

CENTRAL LOUISIANA ORCHID SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

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From the President

With winter coming on the amount of light that your outdoor greenhouse orchids get is slowly reduced until December 21. Every orchid grower knows that light intensity needs to be carefully managed for good plant growth and flowering. If the light levels are too low, plants may not flower because there isn't enough energy to stimulate the flowering process. Our plants need six to eight hours of good indirect light to stay healthy and bloom properly. Plenty of great information on line to see what is best for you.

Great program this month on orchid pests given by our own Al Taylor.

See you Sunday.

Wilton Guillory, President



Meeting Time and Place:
Sunday, November 20, 2022
Time: 2:30 pm

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

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

Refreshments:
Richard & Judy

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

This month we will discuss nominations for officers for next year

**Please volunteer to help lead our club
2023**

We need a newsletter editor as well as show chairman for next year.

Member Feature

Russel Deroche, Jr.

I've lived in southeast Louisiana for 70+ years. I graduated from Southeastern Louisiana University in 1974 with a B.S. in Mathematics and Technology. Worked as a computer specialist for Texaco for 15 years in New Iberia then in the New Orleans office. Texaco restructured in 1989 and, like many, my job was cut. I decided to get my Teaching Certificate for math and computer science as teachers were needed in those areas. I spent 21 years as a math/technology teacher and coordinator, for 13 years at St. Mary's Academy and 8 years at Mount Carmel Academy, both in New Orleans. Retired in 2011 to move back to the family house in Gramercy to help care for my mother who was ill. She passed quickly and I spent the first several years of my retirement in Gramercy and wanted to get out of hurricane alley after Ida hit. I had been searching for land in South Carolina as well as Louisiana to move but could not find anything I could afford until I found the property in Marksville. Started moving in April and am still moving. Amazing how much I've collected over the years.

Like my mother, I have grown plants since grammar school. She had a small greenhouse that was packed with plants of all kinds. I started out with Gesneriads in Gramercy where my uncle started the Bayou Gesneriad Society which I was eventually President for several years, then added Bromeliads to the group in the Greater New Orleans Bromeliad Society, and finally found my way to orchids at City Park in New Orleans. Have grown too many other families of plants to list them all here.

I have been growing orchids since 1993 and wanted to learn more about them so I joined the New Orleans Orchid Society and AOS in 1994. I have grown several genera since then including Aerides, Brossavola, Bletilla, Brassia, Bulbophyllum, Cattleya, Cymbidium, Dendrobium, Encyclia, Epidendrum, Grammatophyllum, Habenaria, Laelia, Liparis, Ludisia, Lycaste, Macodes, Maxillaria, Myrmecophila, Neofinetia, Oncidium, Paphiopedilum, Phaius, Phalaenopsis, Phragmipedium, Prosthechea, Psychopsis, Renanthera, Rhynchoaelia, Rhynchostylis, Seidenfadenia, Sophronitis, Stanhopea, Tolumnia, Trichoglottis, Vanda, Vanilla, and Zygopetalum. Love the Vandas and had 300+ of them, and many of other genera that survived Hurricane Ida and several months of neglect while I moved. I had to throw together a greenhouse when the first freeze headed this way in October. Unfortunately, when the sun came out after the two freeze days, they were baked in the quickly put together greenhouse. Many have been lost to heat stroke.

Have been a member of two orchid societies before joining CLOS and did volunteer work with orchids: New Orleans City Park volunteer in the orchid greenhouses for several years; New Orleans Orchid Society - 1994 - 2021, member, show chair/co-chair a few times, clerked for several years, President for a few years (had to resign for health reasons), organized and published the show schedule for several years; Baton Rouge Orchid Society - member 2021-2022, volunteer at the Burden Center in the orchid conservatory; Central Louisiana Orchid Society - member starting in August of 2022.

Any orchids that were in show condition were exhibited in Gulf Coast Orchid Society Shows, New Orleans Orchid Society Shows, and Baton Rouge Orchid Society Shows. Have been awarded 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards for most of what I exhibited. Have clerked many times for the New Orleans Orchid Society Shows, was asked to judge for one of the Gulf Coast Orchid Society Shows when a judge had to cancel at the last minute, and enjoyed the experience and knowledge gained from my participation.



Russel Derouche, Jr.

OCTOBER PROGRAM

Orchid Pests

Al Taylor will discuss the multitude of pests that attack our orchids and ways to treat them.

Tip of the Month

Short days and cold nights necessitate adjustments for both plants and growers. Reduce water and fertilizer gradually until you reach your winter target, about half that of the summer levels. Don't fertilize winter dormant orchids (Catasetinae, Callista and Dendrobium section Dendrobiums, Calanthes, etc.) after Thanksgiving. Prepare your plants for their winter home. Inspect them, remove dead leaves and sheaths with a sterile tool, and spray for pests if necessary. Protect them when temperatures are projected to drop below their winter minimum acceptable temperature.

Central Louisiana Orchid Society
Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2022

1.0 Call to Order

President Wilton Guillory called the meeting to order at 1433.

