

# SWROGA

South West Regional Orchid Growers Association



SPRING 2012 NEWSLETTER

## President's Message

Hello SWROGA members,

I hope to see many of you at the upcoming AOS/SWROGA show in Wichita, KS. I know that the Kansas Orchid Society people have put together a great show. Here again we have the opportunity to support our SWROGA society and attend their show. This will be my last time as your president so I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone that has helped during my term. Don Maples will be the new incoming president and I hope you give him all the support he needs.

SWROGA President  
Lowell McCabe



## SWROGA Achievement Award

I would like use my space to explain an honor you may or may not be fully familiar with, the SWROGA Achievement Award. This award was created subsequent to the efforts of an ad hoc committee chaired by Lena Parker in 1992. The purpose of the award is to recognize extraordinary members and their efforts in behalf of SWROGA.

Past honorees are:

1993 Fred Strothman  
1998 Ed Wright  
2000 Byron McGraw  
2003 Kathy Wright  
2004 Burrell Gambel  
2006 Carolyn McCabe  
2007 Doris McGraw

Conditions and procedures are as follows:  
Any member can nominate a potential recipient (living or dead). Nominations are made by letter to the SWROGA President, and should list the nominee's accomplishments. The letter must be received by the President at least 60 days prior to the next meeting to be considered. The letter is then circulated to SWROGA officers for their recommendation. If recommended by the officers, the nomination is presented to the Board of Directors for approval, to be presented as soon as possible.

This is the Cliff's Notes version. The details may be found in the SWROGA Procedures Manual (In the SWROGA directory).

SWROGA President  
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## South West Regional Orchid Growers Association

### Welcome proposed slate of new officers to be voted on at the April meeting

President	Don Maples
President-Elect	John Stubbings
Vice President	Emily Quinn
Treasurer	Carolyn McCabe
Secretary	Linda Horton
Editor	Sheila Skov
Member-at-Large	
Of Continuing	
Operating Committee	Lena Parker

### Secretary - Linda Horton

I have been growing orchids since the mid '80s when daughter Emily (Quinn) became interested in them and gave me one for my birthday. Of course the first thing I did was throw away that ugly tag and asked the landmark question, "How do I take care of it?". That started a long relationship with orchids in general then blossomed into a judging career that I shared with Emily. I have a hobby greenhouse that keeps me busy along with my job as a RN Transfer Coordinator for the Baylor Health Care System. My husband Hank, used to help in the greenhouse but his health does not allow that anymore. I have 3 grown children and 6 grandchildren.

### President - Don Maples

Born in Bryan, Texas (Dad was the Aggie). BS from Ohio University, MBA from Sul Ross State University, and MSSM from University of Southern California. Retired US Army Lieutenant Colonel. Working at Texas A&M University Student Counseling Service toward a second retirement. Hobby--→ Orchid growing, built 2 greenhouses. Accredited Judge with American Orchid Society. Attended 2 World Orchid Conferences (one in New Zealand and one in Miami, Florida). Judge shows in 5 state area as well as nationally. Attend monthly training meetings in Houston. Wife, Linda and I, plus 1 dog and 2 cats live in College Station.

### Vice-President - Emily Quinn

Emily Quinn associated with the GNTOS and the DJC. Been growing orchids for decades. Decided preference for living orchids. Newly elevated accredited judge, active in Dallas.





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### **President Elect - John Stubbings**

Retired chemical/environmental engineer formerly working in specialty chemical plants. Clown Alley Orchids is the family business started in 1986 near Chicago. In September 2005 he re-opened the orchid business with a full time retail shop in Pasadena, Texas where the greenhouse space is much larger. John is the chief grower and hybridizer. John has been growing orchids starting indoors under lights and in windowsills in 1979. He built his first lean-to greenhouse in 1986 and then a larger freestanding greenhouse in 1996. John concentrates his orchid hybridizing work in Cattleyas, Phalaenopsis and Galeandra. John has registered over 15 Galeandra hybrids, 30 Phalaenopsis hybrids and two Cattleya hybrids. Past president of the IPA. Fully accredited AOS judge since 1991. He was a director or officer of the Illinois Orchid Society for over 20 consecutive years. He was President of the [Houston Orchid Society](#) for 2010 after serving two years as Vice-President. John gives lectures or presentations throughout the world to various orchid and botanical or garden groups.

