

September 2020

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From the President

Well the last few weeks have been sobering to say the least. At the very end of last month, Hurricane Laura pummeled Louisiana and affected all of our members in some way as the eye passed not far from Alexandria. We still have members that only recently got back electricity and others that still do not have internet. Then last weekend came and went with no CLOS orchid show and I felt particularly sad about it. I love when our society gets to host a show and always look forward to the excitement and comradery that a successful show entails. It is especially personal for me as my daughters Elizabeth and Julia always set up their own exhibits and that makes shows even more special. Moments to bond with our children cannot be taken for granted and get less and less as they get older. As you all know, our meeting this month was cancelled, as our key did not work for the youth center where we normally meet. We were not able to get in touch with anyone on short notice so the board made the last minute call to cancel. Our next meeting will be Sunday, October 18 and not sure of the location yet. I will present a program that I made tailored to newer growers and focus on the very basics, which will be a good review for everyone. It is titled **How to grow your Supermarket Orchid and Get it to Bloom** and I will elaborate more on it in next month's newsletter.

As I write this, we are expected to get 2-3 inches of rain from Tropical Storm Beta in the next couple of days. Hopefully, the winds will be much lighter so we will not have so many trees uprooted.

Stay safe and I will talk to you all next month.

Eron



Meeting Time & Place Meeting was canceled

**St. James Episcopal
Youth Building
1546 Albert Street,
Alexandria, LA
Refreshments:**

Central Louisiana Orchid Society Officers

**President –Eron Borne
Vice President – Wilton
Guillory
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Director-Linda Roberts
Director –Al Taylor
Director- Andrea Mattison
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ODC Representative – Andrea
Mattison**

**Newsletter Editor – Connie
Guillory
Show& Tell –Rick Allardyce**

Upcoming Orchid Events

- [Alamo Orchid Society Show - CANCELED COVID-19](#)
 - 10/16/2020 - 10/18/2020
 - San Antonio
- [Kansas Orchid Society Show and Sale; Hosting SWROGA Spring 2021](#)
 - 05/08/2021 - 05/09/2021
 - Wichita
- [Oklahoma Orchid Society/SWROGA Show and Sale](#)
 - 10/01/2021 - 10/04/2021
 - Oklahoma City
- [The Shocking Beauty of the Orchid World hosting SWROGA](#)
 - 11/11/2022 - 11/12/2022
 - Fort Worth
- SWROGA WEB

Show and Tell August

Cattleya Division

1. Blc. Fort Watson 'Mendenhall' AM/AOS –Eron Borne also voted Best Grown
2. C. Leoloddiglossa 'Exotic Orchids' AM/AOS-Eron Borne
3. C. harrisoniana x Lc. Pink Treasure-Al Taylor

Other Division

1. Aliceara Hilo Ablaze 'Hilo Gold' HCC/AOS-Al Taylor
2. Phrag Silver Eagle 'Pink Frost' AM/AOS-Eron Borne





Show and Tell Table in August





**Dendrobium Dream Cascade 'Snookie' 76 HCC/AOS -Mary Mancini
Shreveport Judging August 2020**



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2020 SEPTEMBER AOS Corner – for Affiliated Societies

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<https://www.aos.org/about-us/affiliated-societies/aos-corner.aspx>

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LET US KNOW! Is there something in particular that you would like to see this committee address, accomplish or change over the next two years? How can we better serve our Affiliated Societies members?

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If your society does not have internet access, you can contact the AOS Education Committee, Sandra Svoboda at stillisch@cox.net and request [a program, or multiple programs, from the recorded list](#). The video file(s) with instructions for use will be sent to you. Copy to a flash drive or copy to your computer hard drive and show the webinar at the meeting.

<http://www.aos.org/AOS/media/Content-Images/PDFs/Webinars-for-Affiliated-Societies-7-24-19.pdf>

Webinars-Coming Attractions!



