# CENTRAL LOUISIANA ORCHID SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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## From the President

Hope everyone is enjoying the holidays. The Acadian Orchid Society Short Course was a great success the first weekend in December. Our monthly LJC judging is a week earlier (Saturday December 17) due to Christmas. Hope to see everyone at the Christmas meeting (Sunday December 18) for a wild time.

Keep a close eye on your orchid plants this time of the year due to the cold and damp weather conditions.

Wilton Guillory, President



Meeting Time and Place: Sunday, December 18, 2022 Time: 2:30 pm

Show & Tell entry is 2:00-2:20 Christmas pot-luck Party And BINGO game!

Place: St. James Episcopal Church Youth Building 1546 Albert Street, Alexandria, LA 71301

Refreshments: Pot-luck (please bring a dish)

#### **Central Louisiana Orchid Society Officers**

President – Wilton Guillory
Vice President – Al Taylor
Secretary – Eron Borne
Treasurer – Jim Barnett
Director – Andrea Mattison
Director – Connie Guillory
SWROGA Director#1 Linda Roberts
SWROGA Director#2 Eron Borne
AOS Representative – Wilton Guillory
ODC Representative – Andrea Mattison
Conservation Rep - Jim Barnett
Newsletter Editor – Eron (temporary)
Permanent volunteer NEEDED!
Show& Tell – Al Taylor

Webmaster - Eron Borne

# Member Feature



## AI Taylor

I have been interested in growing things for 50+ years. I got two orchids in the summer of '75, a Phal and a rattail Oncidium. That year for Christmas, Doug bought me 10 large Cattleyas from an older lady in Leesville. We became great friends. I was hooked. All my spare money went into growing orchids.

In '86-'88 I attended a CLOS Show, and after talking with Byron McGraw, I joined just to get the newsletter. I came to a point in 2002 where I either needed to build a new greenhouse or stop growing orchids altogether. On deciding to rebuild I made a personal vow to start attending CLOS meetings and have been there since then I have been President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Show Chair with CLOS.

My ideal bucket list for orchids is to spend a couple of weeks in Thailand.

I can't tell you what my favorite orchid moment has been, as I've had a lot!

I attempt to grow many things, but today my favorites are Vandas, intergeneric Vandaceous crosses, Catasetinae, Cattleya alliance crosses and Dendrobims. These are the things I grow best.

I am not fond of shopping, but if I find myself at big flea market type places I've looked for orchid jewelry, mainly broaches. Today I'm trying to get rid of a lot of the things I've collected over the years.

I have been in radio broadcasting since 1977. I'm semi-retired and work 10-20 hours a week. I'll keep doing this as long as I don't interfere with the day-to-day operations.

Every orchid growing has its own set of peculiarities, and you learn them by experimenting. An exact greenhouse in your front yard and in your back yard will have some different conditions that present you with the opportunity with experiment choices. Same goes for potting media, pot type, light exposure, fertilizing.

#### Central Louisiana Orchid Society Meeting Minutes November 20, 2022

#### 1.0 Call to Order

President Wilton Guillory called the meeting to order at 1431.

#### 2.0 Approval of Previous Minutes

Minutes were approved from our October meeting. Wilton made the motion and Russel seconded.

#### 3.0 Officer Reports

#### 3.1 President Report

- 3.1.1 Wilton reported that Al has stepped up and will be our show chair for our 2023 CLOS show.
- 3.1.2 Wilton mentioned that the Louisiana Judging Center will have their monthly judging next Saturday on November 26.

#### 3.2 Vice President Report

**3.2.1** Al will present a two-part program in November and January on Orchid Pests.

#### 3.3 Treasurer Report

The treasurer report was given by the treasurer Jim Barnett.

- 3.3.1 Overview of CLOS Deposits/Withdrawals since last month and current financial state of the society.
- **3.3.2** Jim mentioned that our March 24-25 show date was secured at Kees Park.
- **3.3.2** Raffle Tickets for sale Many items were donated for the raffle this month. Everyone was encouraged to buy tickets.
- **3.4 Secretary Report** October minutes were in this month's newsletter and asked to make sure everyone was receiving the newsletter via email. Eron mentioned that he is featuring a member each month in a column so we better get to know each other and to please respond when you get the email.

December is our Christmas Party. Be on the lookout for an emailed sign-up list for food!

#### 4.0 Old Business

Jim made the report that our show date has been reserved at Kees Park.

#### **New Business**

- 4.1 Nominations were submitted and the CLOS 2023 officers were elected. President-Wilton, Vice-President-Richard, Treasurer-Jim, and Secretary-Heather. Rick and Al will continue doing the Show and Tell and Eron will continue doing the newsletter until someone steps up.
- 4.2 The Louisiana Short course, sponsored by the Acadian Orchid Society, will be on Saturday, Dec. 3, 2022 at the Ira Nelson Horticulture Center in Lafayette, LA. The speakers will be Phillip Hamilton of Bredren Orchids, presenting on Novelty Phalaenopsis and Broughtonia. Laurie Skov of Orchids Tropicals will present on Orchid Pests and Diseases and Nobile Dendrobiums.
- 4.3 We started discussion on Show committees. Al will be Show Chair and Andrea Co-chair. Russel and Connie offered to do the Classification and Entries. Eron will update our show schedule and send to Connie to print entry labels. Jim will be our chief clerk. Andrea will head up the hospitality. Eron will help with Publicity. It was mentioned that there is a 11:00 news/show on one of the Alexandria stations. Connie has most of the trophies from when we ordered them for our show that was cancelled due to covid. Eron and Al may also have some donations that can be used as awards. Wilton offered to lead the exhibit set-up. Al would check into getting a vendor for the show and fill out the AOS show form. Al would check with Karen and see if she would make the exhibit and trophy cards.

