

New Orleans Orchid Society's Newsletter



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Meeting Notice:

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 6:30pm
Lakeview Presbyterian Church
5914 Canal Blvd, New Orleans, LA

Program:

First Ladies and Their Cattleyas
Arthur Chadwick, Chadwick Orchids

Orchid Basics: 6:30pm



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President's Message

Spring is here (we hope!) In my hometown, snow can still be seen as late as Easter! I get the same bug to run to my favorite fabulous area nurseries and get to planting!! I don't think I've ever met a plant I didn't like(ask my husband!)—but sometimes I get into a bit of a rush—picturing beautiful blooms, luscious tomatoes and fragrant herbs—along with all those orchids that are happy to stay outside! I encourage everyone to look at upcoming volunteer opportunities—we have lots going on!! We need folks to offer their expertise at the City Park Spring Garden Show April 6-7. Also around the corner, we need help breaking down the exhibit at the Terrebone show in Houma April 14! Also on tap, we are so fortunate to have Cattleya expert and author Arthur Chadwick at our upcoming meeting. Please bring your pocketbook and make plans to attend! Finally, I truly hope everyone is enjoying the new meeting “experiences” we are trying! Thanks to Ann Roth, Shea, Nancy and Patricia for last month's great response!! Happy Growing!

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Denise Emmer

This month's speaker Arthur Chadwick



Join us Tuesday March 19th as we welcome Art Chadwick, renowned cattleya expert and author of "The Classic Cattleyas." Art is the co-owner of Chadwick Orchids in Richmond VA and will speak on "First Ladies and Their Cattleyas" which is the subject of his soon-to-be released book. In order to spend as much time as possible learning from Art there will not be an Orchid Basics this month. Please plan to arrive at 6:30PM to enjoy refreshments and camaraderie. Remember that plants must be registered PRIOR to 6:30 to be eligible for judging. The meeting will start promptly at 7:00. See you at Lakeview Presbyterian Church, 5914 Canal Blvd. Bring cash or checks to purchase Art's beautiful cattleyas and pre-order his book!

City Park Spring Garden Show

We are excited to share that the New Orleans Orchid Society will be hosting an "Ask an Orchid Expert" educational table inside the conservatory during the City Park Spring Garden Show on Saturday and Sunday April 6th and 7th. We will answer questions, hand out culture sheets, solicit new members and serve as the Passport Station for the Orchid collection. This is a great opportunity to interact with other gardeners, share our knowledge and enjoy a beautiful spring weekend. Did we mention you get into the show for free the day you volunteer? The show is open from 9AM to 4PM both Saturday and Sunday. We are asking volunteers to commit to a 2 hour shift starting at 8:30AM each day. Please contact Susan Goss directly to volunteer. There will also be a signup sheet at the March meeting. Susan@goss@gmail.com or 312-504-4499

2024 Dues are past due

Dues were due January 1, 2024. 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 2024. Members not up to date will be dropped from the rolls and no longer be eligible to participate in table judging and shows.

Upcoming Orchid Shows & Events

Calcasieu Orchid Society Show "Picture Perfect Orchids"

April 5 - 7, 2024

Cash and Carry Building Historic Event
Center

801 Enterprise Blvd, Lake Charles, LA

City Park Spring Garden Show

April 6 - 7, 2024

New Orleans Botanical Garden
5 Victory Ave, New Orleans, LA

Terrebonne Orchid Society Show

"Orchids: Hidden Gems"

April 12 - 14, 2024

Southland Mall
5953 West Park Avenue, Houma, LA

Results from the Mobile Orchid Society Show



Mobile Orchid Society Show Results			
Owner	Plant	Class	Place
Carol & Arne Stauder	Psychopsis Pavane	86	1 st , Tricolor, Trophy Best Oncidium, Pulled for AOS Judging
	Tolumnia Robsan	84	1 st , Tricolor
	Encyvola Phoenix 'Kona' AM/AOS	12	1 st , Tricolor, Pulled for AOS Judging
	Vanda Kulwadee Fragrance	70	1 st
	Holc. subulifolium x Rhy. gigantea	75	1 st
	Rntda. Sunrise 'Prasong' AM/AOS		1 st
	Vanda Dainty	75	2 nd
Susan Goss	Brassavola nodosa	13	3 rd
John Pickles	Cymbidium Sweetheart 'Sensation	88	2 nd
Pat Herbert	Phal. Chi Yueh Badhisattva 'Bravo'	51	1 st , Tricolor, Trophy Best Phalaenopsis
	Phal. Lianher Happy Dancer	54	1 st
	Phal. mannii 'Black' AM/Aos	48	2 nd
	Phal. Fantasia Prince 'French Connection'	51	3 rd
Molly Prokop	Rlc Prada Green Delux 'Carib' AM/AOS	23	1 st
	Dendrobium Fire Wings	91A	2 nd
Larry Hennessey	Paph. Cloud's Prime Crystal	33	1 st
	Schoenorchis [Sns.] juncifolia	77	1 st
	Paph. Hernetta Fujiwara	77	2 nd
	Polystachya neobenthamia	109	2 nd

Congrats to Susan Goss for chairing the display setup which won a blue ribbon for the best 25 sq. ft. society exhibit. A total of 19 out of the 21 plants in the exhibit won a ribbon.

Minutes of February 20, 2024 Meeting

President Denise Emmer called the meeting to order and introduced guests. She and Vice-President Susan Goss gave instructions for registering for tonight's auction. Denise reminded everyone about the new format for our meetings. Orchid basics, table judging, and refreshments are being combined into one time period at the beginning of the meeting, followed by the business meeting and program. Denise asked for member feedback regarding the new format.

Reports

- Vice President Susan Goss presented fun facts about some NOOS members. She also announced the programs for the upcoming meetings. She asked members to sign up to volunteer for the following committees: Refreshments, Programs, Membership and Education & Community Outreach.
- Treasurer Gayle Dellinger was not present, so Denise gave a report on the current bank balance.
- Secretary Ann Ebert stated that she will be sending out an updated membership roster to everyone in March.

Old Business:

- The NOOS exhibit won second place at the Gulf Coast Orchid Society Show.
- Mobile Orchid Show is February 24 and 25. Susan has volunteered to set up and takedown a tabletop exhibit. Wendy and Steve Shimmin also volunteered to help.
- Debbie Dinwiddie reminded everyone that in order to accumulate end of the year points for monthly table judging, you must provide the parentage of the plants you are exhibiting.
- Denise stated that a NOOS budget is forthcoming and that NOOS donations to various organizations still need to be sent.

New Business:

- Upcoming shows:
 - Mobile Show: February 24 and 25. Susan, the Shimmins and Randy Johnson will be setting up and taking down.
 - Terrebonne Show: April 13 to 14. Marian Prigmore and Susan will be setting up.
- Program Chair Reports:
 - Shea Trahan, Social Media Chair, said that he will be circulating a survey among the membership sometime in the future to get their input regarding what they want regarding social media.
 - NOOS Show Chair Marian Prigmore announced that our show will take place May 31, June 1 and June 2 at Lakeside Mall. There will be chances to sign up for various volunteer opportunities at upcoming meetings.

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Minutes of February 20, 2024 Meeting continued

Program: Live auction of orchid plants and orchid-related books and items. Our auctioneer extraordinaire was Ann Roth.

Plant judging results were presented by Nancy Dempsey.
Plant raffle, birthday raffle and door prize.

The meeting was adjourned.