### **Treasurer - Carolyn McCabe**

Carolyn and Lowell bought their first orchid at a SWROGA show hosted by the Oklahoma Orchid Society (OOS) in Oklahoma City, OK, in November 1995. They attended their first meeting of the OOS in January 1996 and have missed no more than a couple meetings. As has happened to others, their collection expanded rapidly and exponentially to over 2500 species and hybrids. Carolyn attended her first SWROGA Directors meeting at the spring show hosted by the Tulsa Orchid Society in Tulsa, OK, in 1998 and has not missed a meeting since. At that first meeting, she was elected SWROGA Secretary. She served as secretary until the spring meeting in Lafayette, LA, at which time she was elected SWROGA Treasurer and has served as treasurer up to the present time. Along with her duties as treasurer, Carolyn has published an annual SWROGA Membership Directory beginning in 2001. She also has maintains a database with the official SWROGA mailing list for which the treasurers of the affiliated societies in the Region provide updates to her each year. The list is used to assure that all members receive the SWROGA news and other published orchid events within the Region. At the fall 2006 members meeting, hosted by the Heart O' Texas Orchid Society, in Austin, TX, Carolyn was presented the prestigious SWROGA Outstanding Service Award. Carolyn enjoys the benefits of serving the SWROGA community and hopes to be able to continue being of service for many years to come.





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### **Member-at-Large, Continuing Operating Committee - Lena parker**

Retired from interiorscape business in 2001 after founding and owning it for 18 years. a licensed Louisiana Horticulturist, and certified Interior Landscape Professional from the Associated Landscape Contractors of America. Has been growing orchids for more than thirty years. Past President and board member of Friends of the Barnwell Center. Past President of the Shreveport Orchid Society. Past President of SWROGA. Has been awarded the American Orchid Society's distinguished Achievement Award. Accredited American Orchid Society Judge. Served on Board of Directors of American Orchid Society for 8 years.

### **Newsletter Editor - Sheila Skov**

Born and raised in El Salvador, came to the United States in 1980. Received my Bachelor's in communications from the University of Houston 1995. Served in the US Army Reserve and received an Honorable discharge. I got my MBA in 2000 from Le Tourneau University. My husband and I started our business Orchids & Tropicals, LLC in 2001. I do the administrative side of the business as well as developed & maintain our website. I also developed & maintain other non-profit (garden related) websites. My husband is the one with the green thumb. We are both members of the AOS, HOS and the GOS.

### **SWROGA Newsletter Input**

All newsletter input WELCOME!  
If you would like to contribute an article, photos, society events, culture tips, etc. Please contact the newsletter editor Sheila Skov 281-286-1471 or [orchids.tropicals@sbcglobal.net](mailto:orchids.tropicals@sbcglobal.net). All SWROGA members are encouraged to participate. This is a great opportunity for all of SWROGA to know what is going on with you and your society. The newsletter is published six weeks before the upcoming SWROGA meeting.







## South West Regional Orchid Growers Association

### SWROGA Show Scheduling

SWROGA does not wish to dictate exact timing of the show to sponsoring societies, but rather desires collaboration with societies to make their show a success. The options attached are for discussion and planning only and NOT directive in nature. There exist many issues that must be considered for a successful show. All issues must come together to provide the best possible experience for the grower, exhibitor, seller, the public and the host society. The host venue and the judges also play a role.

