

# New Orleans Orchid Society's Newsletter



## February 2019

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### Meeting Notice:

Tuesday, February 19, 2019  
Lakeview Presbyterian Church  
[Google Maps: 5914 Canal Blvd](#)  
7:30pm

### Program:

Movie Night - Wild Orchid Man in the Devil's Real 7:30pm

### Orchid Basics Group Program:

TBD 6:45pm

## *This Month's Program Movie Night*

### *Wild Orchid Man in the Devil's Realm*

World renowned orchid taxonomist and artist Stig Dalstrom and award-winning filmmaker and composer Darryl Saffer travel to the Australian island of Tasmania seeking the strange and unique plants and animals that inhabit this amazing land. Stig Dalström explores Tasmania's history and culture as well as learning about the flora and fauna of the island. Many strange plants and animals inhabit this remote land and there is an ever-changing cast of orchids in flower.

## *Refreshment Committee*

Many thanks to Gayle Dellinger, Alice Bordelon, Randy Johnson, Nancy Click, Anna Maria Ball, and Russell Deroche for providing the cakes, drinks, and supplies for the January meeting.

As you have probably already read, Tuesday will be movie night. So Gary Crozat, Pat Herbert, Ann Ebert, Debbie Dinwiddie, Ginger Lefevre, and Anna Maria Ball will be providing snacks that you would eat at a movie theater. Come join us for the fun.

Diane Seidemann

## *Dues are now past due*

Dues were due January 1, 2019. Please plan on bringing a check to the meeting. Otherwise you will need to send a check to the society's P.O. Box, so the secretary can have you current with your dues for 2019. It makes the secretary's job a lot easier if they don't have to remind people to pay their dues month after month as the new year starts.

**Welcome  
New Member**

Jim Georgusis

**Upcoming Orchid  
Shows & Events**

**Mobile Area Orchid Society  
Show and Sale**

March 1 thru 3, 2019  
Bellingrath Gardens, AL

**SWROGA SPRING SHOW 2019**

Hosted by the Greater North Texas  
Orchid Society, March 8, 9  
Richardson Civic Center,  
Richardson Texas

**CENTRAL LOUISIANA ORCHID  
SOCIETY**

**SPRING SHOW AND SALE**

April 12, and 13, 2019  
Kees Park Community Center  
Pineville, Louisiana

**Upcoming  
AOS Webinars**

Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 7:30 – 8:30 PM

How do you buy the best plant for your collection?

Join Lois Cinert, AOS Judge, to learn how to recognize a good orchid.

**Did You Know?**

*reprinted from AOS Beginner's Newsletter*



*Dendrobium phalaenopsis*  
(syn. *Den. biggibum*)

In 1890 Frederick Sander ordered orchid hunter William Micholitz to New Guinea in search of a variety of *Dendrobium phalaenopsis* (then known as *Den. schroderianum*, now known as *Den. biggibum*) which was very coveted at the time. After suffering many difficulties he found himself a guest in a native village and was invited to watch a war dance. After awhile, he became bored and while walking about, stumbled across some ritual sacrifices. Feeling horrified and sick, he rushed towards the jungle where perched on the boughs of trees, *Den. phalaenopsis* was rediscovered. Large quantities were removed and readied for shipment to England. While en route, fire broke out on the ship and the precious cargo was lost. Ordered back to find more plants, Micholitz grudgingly returned to New Guinea and in June of the following year on some rocks in a small village, he once again found plants growing

on bare limestone between a large number of human skulls and bones. After bribing the reluctant natives with trinkets he had brought from England for this purpose, every plant in the area was collected. Despite his promise to Sander to not send any bones or skulls with his precious cargo, one plant attached to a skull arrived in England where it created quite a sensation when it was put up for auction.

Swinson, Arthur, Frederick Sander: *The Orchid King*, Hodder and Stoughton, London, 1970, pp. 103-106.

