

# ***Cape Fear Orchid Society***

**JANUARY 2019**



**Happy  
New  
Year!**

**New President Byron Price writes ...**

## **Welcome to a New Year!**

with new challenges and new volunteers stepping forward.

Thanks to **Pamela Layne** for agreeing to serve as vice-president this year.

**Anne McGee** will begin in February as editor of the newsletter. Thanks and congratulations to **Jan** for 12 years of keeping us *beautifully* informed.

And Thanks! to **Jeff and Jennifer Gibby** for volunteering to chair our Spring Bloomin' Orchids Day.

With these members agreeing to accept the challenges of producing newsletters and chairing our annual event we are on our way to another great year.

And thanks to **Jim Lanier** for being co-president the past two years and to everyone who has pitched in when and where needed the past two years.

See you at the meeting!  
Byron Price, CFOS President

## **JANUARY MEETING**

**ARBORETUM**

**JAN. 16, 6:30pm**

**Tom Wise**

**From**

**John's Island, SC**

**Tom will not bring orchids to sell.  
Members may sell orchids or orchid items at the meeting.**

## **BLOOMIN' ORCHIDS DAY !**

**MARCH 2, 2019**

Please mark your calendars!  
Details coming soon.

**PAY YOUR DUES!**  
**\$25!**

# WELCOME! 2019 EXECUTIVE BOARD



*Byron Price*  
*President*



*Pamela Layne*  
*Vice President*



*Linda Swanson*  
*Secretary*

*Laura Overstreet*  
*Treasurer*



At the December meeting, these members were elected by acclamation as officers for 2019:

President: Byron Price  
Vice President: Pamela Layne  
Secretary: Linda Swanson  
Treasurer: Laura Overstreet



*Jeff Gibby* -  
chairman  
Bloomin' Orchids Day  
2019.

## CFOS PROGRAMS 2019

FEB	13	- TBA
MARCH	13	- Ron Midgett
APRIL	10	- TBA
MAY	15	- TBA
JUNE	12	- Bill Thoms
JULY	10	- TBA
AUG.	14	- Dr. Kristen Uthus
SEPT.	11	- Francisco Miranda
OCT.	16	- Hadley Cash
NOV.	13	- Thomas Bazja
DEC.	11	- Holiday Meeting



*Anne McGee* -  
CFOS  
Newsletter Editor

**January's speaker bio:** Our speaker this month is **Tom Wise**, owner of Johns Island Orchids in Charleston, SC. Tom has been growing and enjoying orchids for over twenty years. With an abundance of divisions from his specimen plants, he started Johns Island Orchids in 2011 to supplement his income and help pay his greenhouse expenses. Tom became an American Orchid Society Accredited Judge in 2011.

Tom will be presenting his program: "Baker's Dozen: My Top Thirteen Orchids for Southern Growers." He specializes in easy growers, suitable to our southern heat and humidity. This program will include orchids that do well outdoors in our climates.

Johns Island Orchids is located at 4355 River Rd., Johns Island, SC. Tom's contacts: tom@johnsislandorchids.com or 843-768-6747.

Unfortunately, Tom's greenhouse suffered greatly in the hurricanes of autumn 2018. He will not be selling plants. Members may sell plants of orchid items at the meeting.

FYI ...



## **BLOOMIN' ORCHIDS DAY! 2019**

**MARCH 2, 2019**

Jeff and Jennifer Gibby are the 2019 chairpersons for this year's Bloomin' Orchids Day at the Arboretum from 9am to 1pm on Saturday, March 2, 2019.

Member cost to attend is \$25 if paid by Feb. 22. After that, cost is \$30. For non-members, cost is \$30.

By separate email, you will receive this year's flyer which has details of registering and also activities for the event.

Jeff will have flyers printed for the meeting to hand out in several different colors.

Please plan on attending and sign up early for the best price!

**AOS Webinars** - The American Orchid Society provides regular webinars for interested members. Some are for members only; but many are for the public. The next webinar for all will be on Tuesday, January 29, from 8:30-9:30pm. This will be a Greenhouse Chat with Dr. Ron McHatton, AOS Chief Science Officer who will answer questions about all things orchids. For more info and how to register, contact the AOS website.





## December 2018 Standard Winner

Commentary by Carol Shores.



