

Vero Beach Orchid Society

August 2023



August Speaker – Jeanne Thompson



I grew up in Shreveport, Louisiana and received my BA in Fine Arts from Northwestern State in Natchitoches, Louisiana. I bought my first four orchids in 1996 at the orchid society show in Shreveport and have been learning about them and adding them to my collection ever since. I have grown orchids in Louisiana and Texas and now Florida and each place is different for them. In 2016 I came to work at Odom's Orchids, and I help with caring for orchids and help customers choose orchids and learn to care for them.

My talk is titled, 'An Orchid Adventure', and I will be talking about 19th century orchid collecting and collectors, adventures, misadventures, and strange tales.

Jeanne has so much experience and knowledge about so many different orchids. She is a terrific addition to our society. She will be bringing Raffle and Sales Plants for us. Hope to see you all there, August 17th at 7:00 pm.

Editor's Notes

We have a couple of significant things this month. First, the Christmas Party will be held at the Italian American Social Club in Vero Beach on December 2nd, at 6pm. The Social Club is at 600 25th St, Vero Beach, FL 32960. It is one block closer to RT 1 than the Garden Club. You will have a choice of three different entrees: Risotto Spinach Stuffed Pork, Chicken Parmesan, and Lasagna. The dinner also includes salad which will come with Italian dressing on the side, and bread and butter. We will start taking reservations at the September meeting. The cost will be \$25 per member and \$30 per non-member. Any other details will be available during the meetings and in the next few newsletters.

Secondly, September is the month we must start our election process. So, we will accept any nominations for the 2024 year at that meeting and the November meeting. Elections will be held at the November meeting with the officers being sworn in at the Christmas party.

We would also like to get input on changing the day of the week we have our regular monthly meeting. We are thinking of moving it to Wednesday, but we do not want to lose our members if they cannot make that day because of a conflict with another commitment. So, if anybody has a conflict, please let us know.

We have gotten notification on our first away show. It will be on December 9th & 10th in Ft Pierce. The theme is Winter Wonderland. The setup will be on December 8th, and most likely in the afternoon as it has been for the last few years. As soon as we get the complete details, we will let you know more.







Show & Tell Flowers from the July Meeting

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DUES FOR 2023: SINGLE MEMBER DUES \$20.00

FAMILY DUES: \$25.00

OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE AUGUST 17TH AT THE GARDEN CLUB OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, 2526 17TH AVENUE VERO BEACH, FLORIDA 32960. THE MEETING WILL START AT 7:00 PM