

March 2020

<http://www.centrallouisianaorchidsociety.org>

From the President

As I mentioned at our February meeting, this spring we celebrate the 40th anniversary of our club. A little bit of history... In the spring of 1980, a group of twenty people in central Louisiana interested in the growing of orchids met to begin the formation of a local orchid society. The Shreveport Orchid Society volunteered to accept the new society assisting the group in the official formation of the Central Louisiana Orchid Society. The group elected an Organizational Chairman and its first president, Byron McGraw. Byron's wife, Doris, is our only original charter member still with us today. Some ideas have been discussed on how we can make this year special and celebrate our clubs 40th anniversary. One idea, which Jim has taken to task, is writing an article on all our accomplishments and compiling our history with the possibility of having a small Educational exhibit at our show. Another idea was to tie it to our show. Therefore, In keeping with our 40th anniversary, our show theme will be "Celebrating our Orchid Roots - CLOS 40 Year Anniversary."

The CLOS 2020 Fall Show will take place on Friday, September 18 - Saturday Sep. 19. While that may seem far away now, however IT'S NOT! Planning takes a lot of time & effort and we all need to get involved! You do not need an extensive knowledge of orchids to do most of the required tasks. No matter what you volunteer to do, there will always be people to help you. This is truly a team effort & we need your participation to ensure success. Show Chairs are Wilton and Connie. Contact either of them or any member of the board and we will all help point you in the right direction! As the weather changes and we are moving into spring, you need to be thinking about what your orchids need. As the days are getting longer and temperatures are staying warmer, most orchids are putting out fresh growth and roots. Now is when you need to increase your watering and regular fertilizing. Different genera of orchids have different requirements, so if you have doubts about what your particular plant's needs, do NOT hesitate to ask other members. If someone doesn't have the answer, they can certainly put you in contact with someone who can. That's one of the benefits of belonging to the society, take advantage of experience & expertise of others.

This month, my program will be focused on the absolute basics of orchid growing and how to get them to rebloom. I just finished making this program by numerous requests, and titled it "How to grow your Supermarket Orchid and Get it to Bloom." If you are new to orchid growing, I think you will get a lot out of this program and have you well on your way to getting your orchid to rebloom. See you on Sunday, March 15th at 2:30 pm!

Eron



Meeting Time & Place
Sunday, March 15th
Plant entry 2:00 pm
Meeting 2:30 pm

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

Refreshments-Eron Borne

Central Louisiana Orchid Society Officers

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Show& Tell –Rick Allardyce

Upcoming Orchid Shows and Events

03/06/2020 - 03/07/2020	GNTOS 2020 Orchid Show and Sale <i>Richardson Civic Center, Richardson TX</i>
03/13/2020 - 03/15/2020	Calcasieu Orchid Society Show and Sale <i>Historic City Hall, Lake Charles LA /USA</i>
03/27/2020 - 03/29/2020	Terrebonne Orchid Society Show and Sale <i>Southland Mall, Houma Louisiana</i>
04/10/2020 - 04/11/2020	Fort Worth Orchid Society Show hosting SWROGA Spring 2020 <i>Fort Worth Botanic Garden, Fort Worth Fort Worth</i>
04/18/2020 - 04/19/2020	Tulsa Orchid Society Annual Show and Sale <i>The Tulsa Garden Center, Tulsa OK</i>
05/02/2020 - 05/03/2020	Oklahoma Orchid Show and Sale <i>Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Center, Oklahoma City OK</i>
10/16/2020 - 10/18/2020	Alamo Orchid Society Show <i>San Antonio Garden Center, San Antonio Texas</i>
05/08/2021 - 05/09/2021	Kansas Orchid Society Show and Sale; Hosting SWROGA Spring 2021 <i>Sedgwick County Extension Building, Wichita KS</i>

Upcoming Local Shows:

New Orleans Orchid Society Annual Show
May 29st thru May 31st, 2020
Theme: None this Year
Lakeside Shopping Center
3301 Veterans Hwy
Metairie, LA 70002

Exhibit area will be closed for AOS judging on Saturday until "approximately" 12 Noon, but sales will remain open.

NOOS raffles several lovely plants, donated by our vendors, at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 31st.

