



### *Greetings Members:*

*Welcome to Fall! I know here in South Florida, it doesn't feel much different than summer. However, our plants know that things are changing, some of them are slowing down in their growing while others are getting ready to sprout bloom shoots. Show season will be picking up and we will have a chance for new acquisitions to increase our collections, or replace the ones that died. Yes, no matter how long you have been growing orchids, there are always casualties.*

*This month's speaker is Alex Rodríguez, an associate judge with the West Palm Beach judging center. Alex will be talking about "To Judge or Not to Judge".*

*If you are interested in going on a backyard tour to Will and Bonnie Rileys, please sign up at the meeting.*

*I would like to thank all that bring snacks and food to our monthly meetings. We have always had a great refreshments table, let's keep it up!*

*See you at the meeting!*

## ALEXANDER RODRIGUEZ BIO Page

Alex Rodriguez is a Miami Native that enjoys gardening, traveling and orchids... A 1st Year American Orchid Society (AOS) Associate Judge with the West Palm Beach Judging Center and Chair of the Affiliated Societies Committee, Alex has been involved in the Orchid Community as an AOS Member and for over 10 years. His love for gardening is deep within his roots, gardening as a child with his Grandparents in the mountains of Yauco, Puerto Rico or at home in Miami with his Mother from Medellin - Colombia who loved and grew bromeliads, orchids and azaleas. As an adult he became interested in collecting orchids (usually *Phalaenopsis* and *Vandas*) but it wasn't until he met his amazing wife, Chris Morales, that his deeper love for orchids grew. Together Alex and Chris have a collection of over 300 orchids inside and outside their North Miami home that include *Bulbophyllum*, *Coelogyne*, *Gongora*, *Paphiopedilum*, *Phragmipedium*, *Stanhopea* to name a few. Since 2018, Chris & Alex have been entering their plants to AOS Judging and have garnered 11 AOS Awards to date.

Please come to our meeting Tuesday, September 19th, 2023 @ 8 PM where Alex will present his program on "To Judge or Not to Judge - That is the Question?". This program will explain what you need to know to prepare to bring your plant to an AOS judging, prepare your plant for judging, what to expect before / during / after judging and what award(s) your plant will earn.

# August Judging

**What is in an orchid name?** All orchids belong to the Family of Orchidaceae. Within this Family are over several hundred of orchid genera that contains thousands of species. Each genera have certain characteristics that separates them from each other, such as Vanda, Cattleya, Oncidium, etc. This part of the name always begins with a capital letter. Botanists would use the first letter of the genus (D.) and horticulturists would use a short abbreviation (Den.) for the genus Dendrobium. Each genus has tens to hundreds of species that have different characteristics that separate them from each other. Each named species always begin with a lower cased letter and is usually latinized.

With people collecting orchids from all over the world, they found out they could breed them with each other and create many hybrids using different species. These hybrid orchids were given names from one to four words, usually by the breeder, and words always begin with capitalized letters. With the rise of orchid clubs and competition judging, award winners could give their particular species or hybrid a clonal name that begins with capital words and is in single quotation marks.

**Filling out your Ribbon Judging Entry Form** The first 2 lines of the entry form asks for the name of your plant. You can put the genus name or abbreviation, and species or hybrid name here. The second 2 lines ask for the names of the orchid cross if you do not know the hybrid name. Occasionally, your orchid name-tag may only list the cross of 2 or more orchids. We can look up the names and sometimes update a new hybrid name for your orchid. We will let you know in the monthly Judging Report of a new Hybrid name. The third 2 lines on the entry form ask for your name and phone number. Please print your first & last name clearly so we can enter it into the judging report. Below your name is a checklist of Orchid Categories where your orchid belongs in. If you know it, please check it, or we can look it up. Most of all, **please fill out your form clearly and carefully so the judges can read it and make it easier for us to judge your orchids. Thank You!**

