

The EEOS April 2025 Newsletter

The goal of our society is to educate ourselves and the general public in the classification, evolution and propagation, culture, care, and development of the cultural and economic importance of orchids; and to support the conservation this fascinating group of plants. Membership is open to anyone who is interested in the objectives, aims, and purposes of the EEOS, Inc.

The East Everglades Orchid Society meets on the FOURTH TUESDAY of each month with Judging at 7:30 PM and orchid related talk held at 8:00 PM

Meeting place: University of Florida Miami-Dade Extension Bldg. at

18710 SW 288th St

Homestead, FL

Visitors are always welcome.

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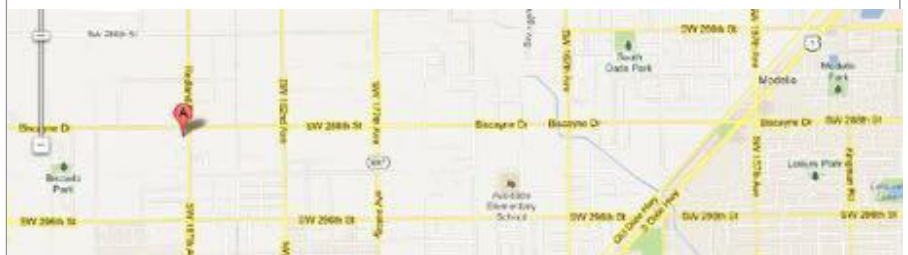
East Everglades Orchid Society The Orchid Column



Our April Meeting Tuesday, April 22, 2025 at 7:00 PM

This month's speaker is **Kenneth A. Roberts, AOS judge.** His topic is **pollination and pollinators.**

Please continue to bring in your food and snacks early so we can eat at the beginning of the meeting.



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President's Message

Greetings, fellow East Evergladers! It's a new month with new orchids to see and love (and maybe add to our collections).

We have a very interesting speaker this month, Ken Roberts. He is the longest standing member of the American Orchid Society. He'll be giving us a talk on orchid pollination and their pollinators. It should be a very interesting and educational night!

Next month is our annual auction. We've got some great orchids coming in the works, but if you need to make some room in your collection for more orchids, you can donate some from your collection, from your friends' collections, or the collections of total strangers. I think it's going to be a great night with lots of orchids and lots of fun. We'll have more auction cards if you want to grab a bunch to pass around to places you frequent.

There are a few members that haven't paid their 2025 dues, so please consider this a friendly reminder. Only active members in good standing can earn ribbons for their orchids submitted for judging. And you know, those ribbon points add up throughout the year. Just ask Judy and Lynn! So, please, if you haven't paid your 2025 dues, stop by the welcome table at the meeting and Donna would be delighted to receive your money.

Sierra Madre is providing the raffle plants for this meeting and ...

WE WILL HAVE A SILENT AUCTION!

Don't forget to bring a dish to share with your fellow members and guests, and as always, thank you to all of you who never forget to share your goodies.

It's going to be another fabulous meeting!

See you then.

Tere



Ken Roberts is a born and raised Floridian. He grew up on Boca Ciega Island and has been interested in orchids from a young age. He worked for Earl Small Orchids in St. Petersburg as a young teen and was paid in orchids. He has raised orchids all over the world. Currently he is AOS's longest continuous member.



March Judging

We had a record of 51 orchids that were brought in and judged. The judging team barely had enough time to get something to eat and participate in the raffle before the end of the meeting. In order for the widely popular judging program to continue to offer our members quality ribbon judging, we need more judges to help out. The benefits are that you get to learn what's important and what we look for when we judge different types of orchids. **Erna Maxwell** is an accreted **AOS Judge** and an excellent teacher. **Bill Capps** is an excellent judge and is willing to help new judges learn about awarding orchids. This is a **Golden Opportunity** for you to help out our society. We start judging at 7:30 in order to finish for the regular meeting.

We had **2 Culture awards** this month. **Judy Congdon** received a CULTURE for her large Cattleya skinneri. **Lynn Corson** received a CULTURE for a beautiful, well presented Paphiopedilum Bernice. Thank you, **Judy** and **Lynn** for sharing these orchids with us.