Sale & Show Times

Friday, May 29th: 10 a.m. until 9 p.m.
Saturday, May 30th: 10 a.m. until 9 p.m.
Sunday, May 31st: 12 noon until 4 p.m.

Vendors:

To see a list of our vendors, please [click here](#)

Central Louisiana Orchid Show

September 18-19, 2020

Friday and Saturday

Kees Park, Pineville, LA

2450 Hwy 28 East, Pineville, LA

Theme: Celebrating our Orchid Roots - CLOS 40 Year Anniversary."

Show Chair-Wilton Guillory wguill@aol.com





***C mossiae* 'Willowbrook FCC/AOS**
Eron Borne



***Pot Hawaiian Prominence* 'America'- Al Taylor**



Soph coccinea Eron Borne



Paph Dreams of Venus 'Louisiana'-Al Taylor



Paph fairrianum-Eron Borne



Phrag besseae- Eron Borne



Paphiopedilum venustum v. alba -Eron Borne

Show and Tell February 2020

Cattleya Division

1. *Soph coccinea*-Eron Borne
2. *Pot* Hawaiian Prominence 'America' -Al Taylor
3. *C mossiae* 'Willowbrook' FCC/AOS-Eron Borne

Other Division

1. *Phrag besseae*- Eron Borne
2. *Paph fairrianum*-Al Taylor
3. *Paph venustum f. album*-Eron Borne
3. *Paph* Dreams of Venus 'Louisiana' HCC/AOS-Al Taylor



Jim Barnett receiving his AOS certificate from Eron Borne. Also, Eron Borne received the Gremillion trophy for 2019.



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2020 MARCH AOS Corner – for Affiliated Societies

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We encourage use of the AOS website by all members. <http://www.aos.org>

Sharing Our Passion

Who has not experienced the joy of that first bloom? Who has not experienced the delight of new growth? Who has not been swept away as they stepped into a room full of orchids at an orchid show? We relive all of these feelings repeatedly when we share our lives with orchids.

I had a little surgery scheduled a few weeks ago. As I was getting prepped, I asked the doctor when I could resume my regular routines. I told him I had to be at a big business meeting the next day. He said, “It’s

Saturday. No business meetings on Saturday.” I explained to him that our Orchid Judging Center was having their semi-annual business meeting and monthly orchid judging. He remarked that orchids were the only plants his wife could keep alive. The nurse preparing me for surgery said, “Orchids? I grow orchids.” She whipped out her mobile phone and showed us pictures of orchids around her home garden. I invited her to our next society meeting. I had just enough time to text the flyer for our March orchid show and the link to our society website before I was wheeled away. You never know where you will find another orchid friend! Let’s remember to take a moment out of our busy world to breathe in and share the beauty of orchids.

Remember to check in with us on Facebook and Instagram!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/AffiliatedSocietiesOfTheAOS/>

<https://instagram.com/americanorchidsociety?igshid=16ixfciczky01>

MARCH Focus: Let's Meet Down on the Corner

DID YOU KNOW? There are local gatherings for orchid enthusiasts from every level of growing and every walk of life. You are cordially invited! AOS Members Meetings take place twice a year in the USA. They are especially for members and prospective members of the American Orchid Society. It is a wonderful way to meet others who share our passion for orchids. The schedule of events includes guest speakers and award presentations, committee meetings and a Town Hall gathering to hear all the current news on what keeps the wheels of the AOS turning. Dedicated volunteers gather to plan their strategy for the next six months. Everyone attending is welcome to sit in on a committee meeting and hear what’s happening behind the scenes to bring you the best of AOS. There’s usually an orchid show and AOS Judging. There is food, friendship, and a fund-raising auction of orchids and orchid-related items. Register NOW for the next AOS Members Meeting in Sacramento, California, USA, April 15-19, 2020. You will not regret it!