## Vandaceous Group: 14 entries

1st	V. SW Starlight	Judy Congdon
1st	V. Princess Mikasa alba	Judy Congdon
1st	V. Barbara Krantz*	Lynn Corson
1st	V. Corneels Cilliers	Lynn Corson
1st	Prra Tony Tan Keng Yam	Lynn Corson
1st	V. John Smith	Alan Smith
1st	Pda. Levi HKN Ng	Alan Smith
1st	V. Bangkok Sunset	Alan Smith
2nd	V. Princess Mikasa	Judy Congdon
2nd	V. Kru Chom	Lynn Corson
2nd	V. Nambaryn Enkhbayar*	Alan Smith
2nd	V. Athorn	Tere Camacho
2nd	Rhynchorides Magic Wand alba	Tere Camacho
3rd	V. Ben Jasmine	Tere Camacho

\*V. Barbar Krantz = V. Sankamphaeng x V. Rasri Gold

\*V. Nambaryn Enkhbayar = V. limbata x V. tessellata

**Cattleya Group: 8 entries**

<b>1st</b>	Bc. Jairak Kiku	Judy Congdon
<b>1st</b>	Ctna. Jamaica Fire	Judy Congdon
<b>1st</b>	Rlc. Waianae Starburst	Judy Congdon
<b>1st</b>	Myc. Hamlyn's Melody	Lynn Corson
<b>1st</b>	Rlc. Haw Yuan Gold	Lynn Corson
<b>1st</b>	Ctna. Hamlyn's Melody	Lynn Corson
<b>2nd</b>	C. walkeriana	Lynn Corson
<b>2nd</b>	Bc. Yellow Bird	Lynn Corson

**Dendrobium Group: 2 entries**

<b>2nd</b>	Den. Aridana Green	Judy Congdon
<b>2nd</b>	Den. Malayan Orange	Olga Erickson

**Oncidium Group: 1 entry**

<b>1st</b>	Onc. Sweet Sugar	Lynn Corson
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**Phalaenopsis Group: 1 entry**

<b>2nd</b>	Phal. cornu-cervi	Tere Camacho
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**Other Species Group: 3 entries**

<b>1st</b>	Trichoglottis brachiata	Judy Congdon
<b>1st</b>	B. nodosa	Lynn Corson
<b>2nd</b>	Dendrochilum longifolium	Judy Congdon

