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From the President

This month will be the second part of Pests and Diseases of orchids. With the great growers we have in our club we have some great resources for helping with our growing problems. If you have a plant with a problem - bring it and we will discuss it and all learn something. Bring your blooming plants for a great show and tell. See everyone Sunday.

Wilton Guillory, President



Meeting Time and Place: Sunday, January 15, 2023 Time: 2:30 pm

Show & Tell entry is 2:00-2:20 "Orchid Pests & Diseases-Part2 Presented by: Al Taylor

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

Refreshments: Eron Borne

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 (temporary)
Permanent volunteer NEEDED!
Show& Tell – Al Taylor
Webmaster – Eron Borne



Member Feature

Connie Guillory

I have been around orchids since 1985. That is the year we bought our home with an existing Texas greenhouse. I attended a CLOS orchid show in the old MacArthur Village in Alexandria. It was there I decided that orchids would be a plant I could put in the greenhouse. So, we refurbished the greenhouse and my hobby began. I joined CLOS around 1987 to learn about how to care for my orchids. I have been a member of CLOS for around 36 years and have held every position. After marrying Wilton, I turned my orchid hobby over to him. Since then, I have helped support HIS hobby. I am a pharmacist working at area hospitals in Alexandria, LA. I enjoy gardening, painting, photography and birding. I help put out the monthly birding newsletter for our local Loose Alliance Bird Club. My bucket list orchid destinations would be Costa Rica, Colombia, South America and Thailand. My favorite orchids are Cattleyas and Bulbophyllums however I really love them all.

JANUARY PROGRAM

Orchid Pests & Diseases

In Part 2 of his program, Al Taylor will continue to discuss the multitude of pests that attack our orchids and ways to treat them.

Tip of the Month

Bud Blast and Flower Blighting - By Sue Bottom

Who does not enjoy seeing a jewel orchid with its interesting leaf coloration and venation, or a *Phalaenopsis schilleriana* with its beautiful variegated leaves? The orchid aficionado always enjoys a well-grown plant with unblemished leaves and a good growth habit. While there are some orchids grown for their foliage, the big payoff for our time and trouble is the appearance of long-anticipated flowers. When the floral display is ruined because the buds blast before opening or become blighted after opening, we wonder what we should have done differently.

NEWLY ACQUIRED PLANTS Bud blast on plants that have just been brought into your growing area is probably the norm rather than the exception. Think about how your new orchid was uprooted from the cozy greenhouse where its every need was met, jammed into a box or flat, loaded into a truck or airplane, or sat on the shelf at the retail outlet before arriving at your growing area. Every environmental cue an orchid uses to adjust to its environment was confused by its journey. It should not be surprising that these jet-lagged plants drop some or all of their buds.

Central Louisiana Orchid Society Meeting Minutes December 18, 2022

1.0 Call to Order

President Wilton Guillory called the meeting to order at 1435.

2.0 Approval of Previous Minutes

Minutes were approved from our November meeting. Al made the motion and Linda seconded.

3.0 Officer Reports

3.1 President Report

- 3.1.1 Wilton gave an update on the status and progress of the Louisiana Judging Center, which the CLOS is its sponsor.
- 3.1.2 Wilton mentioned that the Louisiana Judging Center held its December judging yesterday and will have the next monthly judging on Saturday, January 28, 2023.
- 3.1.3 Wilton reported that the Louisiana Short Course in Lafayette on Dec. 3 was a huge success and very informative. Wilton, Russel, and Eron attended from our society and judged at the show.

3.2 Vice President Report

3.2.1 Al will present Part 2 of his program on Orchid Pests and Diseases in January.

3.3 Treasurer Report

The treasurer report was given by the treasurer Jim Barnett.

- **3.3.1** Year end 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

- **3.4.1** Eron gave an overview of how our yearly dues go towards guest speakers, raffle plants, show expenses, and other important expenses.
- **3.4.2** Eron passed around a signup sheet for refreshments for 2023.