<http://www.aos.org/news-and-events/members-meetings.aspx>



DID YOU KNOW? If you have been reading ORCHIDS magazine and The President's Message over the last two years, you know there are many AOS volunteers. Our AOS President has recognized the efforts of every major committee in the AOS. Open the front pages of the magazine and you will find the listing of Officers, Trustees, and a lengthy list of Committee Volunteers. We don't do it to see our name in print. We do it because we care about the organization. We do it to bring you the content you see here and on the website. We do it because we love orchids. Our committees are always looking for dedicated members that are willing to contribute to the success of the AOS. We all have special skills to share. Collectively we make a stronger organization. There is a place for you too. Contact the chair of any committee and ask how you can help.

REMINDERS

Insight for our AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

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

AFFILIATED SOCIETY BONUS - EARN AOS MEMBERSHIP EXTENSIONS FOR YOUR SOCIETY

Affiliated societies can earn a one-month extension on their AOS society membership for each new individual AOS member they recruit. If you start now, with twelve new AOS members, your affiliated society can obtain a FULL FREE YEAR OF AOS membership! Be sure and advise new members to note their society affiliation on the printed membership form or in the comments section online at checkout.

2020 updated membership rates and membership material NOW on the AOS website!

<http://www.aos.org/about-us/aos-membership.aspx>

Check out the Complete Affiliated Benefits Package

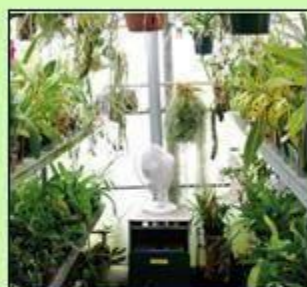
<http://www.aos.org/AOS/media/Content-Images/PDFs/Benefits-of-being-an-Affiliated-SocietiesMember-v5.pdf>

WHAT ARE WEBINARS? An affiliated society may use recorded webinars for presentations at their monthly meetings. With Wi-Fi access, it's easy! Webinars are an internet-connected audiovisual presentation. You can view from anywhere that you have an internet connection, via Mac, PC or even your mobile device. It's easy to find the scheduled webinars and to register on the AOS website. You will find the link here:

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

If you do not have internet access, you can contact the AOS Education Committee, Sandra Svoboda at stillisch@cox.net and request a program from the recorded list. <http://www.aos.org/AOS/media/Content-Images/PDFs/Webinars-for-Affiliated-Societies-7-24-19.pdf> The video file with instructions for use will be sent to you. Copy the file to a flash drive or copy it to your computer hard drive and show the webinar at the meeting.

Webinars-Coming Attractions!



When	March 19, 2020 8:30pm EST Thursday	March 31, 2020 8:30pm EST Tuesday	April 23, 2020 8:30pm EST Thursday	RECORDED WEBINARS at your convenience
Topic	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) <i>Send in your Questions!</i>	Junior Orchid Show A Success Story	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) <i>Send in your Questions!</i>	Culture, Judging, Pests and Diseases, Greenhouse Chats indexed by topic
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Barb Schmidt AOS Education Committee member	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	AOS Members, Judges, Concerned Conservationists, Scientists & More

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

Cannot make it on the scheduled date or time? No need to worry. Register anyway!

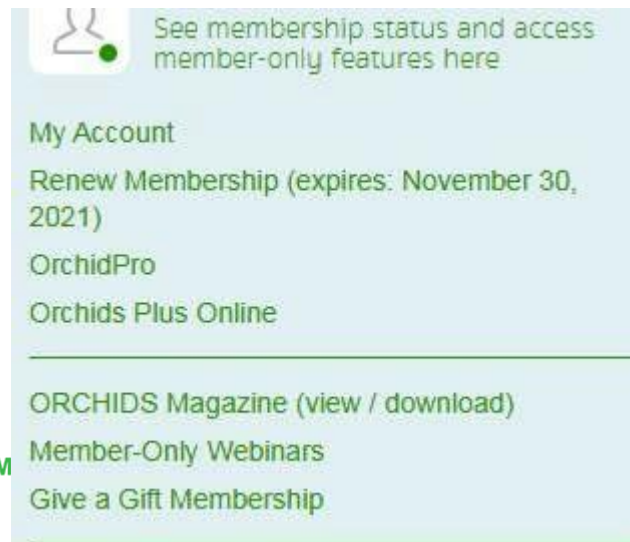
We digitize the webinars and they are available to view at your leisure from the same webpage.