Please review the attached options and use the one that will work best for your society. These are by no means the only options that will work. AOS plant judging can be accomplished in a separate area while the public views the exhibits. The only important issue is to allow exhibit judging before the public has access. Plants may be pulled from exhibits for AOS plant judging if necessary. As we go through this change process, it is important to remember that this is a change that we want to make work for everyone. We may have to make changes "on the fly" to ensure a smooth show. It is a host society show.

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### SWROGA Show Scheduling cont'd.

#### Proposed Option A

##### Friday

4/5 PM registration of plants/exhibits closes  
7 PM to 8 PM SWROGA Committee Meeting (Open to the public).  
8 PM to 9 PM SWROGA General Meeting (Open to the public).

##### Saturday

7 AM to 8 AM Affiliated Societies breakfast (Open to SWROGA members--- Registration for breakfast required)(Host society may conduct silent auction benefitting their society).  
8 AM Ribbon judging begins, followed by AOS judging which may be in a different location.  
9 AM Sales area open if different area from exhibits.  
11 AM Exhibit area open.

#### Open scheduling

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### Treasurer's Report

See full report in the SWROGA directory or on the SWROGA website. [www.swroga.org](http://www.swroga.org)





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### **SWROGA Show Scheduling cont'd.**

#### **Proposed Option B**

##### **Friday**

4/5 PM Registration of plants/exhibits closes.

7 PM to 8 PM SWROGA Committee Meeting (Open to the public).

##### **Saturday**

7 AM to 8 AM Affiliated Societies Breakfast (Open to SWROGA members--- Registration for breakfast required)(Host society may conduct silent auction benefitting their society).

8 AM to ? Ribbon judging followed by AOS judging (AOS judging may be in different area than exhibits).

9 AM to 5 PM Sales area open (if different from exhibit area).

11 AM to 5 PM Exhibit area open.

1 PM to 2 PM SWROGA Director's Meeting

#### **Open scheduling**

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### **SWROGA Show Scheduling cont'd.**

#### **Proposed Option C**

##### **Friday**

4/5 PM Registration of plants/exhibits closes.

##### **Saturday**

7 AM to 8 AM Affiliated Societies breakfast (Open to SWROGA members--- Registration for breakfast required)(Host society may conduct silent auction benefitting their society).

8 AM Ribbon judging begins, followed by AOS judging which may be in a different location.

9 AM Sales area open (if different area from exhibits).

11 AM Exhibit area open.

1 PM to 2 PM SWROGA Committee Meeting (Open to the public).

2 PM to 3 PM SWROGA General Meeting (Open to the public).

#### **Open scheduling**





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### **Southwest Regional Orchid Growers Association Minutes of the 101st Directors and Membership Meeting October 29, 2011**

The SWROGA Directors and Membership meeting was held in the Omni Hotel, San Antonio, Texas on Saturday October 29, 2011. President Lowell McCabe called the meeting to order at 1 PM. Carolyn McCabe reported that a quorum was present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and seconded.

#### Committee Reports

Affiliated Societies Committee: Lena Parker – No report.

AOS Rep:- Billie Beck Kramer - Not present.

Bylaws & Judiciary Committee: Lois Dauelsberg reported that Olie Garrison has resigned as president elect. A committee of 3 members, Ian Hiler, Lois Dauelsberg and Sandy Stubbings as chair met. Don Maples has accepted to act as Olie's replacement until the slate of new officers has been elected. They will also be updating the SWROGA Procedures manual before the next meeting. The SWROGA Trophy procedure will be incorporated and other changes will be recommended. The procedures Manual should be on the web site along with the by-laws.

Conservation Committee: Linda Horton – Discussed the possibility of sending a form letter to universities in the SWROGA region asking for information on any orchid conservation activities. It was also suggested the conservation and research committees be combined.

Continuing Operations Committee: Lowell McCabe - No report.

