

# January 4, 2021 Zoom Meeting Final

**6:00 PM Business Meeting** Marta Hudson started the meeting by welcoming everyone then asked Larry to continue with his Culture Class presentation.

**6:00 PM – Culture Class Larry Desiano**

**6:30 PM –** Marta greeted everyone and spoke about the following ongoing topics:

**Search for successor:** She said, it is almost 3 months left to go before I cross the finish line. Looking for my successor. Don't be afraid to step forward!

**Members Campaign During COVID-19:** Help 2 friends to learn how to use Zoom to increase cyber attendance

**Legacy Life Orchid collection** donations to SOS (Raffle, Auctions, Research, Scholarships). Meeting with ad-hoc committee soon to define possibilities. Call Marta if you are interested to be on this committee.

**Leta: Membership update:** sign up forms available on the web. Yearly fees waived until April, or until we have a person to person meeting. New Motes Month to Month Books are now available.

**Word of the month: Intergeneric:** The cross between plants in two or more different genera. They are closely related enough that pollination will produce a hybrid, though the seeds of this hybrid are usually sterile. Often times when looking at the showy flower of an Intergeneric orchid you can see which genus is the most dominate.

**Quote of the month:** A hero is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles. -Christopher Reeve

## **Orchid Tasks For January by Motes**

- Water judiciously only early in the day.
- Run plants on the dry side to preserve the possibility of using water for cold protection.
- Check irrigation system in anticipation of cold.

- Flush excess fertilizer salts from cattleyas and other sympodials (grows habit, several bulbs or canes).
- Spray for mites, then spray again in 7-10 days.

### **Seedlings Growing Contest: Susan Gerhardt**

1. Paph. Magic Cherry x (Black Cherry x Voodoo Magic)
2. Eplc. Jackie Bright 'Paradise
3. Den. Nestor 'NN'

### **Ongoing or Upcoming:**

- I. Mentoring program**
- II. Zoom classes with Larry TBD**
- III. Trip to Apopka Winter Festival – Kiosk is the meetup place.**
- IV. Next Auction February TBD**
- V. Next Monthly Meeting: \*Monday, February 1st Via Zoom**
- VI. Next Zoom Board Meeting: February 22nd**

### **7:00 Speaker Presentation:** Speaker: Bill Thoms -- "Bulbophyllums"

A fascinating group of plants that Bill and Doris Dukes have been growing for over 45 years receiving many Awards.

We learned how to grow these fascinating plants and not only was he knowledgeable, he was also interesting and funny.

### **8:00 PM Virtual Display Table Presentation with Laurie Stoner**

### **8:30 - PM Four Door prize** announced throughout the night.

These are the lucky Winners:

1. Blc. Fritz Nickolas 'Spring Dance' - Joanne Hummert
2. Lc. Melody Fair 'Carol' – Patricia Villamena
3. Lc. Melody Fair 'Carol' – Joni (Deb) Long

**Marta** adjourned the meeting and thanked everyone again for the amazing cooperation, hard work and willingness to explore the “new normal”/“Improved normal” standards and graciously adapting to the unknown. Marta wished everyone a year of endless possibilities, good health, happiness and joy and a much better year 2021 for all.

Then she asked for a round of applause to all those members, behind the scenes, that have made this “virtual meeting” so fun and delightful.

Please stay safe and healthy, and may God Bless you!