Send your Greenhouse Chat questions and photos to: greenhousechat@aos.org

If you want to view independently from home, you can join live, either on your computer or by phone. ALL past webinars are recorded and indexed by topic, for future viewing.

FOR YOUR SOCIETY MEMBERS

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. Each requires separate membership dues. AOS members have exclusive access to thousands of awarded photos in OrchidPro! Sign on to the AOS website. Click on your name on the top right side of the page to find the dropdown menu. Select OrchidPro. Be inspired!



CULTURE CONNECTION

CULTIVATE, to grow in a prepared medium

Visit the AOS website for a Monthly Checklist on Orchid Care

<http://www.aos.org/orchids/seasonal-orchid-care/march-april-checklist.aspx>

MARCH: The Month of Snow Flowers

Step Into Spring and Enjoy a New Growing Season by Thomas Mirenda

SLEET, SNOW, HAIL, FREEZING RAIN and wintry mixes dominate the weather reports this month, making for treacherous travel. We leave our abodes and workplaces each day at our peril, usually only to perform or acquire the bare necessities. Perhaps it was Freudian, or just wishful thinking on his part, but my local news weatherman, obviously tired of delivering bad news all month, floundered a bit while trying to describe today's forecast. The teleprompter may have read "snow flurries and rain showers" but our man instead predicted "snow flowers." I laughed and looked out the window, but the only flowers to be seen were inside on a phalaenopsis. Perhaps he's an orchid grower too, because that is exactly what March brings us each year: A glorious array of orchid flowers. Coincidentally, even though February is the month where we humans reveal our affection for each other on Valentine's Day with orchids and other flowers, we needn't restrict ourselves and should continue such loving gestures through the year. The gift of an orchid is an unmistakable sign of passion and affirmation (unless you're giving one of those stinky bulbophyllums). Even those orchids might be appropriate gifts for your boss, or someone you've divorced.

SOMETHING'S COMING The air is humming, and spring is dangling in the air as the weather starts to change. Crocus and daffodils are opening outside, harbingers of the wonders of spring about to burgeon forth. As the days elongate and the sun rises higher each successive date, the action begins inside. Plants such as catasetums and dendrobiums, left dry most of the winter, are starting to produce new roots, and while it's a bit early still, repotting and renewed watering are imminent. This is true of many other orchids, including cattleyas, cymbidiums and phalaenopsis hybrids that you should prepare for the onslaught of spring repotting that is about to begin. Be ahead of the game and get fresh potting supplies — pots, potting mix, wire products and fertilizer — so you'll be able to attend to plants as they need attention.

PRETTY AND PERKY Even though most orchids are at the starting gates ready to produce next year's growths, many are still in glorious bloom. Luckily, there are orchid exhibits throughout the spring to show off these beauties. However, once exhibited, you may want to remove those old inflorescences (unless you've made seed capsules on them). Spike production and flowering is energetically hard on plants, and the removal of the inflorescences will divert energy toward the new growths, so important for future flowering and the orchids overall health and longevity. Always use a sterilized blade whenever excising spikes or leaves to prevent the spread of viruses from plant to plant.

SCOUT FOR INTRUDERS With the advent of new growths and senescence of flowers come some unwanted parasites. This is a prime month for aphids to appear on new growths of pleurothallids and old oncidium inflorescences. Mealybugs are sometimes found on the backs of phalaenopsis flowers and the undersides of their leaves, where these insects are less likely to be washed away by the watering hose. Safer Soap or Sunspray Oil applications are usually adequate to quell small infestations of these soft-bodied insects, but be vigilant. These innocuous creatures are insidious and, if allowed to travel from plant to plant, with their sucking mouthparts are also implicated in the spread of viruses.

TAKING STOCK As plants come out of dormancy, you may want to move them to more accessible spots in your growing area. In the autumn, dormant plants were rightly moved to areas where they'd be less likely to be struck by stray sweeps of the hose. Now, some of those plants, such as habenarias and galeandras, will need to be in the forefront of your collection so they are not forgotten or ignored as they come out of dormancy. This is also a good time to consider which plants performed well in the past year. With so many new species and hybrids available, culling your collection to make room for something new keeps your orchid growing fresh and exciting, plus the donation of plants to an auction table may encourage and inspire a new orchid grower to enter the astounding world of orchids. (As pertinent now, as it was then - Reprinted with permission ORCHIDS VOL. 78, NO.3, MARCH 2009)

AOS members have access to over 2,050 articles published
between the years 2003 - 2009 and 2011 – 2018 through the digital archives.