When	September 01, 2020 8:30pm EST Tuesday	September 10, 2020 8:30 EST Thursday	October 06, 2020 8:30pm EST Tuesday	October 20, 2020 8:30pm EST Tuesday
Topic	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) <i>Send in your Questions!</i>	Encyclias and their Hybrids	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) <i>Send in your Questions!</i>	Understanding How to Care for your Paphiopedilums
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Mike Curtin AOS Student Judge and member of Oregon Orchid Societies	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Dave Sorokowsky Owner Paph Paradise Awarded grower and AOS Judge

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: <http://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx>

Cannot make it on the scheduled date or time? No need to worry. Register anyhow! *Webinar announcements are posted to Facebook, Instagram and in the AOS Corner of your Affiliated Society's newsletter.* We digitize the webinars and they are available to view at your leisure. GREENHOUSE CHAT Webinars are indexed by topic for future viewing. **Send your Greenhouse Chat questions and photos to greenhousechat@aos.org**

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Contact [Cheryl Erins](mailto:cerins@aos.org) to be added to the AOS webinar line-up or for further information. She can arrange a webinar practice session to help you get familiar with the process. cerins@aos.org

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MEMBERSHIP DRIVE AOS Representatives, please remember to let your society members know; we want to sweeten the deal and

give them every possible reason to join AOS today! If they become an American Orchid Society member, they have considerably more resources available to help make orchid growing enjoyable and successful. *Individual society membership and AOS Membership are not the same. Although affiliated, each requires separate membership dues.*

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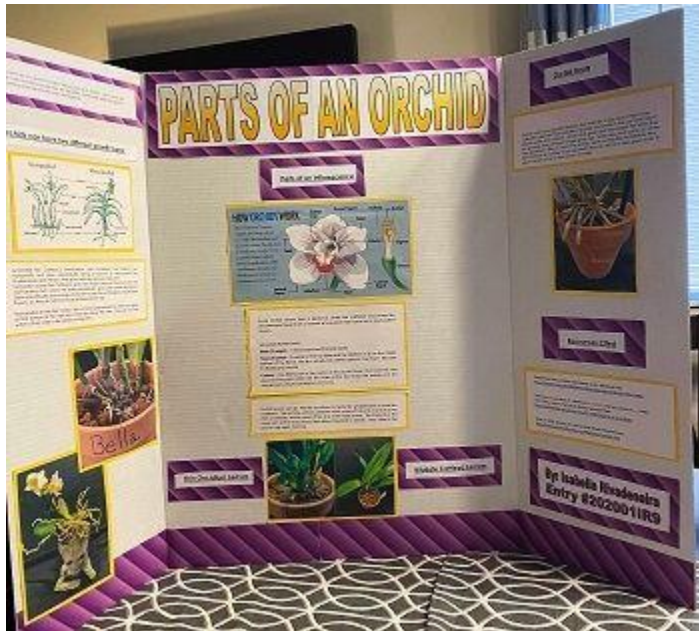
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**SCORE SHEET
EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT**

American Orchid Society
Education, Conservation, Research

Entry # _____

	Scale Of Points	Points Scored
Educational Value	25	
Effectiveness	25	
Clarity of Labeling Explanation	25	
Appropriateness and attractiveness	15	
Originality	10	
TOTALS	100	

General Remarks

Signature _____

Are the kids in your home or neighborhood headed back to school? How about home school? Does your curriculum include a science or history project? In our area, in this age of COVID, home schooling and e-learning have become the new normal. This is a good time to introduce orchids to our youth.

The Tampa Bay Orchid Society introduced a youth award trophy for their March 2020 Orchid Show. The entrants were also eligible for the AOS Educational Exhibit award by meeting the AOS criteria for judging. Invitations to exhibit in the youth category with competition guidelines were sent to Affiliated Orchid Societies, home school groups, boys and girls scouts, and boys and girls club groups. The idea was to get our youth thinking about diversity in the orchid world by challenging them to put together and present orchid information in a practical way. We offered these ideas to get them started:

- The History of Orchids in Cultivation
- Florida Native Orchids (Your State)
- Orchid Species
- Orchid Hybrids
- Orchids in their Native Habitat
- Early Orchid Explorers
- Dissecting Orchids

The tri-fold entry above was submitted by a 9-year-old member of the Tampa Bay Orchid Society. Let us know how your society engages the younger crowd in your community. How are you making connections in the age of COVID?

