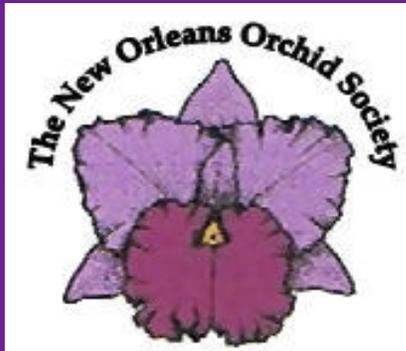


New Orleans Orchid Society's Newsletter



September 2017

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Meeting Notice:

Tuesday, September 19, 2017
Lakeview Presbyterian Church
[Google Maps: 5914 Canal Blvd](#)
7:30pm

Program:

Greenhouses
John Nelson 7:30pm
Louisiana Orchid Connection

Orchid Basics Group Program:

TBA 6:45pm

From your Pres.:

Hope all of you and your families have survived the floods, hurricanes, and the usual anxieties of Hurricane Season 2017. I do know that June is the first time we have had to cancel a meeting due to the possible inclement and dangerous weather. Seems we may be facing more of this in the future.

It is difficult to believe after so much horrible weather and destruction that we would have such a beautiful stretch of cool, less humid weather. I have unfortunately only been able to enjoy the past two days of it. On Sept. 5th I underwent colon cancer surgery at East Jefferson General Hospital. Recovery has been somewhat difficult but I am doing much better now. A colostomy was performed which is planned to be temporary as the insides return to normal for future reattachment. Time will tell.

The slightly cooler temperatures may push some of your plants into a growth cycle. You might want to consider increasing your feeding schedules for those plants that are beginning their growth/bud cycles. Remember you don't want to overfeed. Just give them enough to help with the growth cycle. Although the slightly cooler temperatures are more comfortable, don't forget to start thinking of winter plans for your plants. It will be here before you know it. Let's hope we have another fairly mild winter.

Also, consider stocking up on any supplies you may need like pots, potting media, hangers, baskets, fertilizer. If you have one, check your greenhouse to assure that it is winter ready and make any repairs you may need.

Here's hoping we will have a long, comfortable fall! Let's get out and enjoy it!

Good growing,

Russel Deroche, Jr.

About This Month's Speaker
John Nelson
Louisiana Orchid Connection



Begun as a hobby in 2008, Louisiana Orchid Connection is the full time passion of co-founder Tin-Wein Yu supported part time by co-founder John Nelson. The nursery is now located on an acre and a third in central Baton Rouge, Louisiana. An original greenhouse rebuilt from a 100 year old steel frame in the 80's was augmented with a new 2000 square foot greenhouse built in the spring of 2013 and expanded again in 2014. We have added additional growing capacity each year since. Today we have about 5000 square feet full of orchids in 8 structures of various sizes.

Tin manages the growing operations. His expertise is in genetics. Nearly fifteen years of laboratory bench work using the tools of microbiology equip him to manage flasking and plant identification using DNA matching techniques. Tin travels regularly to Taiwan in search of quality plant stocks and to discuss trends in hybridizing in his native country among many experienced growers.

John draws on his experience in supply chain management, business development and general handyman skills to support the business and greenhouse operations.

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John will be bringing plants to sell.

AOS
Webinars

Greenhouse Chat, October 2017

Ron McHatton, Thursday, October 12, 2017

Join Ron McHatton who will discuss a variety of topics on orchid culture based on question submitted by attendees. Please send your questions to stillisch@cox.net by October 10th.

Register at <http://www.aos.org/all-about-orchids/webinars/chat/greenhouse-chat-october-2017.aspx>

Welcome
New Members

Ann Mathias

Robert Schmidt

Additional Greenhouse
Information at aos.org

You can find additional information at <http://www.aos.org/orchids/additional-resources/greenhouses.aspx>

Minutes of August 15, 2017 Meeting

7:40 PM - President Russel Deroche, Jr. called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved as published in the newsletter. For the convenience of tonight's guest speaker, the program will be presented before the break.

Reports:

- VP - Randy Johnson stated that the program for the September meeting will be a presentation on greenhouses by John Nelson of the Louisiana Orchid Connection. On the Saturday following the meeting, there will be a tour of greenhouses.
- Treasurer - Peggy White reported that the bank account was in good shape.
- Secretary - Ann Ebert asked persons wishing to join tonight to see her at the break to complete a membership form.
- Newsletter - Larry Hennessey asked for ideas for the newsletter.
- Membership - Molly Prokop asked members to see her if they wanted to order a name tag or T-shirt.
- Ian Hiler, out-of-town show committee chairman, was not present. Russel announced that NOOS would not be participating in the Central Louisiana Orchid Society Show in Pineville in September
- Raffle Table: Members and guests may buy chances for the plant raffle. You must be present to win. Members must sign the registration book to be eligible for the door prize. Only members may win the door prize.

Announcements

- Molly announced that she had been contacted by Beulah Oswald of Jefferson Beautification regarding a plant sale they are holding on September 14. If you wish to sell orchid or other plants at this sale, you must do so as an individual and not under NOOS's name. More information regarding the sale will be published in the September newsletter.
- Molly also announced that she brought several Cymbidium and Dendrobium divisions for members to take.
- Russel reminded everyone that there is an Orchid Basics session before every regular meeting. Orchid Basics begins at 6:45 p.m.
- Russel asked everyone to make sure that Ann E. has their birth date so that they can participate in the birthday raffle.
- Russel reminded everyone to participate in the plant judging during the break and to vote for best species flower, best hybrid flower and best grown plant.

Program: "The Story of White Cattleyas", presented by Jean Allen-Ikeson.

Break and Plant Voting

- Thank you Max for the cake and coffee.
- Russel reminded members to purchase raffle tickets if they haven't done so yet.

Minutes of August 15, 2017 Meeting continued

New Business:

- Russel announced that we will be raffling a \$25 Carter & Holmes gift certificate at the September meeting.

Judging Results

Carol Stauder won the birthday raffle.

Plant raffle and door prize. Eight plants and one door prize were raffled.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 19, at Lakeview Presbyterian Church Hall.

There were 33 members and 3 guest present. Russel thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:20 P.M.

August 2017 Table Judging Result

Award	Exhibitor	Plant
Best Grown 1st	Gary Crozat	E Fandango
Best Hybrid 1st	Pat Herbert	Ascocenda Thai Ruby
2nd	Gary Crozat	E Fandango
Best Species 1st	Carol & Arne Stauder	Phal violacea
2nd	Nancy Click	Encyilia tampensis
2nd	Carol Molero	Dendrobium oligophyllum