Programs and Education Committee: Patsy Boersma – Don Maples reported progress on digitalizing slide programs. It is a very difficult process; many old slides do not reproduce well. Three programs have been completed.

Publications: Mark Sanborn - No Report.

Research Committee: Richard Jameson -No Action.

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### **Meeting minutes cont'd.**

Show Committee: - Don Maples reported results of survey regarding changing the time allotted for AOS & ribbon judging at SWROGA shows. Response in general was very poor and the preference was split between making no change in the time (keeping it Friday night) and moving the time to Saturday morning. It will be discussed and voted on at the next general meeting.

Show Tags: Don Maples reported for Karlene Sanborn – No quorum.

Auditor: - Julius Klehm –Not present, letter read to directors. Audit performed and records are in good order.

Treasurer's Report: Carolyn McCabe presented the Annual Financial Report for approval. Printed report provided to directors present.

### New Business

Nominating Committee -Sheila Skov presented the slate of officers as follows:

- President – Don Maples
- President Elect – John Stubbings
- Vice President – Emily Quinn
- Treasurer – Carolyn McCabe
- Secretary – Linda Horton
- Editor – Sheila Skov
- Member at large for continuing operations committee – Lena Parker

Vote of Shreveport for the 2012 fall meeting – carried.

Mark Sanborn resigned as Publications chair. Sheila Skov has agreed to take over Publications chair for the Spring 2012 newsletter.

We still need a research committee chair.

No further new business. The Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Linda Horton

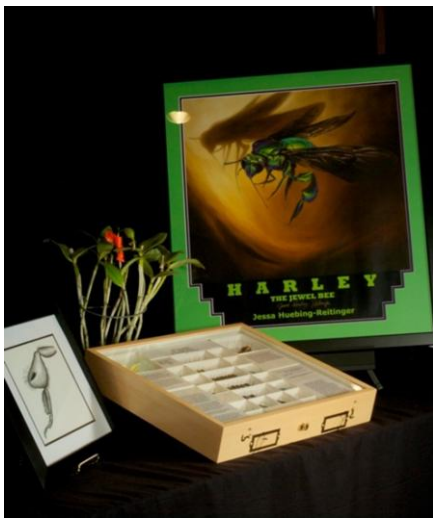




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## PHOTO GALLERY



Educational Orchid Exhibit  
90 points  
Exhibitor: Ed Gage, Helotes, TX

Photography by Charlotte Randolph



*Paph. charlesworthii* v. *alba*  
'Haley Suzanne' AM, 81 points  
Owner: Glen Decker, Galway, NY



*Cycnoches* Swan Cascade 'Max' HCC 78 Pts  
(Female Flowers) (cooperi 'Sunset Valley  
Orchids III' FCC/AOS x Jean E. Monnier '#2')  
Owner: Max Thompson

Photography by Karl A. Siegler



HCC 77 Pts. *Epidendrum peperomia* 'Bryon'  
(Syn *Epi porpax*) (species from Mexico/South America);  
Owner: Bryon Rinke





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### **HOTOS Press Release**

#### Last Weekend in April Brings an Exotic Orchid Show and Sale to Austin, TX

Exotic orchids are a prime example of Mother Nature at her best! An exciting gardening event will be taking place the weekend of the 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> here in Austin, TX. The Heart O' Texas Orchid Society, founded in 1961, is proud to present the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Orchid Show and Sale at the Zilker Botanical Gardens/Austin Area Garden Center. If orchids have always intrigued you, or you simply need somewhere fun and different to take the family on that spring weekend, make plans to attend. Who wouldn't adore a calming whiff of the tropics, and perhaps some enchanting blooms to place in the kitchen window back at home? For those of you who have received an orchid as a gift, but have no idea how to urge it to rebloom, this is a great opportunity to not only learn how, but also visit with numerous vendors from around the state who will be selling their wares. On Saturday and Sunday, visitors can peruse the winning selections, and judge for yourselves the extraordinary beauty of these desirable plants from around the world. The major varieties of species and hybrid orchids that grow well in Texas will be for sale, as well as free cultural information sheets to help you keep the items you purchase thriving. Surprisingly, orchids easily grow well here in Austin. Admission to the event is free and the public is encouraged to attend. Zilker parking is \$3.00 per vehicle. Donations to support these educational efforts of the Heart O' Texas Orchid Society are appreciated. For a complete schedule of events, or for more information, contact: Geoffrey Frost at (512) 413-3199 or e-mail [geoffreyfrost@yahoo.com](mailto:geoffreyfrost@yahoo.com). Or get a preview of coming attractions online at <http://www.hotos.org>. We meet monthly at Zilker Gardens Center on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm, so no need to wait until April!

