



VENICE AREA Orchid Society

Newsletter

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January 2023

January 2023 General Meeting

Wednesday
January 4th

Doors Open: 6:45pm

Venice Community
Center

Speaker: John Budree

Topic: Bulbophyllums

Ramnarine John Budree was born in Trinidad and Immigrated to Florida some 23 years ago. Back then he grew many different types of plants and orchids and took part in collecting, growing and showing them at many of the shows, but there was always something more; he wanted to learn more about orchids, and wanted more of a challenge. He wanted to study, grow and flower them. So, when he came to Florida, he got involved with orchids at all different levels. Now he was able to grow all of those types of plants that he could only read about and even meet all of those people that grew and wrote the articles that he had read in the AOS magazines. So, he started out on his journey and adventure. He started to go to many of the shows and of course, what you do when you go to a show, YOU BUY ORCHIDS, which you know nothing about, in the hopes you can grow or flower them [yea right].

He always liked Paphiopedilums but was told he couldn't grow them. This became a challenge to him and he found these plants very interesting as well. He met some of the biggest and best growers in the orchid business, Jack Schendowich, Warren Kelly {Orchid World}, Bob Skully {Jones & Skully}, Mr. Frank Smith {Krull-Smith} and Sheldon Takasaki {Carmela Orchids}.



January Events

Happy Holidays!

**January 4th
General Meeting**

**January 7-8
Sarasota Orchid
Show**

**January 12th
Growers Clinic**

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your blooming
orchids on our Face
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John Budree Bio Continued

These people really know how to grow all types of orchids; Paphiopedilum, Cattleya, Phalaenopsis, Dendrobium, and Oncidium. At the 19th World Orchid Conference, in Miami in 2008, he was the only hobbyist to do a table top display and also had the opportunity to work with Frank Smith on the KRULL-SMITH display. He tried to absorb as much of Frank Smith's knowledge as possible, and because this, this is what he considered an lesson in life that he will never forget. He started to grow many different types of orchids, Paphs of course, and as of today, has grown over 3000 plants as well as other types of orchids. He has also lost count of the ones he has killed. In short, he has been growing Orchids for about 40 years, from flask to flower and has accumulated about 75 AOS awards.

2023 VAOS Membership Dues

Please pay your annual dues by **December 31st** to keep your membership active.

Dues are \$20 per household. If you joined or renewed on or after October 1st, 2022, you are paid through 2023. Mail your check, payable to VAOS, to:

VAOS
P.O. Box 443
Venice, FL 34284-0443

You may also renew using **Zelle** from your online bank account:

VAOS Treasurer
VAOSMoney@gmail.com

Make sure to describe the purpose of your payment in the memo field.

This is also the time to make sure we have your current contact information - address, phone and email address. If your contact information has changed, please notify Sue Grimmer, Membership Chair, at: memb@VAOS.org

Submitted by Sue Grimmer, VAOS Membership Chair



VAOS HOLIDAY BRUNCH

The 2022 VAOS Holiday Brunch was held on December 11th at the Plantation Golf and Country Club in Venice. The attendance was wonderful with 62 members and guests. The food prepared for us was excellent and everyone was very pleased and plenty of choices including sweets. We had a brief meeting to share info on the upcoming show and several people signed up to help. We followed that with our annual Auction. If you can look on the VAOS web site or Facebook, you can see the beautiful selection of orchids that we acquired from Palmers Orchids. We also had items donated by members Tony & Ellen Nacinovich, Carol & Mike Marcus and Joanna Shaw. Tony's pictures were extraordinaire and Carol's art work a sure collectable along with Joanna's clay planters. I want to thank each of you for your generosity. We had lots of fun with Rick Belisle as the auctioneer and very generous bidders. Also, our special assistant Martha Romero. I want to thank each one of you that helped make this another successful event for VAOS.

Sharon Kahnoski, VP Social

Your Blooming Plants Are Needed!

Sarasota Orchid Society Show

Show: Saturday Jan 7th - Sunday Jan 8th

Set up: Friday January 6th, 9am – 4pm

Location: Sarasota Municipal Auditorium: 801 N. Tamiami Trail Sarasota

Our first orchid show of the season, the annual Sarasota Orchid Society (SOS) Show and Sale. Show hours are Saturday 9am - 5pm and Sunday 10am - 4pm.

Setup is Friday, January 6th, 9am - 4pm.