## **SIFT Species Identification Task Force**

AOS awards granted by AOS judges requiring taxonomic identification are the Certificate of Horticultural Merit (CHM), Certificate of Botanical Recognition (CBR), the first award given to a species regardless of awards category, and in special cases, when one or more judge questions the identify of a particular plant. These awards are held as provisional awards pending the taxonomic verification by a botanical authority acceptable to the AOS before they can be processed by the Awards Registrar. Preserved flowers and/or photographs may be submitted to the Species Identification Task Force.

Identification verifications are available through the SITF for all CBR, CHM, or quality awards to a species that have never been recorded by the AOS judging system. Verifications are also given for provisional awards of species. The hope is that eventually all species awards will be passed through the SITF. The judging center, exhibitor, or whoever desires, can send submissions directly to the SITF. The SITF provides the following guidelines. Often we can make do with less, but if we need additional information after you've made the initial submission, the flowers may

have faded and it may be too late.

Carefully measure and record on the online SITF form or send along a jpg copy of the award sheet - please don't send PDF's ,Word files, etc.

Record the country of origin or anything known about how the exhibitor got the specimen (which vendor).

If the plant has been previously identified by an authority, or if the judging team or the exhibitor used a reference in making their determination, please include this information. Include any information that you think might help us.

Take pictures of the whole plant; flower, front and side; the lip and its features; and the column, including the underside and side. More pictures are better than fewer. Including a ruler in the photographs is helpful. These photographs do not need to be taken the day of the award, or taken by the award photographer.

We recommend that you try your best to document the flower without destroying it, though often it is the details of the lip and column that define one species from another. Determine if the exhibitor could take more photos if it were required, and if this is possible have the more detailed photos taken at a later date.

SITF tries to do most verifications with photographs but occasionally we need pickled material. The smaller the flower, the more likely we are to require a pickled specimen. If additional flowers and a pickling solution are handy, the exhibitor should consider preserving flowers.

Submit all information via the online SITF form or via email as JPGs to [awardid@aos.org](mailto:awardid@aos.org). Please downsize the photos to about 640 x 480 or similar, but keep the original large file if we need it. Please place the species name, award number and the judging center name somewhere in the email.

## ***Minutes of January 19, 2019 Meeting***

President J.D. Breaux called the meeting to order.

### **Reports:**

- Treasurer – Peggy White gave a brief report.
- Secretary – Ann Ebert asked members to pay their 2019 dues; \$20.00 for an individual, \$25.00 for a household.
- Newsletter – editor Larry Hennessey was not present.

### **Announcements:**

- Ann Roth announced that, in addition to orchid plants, there was a variety of orchid growing media available on the raffle table tonight.
- New member Jim Georgusis introduced himself to the membership.
- Molly Prokop asked members who wanted to order NOOS name tags or NOOS shirts to see her. She said that the minimum order she can place is for six shirts so she must wait until she gets six requests before she places an order.

**Old Business:** None

### **New Business:**

- The Gulf Coast Orchid Society Show is January 25 – 27, in Gautier, Mississippi. We need volunteers to take down our exhibit at the end of the show.
- Randy Johnson, Gary Crozat and J.D. Breaux have formed a Program Committee, which will be responsible for finding speakers and setting up the presentations for our monthly meetings. They are requesting additional members to join this committee and provide some assistance.
- We need a person or committee to coordinate our exhibits at out-of-town shows.
- Carol Stauder received a request from the Day Lily Society for someone to speak at their meeting on Saturday March 23, at 9:00 a.m. at the Jefferson Parish Library. If you are interested, please see Carol.
- The Mobile Orchid Society show will be March 1 -3.
- J.D. reminded everyone to sign in so that they will be eligible to win the door prize. He also reminded everyone to buy raffle tickets and to vote in tonight's table judging.

### **Break and Plant Judging**

J.D. thanked Gayle Dellinger, Alice Bordelon, Nancy Click and Randy Johnson for providing tonight's refreshments.