Vandaceous Group: 4 entries

1st	Ascda. John de Baise	Judy Congdon
1st	V. christensoniana	Judy Congdon
1st	Vandachostylis Pinky	Judy Congdon
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Cattleya Group: 24 entries

1st	Rhy. Aristocrat	Charles Asche
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1st	B. regina x B. cordata	Kim Beisle
1st	Ctna. Why Not (yellow)	Kim Belisle
1st	Myc. Suncoast Pink Passion	Kim Belisle
1st	Bc. Theresa Ricci	Robin Burr
1st	Bullara Redland Sunset	Robin Burr
1st	C. skinneri Angela x Carpenteria CULTURE	Judy Congdon
1st	Guaritonia Jean Wilson	Judy Congdon
1st	Eny. Magic Wand*	Judy Congdon
1st	Iwan. Apple Blossom	Judy Congdon
1st	Ctt. Suavis	Judy Congdon
1st	Bullara Redland Sunset	Judy Congdon
1st	Vbn. Elysian Suncoast	Judy Congdon
1st	C. skinneri var. alba	Judy Congdon
1st	C. Francis Fox	Lynn Corson
2nd	Brm. Jamaica Fire	Robin Burr

2nd	C. skinneri	Robin Burr
2nd	Blc. White Diamond	Robin Burr
2nd	Pot. Twenty Four Carat x Lic. Guess What	Judy Congdon
2nd	Pot. Love Passion	Judy Congdon
2nd	C. skinneri	Judy Congdon
2nd	C. skinneri	Lynn Corson
2nd	C. Prism Palette	Lynn Corson

*Lc. Trick or Treat x Epc. Kyoguchi = Eny. Magic Wand

Dendrobium Group: 8 entries

1st	Den. aggregatum	Kim Belisle
1st	Den. Airy	Robin Burr
1st	Den. Love Memory	Judy Congdon
1st	Den. aggregatum	Judy Congdon
1st	Den. spectable	Lynn Corson
1st	Den. Love Memory	Lynn Corson
1st	Den. Judith Mezy	Lynn Corson
3rd	Den. Sheryl Chew	Robin Burr

Oncidium Group: 3 entries

1st	Tolumnia Jairak Flyer	Judy Congdon
2nd	Onc. Gower Ramsey	Robin Burr
2nd	Odcdm. Everglades Elegance	Judy Congdon

Paphiopedilum Group: 6 entries

1st	Paph. St. Swithin	Judy Congdon
1st	Paph. Bernice CULTURE	Lynn Corson
1st	Paph. Moustache	Lynn Corson
1st	Paph. St. Swithin	Lynn Corson
1st	Paph. insigne	Lynn Corson
2nd	Paph. Bernice	Lynn Corson

