

The Jampensis



APRIL 2024



A note from our President

Hello members,

I had a wonderful time in the Netherlands. I hope you enjoyed Art Chadwick last month. Our members Auction is this month (see below for the Auction Process). Volunteering will earn you orchid bucks. Remember orchids shows are upon us, our Orchid Display Team need blooming orchids. Volusia show is Mothers Day weekend. Plants are needed by May 8th please contact Sam Star for drop off. CFOS Shows follows you can bring them to the Armory on Friday May 31 by 10 am or contact me Teri Scott [407 463 0274](tel:4074630274) to make arrangements for pickup. Get your plants cleaned up and see you soon!

Teri Scott

President CFOS

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Volunteers needed for our up coming events

Membership table at Orchids in Bloom - May 3rd - 5th

Member's Auctions Monday May 13th

Annual Show and Sale May 30th - June 2nd.

Please see e-mail for details or sign up at a meeting

Upcoming meetings @ Leu Gardens 7 pm

Culture Group Meeting - Thursday May 2

General Meeting - Monday May 13th - Annual member's Auction! Paid members may bring up to 3 plants or orchid items (clean & disease free) or orchid related collectibles. Please arrive by 6:15 pm to register items.

Auction Process

Still doing:

*food – will be on a flow starting when the program starts

Not doing:

- *raffle
- *silent action
- *ribbon judging

Volunteers needed:

- *(2-3) for signing in member & tagging plants & ensuring they are placed on the table in numerical order
- *(1) bidder sign-in
- *(1-2) auctioneer
- *(2-3) plant sales tag tracking (maintaining the list of winning bidders & bids)
- *(1) for bidder board tracking
- *(1) with bidder board just to write winning # & amount on tag and tracking sheet
- *(2) plant presenters (Vanna White)
- *(2-3) cashing out

Numbering process:

- *Just as we do in the live auction, two tags per plant. One tag stays w/plant, other tag is pinned to bidder board once auctioned off. Winning bidder number and bid amount is written on each tag
- *if there is to be a reserve, the reserve needs to be CLEARLY MARKED on the plant tag. If it is not clearly marked the plant will be treated as no reserve**

Process:

- *member checks in & provides name/phone number & is assigned 4 number tags (one number per auction item, a total of 4 items allowed)
- *plants and/or items are placed on preview table
- *once plant or item is auctioned, the winning bid amount is written on both tags.
- *one tag stays w/plant or item, other tag is pinned to the corresponding bidder number on bidder board (card board w/push pins)
- *the plant is then handed to the winning bidder.
- *the winning bid amount is written on the master sign in sheet by the seller's name
- *upon completion, bidder proceeds to bidder board to collect pant slips/tags
- *then bidder proceeds to cashier table where someone adds on calculator with tape and passes on to cashiers to take payment
- * form to be printed with bidder #, room for PAID checkmark, and room for cashier initials to take to plant table where that person counts plants set aside for them to verify payment. Also should be ___ number of plants won NOTE – this can be used at general auction as well.

Room flow:

On right side as you come in the door

- *Membership is the first stop – to confirm person with plants/items is a member**
- *bidder number assignment is next**
- *then assigning plant numbers**
- *plant tables are on the same side of the room as the food.
- *as soon as the plant is signed in, it is placed on the plants for auction table closest to the auctioneer podium as possible -IN NUMERICAL ORDER
- *bidder board goes to the right of the auctioneer

Upon conclusion of the auction the bidder board with one person is moved to the cashier table for handing out tags to winning bidders. We will need a volunteer to man the board & hand out tickets.

Cashing out process:

- ***cashiers confirm on calc tape amounts for plants – (to verify plant info is captured correctly)**
- *cashiers process payment and keeps all tags
- ***cashiers match bids on slips to calculator tape – (to verify plant info is captured correctly)**
- *cashiers process payment and keeps all slips stapled or paper clipped to calculator tape
- * cashier then gives Paid form to bidder to pick up plants they won. Volunteer checks number of plants won by number of actual plants held and gives to bidder.
- * If bidder wants to leave before auction is over, they should go to bidder board, collect their slips and go to check out table just like regular auction. Volunteer adds up slips and cashier takes payment and gives the bidder the paid form so they can pick up their plants as stated.