Your blooming plants are needed to create our display. We will collect and transport your plants to the show and ensure their safe return to you on Monday following the show. **Bring your plants to our January 4th monthly meeting or drop them off at one of two locations by Thursday January 5th no later than 6pm:**

South Venice: Carol Wood, 4941 Bella Terra Dr., Venice (Venetia), 497-4995 (Leave on front porch)

Venice Island: Bruce Weaver, 328 West Bay Dr., Venice, 800-7804 (leave by front door)

Or bring them to the Sarasota Municipal Auditorium on Friday January 6th at 9am

All plants must be registered in advance via email between Monday January 2nd and Wednesday January 4th.

Email your plant name with a photo or bloom size and color description to PlantReg@VAOS.org.

Look for a return email confirming your plant registration with a number to attach to your plant. This will facilitate display set up at the show.

Plants should be cleaned, staked, free of pests and disease and labeled with both the plant name and the owner's name. Flowers should be in prime condition to last through the weekend show. Please water your plants thoroughly and place in a box or container for transport to the show.

Questions: Contact Kristin Shaw, VP Displays disp@VAOS.org 484-707-8674

2023 VAOS ORCHID SHOW & SALE

FEBRUARY 4-5, 2023

The Venice Area Orchid Society (VAOS) will present our 56th annual show and sale at the Venice Community Center in beautiful downtown Venice, FL on February 4-5, 2023. Our show theme this year is "*Galaxy of Orchids*". Fifteen vendors will exhibit and sell 1000's of blooming orchid plants as well as orchid floral arrangements, artwork, jewelry, accessories and supplies. The show is widely regarded as the most popular orchid show on Florida's west coast and comes just before Valentine's Day.

This major community event is expected to draw over 4000 attendees. Nationally recognized growers will exhibit and sell orchids. They include:

- Accent Orchids
- Bredren Orchids
- Florida SunCoast Orchids
- Gold Country Orchids
- Krull-Smith
- Mac's Orchids
- Miranda Orchids
- Odom's Orchids
- Palmer Orchids
- Plantio La Orquidea

Artists and Supply Vendors include:

- OFE International Orchid Supplies
- Joanna's Orchid Pottery
- Just One More Orchid
- Orchid Envy
- All Around Orchids
- The VAOS Orchid Boutique
- The VAOS Member's Arts & Crafts Display

The Venice Area Orchid Society is one of the largest and most active orchid societies in the U.S. with more than 400 members. Our mission is to foster orchid growing, to provide a forum for orchid exhibition, to promote orchid conservation, and to share the knowledge and experience of growers and hobbyists. We are an affiliate of the American Orchid Society. Our annual show is our major fund raising event and is always held the first full weekend in February at the Venice Community Center in downtown Venice.

Please volunteer to support our show! We count on our army of member volunteers to produce a successful show! See the following volunteer list for where we need help. Sign up at our monthly meetings or email ShowChair@VAOS.org

It Takes An Army

Just about one month to go before our annual show, one of the top two orchid shows in Florida, our biggest fundraiser of the year, expecting over 4000 attendees. Lots of work goes into planning and hosting a successful show, most importantly - our show volunteers. As Judy Loeffler, my show co-chair, says "It Takes An Army". We depend on over 100 member volunteers to join us each year to ensure a successful orchid show.

We have several volunteer time slots left to fill as shown on the following pages.

Road Signage – Need two people with pick up truck or SUV to set up and take down road signage before and after our show. Detailed map and instructions provided.

Set Up Friday – Need two more able-bodied volunteers with ladder and tools to assemble the back drops, side panels and shelves for displays

Hospitality Staff - We are famous for our fabulous food and many members bring in their favorite dishes to feed our vendors, judges and volunteers. We need help Saturday and Sunday in the kitchen for organizing food and drinks, buffet set up, serving, and clean up.

Show Hosts and Admissions – Still some volunteer time slots to fill

Orchid Boutique – Staff needed Saturday and Sunday to sell floral arrangements made by members and orchid accessories – a 25+ year tradition at our show.

Membership Table – The center of activity - answer questions, distribute culture sheets, sell books

Take Down Sunday – We need some fresh volunteers to ensure the Community Center is left broom clean.

All volunteers receive a special edition show t-shirt, great food, great camaraderie, working in a room filled with 1000's of fragrant blooming orchids. Life is good.

If you would like to volunteer please contact Carol & Judy at ShowChair@VAOS.org or sign up at our January 4th meeting.

