

# SWROGA



## **SOUTHWEST REGIONAL ORCHID GROWERS ASSOCIATION AUTUMN 2016 NEWSLETTER**

Welcome all back to SWROGA! Do you know how widespread an area this Association covers? We include Orchid Societies from Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas with 23 societies represented. Each person is also a member of SWROGA if their society belongs to SWROGA, which at last count we're about 1000 individuals.

### **What benefits are there in being a SWROGA member?**

SWROGA supports societies hosting the semi-annual fall and spring SWROGA meetings and shows. We provide funds or physical trophies for the shows so the host society can provide great trophies to the winners. SWROGA can provide a loan to the host society if needed to help with things like booking the building. SWROGA provides a show entry schedule and classification that is used as published for SWROGA events. Most societies use the schedule as published or modified as they wish for all of their shows. This provides consistency so members can enter their plants easily across the region. SWROGA has a committee responsible for updating the schedule based on number of entries seen in each class and especially based on the official name changes from RHS. We also print and distribute the two part show entry tags.

### **THE PRESIDENT'S POST**

**Mary Mancini**

First of all, I want to send a big THANK YOU to the Oklahoma Orchid Society for hosting the 2016 Spring Show and Meeting, "A Symphony of Orchids." That show theme prompted a variety of exhibits. (Please notice the Show Pictorial later in this newsletter.) The event ran seamlessly and was very enjoyable. As one can imagine, Oklahoma in the spring time presents some severe weather challenges, however, Mother Nature allowed the show to proceed before the onslaught of the expected tornado season.

The fall 2016 show is being hosted by the Shreveport Orchid Society. The theme of the show is "Orchids Are Wild," so let's see what creativity prevails for this show! The venue will be

unique since it is being held at Sci-Port, the downtown science museum. Participants will have full access to the museum as well as the show.

Then, the spring 2017 show will be hosted by the Central East Texas Orchid Society in Tyler, Texas. They are no strangers to hosting a show and always do a great job. Also, rumor has it that the Tulsa Orchid Society is seriously considering hosting a show in the future. I hope they join in on the fun. Please consider hosting a show. The societies that do so do make money and the leadership is very helpful to those societies that accept the responsibility to host.

I look forward to a special and productive year. The President of the American Orchid Society, Mr. George Hatfield, will be attending the Shreveport show as a speaker but also as an ambassador for AOS. We hope to develop a closer working relationship with AOS in the future.

We have several committee positions which are, or will become, vacant so we will need volunteers to step up as chairs and members. The work is not overwhelming. Remember that SWROGA is only as strong as the participation by its members.

I hope to see you all in Shreveport and thank you in advance for your support and participation!

### **ALL NEWSLETTER INPUT WELCOME!**

If you would like to contribute an article, photos, society events, culture tips, etc., please contact the newsletter editor, Rex Ulmer at [rexorchids@gmail.com](mailto:rexorchids@gmail.com)

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 about six weeks before the upcoming SWROGA meeting. Please let us hear from you!

### **SWROGA PROGRAMS FOR AFFILIATED SOCIETIES**

If your society needs a presentation, please contact Lowell McCabe. He has finished converting the old slide presentations to PowerPoint. There are about 37 presentations available.

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.

## **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 Klehm; 2014 Lowell McCabe, 2015 Lena Parker, and Lois Dauelsberg 2016.

Conditions and procedures are that any member can nominate a potential recipient (living or deceased). 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.

### **ATTENTION: SWROGA AFFILIATED ORCHID SOCIETIES WHO HAVE WEB SITES AND SOCIAL MEDIA CONTACTS**

If your society has its own web site for a public face, please update your information on the SWROGA web site. Many of you have broken links, and/or incorrect contact information for your society.

If your society has decided to use Face Book, Twitter, or any other social media instead of a web site, please provide this information also. We want to help you to put your best foot forward, and that includes the most up-to-date information we can provide them with. Thank you.

### **SOUTHWEST REGIONAL ORCHID GROWERS ASSOCIATION 110TH DIRECTORS AND MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES MAY 6, 2016**

The SWROGA Directors and Membership meeting was held at the Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on Friday, May 6, 2016. President John Stubbings called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m., and remarked that this is his last meeting as president. He stated that there is a quorum.

President Stubbings then asked for a moment of silence for those members of the Society who have passed away.

President Stubbings introduced our other current officers: President-elect, Mary Mancini; Vice President, Jake Massey; Secretary, Ray Nell Massey; Treasurer, Carolyn McCabe; and Editor, Rex W. Ulmer (not present).

President Stubbings thanked the Oklahoma Orchid Society for hosting the show.

The minutes of the previous meeting were posted in the newsletter and on website and there were no corrections or additions. Motion was made by Jackie Parker, and seconded by Karlene Sanborn to approve the minutes as published. The motion carried.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Conservation Committee: Charles Hess**

Charles reported that the goals of the Conservation committee were continuing unchanged with the primary focus of supporting the efforts of the North American Orchid Conservation Center (NAOCC) through the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center.