MONTHLY AWARDS GALLERY

AOS MEMBERS review the beauty and diversity of awarded orchids in every issue of [ORCHIDS magazine](http://www.aos.org/about-us/orchids-magazine.aspx) and in the **OrchidPro** awards database. <http://www.aos.org/about-us/orchids-magazine.aspx>





Myrmecophila brysonae 'Wetfield'
AWT 1 AOS (81 points)
Jul 18, 2020



Zaphlophorum Walmsley Valley Royal Red 'Max & Bryon's Best'
MOC 1 AOS (78 points)
Jul 18, 2020



Phalaenopsis Forever Young 'S & M'
AWT 1 AOS (80 points)
Jul 18, 2020



Phalaenopsis Forever Young 'Purple Gem 'Bet' x Delicate 'Bryon Kelly Rinker'
AWT 1 AOS (81 points)
Jul 18, 2020

This is a sample of the latest awards shown in **OrchidPro**. The diversity of orchids seen in the judging system is awe-inspiring. Check in frequently to view the 100 most recent awards. While in OrchidPro, click on any one photo and read the details, measurements and description for each award. Find out when and where it was exhibited, and the exhibitor for each orchid. Select the VIEW ALL AWARDS button to compare the current award to previously awarded clones. Orchids are a continuing education.



American Orchid Society Educational Exhibit Certificate

'Time is Running Out' EEC | AOS (81 points)
Award No: 20204859
2020 Event: Deep Cut Orchid Society Show
Exhibitor: Mary Ann Denver
Photographer: Cheryl Langseth

DESCRIPTION

An attractive, informative 2-meter wide by 0.5-meter deep educational table-top display highlighting orchid conservation; "Time is Running Out" is anchored by a "Doomsday Clock" set at 11:58 and an audible tic-toc; red yarn reaches from the clock to the endangered orchid species continents; a three-section poster on the right features general information, pictures of endangered orchids, and actions the public can take to encourage and support conservation; a framed list of endangered orchids listed by continent; species orchids from the genera Cattleya, Lepanthes, Masdevallia, Dendrobium, Paphiopedilum, and Dendrochilum are aesthetically arranged on the table-top and on the left on an arched, 1-meter natural wood branch; commended for the variety and quality of the plant material, encouraging public awareness, and educational message.

Want a chance to WIN \$500? Calling all our artist friends: The AOS Development & Special Funding Committee is running a T-Shirt Design Contest. Don't miss the deadline. Details can be found on the AOS Facebook pages, website and Instagram or you may request contest details from jenniferr@aos.org

Submit a design, share on Facebook & Instagram, and watch for the polls to vote for your favorite.

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**T-shirt Design
Art Contest**

Prizes: USD
First Place: \$500
Second Place: \$300
Third Place: \$200

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**ONE submission
per Artist**

**Submission Deadline:
September 07, 2020**

*Contact Contest Coordinator
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Attn: Jennifer Reinoso
- Art Contest-

Designs will appear on AOS
Facebook pages, Instagram,
and website, with a two
week voting period
by popular vote.

First through third place
artwork will be featured
in a future edition of
Orchids magazine.

First place design will be
reproduced on a t-shirt
offered for sale by the AOS.

CULTURE CONNECTION

CULTIVATE: to grow in a prepared medium

Visit the AOS website for a [Monthly Checklist on Orchid Care](#)

<https://www.aos.org/orchids/seasonal-orchid-care/september-october-checklist.aspx>

September: The Month of Aloha

By Thomas Mirenda

A singularly beautiful word from the Hawaiian language with several meanings including love, hello and goodbye, Aloha is more about spirit and philosophy. It reflects a caring and nurturing nature that kind people feel for each other. It does not judge, it does not discriminate and it is a universal term of endearment. This month, many of us say goodbye wistfully to summer friends, jobs and carefree days, while simultaneously embarking on fantastic new adventures and initiatives. I am no exception, as I begin my new position at the Hawaii Tropical Botanical Garden this month. I know this new adventure will be hard work and will present many challenges for me. Nonetheless, I am invigorated by the Aloha I know I will experience there. Needless to say, the capacity to grow orchids outside is icing on the Haupia cake.

Our lives take us on many different paths, but all of us on the orchid path know what it means to be nurturers and cultivators. This month as the seasons shift again and temperatures and day length wax and wane (depending on what hemisphere you are in), it is important to be very observant of your collection. Some photoperiod-dependent plants will slow down with these changes, others may speed up as temperatures are more to their liking, but one thing is for sure, changes are coming!