The Numbers

Membership Report

Status:	Count:	Defined As:
Renewal	131	<i>Renewed Membership - Annual renew</i>
New	36	<i>New Membership - Standard new membership</i>
Promo (Total: 8 & 28)	38	<i>Promotional Membership - 15 to 18 month promo</i>
Promo New	14	<i>Promotional Membership - Last quarter promo</i>
Honorary & Life	45	<i>Honorary & Life Membership - No dues paid</i>
Total Members to Date:	264	

New Members

Maggie Anderson	Elisa Landron
Scott Anderson	Carol Lauer
Mary Louise Bauman	Lynn Leathers
April Bean	Susan Magid
Randolph Bean	Guerra McClellan
Jeannie Boshell	Miriam McClellan
Donovan Brown	Brian McKeon
Della Charbonneau	Harry Messenheimer
Grace Clayton	Robin Messenheimer
Gary Conliffe	Lisa Millar
Kim Dellaca-Badgett	Theresa Neary
James Flick	Dwayne Nelson
Jim Frazer	Jennifer Neuschwander
John Georgoudiou	Ron Ouellette
Susan Harter	JoJo Ramsey
Dakota Hunter	Tish Ramsey
Deborah Johnson	Peter Renick
Michael Johnson	Arnis Robezneiks
Acomb Kelli	Linda Seamon
Erin Kellow	Karen Stevens
Stacey Kostus	

April Birthdays

Maren Aleman
April Bean
Juan Carlos Bianchi
Mike Cimato
Priscilla Diaz
John Georgoudiou
Mary Krese
John Manasco
Edgar Perez
Carolyn Peters
Tish Ramsey
Mark Robinson
David Smith

April Anniversaries

April Bean
Randolph Bean
Juan Carlos Bianchi
Brian McKeon
Mary Zubrod-Pinkham

CFOS ANNIVERSARIES

25 yrs or more

Maren Aleman
 Connie Fox
 Irvin Fox
 John Hicks Jr.
 Nancy Hoffman
 Pam Marion
 Jerry Steele
 Mary Zubrod-Pinkham

15 yrs or more

Mike Cimato
 Alicia's Lang
 Neil Lang
 Tsuruko Moenckmeier
 Robert Molpus
 Kent Neumann
 Joselito P. Tolentino Jr.

10 yrs or more

Nancy Balderson
 Jeanne Brenan
 Alina Eldridge
 Edward Eldridge
 Lori Erlanger
 Pat Fusco
 Daniel Iskanyn
 Cari Johnson
 Roger Mabini
 Mickey O'Brien
 Larry Rosen
 Teri Scott

20 yrs or more

Gretchen Schitter
 Douglas Watson
 Robert (Tong-Thai) Wu

Central Florida Orchid Society								
Treasurer's Report								
		Data as of:	March		Year Ending			
Income	Budget	Year To	%		Expense	Budget	Year To	%
		Date				Date		
Annual Fundraiser	10,000.00				Operations	5,162.00	393.17	7.6
Member Auction	1,700.00				Membership	600.00	188.20	31.4
Membership	4,000.00	2,920.00	73.0		Annual Fundraiser	5,800.00		0.0
Misc Income	50.00	15.00	30.0		Education:	6,562.00	1,385.00	21.1
Potting Supplies	200.00	54.50	27.3		Raffle	900.00	190.00	21.1
Raffle	2000.00	\$1,190.00	59.5		Social Activities:	1,850.00	34.36	1.9
Silent Auction	1,500.00	391.00	26.1		Orchid Bucks	750.00	222.00	29.6
Total Income	19,450.00	4,570.50	23.5		Total Expenses	21,624.00	2,412.73	11.2

April Winners

Photo credit
Robert Molpus



Ascocentrum
Asctm. miniatum
Owner Mauren Aleman



Den. Species/Hybrid
Den. Nestor
Owner Alan Chambers



Cattleya Hybrid
Enc. pyriformis
Owner Unknown



Culture/Specimen
Den. Nestor
Owner Alan Chambers



Misc. Species & Hybrid
Bulb. falcatum 'Green'
Owner Giselle Porto



Sm Flower Cattleya Hybrid
Iwanagara Apple Blossom
Owner Cari Johnson



Equitant Oncidium
Tolumnia variegata 'Mary Ida'
Owner Unknown



Phal. Species & Hybrid
Phal. Mini Lemon Drops 'Sweet Heart'
Owner Mike Cimato



Misc. Species & Hybrid
V. Horned Frog
Owner Marge Fantozzi



Lrg Flower Cattleya Hybrid
C. schilleriana
Owner Jeff Atkins

Don't forget to bring in your blooming beauties for judging each month.
Not only can you earn Orchid Bucks, but you might win a ribbon too!