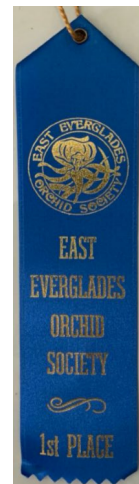
**Other Hybrids Group: 1 entry**

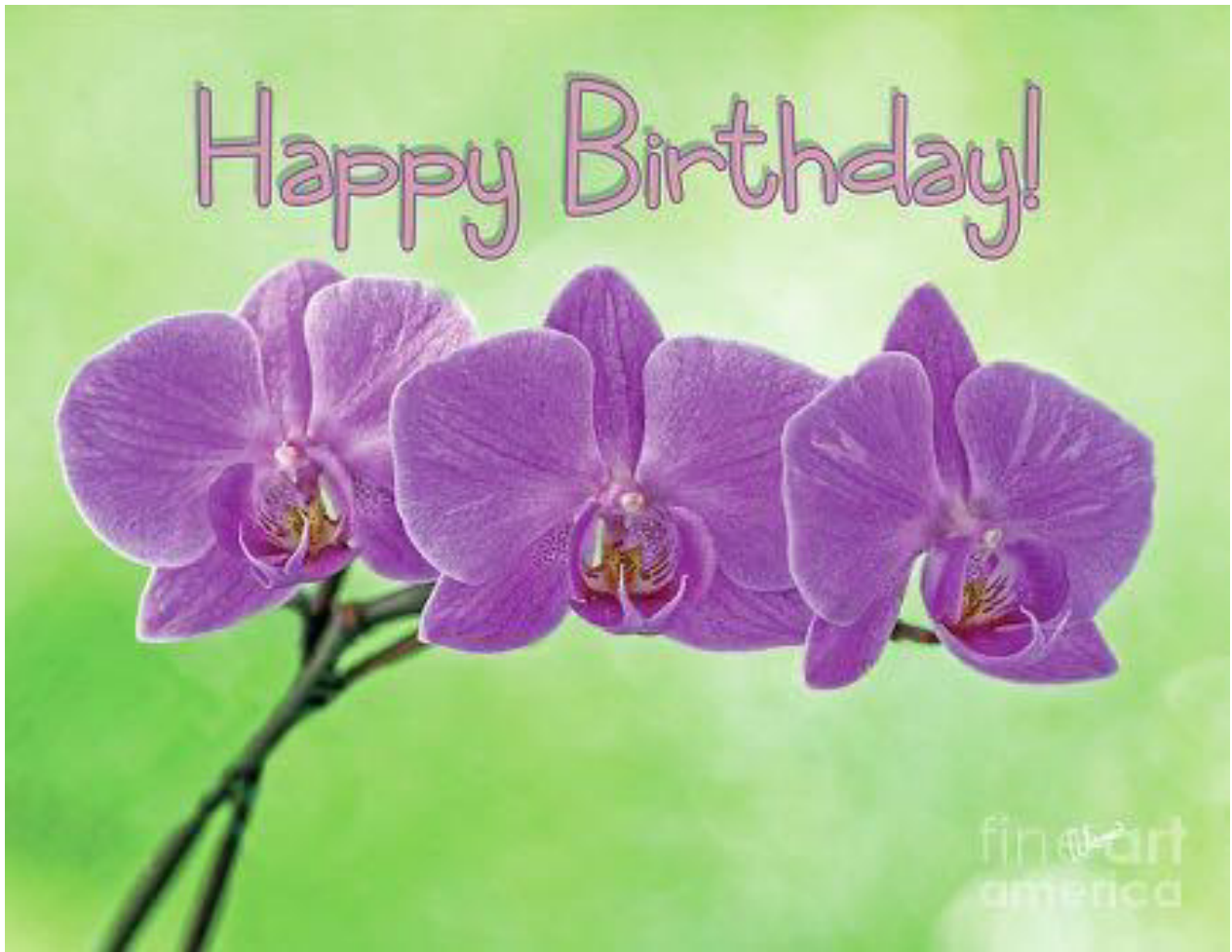
<b>1st</b>	Habenaria Trogon	Judy Congdon
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**East Everglades Orchid Society** thanks **David Schaffter, Erna Maxwell and Bill Capps** for judging our members' orchids.

We will be taking nominations for your EEOS Officers in the upcoming months. If you would like to serve the club as President, Vice President or as a trustee, watch for announcement of the nominating committee, and throw your hat into the ring. We always need new blood...oops, I mean ideas.

We are looking for individuals that are interested in learning about judging plants and who are willing to help judge the members plants before the meeting. If you are interested please see David Schaffter.