### **Best in Show Standard Tie!**

**Ctsm. Grace Nunn  
'Chads Ford' x  
Ctsm. Orchidglade  
'David Rances'  
Owner -  
James Maeda**

### **Best in Show Standard Tie!**

**Brassavola  
hybrid  
Owner -  
Rob  
Majkowski**



**Our First Tie for Best in Show Table - Standard Size** is owned by James Maeda. His plant: *Ctsm. Grace Dunn* 'Chads Ford' x *Ctsm. Orchidglade* 'David Rances' is a cross made by Fred Clarke, owner of Sunset Valley Orchids (SVO) in California. *Clowesia* Grace Dunn is a light striped pink with a deep fringed lip, whereas the *Ctsm. Orchidglade* parent tends to be bright yellow or lime green with little or no spotting. The combination yielded a wonderful hybrid with dark maroon spotting, with more fringe on the lip than the Grace Dunn parent. This hybrid is a real winner. The flower count per spike will probably increase as the plant matures as I believe that this is a first bloom seedling. Culture Note: If you own any *Catasetum* hybrids or species, now is the time to be withholding watering. Remember what James said about why he liked these plants: He said that they need NO water at all in the winter and he puts them in a shady place. By this time of the year they should have lost all leaves and watering could actually kill the roots. No water necessary until the new growth in spring has roots over 3 to 5 inches long. I (Carol) personally am a big fan of these plants and the complex hybrids available from Fred Clarke today offer a huge range of colors from almost pure white to dark maroon (the black ones are an SVO specialty.) Other vendors have these also, but their best ones have probably come from Fred.

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**Cat. 2 No entry and Tie for Best in Show Table – Standard** is a *Brassavola nodosa* hybrid owned by Rob Majkowski. I was unable to decipher the label on this plant but we know that it is a *Brassavola nodosa* hybrid. These hybrids are very floriferous with multiple spikes blooming more than once a year. The *B.n.* parent tends to be dominant in most aspects of these hybrids: plant habit, flower shape, arrangement on spike, and frequency of bloom. Who can fight with that combination. The other parent added the color to the lip and possibly flattened the lip shape a bit, which is an improvement. The wider shape of the sepals almost makes me think the other parent might be a *Laelia*. Culture Note: These do very well in slat baskets which are well drained; they can take very bright light due to the terete shape of the leaf which protects from over exposure to sun.

### December Miniature Size 2018



**Mini Best**  
**Bulbophyllum**  
**laxiflorum**  
**Owner**  
**Joyce Pennock**

**Second to Mini Best - Tie**  
***P. equestris* hybrid**  
***Brassavola* Little Stars**  
**Owner**  
**Pamela Layne**



**Best in Show Table - Miniature to Small Size Plants** is *Bulbophyllum laxiflorum* by Joyce Pennock. She has been exhibiting her flowering expertise with some unusual species. This species has very tiny delicate almost pure white flowers with a bit of yellow on the tips of the petals displayed on two huge sprays. This species is native to Southeast Asia and when mature can have 15 or more flowers per spike. I did not notice objectionable odor in this plant. It may also be listed as *B. luzonense*. One of your very best sources for *Bulbos.* is Bill Thoms in Florida he is the expert on them. He is also an excellent speaker (scheduled to speak to CFOS in June). This plant is a warm grower and would do well in a greenhouse or outside in the summer. It would do well on a parallel slab if watered a lot.

### **Miniature Size Second to Best - tie**

These are best observed in the photos above. The *Phal.* N.O.I.D. of Pamela Layne is probably a *P. equestris* hybrid, as it is one of the best species for making miniatures with small flowers covering the entire plant. They are very long lasting and of excellent flower shape.

**Pamela also owned the tie plant:** *Brassavola* Little Stars. I think we have seen this happen before. All comments on Rob Majkowski's plant (see standard winner information) will also apply to this one.



# HOLIDAY MEETING 2018!



## TWAS A WONDERFUL PARTY!

Grace Manker featured her orchids in several formats in her clever decorations. She is obviously talented in orchid presentation, as well as orchid growing. Food was delicious and plentiful. We especially appreciated the ham prepared by chef Joyce Pen-nock, and many were delighted to have extra slices to take home.

The Chinese Auction was, as usual, a success with some members taking away several prizes. A visiting potential new member, Laura Elliott, was pleased with her special prize.

Rob Majkowski, owner of Orchid Scapes, generously contributed several orchids to the auction offerings. Thanks to Anita Potts for introducing us to this enjoyable party activity. By Anne McGee.

## CFOS Show Table Winners - Dec. 12, 2018

<u>Best in Show Table - tie</u>	<u>Standard Size Plants</u> (over 10 inches tall or wide) <u>Plant</u>	<u>Owner</u>
Ctsm. Grace Nunn 'Chads Ford' x Ctsm. Orchid glade 'David Rances'	Brassavola hybrid	James Maeda Rob Majkowski
<u>Class Winners - Standard</u>		
Cattleya/L/Br alliance		
First	Cat. 2 no entry	Rob Majkowski
Second	Bc. Maikai	James Maeda
Gongora/Cyngo/Stanhopia alliance		
First	Ctsm. Grace Nunn 'Chads Ford' x Ctsm. Orchidglade 'David Rances'	James Maeda
Oncidium Alliance		
First	Onc. 3 no entry	?
Second	Onc. Wildcat 'Golden Red Star'	Byron Price
Phalaenopsis		
First	Phal. Tying Shing 'Eastern Star Sakura'	Pam Layne
Second	Phal. N.O.I.D. Spotted burgundy	Carol Shores
Terrestrials		
First	Phaiocalanthe Kryptonite	Jim Lanier