UP COMING ORCHID EVENTS

The CFOS display team will be putting up a display at the Platinum Coast Orchid and VCOS Mother's Day Weekend shows.



2024 Platinum Coast Orchid Show



Event: Platinum Coast Orchid Society 59th Annual Orchid Show
Date/Time: May 3, 9am-5pm
May 4, 9am-5pm
May 5 9am-4pm
Location: 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)
Admission: \$5.00 (free parking)

The 2024 Show Theme is Welcome to the Orchid Jungle.

Volunteers needed for the membership table at Orchids in Bloom May event. You will earn Orchid Bucks while sharing your passion, knowledge and experience in orchid care with members of the public! If interested please contact Shelia @ membership@cflorchidsociety.org.





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Monthly Webinars

MAY 9, Thursday 8:30 pm EDT — GREENHOUSE CHAT / ORCHID Q&A - send in your photos and questions by May 07. Presenter: Ron McHatton, Chief Education and Science Officer. Register at www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx

Q&A from one of the monthly webinars..available to everyone!

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
 Greenhouse Chat webinars are recorded and indexed by topic for future viewing.

When	April 10, 2024 Wednesday 8:30 pm EDT	April 17, 2024 Wednesday 8:30 p.m. EDT	May 09, 2024 Thursday 8:30 pm EDT	June 13, 2024 Thursday 8:30 pm EDT
Topic	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos and Questions by April 08</i>	Viruses in Orchids <i>Symptoms, Spread and Sanitation</i>	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos and Questions by May 07</i>	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos and Questions by June 11</i>
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	John Hammond Known for his In-depth Virology Research	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer

Use the WEBINAR Display Filter

Webinar announcements are posted to Facebook, Instagram and in the AOS Corner of your Affiliated Society's newsletter.

FERTILIZING

How to Fertilize Using Mesh Bags

Text and photograph by Karla Velasco

THE WAY I grow orchids has evolved tremendously over the years. It can be impacted by our location, access to supplies, and our level of effort. I have grown orchids in Florida, South Korea, Texas, and now Phoenix. With each new location, my growing strategies have evolved.

Orchids grown in baskets or mounted have been hard for me to fertilize. I use sheer mesh bags that sell as party favors or jewelry bags. I fill these up with slow-release fertilizer, and Bonide granules (contains imidacloprid, which affects honey bees and is banned in several northeastern states, Puerto Rico and Canada). They are then placed on my orchids. These bags are inexpensive. A pack of 100 is easily found online for under \$10.

I found fertilizer baskets not to be as effective as these mesh bags. The basket's holes are too big to hold the granules and the baskets hold very little fertilizer. The drawstring of the mesh bags makes them easy to close and hang. The material is flexible and if roots creep into the bag, they can be easily cut apart. These bags have certainly made a difference in my growing.

If you experiment with these bags or have other ideas regarding how they may be used, I would love to hear about it.

— Karla Velasco (email karlaavelasco@gmail.com).



HOME REMEDIES

- Rather than expensive and potentially dangerous herbicides, spray full-strength vinegar to kill weeds between pavers and on greenhouse floors. (Do not spray on orchids.)
- Aspirin (just $\frac{1}{4}$ of one 325 mg tablet per gallon of water) helps protect plants from fungal and viral pathogens when used as a spray. More is NOT better. Do not exceed this amount.
- Homemade insecticide (mix in a 1 gallon [3.8 L] jug): 1 pint (0.5 L) rubbing alcohol, 1 pint (0.5 L) 409 spray cleaner, and 3 quarts (2.8 L) water. Apply as a spray.
- Isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol can be put into an empty spray bottle and used to treat scale, mealybugs, thrips, aphids, red spider mites and perhaps other pests. It works only while wet and must contact the insect. Avoid contact with flowers.
- Neosporin has been reportedly used to treat orchid crown rot; remove rotted area of plant before treatment.



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.

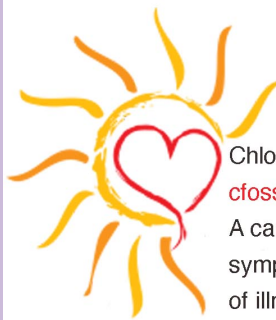
Check us out at <https://cflorchidsociety.org>



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 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>



The Sunshine Girls

Chloe' and Jana have set up an email address, cfosunshine@gmail.com for members to send their card requests to. A card request can be for any reason, to express congratulations, sympathy or concern to members of the society in the event of illness, bereavement or milestone events.

Leadership

Teri Scott - President

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