



Vero Beach Orchid Society



April 2025

Show Preparation Information

This month will be different than most, but is about the same as our usual pre-show meetings. We will have Jeanne Thompson showing how to get your plants ready for entering in a show. And Cathy Gustafson will explain and demonstrate how to design and successfully create a mini-niche. She will have a niche sized box to help give you the guidance you need for your niche. We'd love to see many of the newer members participate in this, it allows you to use your creativity and imagination to make something that reflects your own personality. There will be a sign-up sheet, and the number next to your name on the sheet reflects the box number where you'll put your creation. The niche judge will not know who you are, but we will and be able to award the most attractive one to the correct person.

Editor's Notes

PSL Show: The Port St Lucie show went wonderfully well. We really did exceed by being awarded the Best Representation of Theme, and Best Society Display, and the AOS Award!!!! Thanks to all who contributed their lovely beauties to us for the display and to all the hard workers who put the design in play. They are truly talented to make such a fabulous transformation of flower to a beautiful structure.

Our April show: There have been 19 vendors currently on the list. Our normal number of vendors is 20 (or more) in most years.

Another giant THANK YOU to all of those who sponsored trophies and donated to the sponsorship categories. We've even gotten donations from some of the local businesses for raffle table prizes.

Thank you to all who have already volunteered to help at the show. There is always a need for more folks to hop in to learn how every step of the show is done. The more folks we have participating, learning the pieces and parts that create the show, the more you appreciation what a great group we have, and how much is done to let us meet in the Garden Club building as opposed to finding some other venue, and providing great speakers and activities for the group at each meeting.

That being said, the board has discussed the Picnic for this year. It will be held at Hobart Park, the park we rented last year, but at a different pavilion. The date is May 3rd, the weekend after our show. With as hot as it was last year, we decided to move it a little earlier, hopefully a little cooler time. It will start at 11am and end when we're all full or sunset, whichever happens first. The menu will be hot dogs and hamburgers. The society will supply the meats, paper goods, plastic utensils, condiments, and drinks (nonalcoholic, of course). We ask each of you to bring a side dish or dessert that can be shared. Nobody needs to make enough for an army but something about a large family size. The park address is 5555 77th St, Vero Beach, Fl 32967. We'd love to see a large turnout, the more the merrier!

The bus trip is still being looked into, when we get more information, we'll let you know. We'd like you to coordinate what you're planning to bring with Rose Ann Jones. She'll be talking a bit about this at the next meeting.



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DUES FOR 2025: SINGLE MEMBER DUES \$20.00

FAMILY DUES: \$25.00

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