OVERHEATING IS OVER With the onset of fall, many things shift; that is, temperatures are getting lower and nights are getting longer. The intense, and sometimes damaging, heat that has kept many plants in suspended animation is ending and more favorable growing conditions commence. I have often seen new flushes of growth on cattleyas, dendrobiums and Oncidium alliance plants this time of year. If you live in a climate where the cold weather does not start for a couple more months, then you can water and fertilize as you might in the spring for another month or so. But if your winter weather starts in October, you might want to slow down or hold off on feeding your plants this month to get them ready for dormancy, (catasetums, and deciduous dendrobiums) or spike initiation (phalaenopsis and cymbidiums).

THE GREAT OUTDOORS Any plants that have summered outside may have grown spectacularly with the excellent light, fresh air and rainwater. Even so, if you live in a harsh winter area, you need to at least start thinking about where the plants will go as the weather shifts again to cold. Make sure your indoor spaces, be they greenhouses, windowsills or light rooms are sanitized and ready for the return of all the “ ’chids” that were camping out this summer. Since they will have grown, there may not be room for everyone! You might consider giving away some plants to new orchid society members or making some divisions of really choice plants that you love and cannot part with.

SAFETY INDOORS It is also very important to inspect plants for hitchhikers such as ants or sow bugs (or worse things) that might have invaded them while outside. Spray or drench any such plants before bringing them inside as they can cause serious problems if they spread through your collection. It is also wise at this time to test your heaters, vents, fans, and misting and irrigation systems to make sure they are still in good working order. You do not want that unpleasant surprise of finding them malfunctioning during the first cold snap of the year.

WILD AND GARDEN ORCHIDS Many fantastic natives are blooming around this time of year including the glorious platantheras and spiranthes among others. Do not miss this show! Find out about local populations and see these beauties at their peak of blooming. If you are growing hardy orchids such as bletillas and cypripediums in your gardens, most have ragged foliage by now, or may not even be visible above ground this month. Make sure you mark their location and purchase or gather the mulch (usually pine needles are good for many of these types of plants) that is helpful and often necessary for their winter protection. I am looking forward to not having to do this winter ritual anymore. Do not be jealous. Come visit me instead! Aloha! *(As pertinent now, as it was then - Reprinted with permission ORCHIDS VOL. 86, NO.9, September 2017)*

Published since 1932, ORCHIDS (formerly known as the AOS Bulletin) is among the [many benefits of an AOS membership](#). Exploding with glorious full-page color photographs, each monthly issue is packed with topics of current interest for both beginners and advanced orchid growers.

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Worth the Read - ORCHIDS September Preview

- The New Refugium Botanicum - *Pleurothallis luna-crescens* by Franco Pupulin and Melissa Díaz
- Collector's Item - *Bulbophyllum caloglossum* by Charles Wilson
- Orchids Illustrated - *Thelymitra* by Peggy Alrich and Wesley Higgins
- *Phragmipedium dalessandroi* by Olaf Gruss
- *Platystele* - Try Growing Something Different by Larry Sexton
- *Psychopsis limminghei* and Alfred de Limminghe by Rudolf Jenny
- Into Africa: Part 5 - Mauritius by Thomas Mirenda
- *Lindleyana* - Pollination Biology of a Leading-Edge Population of *Cypripedium montanum* (Douglas ex Lindl) in South-Central Alaska by Tara Luna

Please send your comments, questions and submissions for the AOS Corner to

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Thanks for meeting me down at the Corner!

Eileen Hector, AOS Corner - *Affiliated Societies* Newsletter Editor

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C. harrisoniana x Lc. Pink Treasure-Al Taylor 2nd place



Blc. Fort Watson 'Mendenhall' AM/AOS –Eron Borne 1st place and Best Grown



Bc. Samba Splendor 'Puerto Rico' AM/AOS-Eron Borne



C. Leoloddiglossa 'Exotic Orchids' AM/AOS-Eron Borne



Blc. Golden Tang-Andrea Mattison



Blc. Doris McGraw 'Hynson Bayou' HCC/AOS –Eron Borne



C. Motte Spot-Andrea Mattison



Aliceara Hilo Ablaze 'Hilo Gold' HCC/AOS-AI Taylor- 1st place



Phrag Silver Eagle 'Pink Frost'-Eron Borne 2nd place





White Reflection-Andrea Mattison

Central Louisiana Orchid Society Minutes
August Minutes
8-17-2020

1.0 Call to Order

President Eron Borne called the meeting to order at 1430 and suggested we break to get ice cream while it was set out. Then the meeting commenced.