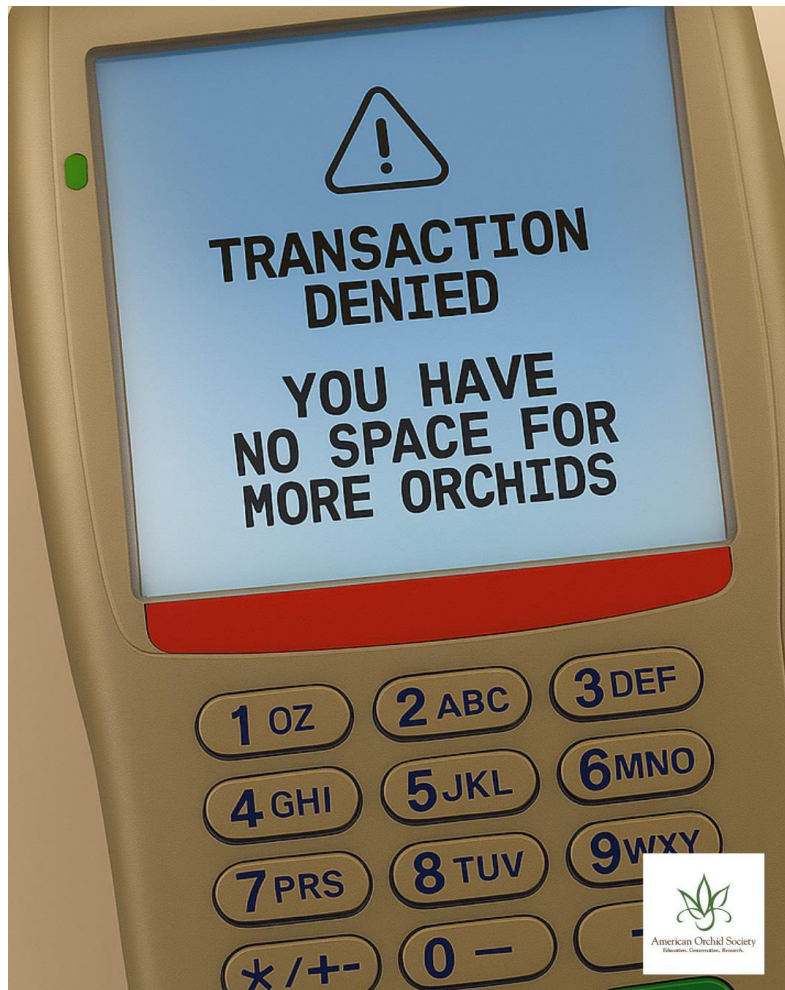
Encyclia Group: 3 entries

1st	Epi. stamfordianum	Robin Burr
1st	Epi. stamfordianum	Judy Congdon
2nd	Eplc. Mitsuko	Kim Belisle

Other Species Group: 3 entries

1st	Max. variabilis	Judy Congdon
1st	Pomatocalpa spicata	Judy Congdon
2nd	Caularthron bicornutum	Lynn Corson

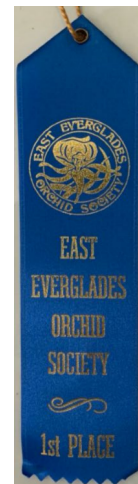
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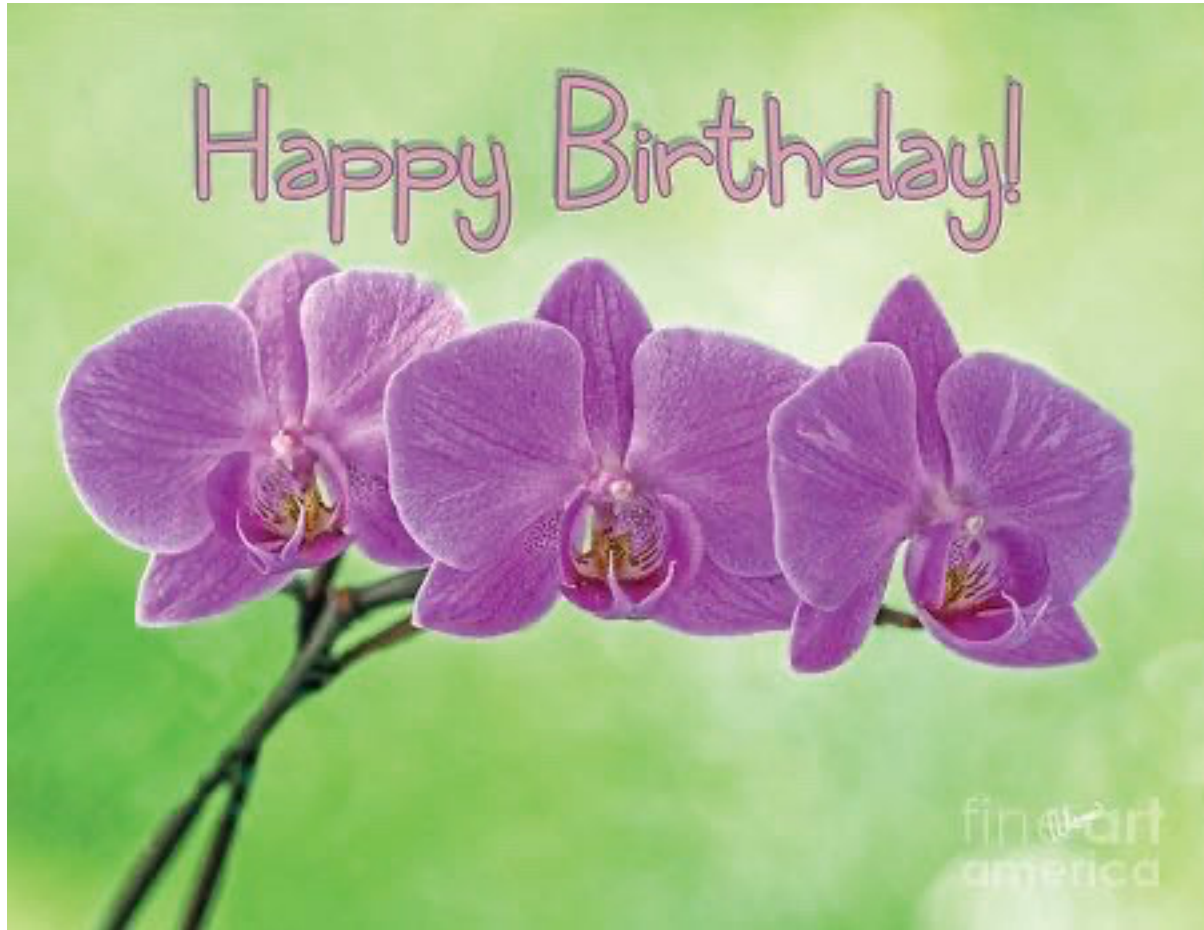


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We are looking for individuals that are interested in learning about judging plants and who are willing to help judge the members plants before the meeting. If you are interested please see David Schaffter.





