

# CENTRAL LOUISIANA ORCHID SOCIETY

## NEWSLETTER

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### From the President

We look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting this Sunday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm. Bring you plants in to show and tell or simply ask advice from a member. Next Saturday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> is our Louisiana Orchid Judging Center meeting at the Westside Library in Alexandria 11 am until finished. We need members to learn how to clerk from Connie to give her a break in the coming year. CLOS members are needed to support the judging center. CLOS officers needed for 2023....consider serving to keep our club viable.

Below is an AOS link on fall prep/tasks for orchids.

<https://www.aos.org/orchids/seasonal-orchid-care/fall-tasks.aspx>

**Wilton Guillory, President**



**Meeting Time and Place:**  
**Sunday, October 16, 2022**  
**Time: 2:30 pm**

Show & Tell entry is 2:00-2:20  
**"Habenaria – Best in Show!"**  
Presented live via Zoom by: Sarah Hurdel of Needmore Orchids

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

**Refreshments:**  
**Connie & Wilton**

#### 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

### CLOS President Dr. Wilton Guillory

I am a 74-year-old dentist who should be retired but will shortly be the interim director of the new Dental Hygiene Program at LSU.

I became interested in orchids when I saw an orchid display at the St. Louis Botanical Gardens in the early 1990's. I found out that there was an Orchid society in Alexandria. After obtaining the contact number from the AOS, I called, and it was Byron McGraw. I decided to attend their next meeting to see what it was all about and in walked Connie, one of my patients and future wife, with Preston her 5-year-old son.

I have been a CLOS member over 30 years and have held most of the offices in our society.

The most memorable and exciting moment involving orchids was when I received an FCC quality award on my *C. intermedia* var. alba 'Stephens Pride' at the SWROGA show in Baton Rouge, April 4, 2003.

I have been a Judge in the AOS since the late 90's and have had the privilege of judging at three World Orchid Conference's and in Central America. I am the current Chair of the Louisiana Judging Center here in Alexandria.

My all-time favorite orchids are the Cattleya unifoliolate's. I grow orchids in my greenhouse in my back yard but lately have pared down my collection.

My other hobbies are too numerous to list but I go by the advice of my Spiritual Advisor in high school who said to keep my interests "wholesome and varied."

**Central Louisiana Orchid Society**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**September 18, 2022**

**1.0 Call to Order**

President, Wilton Guillory called the meeting to order at 1430.

**2.0 Approval of Previous Minutes**

Minutes were approved from our August meeting.

**3.0 Officer Reports**

**3.1 President Report –nothing to report**

**3.2 Vice President Report**

Al Taylor was not present

**3.3 Treasurer Report**

The treasurer Jim Barnett gave the treasurer report.

**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 – Russel Derouche, Jr supplied raffle plants, Habenaria repens as well as plants donated by Pam Primeaux.

**3.4 Secretary Report** – August minutes were in this month's newsletter and asked to make sure everyone was receiving the newsletter via email.

**4.0 Old Business**  
**None**

**New Business**

President, Wilton Guillory showed the group the Gulf Coast Orchid Society newsletter. GCOS has a show in February 2023 in Gautier, MS at the Gauthier Convention Center.

The *Cypripedium* project was discussed again this month. Dr. Jim Barnett got in touch with Kevin Allen who is now working at Longwood Gardens in PA. He now has the resources and tissue lab to propagate *Cypripedium kentuckiense* for us. However, we would need a viable seedpod from Kisatchie to accomplish this repopulating Kisatchie project. Kevin Allen has four mature plants in Haynesville, LA. Dr. Jim Barnett will discuss this collection of seedpods with Dave Moore with Kisatchie NF. Wilton Guillory will get in touch with Dr. Charles Allen to get his input on the project and to see if it would be possible to collect seedpods from the Fort Polk, LA population of *Cyp. kentuckiense*.

Russel Derouche, Jr. brought extra plants of his *Habenaria repens* commonly called Water Spider Orchid to be raffled at the meeting. He explained that he was collecting water hyacinths from Blind River near Grammercy when he unintentionally also collected the *Habenaria repens*. He explained that he grows it in water feature and it makes seeds as well.

Nine members attended this month.

## **5.0 Program**

Andrea Mattison presented a program on Fragrant Orchid Species Part 1 by Carolyn McCabe of SWROGA.

## **6.0 Raffle and Show & Tell**

Jim Barnett and Linda Roberts provided the refreshments this month.

Show and Tell voting and winners presented as follows:

Best Grown Plant: Ctna. Why Not-Andrea Mattison

Cattleya Alliance: 1<sup>st</sup> Blc. Oconee x Lc. Ovation –Wilton Guillory

All Others Group: 1<sup>st</sup> – Dendrobium unnamed Andrea Mattison

There was no other business.

## **7.0 Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1537.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Guillory

## **Tip of the Month**

We usually receive our first cold fronts this month, so if you are growing outdoors, this is the time for you to make your winter preparations. Check your winter structure, test fire your heaters and start cleaning your plants. The shortening day length and cooler nights initiate all sorts of changes in your orchids. Your plants require less water and fertilizer now. Observe the rate at which your plants dry out after watering and make adjustments, gradually adding days in between your normally watering cycle. Consider removing shading from the greenhouse to allow more light during the winter months.

**The Central Louisiana Orchid Society is the sponsor of the Louisiana AOS Judging Center in Alexandria. Anyone interested in getting an orchid judged to be considered for an AOS award can bring a plant in.**

**Part of our society's responsibility is providing a clerk to assist with judging. Our Judging Center is in need of **two more clerks** to share the duties with Connie. With three members splitting the clerking duties, each person would only have to clerk four times a year! Judging takes place on the fourth Saturday of the month.**

**Please talk to Connie and Wilton if you can step up to help.**



Andrea's Best Grown Plant – *Ctna. Why Not*

Show and Tell winners – Cattleya Alliance Category



1<sup>st</sup> – Blc. Oconee x Lc. Ovation - Wilton, 2<sup>nd</sup> – *Ctna. Why Not* - Andrea

## Show and Tell winners – Other Category



1<sup>st</sup> – Unnamed Dendrobium – Andrea





## 2022 October 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. Bring your orchids to the nearest [Judging Center](#) or set up an Outreach Judging for your society. You now have orchid growing goals! You're welcome.

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Send your Greenhouse Chat questions and photos to: [greenhousechat@aos.org](mailto:greenhousechat@aos.org)

<b>When</b>	<b>Oct. 05, 2022</b> 8:30pm EDT Wednesday	<b>Oct. 13, 2022</b> 8:30pm EDT Thursday	<b>Nov. 13, 2022</b> 2:00pm EST Sunday
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Those Amazing Masdevallias</b> Compact cuties, species and culture	<b>Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q &amp; A</b> <i>Send in your Photos &amp; Questions by Oct. 11</i>	<b>Disas</b> Flowers of the Rainbow
<b>Presenter</b>	<b>Sandra Svoboda</b> AOS Judge, AOS Past President, Orchid Digest Editor	<b>Ron McHatton</b> Chief Education and Science Officer	<b>Michael Tibbs</b> International Traveler, Author, Hybridizer, Consultant

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is seeking highly motivated orchid enthusiasts  
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*For more information contact us at [judges@aos.org](mailto:judges@aos.org)*