<http://www.aos.org/about-us/orchids-magazine.aspx>

Worth the Read - ORCHIDS March Preview

Orchids Illustrated - Phaius by Peggy Alrich and Wesley Higgins

Each month in ORCHIDS the Orchids Illustrated column highlights a specific genus and occasionally a specific species. The article often includes a single stunning current photograph of the subject matter, historical references, dated antique plates, and botanical drawings. It is interesting to see the different naming conventions used throughout the years. It is no wonder that we will never learn all there is to know about orchids. Check out this group of terrestrial orchids and learn how they have been recognized through the years in the orchid world.

Don't miss out! Membership offers something for everyone - Coming in ORCHIDS March 2020

For the Novice - Nutrition by Ray Barkalow

Collector's Item - Zootrophion Hybrids by Leon Glicenstein

Judges Corner - Being a judging team captain by Bill Thoms

Caularthron and its Hybrids by Jean Allen-Ikeson

The Joys of Small Phalaenopsis by Andy Coghill-Behrends

Psychopsis limminghei by Rudolf Jenny

LOOK for your awarded orchids in the sixteen-page awards gallery in each issue of ORCHIDS! The magazine awards gallery features all of the awards granted month by month in the previous year.

VIEW the beauty and diversity of the most recently awarded orchids on the AOS website! Exhibits are also included in the latest awards gallery. Check it out to get some great ideas for your next display.

<https://secure.aos.org/orchid-awards.aspx>



Award: 20204851/ AOS Show Trophy 84 pts.

North Jersey Orchid Society Show (Wayne, NJ) Rutgers University, Douglass Cook Student Center

Exhibitor: North Jersey Orchid Society Photographer: Maurice Garvey



Left Award: 20202800 Phragmipedium America 'George's Delight' AM/AOS 83 pts.(Phrag. Les Dirouilles x Phrag. kovachii)

Dallas Center Monthly Judging (Dallas, TX) Garland Senior Center

Exhibitor: George A. Bogard Photographer: David Gould



Right Award: 20204852 Dendrobium roslii 'Carol' AM/AOS 80 points

North Jersey Orchid Society Show (Wayne, NJ) Rutgers University, Douglass Cook Student Center

Exhibitor: Maurice Garvey Photographer: Maurice Garvey

Please send your questions and submissions for the AOS Corner to
askmasc@verizon.net or affiliated_societies_committee@aos.org

Thanks for meeting me down at the Corner!

Eileen Hector, AOS Corner - Affiliated Societies Newsletter Editor

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Monthly Checklist for March and April

Cattleya

Although March is, in many parts of the country, still a cold and blustery month, the lengthening days and warmer temperatures allowed by increased light are long-awaited harbingers of the coming change of season. Some of the best standard cattleyas of the year will be in bloom, or will be blooming soon. The last of the winter-flowering hybrids will join the earliest of the spring hybrids in a wonderful display. Be on the alert for senescing sheaths that need removal. If these yellowing sheaths are not removed, the moisture they trap can lead to bud rot. Careful removal of the sheath will allow the buds to develop, although they will need additional support. Changing light conditions can also be a problem in March and April. An exceptionally bright day, especially immediately following a rain, can lead to sunburn of the foliage if shading is not attended to properly. There can still be periods of dull days where spikes can be weakened owing to the lower light. Lengthening days will mean increased metabolic rates necessitating increased water and fertilizer. The plants will indicate needs by drying more rapidly, which means more frequent watering and fertilizing.

With the passing of the season for winter bloomers, and the beginning of the season for spring bloom, it is also the time to be on the lookout for plants that will need potting after they bloom. Immediately after blooming has proven to be the best time to repot winter- and spring-flowering cattleyas. In most cases, they will be ready to grow roots, so if potted at this time, they will root right into fresh mix with little or no setback.