The Conservation Committee submitted a proposal to amend the By-Laws and procedures to: (1) specify conservation activities to include not just native species but include non-native orchids in other critical habitats worldwide; (2) allow for funding by societies of conservation projects through a SWROGA Conservation Fund; and (3) change the names of society conservation representatives from "Conservation Committee Chairs" to "Conservation Representatives" to reflect the current naming practices. A copy of the proposed changes was given to the By-Laws Committee.

The funds raised through orchid show sales, society contributions, and individual contributions totaled \$5000 year to date. The donations helped to support the North American Orchid Conservation Center complete their Texas orchid database and the Rainforest Trust's effort to protect threatened orchid environments in the Sumatran Leuser Reserve. Future donations to the Orchid Conservation Alliance will be most likely used for expansions of the Dracula Reserve in Ecuador.

There was a motion to again fund \$1000 to support the American Orchid Conservation Center. Motion seconded by Burrell Gambel.

Then, a motion was made by Lena Parker, and seconded by Burrell Gambel, that the motion to donate \$1,000 be tabled until next meeting in order to have time to get more financial information. This motion carried.

#### **Affiliated Societies Committee: Lena Parker**

There were 6 people attending this meeting. Lena stated that the main discussion was that we need to recruit more people for shows.

Our future shows were discussed. The hosts are: for the Autumn of 2016, The Shreveport Orchid Society, November 5-6; and for the Spring of 2017, The Central East Texas Orchid society (Tyler, TX), April 1-2.

Lena then asked the members to please ask their society to host a show.

Research Committee: Richard Jamison

No business since our last report.

Bylaws & Judiciary Committee: No Report

Program and Education (and Show Tags) Committee: Lowell McCabe

There are 37 SWORGA Orchid (power point) programs on CDs. The list can be found on the web site.

Publications Committee: There is no report at this time.

President Stubbings announced that the By-Laws Committee recommended that there will be a sub-committee: Youth Involvement in Orchids – Sandy Stubbings, Chairman

Show Schedule Committee – Karlene Sanborn

The committee recommended changing the classification 410-418 as follows:

410-418 Equitant – Variegata – Tolumnia (Oncidium) hybrids

The wording to be deleted, and the following wording to be inserted as follows:

410-418 Oncidium species and hybrids (including Tolumnia, equitant/variegata)

A motion to make the changes on show schedule 410 – 418 was made by Karlene Sanborn. It was seconded by Jake Massey. The motion carried.

Treasurers Report: Carolyn McCabe

Carolyn McCabe passed out the report to all who were present. She reviewed the Annual Financial Report. The Inflows and outflows for the three accounts, General Funds, Research, and Trophy were itemized. The total as of 3/31/2016 for all three was \$126,298.95.

There was a motion by Burrell Gambell, and seconded by Jake Massey that the Annual Financial Report be approved. The motion carried.

New Business

There was no new business.

**The SWROGA Achievement Award:**

President Stubbings announced that the committee on SWROGA Achievement Award had met and made the recommendation for the award. President Stubbings proudly presented the SWROGA Achievement Award to Lois Dauelsberg in appreciation for her outstanding service as a dedicated supporter of SWROGA.

Then, President Stubbings asked for nominations from the floor for officers to be elected. There was a motion that the nomination cease. The motion carried. So then, a motion was made to elect the following slate of officers by acclamation. This motion carried.

The newly elected officers are: President, Mary Mancini; Vice President, Sharon Duncan; Secretary, Sam Wylie; Treasurer, Carolyn McCabe; Editor, Rex Ulmer; President-elect Karlene Sanborn; and Continuing Operating Committee, Don Maples.

Meeting continued with new President Mary Mancini presiding.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Nell Massey

SWROGA Secretary



*Eria rhynchostyloides*



*Miltoniopsis* Steve Skoien 'Poetry in Pink'

Below follows a pictorial of the displays from the Spring SWROGA Show as provided by John and Sande Stubbings, Pasadena Texas. Enjoy!