April Birthdays

Randy Waldrep	25
Madelyn Tucker	5
Yvette Perez	26
Olga Erickson	27
Garin Hamilton-Jones	14

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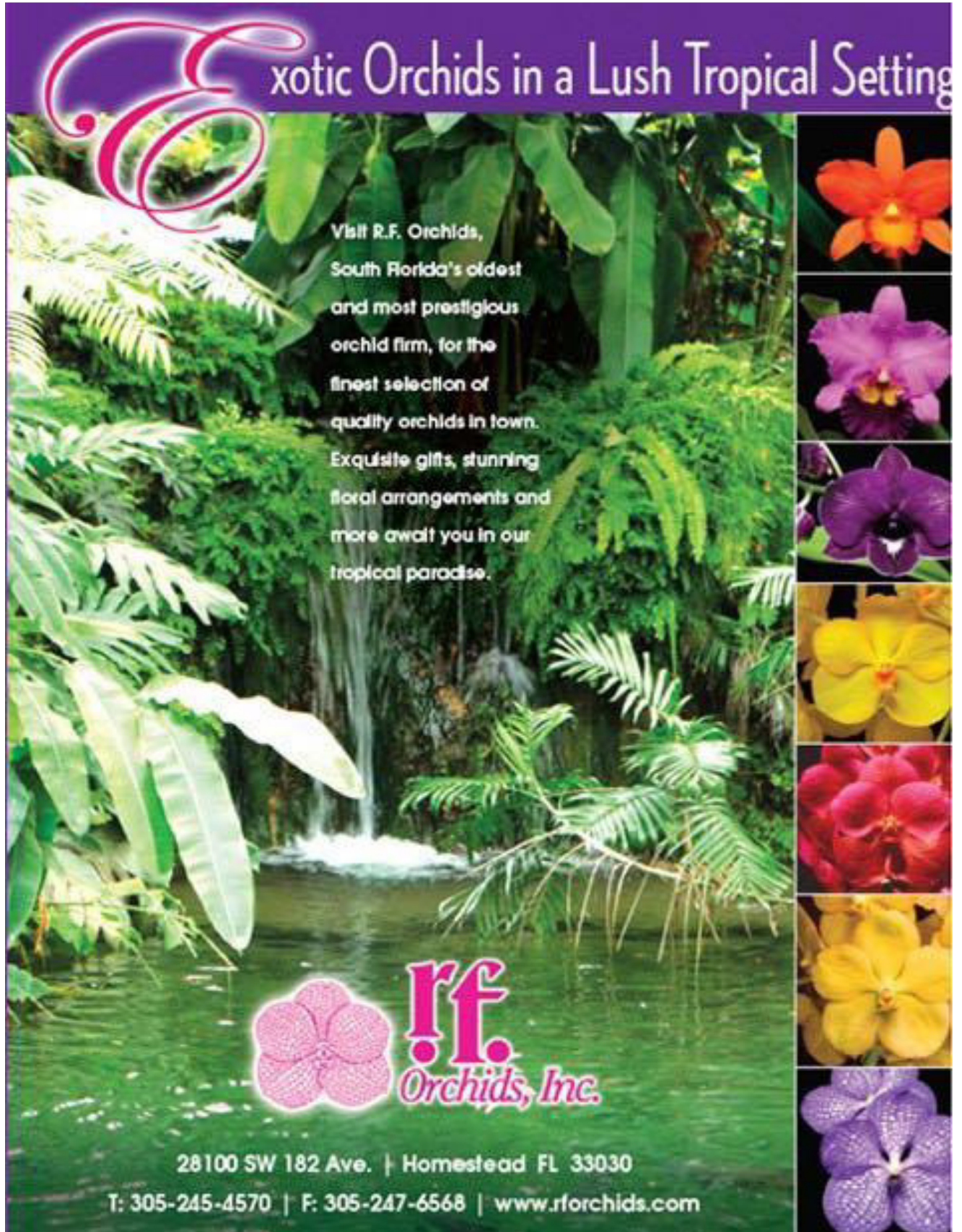
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