### *September Birthdays*

Bill Capps	3
Barbara Gratzke	13
Larry Atkins	25
Debbie Cockrum	5
Serge Yony	9



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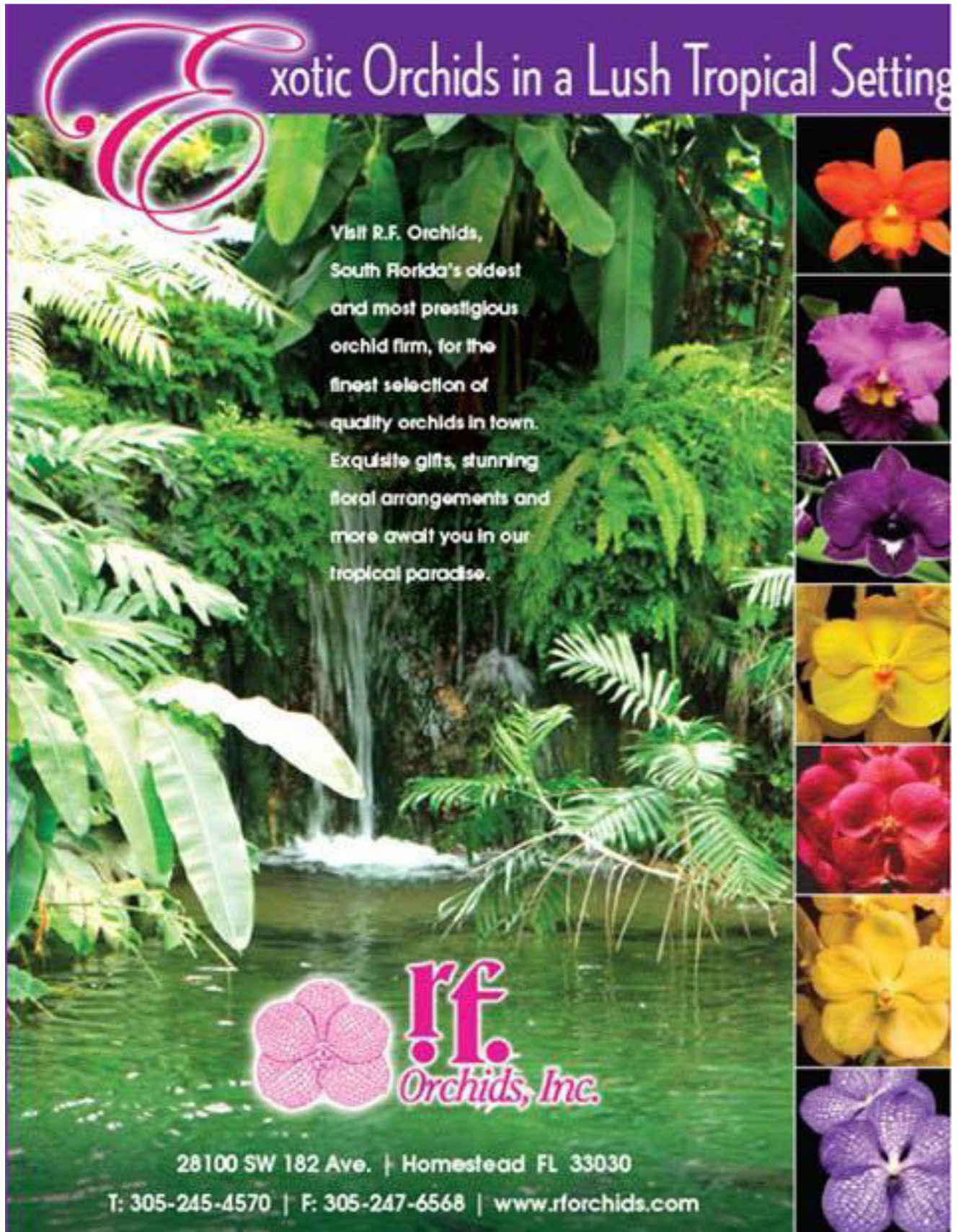
### **Immediate past President**

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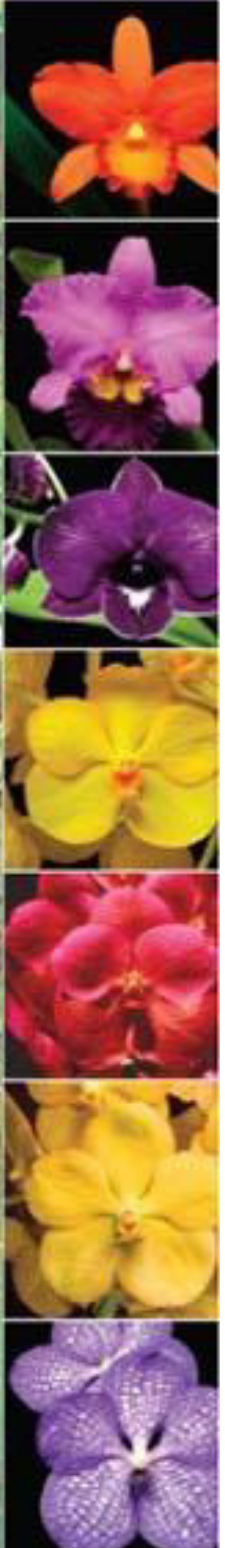
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