



Vero Beach Orchid Society



March 2019

March Speaker: **John Romano**

John started growing orchids in 1979 at the age of 13. He worked at Waterloo Gardens, Inc. in Exton, Pa and Gilberties Garden Center in Delaware County, Pa, as tropical plant expert and orchid manager and purchaser.

In 2002, he was hired at JEM Orchids in Delray as their grower and worked there until 2005. Is a member of FOG and Newbie FOG groups on Facebook. John runs the Sobralia and Brasolia group and the Dendrobium Species group on Facebook as well as the Let's Talk Orchids group and hosts the Youtube show by the same name. In 2014 had a new species of Sobralia named after him, Sobralia romanoi. Has recently had Den Spring Bird 'Karashiki' HCC/AOS, Den Yellow Paney 'March' AM/AOS, Den miyakei 'Other Worlds' CCE/AOS, Den faciferum 'Other Worlds' AM/CCM/AOS, Den amoenum 'Other Worlds' CBR/AOS awarded since 2015.

John will be speaking on soft cane Dendrobiums and will bring Raffle plants.

VERO BEACH ORCHID SOCIETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 4, 2019

President Sherry Cauley called the meeting to order at 6:50. Board members present were: Vice-President Paul Price, Treasurer Addison Marvin, Secretary Joan Kaser, and Newsletter Editor Carolyn Greene, board members Howard Kramer, Susan Scott. Carolyn Marvin, Show Chairman was also present.

Treasurer's Report: Addison Marvin presented the Treasurer's Report for the month of January. Addison has renewed the 99N and has filed for the State non-profit status for this year. The fee for GoDaddy has also been paid. The report was read and accepted.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

Old Business: The bus trip was discussed. Everyone had a good time and there were no concerns brought to the attention of the board. The budget for the bus trips was discussed and we may have to raise our fees to \$25.00 to meet our budget for future trips. Some possible destinations for future trips were discussed.

Garden Fest was well attended and we signed up 14 new members. They will receive their orchids at the first meeting they attend if they have their card. The question was brought up about new members receiving an orchid. We only give orchids to new members if they sign up at special events such as Garden Fest and Busy Bee Customer Appreciation.

Kathy Gustafson has agreed to head set up for the Port St. Lucie show. Paul Price is willing to help we need some volunteers to help with this show.

The plants for the potting party contest are being shipped. We are ordering 100 plants. The budget for the plants was discussed and Paul moved and Howard second that we increase the budget for the contest plants and the potting party.

New Business: Sherry would like to have someone sign up to set up for each show. We need a volunteer for the Martin County show.

The February meeting's speaker will be Paul Storm he is very well known and we are fortunate to have him as a speaker. Paul Storm has been experiencing some health issues and if he is not able to attend we will have a video. AOS has some videos that we can have as a backup if our speakers have to cancel at the last minute.

In May, we will have the picnic on the Saturday before Mother's Day and we will not have a meeting that month.

Jennifer Lofton has resigned from the Orchid Society and we will need to have another board member selected. We will ask for volunteers and will appoint another member to take Jennifer's position.

Show Business: We have 11 vendors that have paid their fee. T.C. Palm approached us for advertising and we informed them it was a little early. We will contact them when it is time and will tell them we need big orchids and big lettering in the ad. There is a site Vero.Com that advertises all upcoming events for the year. They will put our show on their web site.

Instead of plates for the winners at the show, we will look into have a crystal ball with an orchid inside. They are very pretty and practical.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10. The next Board meeting will be March 4, 2019.

Respectfully submitted by Joan Kaser, Secretary

Editors Note

Thanks to Thanh from Springwater for stepping in at the last minute. As always, he gave us a wonderful presentation.

We need to ask for those attending the meetings to start contributing snacks. There have been the same few folks bringing refreshments each month, and it's time to have some others contribute their time and effort also. Please consider bringing something to the next meeting.

Our speaker next month will be Roy Tokunaga from H & R Orchids in Hawaii. However, the date for

that meeting will not be our usual 3rd Thursday of the month. Because of his schedule, and the only opportunity to have for him speak to us, we will be holding the meeting on **Friday, April 12th, at 7:00.** pm. So mark your calendars!

Upcoming Orchid Events

- March 16-17 Gardenfest Plantation Fl.
March 16-17 Jacksonville OS The Garden Club of Jacksonville 1005 Riverside Ave, Jacksonville, FL
March 16 Palma Sola Botanical Garden, Braden Fl. A beautiful local botanical garden.
Mar 30-31 Deep South Orchid Show Coastal Botanical Gardens 2 Canebrake Road Savannah, GA. 31419
April 5-7 Sawgrass Museum Show,
April 12-14 **Pan American Orchid Show RF Orchids** 28100 SW. 182 Avenue, Homestead, FL.
April 13-14 Tallahassee Orchid Society "53rd Show & Sale", Doyle Conner Agriculture Bldg., 3125 Doyle Conner Blvd., Tallahassee, FL
April 20-21 Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society Show, 3750 S Flamingo Rd., Davie, FL
April 27-28 Vero Beach Orchid Society **Riverside Park** 3250 Riverside Park Drive, Vero Beach, FL

May 3-5 Platinum Orchid Society Show **Kiwanis Island Park Gymnasium and Annex** 951 Kiwanis Island Park Road, Merritt Island, FL

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	Board of Directors	Committees
President – Sherry Cauley		
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DUES FOR 2019: SINGLE MEMBER DUES \$15.00 FAMILY DUES: \$20.00

OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE MARCH 21ST, AT THE GARDEN CLUB OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, 2526 17TH AVENUE VERO BEACH, FLORIDA 32960. THE MEETING WILL START AT 7:00 PM