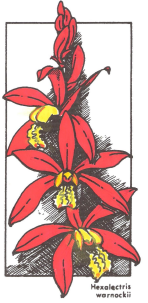




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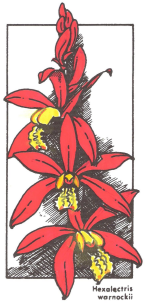


SPRING 2014 NEWSLETTER

### President's Message

SWROGA is back on track---at least for spring shows. Our next SWROGA show will be held in Benton, Arkansas hosted by the Arkansas Orchid Society. Let's all support and enjoy the hospitality of this talented society and the wonders of the Ozarks! Which society will step forward for the fall show? This will be my last meeting as your President. I want to thank each of you for your continued support during the past two years. I know you will join me in supporting John Stubbings for the next two years. As with any organization, the officers, committee members, directors and volunteers make the organization run smoothly. Please consider one of these positions to make SWROGA grow even larger. The work is not onerous and gives everyone a chance to meet new orchidists. I remember my first encounter with SWROGA at a wonderful show held in Wichita, Kansas. I went to a SWROGA members' meeting and have enjoyed committee work and meeting and learning about orchids from other members ever since. I know that traveling to other cities and towns can be tedious and sometimes expensive. However, it is well worth every minute when you can meet new members and listen to their growing experiences. Everyone has ideas and SWROGA needs those ideas in order to remain available to our affiliated societies. SWROGA grows and changes as ideas are discussed and ultimately approved. Some of the improvements enacted recently have been lower fees (one fee rather than per member), continued changes to the show schedule by Dr. Karlene Sanborn and the show committee, allowing all receipts from auctions to go to the host society instead of half of the receipts, release of updated digitized programs by Lowell and Carolyn McCabe for societies to use as training/programs, beautiful and artistic newsletters authored by Sheila Skov, children's programs designed by Sandy Stubbings and continued financial stability of SWROGA provided by the diligence and expertise of Carolyn McCabe. At the spring Director's meeting, one of the agenda items will be to nominate and elect new officers to support the incoming president. Come ready to share your thoughts, experiences and nominations. If you recognize other members from your society, bring them to the meeting and introduce them. See you in Benton and thanks again for your support.

**Don Maples**  
**SWROGA President**



## Orchids imitating Life or Life imitating Orchids



Monkey face orchid



Bee orchid



flying ducks orchid



bird face orchid



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### SWROGA Programs for Affiliated Societies

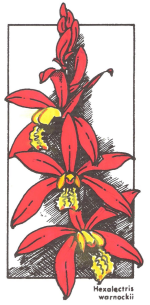
If your society needs a presentation, please contact Lowell McCabe. He informed us that he is working on converting the old slide presentations to PowerPoint. So far he has completed 30 and he's got a lot more work to do. The titles for the presentations will be in the 2014 SWROGA directory. If you have a presentation you would be willing to share with SWROGA, please send it to him.

Lowell may be reached at 405-899-4228 or [orchids@mbo.net](mailto:orchids@mbo.net). This is a labor of love! We would like to thank Lowell for his continued service and dedication.

### 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 409-925-1420 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. Please let us hear from you!



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### SWROGA Achievement Award



This is 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

2012 Don Maples

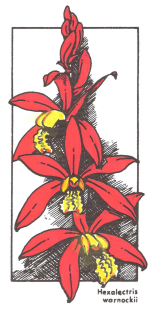
**2013 Julius Khlem**

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 Continuing Operating Committee 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).





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### **Southwest Regional Orchid Growers Association 105th Directors and Membership Meeting Minutes**

The SWROGA Directors and Membership meeting was held at the Theatre, Shreveport, LA on Friday November 1, 2013. President Don Maples called the meeting to order at 7:45PM. Carolyn McCabe reported a quorum present with 14 clubs represented.

A moment of silence was held in remembrance of those who have passed away since the last meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were posted on the website and there was one correction. Carolyn McCabe

noted that the future dues due date was to be March 31.

#### Committee Reports

Affiliated Societies Committee: Lena Parker – We are still looking for committee members. One of the primary jobs of this committee is to find societies to host SWROGA shows, since no one signed on for this Fall 2013 we decided to show how it might be done with less money, time and energy investment. This meeting was put together with no goodie bags, formal banquet, or speakers. Lena turned the mike over to Jean Brewton of Tyler to float a suggestion that Trophies could be either physical or monetary. Jean requested commentary. Discussion followed both pro and con. Lena received back the mike and reported hosting of Spring of 2014 was requested by Arkansas Orchid Society and the Spring 2015 by Tyler Orchid Society. Lena moved to approve these two events. Passed. She further reiterated that no one has as yet volunteered for the Fall of 2014.

AOS Rep: Billie Beck Kramer – No report – absent. Don Maples requested a volunteer to replace Billie. John Stubbings volunteered.

Bylaws & Judiciary Committee: Julius Khlem – No report.

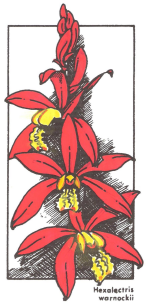
Conservation Committee: Charlie Hess – Discussion held in conjunction with Research Committee which will be addressed in the Research Committee report.

Programs and Education Committee: Lowell McCabe- No new program revisions have been completed as yet. However, current ones will be obtained from Manuel Aybar upon request.

Continuing Operating Committee: Lena Parker – No new business.

Publications: Don Maples – Sheila Skov not present. No report.

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### Meeting Minutes cont'd.

Research Committee- Dick Jameson – No activity. Research and Conservation met together discussing ways to include funding to conservation activities. This will be further addressed as new business.