**SPRING SWROGA SHOW PICTORIAL**



**Vendor: New Earth Orchids Display  
Santa Fe, New Mexico**



**Vendor: New World Orchids  
Manchester, Michigan**



**Vendor: Timbucktoo Orchids  
Sedgwick, Kansas**



**Vendor: Prairie Orchids  
El Dorado, Kansas**





**Vendor: Okie Orchids  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**



**Display by Jana Butcher  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**



**Display by Karen Marichal  
Midwest City, Oklahoma**



**Display by Mary Mancini  
Shreveport, Louisiana**



**Display by the Tulsa Orchid Society**



**Display by the Orchid Society of the Ozarks  
Springdale, Arkansas**



**Display by the Arkansas Orchid Society  
Little Rock, Arkansas**



**Display by Carolyn McCabe  
Lexington, Oklahoma**



**Vendor: Clown Alley Orchids  
Pasadena, Texas**



**Display by the Red River Orchid Society  
Wichita Falls, Texas**



**Display by Host Oklahoma Orchid Society  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**



**Display by Bess Dustin  
Tulsa, Oklahoma**



**Display of Orchid Art by Charles Hess  
Dallas, Texas**



**Display by Jack and Elenia Heflin  
Tulsa, Oklahoma**



**Display by Howard Brown  
Midwest City, Oklahoma**



**Display by Dick and Debbie Lambrecht  
Alex, Oklahoma**





**Display by Byron Rinke  
Winfield, Kansas**



**Display by Dean Harrison  
Tulsa, Oklahoma**

**The SWROGA Show Trophy**  
Submitted by Carolyn McCabe



**Is your society planning a show? If so, don't forget to order a SWROGA Show Trophy for Best Flower of Show to award to one of your deserving exhibitors!**

**The trophy can be purchased by e-mailing Carolyn McCabe, SWROGA Treasurer, at [orchids@mbo.net](mailto:orchids@mbo.net). The price of the trophy is \$50.00 including shipping.**

**Your check should be made payable to SWROGA and mailed to Carolyn at 16351 Banner Road, Lexington, OK 73051. The trophy will be mailed to you via USPS priority.**

# SWROGA EVENTS CALENDAR

## THE SHREVEPORT ORCHID SOCIETY PRESENTS ORCHIDS ARE WILD!

HOSTING THE SOUTH WEST REGION ORCHID GROWERS ASSOCIATION  
FALL MEETING, SHOW AND SALE

NOVEMBER 4, 5, AND 6, 2016

THE SCI-PORT

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SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

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Cymbidium Fall Festival

Photo: Santa Barbara Orchid Estate

## AUTUMN SWROGA SHOW SCHEDULE, NOVEMBER 4-6, 2016

### Friday, November 4

9:00am-4:00pm	Show registration
9:00am-5:00pm	Set up
9:00am-5:00pm	Plant/Exhibit Registration
5:00pm-8:00pm	Data entry
7:00pm-8:00pm	SWROGA Committees
8:15pm-9:00pm	SWROGA Members Meeting
10:00am-3:00pm	Hospitality Room

### Saturday, November 5

8:00am-10:00am	Ribbon Judging
10:00am-3:00pm	Hospitality Room open
10:00am-5:00pm	Show Open to Public
10:00am	AOS Judging
12:00pm-1:00pm	Judges Luncheon
1:00pm-2:00pm	Speaker: Norito Hasegawa "Multifloral Paphs"
2:00pm-3:00pm	Speaker: George Hatfield "Growing Cymbidiums in SWROGA Country"
5:00pm-6:00pm	Live Auction Preview/Cocktail Hour
7:00pm-9:00pm	Banquet/Live Auction

### Sunday, November 6

10:00am-3:00pm	Show Open to the Public
12:00pm	Silent Auction Ends
10:00am-1:00pm	Hospitality Room
3:15pm	Take Down

**THE KANSAS ORCHID SOCIETY  
FALL ORCHID SHOW AND SALE**

**NOVEMBER 5 AND 6, 2016**

**BOTANICA, THE WICHITA GARDENS  
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WICHITA, KANSAS**

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**THE ACADIAN ORCHID SOCIETY PRESENTS  
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BOTH CAN BE ALEVIATED!**

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**SAVE THE DATES!**

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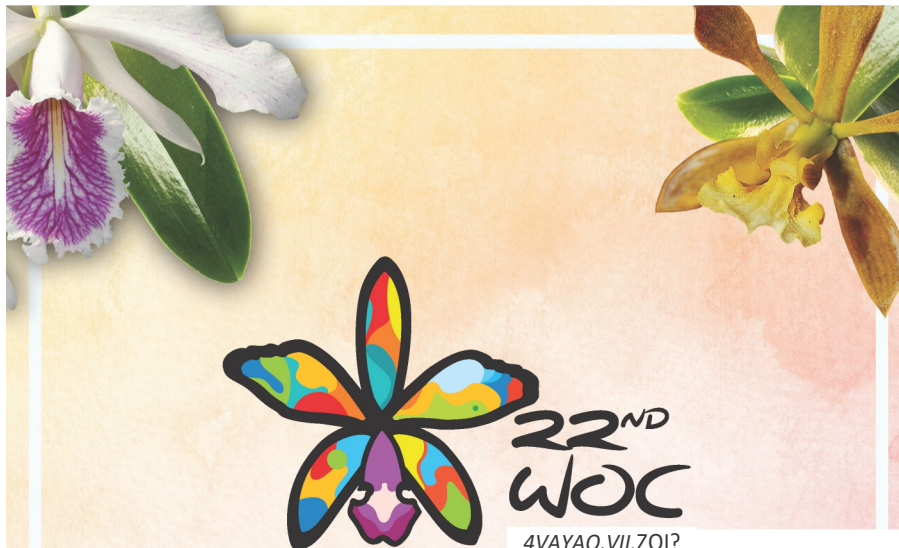
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