4.0 Old Business

4.1 Jim received confirmation from the City of Pineville with regards to the Kees Park hall for our spring 2023 show. However, Eron found on the AOS website that the Terrebonne Orchid Society had already scheduled their show for the dates we had scheduled our show. Since they were first scheduling their show, we will reschedule our 2023 show to the fall. The officers will discuss dates further and report back with our options.

5.0 New Business

- 5.1 A donation to St. James Episcopal church for allowing us to use their youth hall for our meetings was discussed. Andrea motioned to donate \$250 to their church, and Russel seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5.2 As the sponsoring society of the Louisiana Judging Center, discussion was held on making a donation to the center. Linda motioned to donate \$100 to the LJC, and Al seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

6.0 Program

In lieu of a program this month, we had a wonderful pot-luck Christmas meal and Orchid Bingo. Our members brought delicious dishes and desserts. Eron brought a Bingo game for us to play and each member brought a gift for the game. Prizes included orchid plants, orchid books, wine, gift baskets, and numerous other neat prizes. Every member won at least one prize. Our overall winner was Russel who had the most bingos, and he received a gift card from the society.

7.0 Raffle and Show & Tell

Raffle Winners: Al, Eron, Heather, Richard, & Wilton

Door Prize Winner: Linda

Wilton and Connie provided the refreshments this month. Show and Tell voting and winners presented as follows:

Best Grown Plant: Fdk. After Dark 'Louisiana' AM/AOS – Al

Cattleya Alliance: 1st – *Pot*. Montana Spirit 'Big Sky' HCC/AOS – Eron

2nd – *Cattleya* unnamed – Andrea

3rd – Sergioara Yokosuka Story – Al

All Others Group: There was a four-way tie for 1st – Fdk. After Dark 'Louisiana' AM/AOS-Al

 $1^{st} - Fdk$. Beverly Davidson – Al

1st – *Vanda* unnamed hybrid – Eron

1st – Vanda Somsri Glory 'Pink Lady' - Eron

There was no other business.

8.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1606.

Respectfully submitted,

Eron Borne Secretary



Al with his Best Grown Plant – Fdk. After Dark 'Louisiana' AM/AOS



Eron with his 1st Place Cattleya – *Pot*. Montana Spirit

Show and Tell winners – Cattleya Alliance Category



1st – *Pot.* Montana Spirit 'Big Sky' HCC/AOS - Eron, 2nd (tie) – C. unnamed – Andrea, 2nd (tie) – Sergioara Yokosuka Story - Al

Show and Tell winners – Other Category - There was a 4-way tie for first!

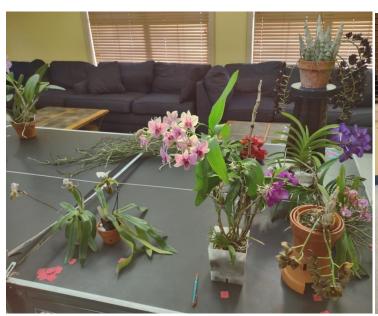


1st – Fdk. After Dark 'Louisiana' AM/AOS – Al, 1st – Fdk. Beverly Danielson – Al (not pictured,) 1st – Vanda unnamed hybrid, 1st – Vanda Somsri Glory 'Pink Lady'

Other Show and Tell Plants











2023 January AOS Corner – for <u>Affiliated Societies</u>

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.



Don't miss these webinars in January

Click on the images to register for the webinars you are interested in attending!

Wednesday, January 4, 2023 8:30 PM EST



Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton - Join us as Ron McHatton answers questions about your orchids. Open to all.

Thursday, January 5, 2023 8:30

PM EST



New Directions in

Zygopetalinae - Join Tim

Culbertson to hear about the
breeding and culture of these
orchids that are easy to grow and
flower. Member exclusive

webinar.

Become an AOS Judge

The American Orchid Society Judging Program

is seeking highly motivated orchid enthusiasts to join the judging ranks

Work with other like-minded people in support of AOS awards programs and educational efforts

For more information contact us at judges@aos.org