Show & Show Tags Committee:- Lowell McCabe stated that show tags were breaking even as expected. Karlene Sanborn – Introduced the question of allowing SWROGA shows to be "Tabletop Exhibit" shows requiring the definition of such to be shows wherein all exhibits are on tables as opposed to a "Tabletop Show" where plants are lined up on tables according to the show schedule. Lively discussion ensued. Such shows might encourage societies with limited venue choices or personnel to host a SWROGA show. Endowed trophies for Floor Exhibits appear to be the sticking point. Families of the endowed trophies will be approached for their commentary.

Treasurers Report – Carolyn McCabe passed out report to all present. Lowell McCabe moved to accept as presented. Seconded by Julius Khlem.

Audit Report – Julius Khlem stated we are in good standing; Kudos to Carolyn McCabe for her outstanding job.

#### Old Business

The need for committee members was reiterated.

Reminder that the new fee of \$15 per society goes into effect this coming January and will be due March 31, 2014. SWROGA reps are asked to review with their society the benefits of membership in SWROGA ie. money for trophies, loan to kickstart show, auction proceeds to go to host society.

#### New Business

Since no Fall 2013 was certain last spring, no nominating committee was established. Therefore, Spring 2014 meeting will accept nominations from the floor for the next years officers to be voted on at the meeting. Next meeting will be a Benton, Arkansas and hosted by the Arkansas Orchid Society, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Thanks to Manuel Aybar for updating the website. Sandy Stubbings requested contact information for any young orchid growers to continue her interviews with the kids to help find out how to address their needs and interests. Dick Jamison proposed a change to the Procedure Manual to allow conservation efforts to be funded. Specifically: Section K – Research: first paragraph: The purpose is to advance the scientific study of orchids in any respect, including classification, evolution, propagation, culture, *conservation*, care and development. Lena Parker seconded. Motion approved.

Charlie Hess moved that SWROGA donate \$1000 from the general fund to OCA by December 2013 toward the purchase of acreage in Brazil. Donations will be met with matching donations from World Land Trust provided they are made prior to the end of 2013. Lowell McCabe seconded. Motion Passed.

No further new business. The Meeting was adjourned at 9:10PM.

**Respectfully submitted**

**Linda Horton**

**SWROGA Secretary**



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### **Heart O' Texas Orchid Society's 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Show & Sale, "Orchid Rodeo"**

**March 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014**

Zilker Botanical Gardens Center  
2220 Barton Springs Road,  
Austin, TX 78746  
(512) 477-8672

Show & Plant Sale: 10:00am - 4:00pm  
Saturday & 10:00am - 4:00pm Sunday.  
Come to the "Rodeo" Orchid Rodeo, that Is!  
So join us at this year's 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Orchid  
Show and Sale - "Orchid Rodeo!" - here at  
Zilker Botanical Gardens in Austin.

There will be hundreds of blooming orchids  
for sale, as well as helpful information for  
growing these beautiful plants from  
the 8 vendors and society members. Visit  
and shop with our knowledgeable vendors  
from around the state, and pick the brains  
of our experienced society members. We  
know which orchids grow best here in  
Central Texas!

There will also be hourly raffles for plants  
and/or merchandise and the public is  
encouraged to attend. Admission to the  
Show and Sale are free, but Zilker charges a  
\$2 admission fee to enter the Botanical  
Gardens. Optional donations at the door to  
support the Heart O' Texas Orchid Society  
are always appreciated as this is one of our  
annual fundraisers.

### **Arkansas orchid Society Presents 'A kaleidoscope of Orchids'**

**April 4-6, 2014**

at the Benton Event Center, 17322 I-30  
North, Benton, Arkansas.

For more information contact:

Eddie Ison

501-772-6989

reison@sbcglobal.net

### **Houston Orchid Society Presents "Timeless Treasures"**

The Houston Orchid Society is having their annual Spring  
Show and Sale on Saturday, April 11, 2014 from 9:00  
a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00  
a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the lobby of the Houston Museum of  
Natural Science, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., Houston, TX  
77030. Admittance to the show and sale is free.

The show includes twenty fabulous exhibits created by  
HOS members, other orchid societies and commercial  
sales vendors, featuring orchid plants as well as  
arrangements, corsages, orchid collectables and  
educational information. The orchids in the exhibits and  
the exhibits themselves will be officially judged before the  
show opens. First, second and third place ribbons and  
trophies are awarded to the best orchids, best-grown  
orchids and best exhibits.

Orchid shoppers are invited to visit the sales booths  
selling orchids to the public. There will be ten vendors,  
some local and others from as far as California and  
Hawaii.

HOS members and HMNS invite all to come and see  
Timeless Treasures!

More information is available at

<http://www.houstonorchidsociety.org/show/show.html>.

Contact Holly Miller at [hollymil@earthlink.net](mailto:hollymil@earthlink.net), Houston  
Orchid Society Show Chair. 281 597-8792.

### **New Orleans orchid Society**

Annual New Orleans Orchid Society Show and Sale  
Lakeside Shopping Center, Metairie, LA

Friday, May 30, 2014 from 10 AM to 9 PM

Saturday, May 31, 2014 from 1 PM to 9 PM (vendors open  
during morning judging)

and Sunday, June 1, 2014 from 12 NOON to 4:30 PM



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Public is encouraged to attend!**

**Information:  
Maria "Myr" Hernandez (512) 632-0786  
web-site: <http://www.hotos.org/>**

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WHEN:

April 5, 2014—Hours: 12 pm. Till 4 pm.

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