## ***MINUTES OF 01/15/2019 MEETING continued***

**Program:** “12 Months of Orchids”, presented by guest speaker Peter Lin.

Ann Roth presented the table judging results. She stated that plants need to be registered by 7:00 p.m. on meeting night in order to be eligible for monthly judging.

Plant raffle and door prize. Cindy Revisore won the birthday raffle

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, February 19.

The meeting was adjourned.

### ***January 2019 Table Judging Result***

Award	Exhibitor	Plant
Best Grown 1st	Sara Duarte	Epidendrum stamfordianum
2nd	Jim Georgusis	Blc. Glorious May
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jim Georgusis	Bc. Maikai
Best Hybrid 1st	Gary Crozat	Rlc. Pratum Green 'Boonserm'
2nd	Eli Sproles	Rlc. Miya's Radiance 'Honolulu'
3 <sup>rd</sup>		
Best Species 1st	Sara Duarte	Epidendrum stamfordianum
2nd		
3rd		
Best 1st		
2nd		
3rd		

## Upcoming AOS Webinars

Congratulations to the crew that set up and all those who contributed plants to the NOOS exhibit at the Gulf Coast Orchid Society Show . Carol Stauder, Marian Prigmore, Ann Roth, Gary Crozat made the trek over to Gautier Mississippi to put up a 35 square foot exhibit. The exhibit garnered eleven 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbons, seven 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and three 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbons. Ann Roth's Cymbidium got the Tricolor ribbon for best Cymbidium in the show. Two plants got pulled for AOS judging with one getting a provisional Certificate of Horticultural Merit (CHM).



*Calanthe rubens 'Joy's Wish' CHM/AOS 82 pts*

### NOOS Results at Gulf Coast Orchid Society Show

Owner	Plant	Class	Place
Ann Roth	Cymbidium Vanessa Amorosi 'Pink Paradise'	81B Cym. Hybrid	1 <sup>st</sup> Best Cymbidium
	Cattleya Melody Fair 'Carol' HCC/AOS	20 Semi-alba Cattleya	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Paphiopedilum haynaldianum	28 Multi flower Paph	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Dendrobium Hawaiian Punch	86A Antelope Dendrobium hybrids	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	C. Hsinying Max-walker	101 First bloom seedling	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Carol & Arne Stauder	Bc. Maikai 'Louise' AM/AOS	17 Small Lavendar Cat	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Paphiopedilum liltii	29 Sequential Paph	1st
	Paphiopedilum Heeder Fladder	30 White Paph hybrid	1st
	Vanda Orquida Santos	61B Small Orange/Yellow Vanda	1st
	Dendrobium Pixie Princess 'H&R' AM/AOS	86A Antelope Dendrobium hybrids	1st
	Broughtonia negrilensis	13 Broughtonias	2nd
	Angraecum Orchidglade	59 Angraecums	2nd Pulled for AOS judging
	Masdevallia oscitans	89 Masdevallia species	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Vanda Orquida Santos	101 First bloom seedling	3rd	
Pat Herbert	Paphiopedilum primulinum	29 Sequential Paph	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Larry Hennessey	Bulbophyllum monanthum	97 Bulbophyllums	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Calanthe rubens 'Joy's Wish' CHM/AOS	98A Other Miscellaneous	1st Awarded CHM/AOS
Jim Georgusis	Vanda Suphan Pink	62B Small Pink/Red Vanda	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Dtps. Pulcherrima v. equestris	43 Phal species	3rd
Patricia Sander	Vanda lilacina	60A Vanda species	1st
	Rnet. Sunrise 'Prasong'	66 Renanthera hybrids	1 <sup>st</sup>



*NOOS Exhibit at the Gulf Coast Orchid Society Show*



*Denrobium Jairak Rainbow 'Harry's Delight'  
AM/AOS*



*Angraecum Crestwood CCM/AOS*