#### 5.0 Program

Al presented part 1 of his program on Pests and Diseases.

#### 6.0 Raffle and Show & Tell

Raffle Winners:

Door Prize Winner:

Richard and Judy provided the refreshments this month. Show and Tell voting and winners presented as follows:

Best Grown Plant: *Lc.* Molly Tyler FCC/AOS – Andrea Cattleya Alliance: 1<sup>st</sup> – *Lc.* Molly Tyler FCC/AOS - Andrea

 $2^{\text{nd}} - C$ . walkeriana - Al

All Others Group: 1<sup>st</sup> – Den. Panama Red - Andrea

2<sup>nd</sup> – *Onc.* Lava Burst - Andrea

There was no other business.

#### 7.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1556.

Respectfully submitted,

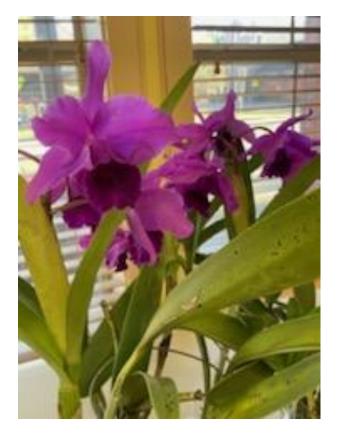
Eron Borne Secretary

## **Tip of the Month**

With cooler and shorter days, you can really cut back on watering. With overwatering on cloudy or rainy days, our plants may not dry out before dark and are susceptible to Black Rot or Phytophthora. This is the blackening of leaves and stems. It is a fungus that is easily spread by splashing water. As soon as you see the infection starting, cut back the infected tissue well into the green tissue. Apply fungicide to the infected orchid and surrounding areas and try to keep them dry and aerated. This nasty fungus gets into the orchid's vascular system and can spread rapidly if not controlled.

#### **November SHOW and TELL**

Andrea's Best Grown Plant – Lc. Molly Tyler FCC/AOS



#### **Show and Tell winners – Cattleya Alliance Category**



1<sup>st</sup> – *Lc.* Molly Tyler FCC/AOS - Andrea, 2<sup>nd</sup> – *C. walkeriana* – Al

#### **Show and Tell winners – Other Category**



1<sup>st</sup> – *Den.* Panama Red – Andrea, 2<sup>nd</sup> – *Oncidium* Lava Burst - Andrea

Other Show and Tell Plants (far right picture above.)



#### **2022 December AOS Corner** – for Affiliated Societies

We encourage use of the **AOS website** by all members.

#### **Got Orchids?**

The American Orchid Society website is your portal to knowledge for all things orchid. The AOS website, along with ongoing Webinars and OrchidPro, offers a plethora of information to help you grow and show your orchids to peak performance. We encourage use of the AOS website by ALL orchid growers. The next best place to learn about the orchids that will thrive in your area, is to attend and become involved in your local Affiliated Society meetings.

<u>Webinars</u> offer new material each month and recorded sessions allow you to search a multitude of topics to view on your personal schedule. The popular monthly <u>Greenhouse Chats</u> are open to everyone. AOS membership is not required. However, if you are an AOS member there are so many more webinars available to view.

Whether you are new to the hobby or an established successful grower, there is always more to learn. Review the AOS website.



# Webinars-Coming Attractions!

#### REGISTRATION IS EASY http://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx

Cannot make it on the scheduled date or time? No need to worry.

Register now and view on your time schedule.

Greenhouse Chat Webinars are indexed by topic for future viewing.

Send your Greenhouse Chat questions and photos to: greenhousechat@aos.org

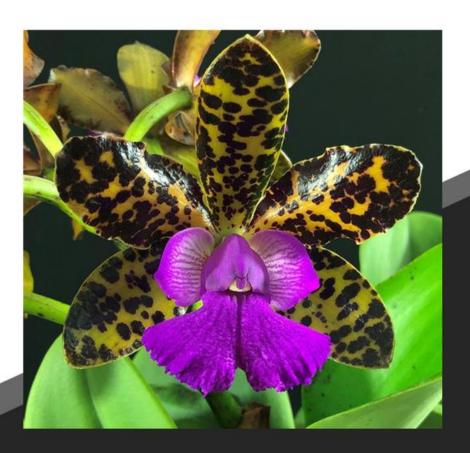
When	Nov. 08, 2022 8:30pm EST Tuesday	Nov. 13, 2022 2:00pm EST Sunday	December Winter Break
Topic	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A Send in your Photos & Questions by Nov. 06	<b>Disas</b> Flowers of the Rainbow	Choose Your Topic From RECORDED WEBINARS
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Michael Tibbs International Traveler, Author, Hybridizer, Consultant	Expert Growers, AOS Judges, Hobbyists, Conservationists and more

#### Check Out the Timeless Collection of Recorded Webinars on the AOS Website



Webinar announcements are posted to Facebook, Instagram and in the AOS Corner of your Affiliated Society's newsletter.

Use the Webinar Display Filter



# SEEKING AOS JUDGES

The American Orchid Society Judging Program is seeking highly motivated orchid enthusiasts to join the judging ranks.

Work with other such people and help maintain our awards programs and educational efforts.

For more information contact us at judges@aos.org