2.0 Approval of Previous Minutes

Minutes were approved from our September meeting. Jim made the motion and Eron seconded.

3.0 Officer Reports

3.1 President Report

- 3.1.1 Wilton gave a report that they will work with Dr. Allen about pollinating some of the native *Cyp. kentuckiense* plants for us to harvest the pods to begin a new phase of restoration work in the Kisatchie National Forest. More information to come at a later date.
- 3.1.2 Wilton mentioned that the Louisiana Judging Center will have their monthly judging next Saturday on October 22.

3.2 Vice President Report

- 3.2.1 Al will present a program in November 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 Raffle Tickets for sale – Many items were donated for the raffle this month. Everyone was encouraged to buy tickets.

- 3.4 Secretary Report** – September 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 if you haven't been contacted yet, we will get through everyone.

4.0 Old Business

Jim will contact of City of Pineville with regards to the Kees Park hall for our spring 2023 show. November 1st will be the earliest they will allow reservations for any events in 2023. Our first choices are a February and March show. If not available, then April will be the next date.

New Business

- 4.1 Connie asked for volunteers to help with clerking at our monthly Judging Center that the CLOS is a sponsor for. Heather and Jim offered to help to spread out the workload.
- 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.

5.0 Program

Sarah Hurdell of Needmore Orchids, presented her program via Zoom titled *Habenaria – Best in Show!* and it was very well received.

6.0 Raffle and Show & Tell

Raffle Winners: Al, Eron, Heather, & Wilton

Door Prize Winner: Rick

Wilton and Connie provided the refreshments this month.

Show and Tell voting and winners presented as follows:

Best Grown Plant: *C. Granier's Blue Elegance* – Andrea

Cattleya Alliance: 1st – *Rlc. Carolina Splendor* – Eron

2nd – *C. White Reflection* – Andrea

3rd – *Lc. Eximia* – Eron

All Others Group: 1st – *Catasetum* (Unnamed new hybrid) -Eron

2nd – *Hab. Pink Robin* - Eron

There was no other business.

7.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1618.

Respectfully submitted,

Eron Borne
Secretary



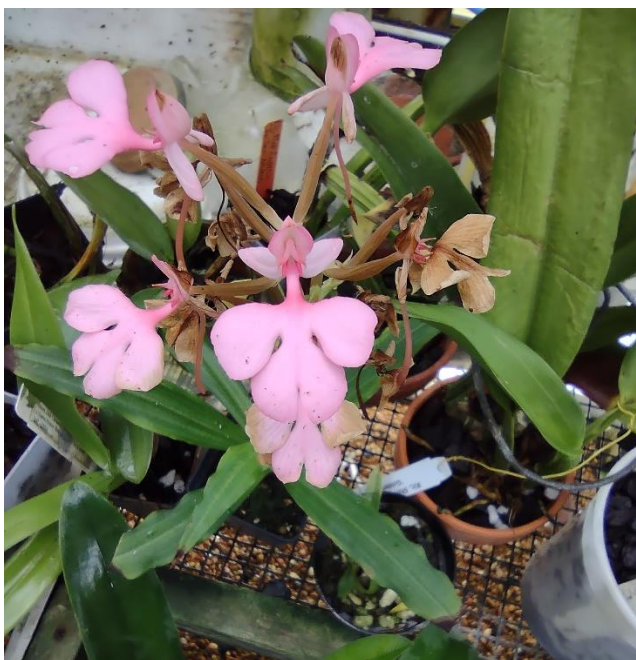
Andrea's Best Grown Plant – C. Granier's Blue Elegance (left) and another beautiful Cattleya hybrid (right.)

Show and Tell winners – Cattleya Alliance Category



1st – Rlc. Carolina Splendor - Eron, 2nd – C. White Reflection – Andrea, 3rd – Lc. Eximia - Eron

Show and Tell winners – Other Category



1st – Unnamed new Catasetum Hybrid – Eron, 2nd – Habenaria Pink Butterfly - Eron

Other Show and Tell Plants





Eron and Wilton represented our society and the Louisiana Judging Center at the American Orchid Society members' meeting in Sacramento, CA. The Board of Trustees of the American Orchid Society and its Standing Committees meet in person twice each year in the Spring and Fall. Eron serves on the AOS Education Committee, and Wilton serves on the AOS Judging Committee as the chair of the Louisiana Judging Center. In addition to the Committee meetings, there is the Semi Annual Town Hall & Meeting of the Members, where you can see and hear the latest news and developments within the AOS.

Jay Balchan, the AOS president wrote, "We had a great meeting with a fantastic venue, a full schedule of events that included a sales preview & reception, AOS judging, 2 days of speakers, silent and live auctions, and great attendance. In addition to these activities, our traditional Meeting of the Members and Town Hall showcased current projects and future plans for the American Orchid Society, judging personnel promotions, and national award announcements."



2022 November AOS Corner – for [Affiliated Societies](#)

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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.

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Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Michael Tibbs International Traveler, Author, Hybridizer, Consultant	Expert Growers, AOS Judges, Hobbyists, Conservationists and more

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