### **HOS Press Release**

Intrigued by orchids? Come to HMNS to learn about the wonderful world of these fabulous flowers at the Houston Orchid Society's annual Show and Sale !

HMNS Grand Hall

Saturday, April 21, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, April 22, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Museum is hosting the Houston Orchid Society's annual Spring Show and Sale this April. During this two day event, which is free to the public, patrons will be able to enjoy 20 lavish exhibits featuring orchids, orchid arrangements, corsages, orchid collectables and educational information. The orchids and the exhibits will be officially judged before the show opens, with first, second and third place ribbons and trophies awarded to the best orchids and best exhibits.

In addition to the exhibits, there will be 9 commercial sales booths selling orchids to the public, with vendors both local and exotic from as far away as Hawaii .





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*The Houston Orchid Society  
2012 Spring Show & Sale*

*Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.*

*Sunday April 22<sup>nd</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.*

*Free Admission*



*Houston Museum of Natural Science Lobby  
One Hermann Circle Drive  
Houston, Texas 77030*





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HEART O' TEXAS ORCHID SOCIETY'S  
41<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL SHOW & PLANT SALE,  
"Orchid heaven"

Heart O' Texas Orchid Society  
*Invites you to attend*

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, April  
28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
Zilker Botanical Gardens Center  
2220 Barton Springs Road  
Austin, Texas  
(512) 477-8672  
Show & Plant Sale: 10:00am – 5:00pm  
Saturday & 10:00am – 4:00pm Sunday  
Admission: Free  
Public is encouraged to attend!

Information:  
Geoffrey Frost (512) 413-3199  
web-site: [www.hotos.org](http://www.hotos.org)





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***Orchids Over the Rainbow!***

The Kansas Orchid Society will host  
the spring meetings of the  
**American Orchid Society** and the  
**Southwest Regional Orchid  
Growers Association**  
during their Show and Sale  
April 25-29, 2012  
at the Hyatt Regency Wichita

International Phalaenopsis Alliance  
Slipper Orchid Alliance  
Pleurothallid Alliance

Registration and lodging information:  
[www.kansasorchidsociety.com](http://www.kansasorchidsociety.com)

Show Chair: Max Thompson [mxrt@cos.net](mailto:mxrt@cos.net)  
Bryon Rink: [brinke@cos.net](mailto:brinke@cos.net)

***Speakers Include:***

Keynote speaker: Dr. Leonid Averyanov,  
'Orchids of Vietnam: Ecology of Ornamental Species'

Alan Koch, 'Species Habitat and Hybrid Culture'

Robert Fuchs, 'Vandaceous Intergeneric Hybrids'

Dr. Ray Cloyd, 'Pests of Orchids'

Bryon Rink, 'Phalaenopsis lobbii and parishii,  
the species and hybrids'

Patricia Harding, 'Brazilian Oncidium'

Norito Hasegawa, 'What's New in Paphs'

***Vendors:***

Gold Country Orchids

Michel Orchid Nursery

Paphanatics

Bonagenera

Birds Botanicals

Prairie Orchids

Andy's Orchids

Orchid Inn

Oak Hill Gardens



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