



Vero Beach Orchid Society



March 2020

February Speaker: Jim Andre

Our speaker this month will be Jim Andre. Most of you know Jim, or Doctor Jim as some call him, used to live in Minnesota, and was a Orthopedic Surgeon. But throughout his time as a doctor, he was an amateur orchid grower, which he still enjoys. He will be speaking to us about how to grow orchids from his point of view and many years of experience.

Jim will not be bringing plants for sale, so we will allow member sales at this meeting. We will have a raffle table. The meeting will be on March 19th at 7:00pm.

VERO BEACH ORCHID SOCIETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES February 3, 2020

President Sherry Cauley called the meeting to order at 7:13. Board members present were: Treasurer Addison Marvin, Secretary Joan Kaser, Board members Howard Kramer, Jeanne Thompson, and Susan Scott and Newsletter editor and Show Chairman Carolyn Greene.

Treasurer's Report: Addison Marvin presented the Treasurer's Report for the month of December and the end of the year report. The reports were read and accepted.

Secretary's Report: The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

Old Business: The bus trip to Tamiami was not well attended and we will not offer a bus trip there next year. However, we will look into having a ramble instead.

Susan gave a report on the conditions of the picnic facilities at Hobart Park. She reported the facilities were clean and nice, but it would be a walk to the restrooms. It was moved and second that we have the picnic at Hobart Park this year and see how it works out. Addison will check on the insurance for the picnic.

Susan did not have time to get the name badges but she is working on this.

Show Business: Addison will see about working the front with Shirley this year. His daughter will be able to work the water tent in his place.

The awards were discussed, the members need to get some sponsors for the big awards. Paul suggested that we have a special award for the best orchid plant there. It would have to be an orchid that was special and under the AOS judging rules. This year we will make this a special recognition award.

Eventmakers cannot make the screens for the tents, but it was suggested that we make our own using shower curtain clips and cutting the screen to fit.

Our show is at the same time as the Vero Beach Air Show this year. The Park is ours to rent but the parking lot is not exclusively ours. It is first come first served for the parking. However, anyone can park where they want.

Advertising: TC Palm contacted us about advertising with them this year. We will look into getting a

regular advertisement in the newspaper as this seems to be the best. We will look into getting an ad in the Flash as it is very inexpensive and has good coverage.

New Business: It was suggested that we arrange a class for making a rain gardens as this was an impressive display at Garden fest. We had 11 new members sign up at Garden fest.

It was moved and seconded that we have a board meeting in June, skip July, have a board meeting in August so we can get started for the year and skip September. The board felt it would work and help us be ready for the start of the New Society Year.

Addison suggested that we have another meeting where contest plants are distributed and sold. Paul will look into where we can get our plants, as the grower we where we ordered this year's contest plants is out of business.

We can get packets of 15 for about \$25.00 from Carmela orchids.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:49. The next Board meeting will be March 2, 2020.

Respectfully submitted by Joan Kaser, Secretary

Editors Note

We had a very good display at the Port St Lucie orchid show. We received the AOS award as well as Best Society Display. We received 9 First Place, 8 Second Place and 4 Third Place ribbons, also one orchid received Best Dendrobium Alliance.

Martin County show is done. We didn't receive either the AOS or Best Society for this display but we did earn the Best Depiction of Theme. We did receive 3 First Place, 1 Second Place and 5 Third Place Ribbons. The display was beautiful, even though we didn't have the quality plants we would have desired. Great Job to all who helped with both shows.

Our show is coming up in only 6 weeks, so we'll be asking for volunteers for different duties. If anybody had time on Thursday, April 23rd, we'll be doing some "ground work", meaning we'll be trying to put up the smaller tents that our society used for the raffle, donations, and refreshments areas and roping off the area with flags to control access to the show. On Friday, April 24th, we'll need folks to help with breakfast and lunch for ourselves, the other societies, and the vendors as well as help any vendors who arrive who might need help setting up or emptying their trucks. On Saturday morning, we'll need clerks to help with the judging, starting at 8:30. Throughout Saturday and Sunday, the 25th & 26th, we'll need folks to provide water to the vendors, help them when they need a break for either personal things or while giving a lecture. We also need to have helpers for the Donation and raffle tents both days. And finally on Sunday afternoon, around 4pm we'll need some folks to help with tear-down and cleanup of the park. At the March meeting, we will be passing around sign-up sheets. Please consider helping, since the success of the show will continue to support other events we do throughout the year.

We're asking for sponsorship of awards. The folks who are already signed up for awards from last year who would like to sponsor the same award, please contact either Carolyn Greene (321-506-3909) or Howard Kramer (772-589-1967). You may also talk to us at the meeting.

