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Welcome

Message from Your President

Members Orchids
2022



Happy New Year Everyone!

I trust you all had a great holiday season along with family and friends.

As we start the New Year, I sit and reflect on 2022 and our contributions to the legacy of this great society. We had Wine in the Garden, Orchid Auction, Bus Ramble, Sip & Paint, Bingo and Pot Luck Dinner, Annual Orchid Show and Holiday Party. Not forgetting all the speakers at our monthly meetings.

New 2023 Board:

The Board and I are already working hard to make 2023 as good if not better and hopefully bring you a few more activities through the year. Welcome to our new Board Members Scott Santoro as our new Membership Chair and Lottie Gatewood as our new Recording Secretary.

Milagro Holiday Gift Cards and Holiday Party:

I want to take this opportunity to say "Thank You" to everyone who participated in the Milagro Center Holiday Gift Card drive, especially to Bernadette who spearheaded this cause and made it a great success.

Also, let's not forget our Annual Holiday Party Committee Chairs, Bernadette and Barbara, who had a vision of a Silent Auction and worked hard to bring us something different and delightful this year. The room was astonishing when you walked in, the food and the music was great. Thank you to all the volunteers who took time out to go and make the venue look incredible. I don't know how you are going to top this at our future party.

Thank You All! Without the Board and you, our members, we could not have achieved so much this year.

Monthly Meeting:

This month's speaker is Serena Roman, Lady Vanda, and her topic is the Cultivation of Vandas. We look forward to welcoming Serena and learning from her vast knowledge of growing beautiful vanda's. You can find her online retailer by [clicking here](#).

It's that time of the year to pay your annual membership dues of \$20, so please bring in your payment to the meeting. Don't forget to bring in your blooming orchids for judging and a refreshment to share. If you do, you'll receive a free raffle ticket!

See you at our next meeting on January 11, 2023.

Happy growing
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Below is the 2023 DBOS Board, Lt to Rt: Priscilla, Bernadette. Kim, Chickie, Jill, Buddy, James, Geoff, Michele, Lottie. Missing : Scott



Holiday Party Photos





SPEAKER; SERENA ROMAN. Cultivation of Vandas

Our guest speaker is Serena Roman, owner of Lady Vanda Orchids, a premier online retailer, specializing in Vanda orchids. We aim to provide the highest quality orchid plants and cultivation education for our customer base. Whether you are a newbie, or seasoned collector, we are here to help guide you in your growing endeavors. In addition to Vandas, we cultivate several other genera such as Paphiopedilum, Phragmipedium, Dendrobium and Cattleya. Customers are welcome to shop our online selection, message us with any questions or request recommendations based on your growing environment and experience. www.ladyvanda.com



TAMIAMI INTERNATIONAL ORCHID FESTIVAL

WHEN: Friday-Sunday January 13-15, 2023 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily
WHERE: Miami Dade County Fair Expo Center - 10901 SW 24th St, Miami, FL 33165 [Get Directions](#)
TICKETS: \$15 at the door (Buy in advance to save) | Kids under 12 - Free

The Tamiami International Orchid Festival is Miami's largest, most diverse orchid show. Over the past twenty years, the Tamiami International Orchid Festival has not only become a great Miami orchid show, but a nationally and internationally recognized orchid event. The January 13-15, 2023 Tamiami International Orchid Festival will be the largest orchid show in the United States.



FROM DR MOTES **JANUARY GROWING**

A mostly pleasant December:
This December was drier and warmer than usual. Both the extra heat and the drought were welcome. Our vandas relished the higher temperatures and were able to continue growing new leaves, the axials of which will offer up additional flower spikes in due time. The extra dryness allowed our plants to get a leg up on their mortal enemy, fungus, at the end of a wet year. Those of us who applied an extra dose of the fungicides recommended in *Fla. Orchid Growing* find ourselves happily in control of the persistent fungus that has characterized this wet year. Careful watering will now get us home and dry.

Very cold for a few days

The most notable weather phenomenon of this December were the three days where temperature remained continuously in the forties and fifties, cold enough but not punishingly so for most all our orchids. This spell of moderately cold temperature, so different from the typical wider swing of day to night temperatures that usually follow a passing cold front, has yielded up the largest number of chill portions that we have seen in many years. Chill portions are units of time within specific temperature ranges which strongly influence flowering patterns of plants.

Dr. Motes
Motes Orchids

AOS JUDGES - SPECIAL ORCHID AUCTION

The West Palm Beach Judging Center is planning an auction for Sunday, February 26, 2023 @ 1:00 pm to be held at the Learning Center at Flamingo Gardens, Davie Florida. This is a fund-raising event for our center to raise money to cover on going expenses for our Judging Center which includes rent, photographer's fees, speaker fees and travel expenses as needed, etc.

As an Affiliated Society Member we are inviting your members to attend this auction and bid on some exciting orchids from some of our judges' private collections, grower donations, orchid books, orchid supplies, memorabilia, etc. to support our Center. We are not subsidized by the American Orchid Society and any funds raised will be restricted to the use by the WPBJC for expenses mentioned above.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone on February 26 at 1:00 pm. Additional information will be sent out closer to the date.

Jacqueline A. Wood, Chair
West Palm Beach Judging Center

For more information, please e-mail Jackie, [click here](#)

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Board Members

President - Chickie Tobias
1st VP Programs – Buddy Rappoport
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Recording Secretary – Lottie Gatewood
Corresponding Secretary – Bernadette Garfinkel

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Geoff Tobias

Past President

Michele Owens

Newsletter Editor: Valerie Smith

Club Photographer: John Morris

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Upcoming Events

Veteran's Park Recreation building is located on the west side of the intracostal waterway on the north side of Atlantic Avenue. It is in the the same entrance as Chico's .

Scheduled Meetings and Events:

January 11, 2023: Cultivation of Vandas by Serena Roman, Lady Vanda.

February 8, 2023: John Romano, Topic: TBD.

March 8, 2023: Repotting and Mounting Hands-on Workshop.

April 12: Annual Orchid Auction.

Find out what is happening on our Facebook page. Join Us On [Facebook](#)

Website: www.DelrayBeachOrchidSociety.com

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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

If you have any suggestions or comments regarding the Society, meetings or this newsletter, please feel free to contact our President, Chickie Tobias at 561 445-5605 or [email](#).

If you have special event in your life or know of a member who is ill, please call our Corresponding Secretary, Bernadette Garfinkel at 561 398-6315 or [email](#).

Moving? Changed your e-mail or phone number? We don't want to lose contact with you. Please contact our Membership Chair, Scott Santoro at sansantoro@mac.com