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From the Editor

Several of our members got to attend the Louisiana Short Course in Lake Charles on Dec. 2. The speakers were amazing, and each informative and entertaining! Both of this year's presenters were experts in Phalaenopsis, and many great topics were discussed.

**Back by popular demand!
This month is our BINGO Christmas Party. If you are coming to the meeting and would like to participate in Bingo, please bring a gift to exchange in the Bingo winnings. All members will receive a gift if they bring a gift.**

**I look forward to seeing everyone this Sunday!
Eron**



**Meeting Time and Place:
Sunday, December 17, 2023
Time: 2:30 pm**

**Show & Tell entry is 2:00-2:20
Program: CLOS Christmas
Party and BINGO**

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

**Refreshments:
Potluck Party**

Central Louisiana Orchid Society Officers

**President – Wilton Guillory
Vice President – Richard Smith
Secretary – Heather Wilfert
Treasurer – Jim Barnett
Director – Andrea Mattison
Director – Eron Borne
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
Show & Tell – Al Taylor
Webmaster – Eron Borne**

DECEMBER MEETING

BINGO Christmas Party!

We had a blast last year and I look forward to seeing everyone Sunday!

Please bring one or two gifts for the Bingo game!

Tip of the Month

Winter's cool days and nights have already affected most collections; if all plants are not already indoors, they soon may be. Concerning daylight intensity and its duration, the seasonal change must be obvious by now. Don't allow daytime temperatures to rise too high before ventilating the growing area. Fresh air is important for healthy plants and their owners. Just remember that if the grower can be reasonably comfortable with the temperature and humidity conditions in the growing area, the plants are likely to be satisfied too.

Central Louisiana Orchid Society
Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2023

1.0 Call to Order

Vice-President Richard Smith called the meeting to order at 1430.

2.0 Approval of Previous Minutes

Minutes were approved from our October meeting. Al made the motion and Jim seconded.

3.0 Officer Reports

3.1 President Report

3.1.1 No report from the President

3.2 Vice President Report

3.2.1 In President Wilton's absence, Richard presided over the meeting.

3.2.2 Richard shared the use of a product called Systematic Insect Control for an infestation of spider mites on his orchids. He also isolated infected plants after Eron helped him identify the mites. He stated appreciation to our society in knowing people to reach out to for orchid help. His orchids seem to be on the mend.

3.2.3 Richard shared he sent a thank-you to Natalie at the TV station in helping advertise our show and hoping for her help in the future. He also thanked Al for sending out thank-you cards to vendors and other support people for our Kee's Park Show.

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 Raffle Tickets for sale – Many items were donated for the raffle this month. Everyone was encouraged to buy tickets.

3.4 Secretary Report – Heather brought her son Blaine as a visitor and all members gave him a welcome. He recently moved to Louisiana from Nevada and was happy to attend the meeting.

4.0 Old Business

4.1 Russel revisited last month's business matters. He verified we are not a non-profit and as our society is small, we have decided not to be. As far as our tax exempt status not being clear, Al volunteered to call the state and find out what we need to do. Jim will confirm and pay whatever fee we owe. Eron sent out the latest CLOS by-laws that he received from Byron; the latest revision is from 2014.

5.0 New Business

5.1 Results of this year's votes for new officers:

President - Russel Deroche
Vice President – Richard Smith
Secretary – Heather A. Wilfert
Treasurer – Jim Barnett
Director – Andrea Mattison
Director – Al Taylor
SWROGA Director #1 – Eron Borne
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6.0 Program

Eron showed a program on Vandas by Bob Fuchs.

7.0 Raffle and Show & Tell

Raffle Winners: Richard, Russel, Judy, and Blaine
Door Prize Winner: Judy
Heather and Blaine provided the refreshments this month.

Show and Tell voting and winners presented as follows:

Cattleya Alliance: 1st – *Lc. Molly Tyler* - Andrea
2nd - *Bc. (B. nodosa x C. maxima)* - Andrea
All Others Group: 1st – *Den. Mount Kelly "Beauty"*-Andrea
2nd - *Vanda Jairak Brown* - Eron
3rd (tie) – *Unnamed Phal.* – Andrea
3rd (tie) – *Phal. bellina* – Eron
Best Grown: *Onc. Sugar Baby* – Al

Other business

Next meeting will be our Christmas party and all members will share in providing refreshments and a gift for Bingo!