Cymbidium Magic Mountain photographed at Longwood
Gardens in early April. © G. Allikas

Cymbidium

Plants should be putting on a spectacular show this time of year. Adjust all staking and twist-ties and be on the lookout for aphids, slugs and snails. Give adequate water because flowering strains the plants. As new growths appear later, increase the nitrogen level in the fertilizer. Should a plant look healthy but not be blooming, try increasing the light during the next growing season. The number-one reason for no flowers is lack of light.

Dendrobium (Australian)

These hard-cane dendrobiums will be at their flowering peak now. It is not unusual to see a specimen of this type in an orchid show boasting 1,000 flowers. The secret with this group -- bred primarily from *Dendrobium kingianum* and *Dendrobium speciosum* -- is to provide ample water, fertilizer and light during the growing season.

Lycaste

This genus of superb orchids will be coming to the end of its flowering season. Soon you will see the beginning of new root growth, which is an excellent time to repot into fresh media. As new growth emerges, provide ample fertilizer and water. A sign of good culture is an increase in the size of pseudobulbs with each successive year.

Miltoniopsis

This marks the beginning of the flowering season. Amazing displays of color will dazzle the grower over the next few months. Prepare your plants for optimum display by staking spikes (if needed) and cleaning off the older yellow foliage. Do not miss the wonderful fragrance as the flowers unfold..



Miltoniopsis Martin Orenstein shows off a beautiful waterfall pattern on its labellum. Photographed at Longwood Gardens in early April. © G. Allikas

Paphiopedilum

March is the beginning of the season of heaviest potting for lady's-slipper orchids. However, it is a month where the volume of plants needing attention is still small. It is an excellent month to take the time to work with your paphiopedilums before the pressure of other potting prevents your doing the thorough job you should. Look at each plant: Is it clean of dead and dying foliage? Is it weed free? Does it need potting? Is it in spike? Does it have an insect problem? Cleaning and restaging your paphs is one of the most satisfying tasks of the orchid year. Cleaned and potted paphiopedilums look happy.

The summer-blooming types will be showing the first of their buds in March and April. Be on the lookout for the buds, as well as any insect pests that may have found their way into the crowns of your plants. It is especially difficult to clean mealybugs, in particular, once they have become established in the plant. Better to get to them before they get a good toehold.

Increasing light levels should give emerging spikes the strength they need to grow straight and strong. Do not be too anxious to stake the spikes, because if they are staked too soon, the flowers may develop a "nodding" stance, where the dorsal will not stand upright. If the spikes seem to develop at an angle, let them, and stake after the flower has hardened for best carriage, especially on the hybrids with fairieanum background.

Phalaenopsis

In most of the country, March is the peak blooming month for phalaenopsis. Staking needs to be carefully attended to, so that the flowers will be displayed at their best for orchid shows and judging -- even those intended for your home will look best if properly staked. One of the most decorative aspects of phalaenopsis spikes is the way they gracefully arch. If not staked properly, the spike will lack this grace and will not be as pleasing. Most growers like to have the final support just below the first flower, allowing maximum support, without sacrificing the beauty of the arching spike.

Rapid-growing spikes and open flowers place extra demands on the plant. Careful monitoring of watering and feeding will give the plants the energy they require to give their best floral display. Remember, too, that the lengthening days will also increase the frequency at which plants need water.

Beware of the invasion of sucking pests that accompany the flowering season. Flowers and spikes are favorite targets of mealybugs and scales. Be on the look out for their presence, often indicated by the appearance of sooty mold resulting from the exudate of the bugs, and treat before flowers or buds are too advanced. If flowers and buds are too far along, the chemical treatment may damage or abort them.



Masdevallia Highland Monarch 'Free Spirit'
AM/AOS photographed at Parkside Orchids.
Ottsville, Pennsylvania © G. Allikas

Pleurothallids

Members in this large and increasingly popular group will be looking their best now. If plants are not in flower, the next few months provide an excellent time to divide if needed or repot into fresh mix. Taking care of these tasks now will allow enough time for your plants to become established before the hot weather arrives.

The AOS thanks Ned Nash and James Rose for this essay.