At the end of the newsletter is a form for you to use to try to get new sponsors for our show. Many of you know we have had a banner hanging at the show with the names of folks who have helped provide service or donations to us. We're asking that you take this form to somebody who you use for some service such as doctors' offices, hairdresser, auto repair, flower shop, or local store you frequent. These names are seen by everybody who enters the park during our show. It would be good publicity for their

business and we'd love to show off their community spirit.

If anybody is looking for alcohol to use to treat their plants, I've been told you can still get it a Vero Supply. They sell 90% alcohol by gallon jugs and the cost is \$15 per gallon.

Upcoming Orchid Shows:

March 13 – 15 - Coral Gables Orchid Society Show, Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Garden Room, 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables, FL

March 21 – 22 – Jacksonville Orchid Society Show, Garden Club of Jacksonville, 1005 Riverside Ave, Jacksonville, FL

March 28 – 29 – Central Florida Orchid Society Show, National Guard Armory, 2809 S Ferncreek Ave., Orlando, FL

March 28 – 29 – Nature Coast Orchid Society Spring Show 2020, VFW Post 8681, 18940 Drayton Street, Spring Hill, FL

April 3 – 5 - Pan American Orchid Society. Theme: "Serenity of Orchids". R.F. Orchids, Inc., 28100 SW 182 Ave., Homestead, FL.

April 11 – 12 - Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society Show, Flamingo Gardens, 3750 S Flamingo Rd., Davie, FL.

April 18th – Mid Lakes Orchid Society Semi-Annual Auction, Rogers Park , 610 South 9th St, Leesburg, FL 34748

April 25 – 26 – Vero Beach Orchid Society Show, Theme: "Golden Age of Orchids", Riverside Park, 3001 Riverside Park Dr., Vero Beach, FL.

May 1 - 3 – Platinum Coast Orchid Society Show. Theme: "A Rainbow of Orchids". Kiwanis Island Park Gymnasium, 951 Kiwanis Island Park Road, Merritt Island, FL.

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DUES FOR 2019: SINGLE MEMBER DUES \$15.00 FAMILY DUES: \$20.00

OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE FEBRUARY 20TH, AT THE GARDEN CLUB OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, 2526 17TH AVENUE VERO BEACH, FLORIDA 32960. THE MEETING WILL START AT 7:00 PM

VERO BEACH ORCHID SOCIETY, Inc.
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TO ALL VERO BEACH ORCHID SOCIETY SUPPORTERS

The Vero Beach Orchid Society (VBOS) is pleased to announce that it will hold its 38th annual American Orchid Society sanctioned show **"The Golden Age of Orchids"** at Riverside Park, Vero Beach, Florida on Saturday April 25, 2020, and Sunday April 26, 2020. The Show will feature displays by members of the Vero Beach Orchid Society, other Treasure Coast Orchid Society's, commercial growers, and individuals from all over the State of Florida.

Fliers are prepared for distribution from Melbourne to below West Palm Beach and as far as the West Central Coast of Florida to advertise the show. We also send releases to all major publications, radio and TV stations in advance of the show for publicity purposes and work with local publications and media stations to publish advance articles on orchids and the upcoming show.

Our show is sanctioned and judged by the American Orchid Society. Awards consist of Ribbons and award certificates, to the best display in each of the assigned categories, and ribbons are awarded to the first, second, and third place winners in each category of judging. Honorable mention ribbons are awarded by the judges where appropriate. The award donors will be printed on the award certificates in advance and will be displayed with the winning entry immediately after judging and throughout the remainder of the show.

The proceeds from the Vero Beach Orchid Society are used to promote interest in the propagation, growth, culture, scientific study, and to generate community interest in orchids.

You are invited to join our friends and merchants in Vero Beach in sponsoring the cost of the awards to be made at the show. All sponsors are recognized on a banner displayed (below) at the entrance to the Display/Awards Tent.

Sponsorships are as follows:

Platinum.....	\$ 300.00
Gold Sponsor.....	\$ 150.00
Silver Sponsor.....	\$ 100.00
Bronze Sponsor.....	\$ 75.00
Trophy Sponsor.....	\$ 30.00

I would like to sponsor the Vero Beach Orchid Society's 38th Annual Orchid Show **"The Golden Age of Orchids"** with a donation of \$ _____

AND/OR I would like to donate _____ for the Raffle.

Sponsor information: Business/Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____

Your support and contributions will be greatly appreciated. Please return this page and your check payable to Vero Beach Orchid Society c/o VBOS Show Chairman P.O. Box 543, Vero Beach, FL 32961. For further information contact Carolyn Greene, Show Chairman at 321-506-3909.