<u>Best in Show Table - tie</u>	<u>Miniature to Small Size Plants</u> (under 10 inches wide or tall) <u>Plant</u>	<u>Owner</u>
	Bulbophyllum laxiflorum	Joyce Pennock
<u>Miniature Size Second to Best tie-</u>		
	Phal. N.O.I.D. (equestris type?)	Pamela Layne
	Brassavola Little Stars	Pamela Layne

<u>Class Winners - Miniature to Small Size</u>		
Bulbophyllum		
First	Bulbophyllum laxiflorum	Joyce Pennock
Cattleya All Minis		
First	Brassavola Little Stars	Pamela Layne
Second	Brassavola nodosa	Laura Overstreet
Phal/Sarco Minis		
First	Phal. N.O.I.D. (equestris type ??)	Pamela Layne

Show Table results tabulated and reported each month by Jane Ranney.  
Only categories with entries listed in results. Name checks by Carol Shores.

## DUES... are due. Still \$25.

(Only \$2.08 per meeting! Includes a 2nd person in the same household.)

**Please pay Treasurer Laura Overstreet in January to keep your membership current!**

**Why dues? To pay speakers' costs every month. Costs for: Presentation; overnight accommodations; sharing the speaker's transportation. Although our treasury looks good, we can easily wipe it out in one year. Members want good information and we hunt for speakers who will provide that.**

**So please rejoin and continue to learn with us!**

## Cape Fear Orchid Society December 2018

\***Co-President Byron Price** called the meeting to order at 6:23 and asked **Laura Overstreet** to say the blessing of the food.

\***Co-President Price** thanked the Holiday Party Committee lead by **Grace Manker** for their work on the beautiful decorations and organizing the party.

\*He introduced visitor **Laura Elliott** who had just moved to Wilmington from Colorado. Her plants suffered during the move, but she hopes to be able to show them soon.

\***Treasurer Overstreet** reported that both **Jan Denney** and **Ann Gallman** are recovering well from their recent hip replacements. **Ann** has donated a container of Distance insecticide and **Laura** will be selling it in 1-ounce containers. She also reminded us that 2019 dues are currently being accepted.

\***Co-President Jim Lanier** reminded us that people don't go on forever, but if we want CFOS to go on, new people will have to step up and accept responsibility for running the club. He announced the 2019 slate of:

President	Byron Price
Vice President	Pamela Layne
Treasurer	Laura Overstreet
Secretary	Linda Swanson

\***Co-President Price** asked for nominations from the floor. As none were made **Jim Lanier** moved and **Steve Arthur** seconded that the slate be accepted by acclamation,

\***Co-President Price** thanked **Jan Denney** and **Jim Lanier** for their years of service and announced that they would each receive a one-year membership to AOS.

\***Rob Majkowski** thanked the members for their support in his efforts to rebuild his greenhouse following the hurricane.

\*The January speaker will be **Tom Wise** from John's Island, SC. His collection suffered greatly from last year's freeze, and it is not currently known if he will be able to sell plants.

Respectfully submitted,

*Linda Swanson, Secretary*

### **JANUARY BRINGERS**

**SNACKS - Richard Evers**

**Jan Denney**

**DRINKS - Eileen Shober**

**RAFFLE - Bring a plant or other orchid item you may want to give a new home.**

### **From the Editor's Desk:**

Just wanted to say a few things as I leave my job with CFOS.

In 2006, I took over the newsletter. Then, we mailed out 40 to 60 newsletters a month, depending on our membership number. We prepped, printed, addressed, stamped, and mailed! Lots of work.

Fast forward to the digital world. Now, we email all but two issues. That really changed the work load.

It is time to turn the newsletter over to someone new. **Anne McGee** will take over starting in February. New ideas, new styles, new systems, etc. I know she will do a good job and so please aid her in any way she needs help.

I will continue to join CFOS for now, but my skills in growing orchids, if ever I had any, have diminished. I will follow my pursuits now and they are not involved with growing things. The orchids proved I have a black thumb! When I want an orchid, I will buy it!

Thanks for all the help you have given me!

Fondly, **Jan Denney**, resigning editor.

### **Earning Show Table Points**

#### ***Have a plant in bloom? Bring it with you!***

You get points for bringing a plant as well as points for winning Best in Show and best in category. These points add up.

To make sure you get credit for your plant, you must fill out a Plant Entry Sheet!

This sheet is available at the meeting, but to expedite the process, you can download a copy from the CFOS website:

[www.capefearorchid.org](http://www.capefearorchid.org).

List your plant. Place it on the show table. After your plant has been given a category and number, write them into your sheet. Put your name on your sheet and hand it in. Then vote for your favorite on the table. That's it!

Jane Ranney tabulates the points.

**ED. Note: CONGRATULATIONS TO JAMES MAEDA! He was the 2018 point winner! He earned more than 178 points. Not only that, we had 3 other members who earned over 100 points for their blooming orchids!**



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*JANUARY MEETING  
ARBORETUM  
JAN 16, 6:30 pm*



**2019  
DUES  
ARE  
DUE!!!**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

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