



# The Orchidist

SFOS October 16th, 2019 Program



## How to Care For your Orchids Tips and tricks of orchid care for South Florida

**Come to our orchid group meeting for free, and learn how to care for your orchids.**

Our next meeting is Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at Pinecrest Gardens. 11000 Red Road (57 Ave.), Pinecrest, FL 33156

Carlos Cahiz of OFE Orchid Supplies will provide the hands on presentation on chemicals, fertilizers and growing mixes.

Our society meetings feature an orchid raffle, and orchid judging.

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## President's Message

Greetings to all South Florida Orchid Society Members.

First, let me thank everyone who brought donations to our September meeting for the Bahamas. Annette Rodriguez spearheaded the drive to collect non-perishable food items, medical, personal hygiene, & cleaning supplies. She posted it on Social Media to spread the word. She took on the task, not only of collecting our donations, but also sorting & boxing everything up. Then with the help of her family, she delivered the truckload of boxes to the Bahamian Christ the King Episcopal Church in Coconut Grove which has been acting as a staging area for more than a month. The supplies were stacked on pallets, shrink wrapped & delivered by ship (The Balleria) to the dock in Freeport, this past Tuesday October 8th, for distribution. I hope everyone gets a chance to see all the photos Annette has posted online. We should be proud that as South Florida Orchid Society we became part of the recovery effort currently taking place on Grand Bahama & Abaco Island. And Annette...special thanks for making it happen.

We held our First Bingo Night at our September meeting, & welcomed many new guests. The orchid plant prizes supplied by Carlos Cahiz & OFE were in bloom & beautiful. Thank you to Steve & Annette for supplying the brand new Bingo Game & supplies & to Ralph for coordinating everyone who brought food for our refreshment table. It was a delicious feast.

Our 73rd Annual Miami International Orchid Show..."Orchid Treasures" held at the Watsco Center, was a beautiful, well-attended success. Dan Christensen who again, served as our Show Chair did an awesome job lining up the Vendors & handling all the negotiations, which make the show possible.

And, to all of the members who served as volunteers at our Hospitality Table...you are AWESOME!!! For those members that have never volunteered at the show...you are missing out on a rewarding experience. From greeting attendees as they arrive & handing them a Show Brochure, to encouraging guests to fill out a free raffle ticket for the chance to win a beautiful collection of orchids & gifts donated by our Vendors, to signing up new Members, selling our Culture Books, answering questions, and acting as Ambassadors for our Society...our Volunteers did an amazing job representing The South Florida Orchid Society.

We will be taking reservations at the October & November Meeting, for our Holiday Party, which will be held this year on December 18th at The Olive Garden Restaurant. The cost is \$25 for members & guests, & you may pay with cash, check or credit card.

Hope to see everyone on October 16th & please introduce yourself, & welcome our guests, & our eleven new members.

Chris Alger, President  
South Florida Orchid Society

# *SFOS Annual Holiday Party*

*Please join us for our annual holiday party which will be held at the Olive Garden Restaurant (8201 W. Flagler St, Miami Florida 33144 on Wednesday, December 18th, 2019 (our regular meeting night) at 6:30PM.*

*Cost is \$25.00 per person for both members and guests.*

*Our menu consists of the following...*

*Spaghetti & Meatballs*



*Lasagna Classico*



*Eggplant Parmigiana*



*Chicken Giardino*



*Fettuccine Alfredo*



*All entrees include unlimited freshly baked breadsticks, homemade soup or famous house salad, fountain drinks, fresh brewed iced tea, hot coffee, tea and choice of mini dessert dolcini*

*Each member will also receive a blooming size Holiday plant.*

*Seating is limited to about 50 persons so please make your reservations early. Payment must be made in advance. We will be accepting cash, checks or major credit cards. We will have credit card machines at both the October and, if necessary, November meetings.*

## September 18,2019 Judging Report

Judges: Julie Rosenberg, Javier Morejon and Erna Maxwell

### Blue Ribbons:

- Vandachostylis Pearl Cooper 'Sun Kiss' AM/AOS - Steve Rodriguez
- Blc. Hawaii Stars 'Paradise' HCC/AOS - Steve Rodriguez
- Blc. Hawaii Stars 'Pink Lace' - Steve Rodriguez
- Procatavola Walnut Valley Lime Stars - Steve Rodriguez (Epc. Lime Sherbet x B. Little Stars)
- Den. Lost Money - David Foster
- Den. New Hope - David Foster
- Pcv. Walnut Valley Lime Stars - David Foster

### Red Ribbons:

- B. nodosa 'Godzilla' AM/AOS - Steve Rodriguez
- Vandachostylis Thai Noi - Steve Rodriguez
- Miltonia moreliana - Ralph Hernandez
- Cirr. lepidum - David Foster

Thank you for showing your blooms. We look forward to your beauties in October.

Erna Maxwell, Judging Chair.



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See you next month!

Ron Hunt — Editor, The Orchidist