2.0 Approval of Previous Minutes

There were no corrections to the July minutes and they stand approved as distributed.

3.0 Officer Reports

3.1 President Report

As stated in this month's newsletter, Eron discussed that our September Fall show was cancelled due to the venue not being available for use and that no other societies replied that they would set up an exhibit. Al said that our AOS show trophy that we already purchased was in the cabinet in Shreveport and it can be used for our next show.

3.2 Vice President Report

Wilton announced that the Shreveport Judging Center voted to move their location to Alexandria. The center's name will change to the Louisiana Judging Center. AOS orchid judging will take place on the 4th Saturday of every month at the Alexandria public library and there will be no charge for the facility. He stated that anyone interested in becoming an orchid judge to contact him or Al. Wilton will be the Chair of the judging center beginning in January.

3.3 Treasurer Report

The treasurer report was given by the treasurer Jim Barnett.

4.3.1 Overview of CLOS Deposits/Withdrawals since last month and current financial state of the society.

4.3.2 Raffle Tickets for sale – Many items (plants, potting bark, and collectables) were donated for the raffle this month. Everyone was encouraged to buy tickets.

3.4 Secretary Report – No report as Janice was not present

4.0 Old Business

- 4.1 The discussion of getting society t-shirts to wear at shows and other events we attend was tabled until next month. Al and Connie volunteered to research some options and present it at our next meeting. The consensus was a collared shirt with an embroidered logo.

5.0 New Business

- 5.1 Al and Wilton discussed that all judging centers need a host society to sponsor the judging center. Al made a motion for the CLOS to be the new sponsor of the Louisiana Judging Center and Eron seconded. The vote passed unanimously.
- 5.2 Eron received an email from Frank Zachariah of the Baton Rouge OS asking if there was any interest in other societies co-sponsoring a more expensive speaker that would present via Zoom to any members who would like to attend. The presentation would be at a joint date and time. It was unanimously decided to participate and Eron will notify Frank.

6.0 Program

Wilton presented his program on Judging Cattleyas and everyone enjoyed the interactive discussion!

7.0 Raffle and Show & Tell

Raffle Winners: Warren, Eron, Al, Jacob, Wilton, Andrea
Door Prize Winner: Andrea
There were no refreshments this month.
Show and Tell voting and winners presented.
There was no other business.

8.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1548.

Respectfully submitted,

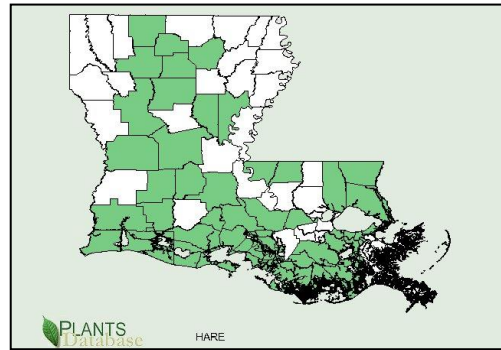
Bonnie Stacey
Eron Borne

Native Orchid of the Month—September

Habenaria repens

(waterspider bog orchid)

Water-spider orchids (*Habenaria repens*) appear as one-high stalks protruding from the surface of plant. On close examination, the stalks are covered with white flowers that have the sepals and petals together, into small elongated lobes that are reminiscent of thus the name.



to two-foot vegetation. greenish but divided spiders—

Water-spider orchids occur in marshes, wet meadows, and bogs, margins of streams, ditches, and ponds; commonly an emergent aquatic in shallow water and in floating mats alone or with other vegetation.



They spread by **runners** as well as seeds. They are erect, growing to one or two feet tall. The **leaves** are thick and succulent, two to nine inches long and up to one inch wide. They are narrowly lance-shaped, tapering to a narrow point. The most conspicuous part the **flowers** that top of the plant. flowers are pale 3/4 inch across.



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Flowering is primarily summer through fall, sporadically between December.

April and

Reproducing both sexually and vegetatively via stolons, this orchid form dense colonies. During the evening and nighttime hours, these flowers emit a very powerful fragrance, apparently to attract night-moths.

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