8.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1610.

Respectfully submitted,

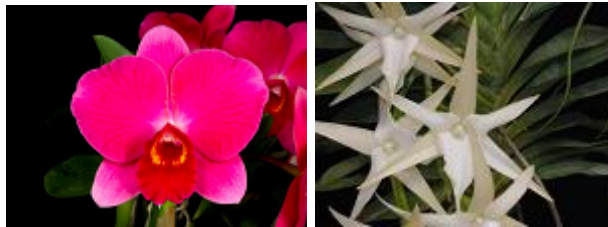
Heather A Wilfert
Secretary

Upcoming Educational Opportunities for CLOS Members

Native Orchid Conference Symposium

The annual symposium for the Native Orchid Conference will be coming south next April 2024! The conference will be hosted in Nacogdoches, TX, and there will be field trips to a couple of native orchid populations in East Texas and possibly West Central Louisiana. The symposium speakers will be excellent. More information on this event will be relayed as the details are finalized.

5th AOS Orchid Culture Day - "Orchids for Enjoyment"



Our 5th Culture Day has been rescheduled for March 3rd, 2024 with a Spring theme.

Our speakers will be:

Mike Coronado (RF Orchids)

George Hatfield (Hatfield Orchids)

Lorenz Grobler (AfriOrchids)

Julien Baruch (Krull Smith)

Further details will be posted on the AOS website soon.

Al's Best Grown Plant – *Onc. Sugar Baby*



Show and Tell winners – Cattleya Alliance Category

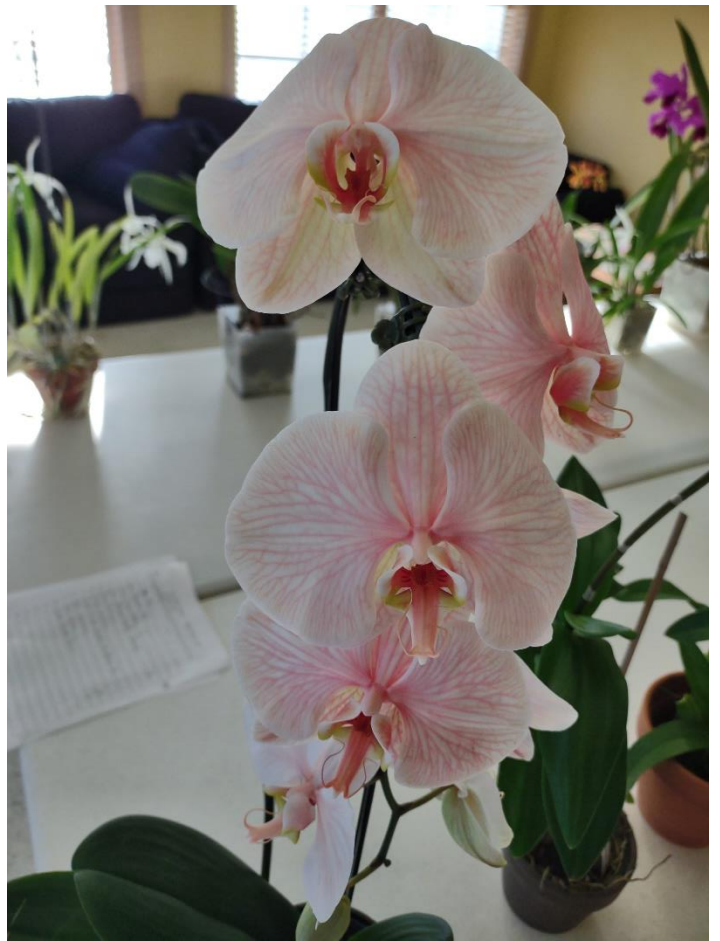


1st *Lc. Molly Tyler* – Andrea (top), 2nd – *Bc. (B. nodosa x C. maxima)* (bottom) - Al

Show and Tell winners – Other Category



1st – *Den. Mount Kelly 'Beauty'* – Andrea (above left,) 2nd - *Vanda Jairak Brown* – Eron (above right,) 3rd (tie) – *Phal. bellina* – Eron (bottom left,) 3rd (tie) – *Phal. Unnamed* – Andrea (bottom right)





2023 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.

[Webinars](#) 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 [Greenhouse Chats](#) 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.

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Sunset Valley Orchids
The OrchidFix

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