February CLOS minutes 2020

1.0 Call to Order

President Eron Borne called the meeting to order at 1437.

2.0 Approval of Previous Minutes

There were no minutes to review and approve as the CLOS did not have a meeting in January.

3.0 Officer Reports

3.1 President Report

Eron gave an overview of the CLOS hosting the Shreveport Judging Center's monthly judging last month. It was very successful and well received. We gained three new members at the judging session. Eron renewed our website hosting with Weebly for 5 years for \$74.80. He brought up that this year is the 40th anniversary of the CLOS and asked for ideas on what we can do to celebrate this milestone. Jim mentioned we could compile and publish an article on the accomplishments of the CLOS over the years. Jim volunteered to put the article and info together if members could get him any pertinent information they have. Wilton showed a newspaper article from 1983 that advertised the CLOS's first orchid show. Since membership turnout was low this month, Eron will bring it up again next month for more ideas.

3.2 Vice President Report

Wilton provided the CLOS AOS number, #211255 and was not sure of our expiration date. He will check on when our AOS affiliation needs renewing.

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. Jim took dues for 2020.

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 Eron discussed the Calcasieu Orchid Society Show on March 13-15. We decided to put in a tabletop exhibit. Wilton and Connie will set up our exhibit and Jim will take it down.

5.0 New Business

- 5.1 Eron then discussed the upcoming shows in Lafayette (Acadian OS) on April 24-26 and New Orleans (NOOS) on May 28-30. We will decide in March what we will do for the Acadian OS show (March 20th deadline) and decided not to do an exhibit in New Orleans at this time.
- 5.2 Wilton was appointed as our 2020 CLOS Show Chair and Connie as Co-Chair. More discussion will take place in the coming months to form the show committee. Eron will submit the paperwork with the AOS this coming week. Our show location at Kees Park has been booked and we have the approval of the Shreveport Judging Center
- 5.3 Al mentioned that he had many years of past Sander's books and since he is moving, he is downsizing and looking to give them to anyone interested.
- 5.4 Wilton presented the 2019 Gremillion trophy to Eron. Mr. Gremillion was a founding member and Wilton explained how the points are totaled from Show and Tell.
- 5.5 Eron presented the 2019 AOS Certificate of Appreciation to Jim for all his dedication over the years to the CLOS. Jim has been a member since around 1995.

6.0 Program

Wilton presented his program titled **The Renowned Hybrid, *Blc. Fortune*.**

7.0 Raffle and Show & Tell

Raffle Winners: Eron, David, Em, Andrea, Al, and Doris

Door Prize Winner: Judy

Refreshments provided by Eron.

Show and Tell voting and winners presented.

There was no other business.

8.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1550.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Smith & Eron Borne



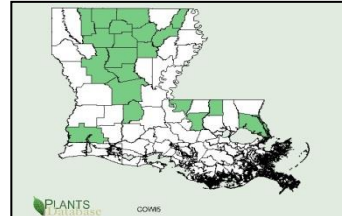
Slc Doris and Byron 'Christmas Rose'

Grown by Wilton Guillory

Native Orchid of the Month—March

Corallorrhiza wisteriana (spring coralroot)

Corallorrhiza wisteriana (spring coralroot) is a saprophyte and is few flowering plants that have no green color at any time, but themselves, as mushrooms and toadstools do, on the dead remains in the soil.



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The flowering stems are yellow to purplish and stand anywhere
inches tall, bearing small flowers that might reach 1/3 inch from top-to-bottom at the most. The sepals and

from 2 to 8



petals form a hood-like structure over the lip and are a greenish-brown color. The lip contrasts nicely with these, being a snowy white with small purple spots. Flowers are rapidly pollinated (or perhaps self-pollinate) and do not last long.

Spring coralroot can be found throughout much of the lower 48 states of the United States, excluding portions of New England and the far western states. In Louisiana, it is found primarily in the wooded portion of the State. The plants to locate due to their unusual growth are most frequently located on sites is abundant decaying woody debris.



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Spring coralroot blooms as early as
Louisiana, but may continue through
flowers generally only last a few hours. The plants remain dependent on
their entire lives, often hosting their fungi in crystalline, coral-like
root structures.

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