

# Galveston Bay Orchid Society Newsletter

August 2018

**The next meeting of the GBOS will be at 7 pm on Monday, August 20th at Bay Area Unitarian Universalist Church, 17503 El Camino Real, Houston 77058.**

(The street you turn on is Beacon St. which is off of El Camino Real. Just look for the big Clear Lake City water tower)

Please plan to attend and bring a guest! Refreshments will be potluck.

*The speaker at our August 20th GBOS meeting will be Jay Balchan. Jay will speak about the care and growing of Bulbophyllum orchids and will bring some for sale. These are good orchids for growing in the home. Their flowers are very unusual. Be sure to attend and learn how to grow these from Jay and maybe take one or two home to enjoy.*

## **LAST CHANCE TO BUY ORCHIDS AT CLOWN ALLEY ORCHIDS**

ALL orchids are now selling for  
\$5.00 each.

\$5.00 sale started this morning.  
Make sure you either call or check  
their website for their special  
hours.

## **NOGG's Meeting (Novice Orchid Growers Group)**

Good news on our September 16th meeting. The Skovs who own Orchids and Tropicals in Santa Fe, TX have invited us to tour their greenhouse. I'll send more info closer to the meeting date. Maybe we can carpool.

Contact Katherine Brown  
at 318-243-3416 or  
email [ksbrown208@hotmail.com](mailto:ksbrown208@hotmail.com)  
if you have any questions.



## **Reminder!**

**We will vote on our Show Theme Name at this meeting.**

1. Dazzle with Orchids
2. Grandeur of Orchids
3. Orchid Extravaganza
4. Orchids...Nature's Exotic Flower
5. Passion for Orchids
6. Orchids...Nature's Jewel Flowers
7. Symphony of Orchids

Last minute suggestions are welcome.

## **Our September Speaker**

Charles Hess will speak on orchid and orchid habitat conservation. He is currently the Chair of the SWROGA Conservation committee and uses his art to help societies raise funds for orchid habitat conservation. Charles is a Master Naturalist and participates in the annual Hexalectris survey in Dallas and volunteers at the Botanical Research Institute of Texas (BRIT) in Ft Worth. Proceeds from his art and conservation efforts go 100% to support projects at Rainforest Trust, the Orchid Conservation Alliance, the North American Orchid Conservation Center at the Smithsonian and the BRIT.