If you have already signed up, please note that we have made some minor changes to time slots – let us know if you need to make a change.

Please note your volunteer time slot on you calendar. We will distribute the final list in our February 2023 newsletter just prior to our show.

Thank you for volunteering!!!

VAOS 2023 Show Volunteer List

Show Chairs: Judy Loeffler 485-9569, Carol Wood 497-4995, ShowChair@VAOS.org

Hospitality Staff

Naoki Kawamura*
503-539-1760

Friday 12:45pm – 4pm

Michelle Conda

X _____

Saturday 7:30am – 11am

Nancy Dettling

Wally Dettling

X _____

Saturday 10:45am – 3pm

Kathi Keller

X _____

X _____

Sunday 8am – 11:30am

Michelle Conda

X _____

X _____

Sunday 11:15am – 2pm

X _____

X _____

X _____

Road Signage

Judy Loeffler*
485-9569

X _____

X _____

Show Hosts

Sharon & John
Kahnoski *
(616-581-9131)

Show Host

Friday 1pm – 4pm

Tori Weaver

X _____

Friday 4pm – 7pm

X _____

X _____ -

Show Hosts

Saturday 9:45am- 12:15pm:

Sybil Levien

Bill Casey

Marilee DeCook

Eva Holzer

Bob Blaszczak

X _____

Show Hosts

Saturday 12- 2:45pm:

Linda Lehman

Cynthia Vance

Doris Wall

Kathy Cone

Kristin Shaw

X _____

Show Hosts

Saturday 2:30- 5pm:

Ellen Nacinovich

Tony Nacinovich

Wally Dettling

X _____

X _____

X _____

Show Hosts

Sunday 9:45am- 1pm:

Carolyn Robinette

Dottie Sedlak

Barb Kantorski

Patty Cuddihy

X _____

X _____

Show Hosts

Sunday 12:45 – 4pm

Janet Francis

Peg Yoder

Kathy Hanas

X _____

X _____

X _____

Display Team

Kristin Shaw*
(484-707-8674)

Friday (F) Set Up & Sunday Take Down

Bruce Weaver

Jay Loeffler

Judy Loeffler

Carol Wood

Janet Keown

Sara McCartney (F)

Denise Langman(F)

Steve Baker (F)

Steph Luburger (F)

Joanna Shaw

Plant Registration:

Linda Schaller

Vicki Fisher

Admissions

Elaine Ortt* (485-5313)

Saturday 9:45am - 12:15p:

Michelle Conda

Steve Baker

Pauline Adam

Helen Volonakis

X _____

Saturday 12- 2:45pm:

Lucia Shoemaker

Martha Koehnlein

Ed Murphy

Kitty Sadler

Don Posegate

Saturday 2:30- 5pm:

Gloria Markiewicz

Sherry Beck

Mary Anne DiGrazia

Lou Ortt

Holly Coleman

Sunday 9:45am- 12:15pm:

Ed Murphy

Steve Vogelhaupt

X _____

X _____

X _____

Sunday 12- 2:45pm:

Don Posegate

Mark Silvernitz

Mary Anne DiGrazia

Helen Volonakis

X _____

Sunday 2:30 – 4pm:

