission:</b>	\$5.00 (free parking)



# April Winners



Photo credit  
Robert Molpus



Lrg Cattleya Alliance  
*C. Mossiac* var. *Semi Alba* 'Taylor'  
Owner Clark Woodsby



Misc. Species & Hybrids  
*Ansellia Gigantea*  
Owner Cari Johnson



Sm Cattleya Alliance  
*Iwanagara Apple Blossom*  
Owner Maren Aleman



Evergreen Dendrobiums  
*Den. Densiflorum*  
Owner Cari Johnson



Deciduous Dendrobiums  
*Den. Fimbriatum*  
Owner Jeanne Brenan



Cattleya Alliance Species  
*Enc. Cordigeria* var. *Rosea*  
Owner Jerry Steele  
& Adrian Dumitree



Paph & Phrags  
Species & Hybrids  
*Paph. Rothschildianum*  
Owner Georganne Lewis



Vandaceous Alliance  
*Ascocentrum Curvifolium*  
Owner Marge Fantozzi



Phal. Species & Hybrids  
*Phal. Sogo Vivien*  
Owner Sheila Coburn



Oncidium Species & Hybrid  
*Onc. Sphacelatum*  
Owner Clark Woodsby

Don't forget to bring in your blooming beauties for judging each month.  
You might win a ribbon too!



## March

2-Connie Fox  
6-Jane Poche  
8-Shirley Robinson  
19-Althea Montgomery

25-Bill Tomaszewski  
30-Samantha Starr  
30-Hellen Tomaszewski  
31-Giselle Porto

## April

2-Carolyn Peters  
4-Lita-Marie Moody

21-Mark Robinson  
28-Mary Krease

## Membership Anniversaries



Steve Balderson - 2014  
Evelyn Delights - 2022  
Jana Evans - 2022  
Tina Hepner - 2022  
Carol Zito - 2022  
Mary Zubrod-Pinkham - 2004



To Our New Members

Colleen Meyers  
Connie & Robert Hagerman  
Jean Pritchard & Donna Richey  
Sharon George  
Dunkin Siles

Rina Vishnyak  
Jacqueline Schwing  
Julie Green  
Debra Huneycutt

**Thank you to all the members that have brought in snacks for our meetings this year.**

Remember, you get orchid bucks when you bring in goodies.



Jerry Steele  
Mike Cimato  
Samantha Starr  
Pam Marion  
Maren Aleman

Tsuruko Moenckmeier  
Jana Evans  
Edgar Perez  
Jeanne Brenan  
Pat Fusco

Anyone missed on this  
list, thank you as well.  
You are appreciated!

## Culture Group

For those members interested in hands-on learning for 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. Members are encouraged to bring in their "problem plants" for show and tell and for guidance on how to address those problems. Membership for this group is \$10 annually due at the start of the calendar year. Teri Scott oversees this meeting and is a wealth of information that she gladly shares.





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## New Beginnings: Our Spring Newsletter

The month of April derives from the Latin name Aprilis or from the verb aperire “to open”. During the month of April, trees and flowers begin to open continuing the flow of spring. In addition, this month is widely recognized for the celebration of the AOS Spring Members Meeting, Easter, Passover, Earth Day, spring cleaning, spring break as well as the dreaded Tax Day. If you have not planned an Earth Day event, we encourage you to look at what our Conservation Committee has to offer on our website.

In this month's newsletter, we bring you our Education Committee's call for orchid teachers; our Orchid Care Corner featuring basic culture, mites, and Orchids A to Z; upcoming webinars and our Affiliate Spotlight (new). We are grateful and appreciate every single Society affiliated with the American Orchid Society. Your affiliation enables us to continue to promote the appreciation of orchids to the world.



**Scale** is probably the most important insect pest of cultivated orchids in northern climates. According to a Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services publication, there are at least 27 species of scale identified from cultivated orchids. Fortunately, only the most common soft scale, usually referred to as brown scale or brown soft scale, regularly survives in the north on indoor or greenhouse plants.



Because of their size, **mites** are unnoticed until they have created considerable damage. “Mite damage makes plant's leaves look silvery, especially on the underside where the pests have killed the cells of the surface layer.... Most insecticides have little effect on mites.” To know the types of mites, and general prevention and control check out our article on Mites under the Orchids Pests and Diseases tab.

# Orchids A to Z

The AOS offers a definitive source for concise information on orchid genera. Full descriptions and culture requirements provided by experts hand-picked for their knowledge of select genera. Photos of choice species in each genus are shown with large-size pop-ups for detailed view. Culture requirements are presented in an easy to understand “recipe-style” format. Also included is a playable sound file of the proper pronunciation of each genus so you can sound like an expert. Do not miss out on this information!

## Webinars - Coming Attractions!

REGISTRATION IS EASY <https://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx>

Cannot make it on the scheduled date and time? No need to worry.

Register now and view on your time schedule.

Send Your Greenhouse Chat Questions and Photos to: [greenhousechat@aos.org](mailto:greenhousechat@aos.org)  
Greenhouse Chat webinars are recorded and indexed by topic for future viewing.

When	April 04, 2023 8:30 pm EDT Tuesday	April 12, 2023 8:30 pm EDT Wednesday	May 11, 2023 8:30 pm EDT Thursday	May 16, 2023 8:30 pm EDT Tuesday
Topic	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos and Questions by April 02</i>	Heirloom Cattleyas Bringing the Past into the Present	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos and Questions by May 09</i>	He Came from the Land Down-Under Orchids Australia
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	David Toyoshima Longtime AOS mem- ber, former chair of AOS Public Relations	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Tom Mirenda AOS Orchids Monthly Columnist, Professional Grower

Check Out the Timeless Collection of Recorded Webinars on the AOS Website



Webinar announcements are posted to Facebook, Instagram  
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*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>*



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 judgments, 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>



Don't forget to collect your orchid bucks when you bring a plant to be judged, something for the silent auction table, volunteer to be a judge or bring snacks to one of the meetings. Also when you volunteer at any of our events, you also earn bucks and these can be used for purchasing plants or even for your membership dues. The more you get involved, the more bucks you get!

2023 Membership is now due and can be paid at our meeting with cash, check or credit card and on CFOS website with a credit card.

[MEMBER SALES](#)

Remember, you can also use your orchid bucks to pay your dues!

Yearly dues: Individual - **\$30** Couple - **\$45** Under 18 - **\$15**

## Leadership

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**Vice President:** Robin Buckler  
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**Newsletter:** Jeanne Brenan

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**Jerry Steele   Samantha Starr   Althea Montgomery   John Beasley**

# 2023 APRIL

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