Mary Anne DiGrazia

Lou Ortt

Steve Vogelhaupt

X _____

VAOS 2023 Show Volunteer List

Show Chairs: Judy Loeffler 485-9569, Carol Wood 497-4995, ShowChair@VAOS.org

<p><u>Set Up</u> <u>Friday 11 a.m. -2pm</u> Jerry Daenzer* (284-5001) Pat Kerney Diane Kerney Lucia Shoemaker Martha Koehnlein Sybil Levien Sharon Kahnoski John Kahnoski Mike Mayers Helen Volonakis X _____ X _____</p> <p><u>Sunday Take</u> <u>Down 3:45pm -6pm</u> Carol Wood * (497-4995) Irene Bozogan John Bozogan Judy Chisholm Joanna Shaw X _____ X _____ X _____ X _____ X _____ X _____</p>	<p><u>Orchid Boutique</u> Karen Mann* (496-8385) <u>Saturday 9:45am-1pm</u> Irene Timm Mike Mayers Janet Kral X _____ <u>Saturday 1 – 5pm</u> X _____ X _____ X _____ X _____</p> <p><u>Sunday 9:45am – 1pm</u> Linda Lehman X _____ X _____ X _____</p> <p><u>Sunday 1 – 4pm</u> X _____ X _____ X _____ X _____</p>	<p><u>Clerks</u> Mary Anne DiGrazia* (697-9237) <u>Saturday 7:30 – 10:30am</u> Denise Langman Donald Posegate Ginny Thompson Tracie Cady Steve Weiner Gina Feinstein Judy Mulligan Sharon Kahnoski Ed Murphy Mike Mayers Sue Seidenfeld Diane Kearney Jeanette Davis Nancy Davis Kitty Saddler Peg Yoder Sara McCartney Steve Baker Linda Schaller</p>	<p><u>Membership Table</u> Sue Grimmer* (493-7861) <u>Saturday 9:45am-1pm</u> Cathy Adair X _____ <u>Saturday 1 – 5pm</u> Judy Chisholm Steve Keller <u>Sunday 9:45am – 1pm</u> Ginny Thompson X _____ <u>Sunday 1 – 4pm</u> X _____ X _____</p>
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January Growers Clinic
January 12, 2023
Dendrobium Culture Basics

The January Growers Clinic will start with our Orchid ER, as usual. Members and guests can bring in their problem plants and the team will diagnose and make suggestions as to how you should proceed. Attendees always hear new and important information for their own knowledge! We'll then move into a presentation and discussion on the Culture Basics of growing those beautiful and varied Dendrobiums! The meeting starts at 7:00PM and is held in Room F of the Venice Community Center. Park on the left (south) side of the building and enter through the side door.

Treasurer's Report

November 2022

OPERATING FUND October 31, 2022	\$44,462.92
+ Income	2,699.00
- Payments	2,476.99
+ Interest	.28
+ Petty cash on hand	75.00
OPERATING FUND November 30, 2022	\$44,760.21

Submitted by Ian Kennedy, Treasurer

2023 ORCHID SHOW SCHEDULE

Sarasota Orchid Society (January 2023)

Friday Set up Jan 6th – 9am – 4pm

Saturday Show Jan 7th - 9am - 5pm

Sunday Show Jan 8th - 10am -4pm

Sunday Take Down Jan 8th – 4pm

Location: Sarasota Municipal Auditorium: 801 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota

Theme: Orchids in Paradise

Show Chair: Larry Desian LarryDesiano@sarasotaorchidsociety.org

Venice Area Orchid Society (February 2023)

Friday Set Up Feb 3rd – 1pm – 7pm

Saturday Show Feb 4th - 10am - 5pm

Sunday Show Feb 5th - 10am - 4pm

Sunday Take Down Feb 5th – 4pm

Location: Venice Community Center: 326 So. Nokomis Ave., Venice

Theme: Galaxy of Orchids

Show Chairs: Carol Wood & Judy Loeffler ShowChair@vaos.org

Englewood Area Orchid Society (March 2023)

Thursday March 2nd Set Up – 10am – 5pm

Friday Show March 3rd - 10am - 5pm

Saturday Show March 4th - 10am - 5pm

Saturday Take Down March 4th – 5pm

Location: Ann & Chuck Dever Regional Park, 6961 San Casa Dr., Englewood

Theme: Bewitched by Orchids

Show Chair: Mary Anne DiGrazia tommmaryanne@centurylink.net

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 4 - (1st Wednesday) - General Meeting, Venice Community Center Speaker: John Budree Topic: Bulbophyllums

January 7-8 - Sarasota Orchid Society Annual Show & Sale. See article in this newsletter

January 12 - (2nd Thursday) Growers Clinic, Venice Community Center, 7pm. Topic: Dendrobium Culture Basics

January 13-15 - Tamiami International Orchid Festival, Miami. Info: MartinMotes@gmail.com

February 2 - (Thursday) - General Meeting, Venice Community Center Speaker: Tatiana Arias Topic: New Research & Conservation of Florida Orchids.

February 3-5 - VAOS Show. See articles in this newsletter

February 9 - (2nd Thursday) Growers Clinic, Venice Community Center, 7pm. Topic: Orchids 101—Basic Orchid Care

PLANNING AHEAD

March 3-4 - EAOS Annual Show & Sale

ONGOING

Mentor Program: help for new growers, contact Rick Belisle Mentor@vaos.org

AOS JUDGING

AOS Orchid Judging—Florida North Central Judging Center. Check Website for Schedule: Info: <http://www.fncjc.shutterfly.com/>

Next meeting:
January 4th

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