

SWROGA



SOUTHWEST REGIONAL ORCHID GROWERS ASSOCIATION SPRING 2017 NEWSLETTER

Welcome 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 a member of SWROGA if their society belongs to SWROGA, which at last count we were at about 1000 individuals.

What benefits are there in being a SWROGA member?

SWROGA supports all our societies hosting the semi-annual spring and autumn 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 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 entire 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

Greetings to all SWROGA members! As we look forward to the spring member meetings, show and sale that will be so graciously hosted by CETOS in Tyler, Texas, I want to take this opportunity to thank the Shreveport Orchid Society for hosting "Orchids are Wild" this past autumn. The exhibits were stellar and the venue unique. The presence of George Hatfield, President of AOS added a special touch to the show.

As we move forward, Ft. Worth will be hosting the Fall 2017 member meetings, while the Spring 2018 member meetings, show and sale, will find us in Tulsa, Oklahoma. I would like to ask all the other societies if you would begin seriously considering hosting combined AOS/SWROGA venues. It would solidify working relationships with the AOS, and provide reasons for larger shows, and greater judging opportunities.

Thank you very much, all of you, for your hard work over the past year, and as we look forward to a productive 2017, we will be putting forth more effort to make SWROGA the best it has ever been!

ALL NEWSLETTER INPUT WELCOME!

If you would like to contribute an article, photos, society event, culture tips, etc., please contact the newsletter editor, Rex Ulmer at 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. We publish the newsletter about six weeks before the next 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. This is a labor of love! We would like to thank Lowell for his continued service and dedication.

The SWROGA ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This little note 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 2016 Lois Dauelsberg.

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. Then 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.

An Orchid Trip Come True

By Charles and Trudy Hess

To start the New Year off on a positive note, please give yourself a big pat on the back for your support of our conservation fundraising efforts. Your contributions are actively preserving orchid habitats and adding to scientific knowledge of the amazing local species we have literally right in our back yard. Both the **Rainforest Trust** and the **Smithsonian's North American Orchid Conservation Center** have important projects in the works, made possible partly by the support we give. We play an active role in their ultimate success.

After years of email correspondence, there is nothing like a face to face meeting to feel the depth of appreciation from the organizations we support. This past December Trudy and I had the rare opportunity to enjoy that experience. Finally, the individuals with whom we had been corresponding had actual faces and personalities.

It all began last fall when we donated a print for the silent auction to be held by the **Rainforest Trust**. They were planning a party to celebrate their 22nd year of conservation work. One of their donors owns a beautiful restaurant in Washington, D.C., near their Virginia headquarters, and this donor generously hosted the party. Along with the **Rainforest Trust's** Thank You note for the print, they sent us an invitation with the question: "Do you think you would be in the DC area at that date?" It did not take us long to make the decision to go. We had been wanting to visit the Smithsonian museums, and we especially wanted to see the **Smithsonian's Environmental Research Center (SERC)**.

What a way to start the holiday season! Seeing D.C. all decked out for Christmas, and at the same time attending the **Rainforest Trust** anniversary dinner, where I got to meet the talent behind this dynamic preservation initiative, and where I also had conversations with the directors for various regions around the world. I even met a botanist who had been personally acquainted with my heroine Margaret Mee, whose breathtaking botanical art has been the inspiration to my mission in conservation.

Following the CEO's presentation on 2016 successes, many of which have had support from SWROGA members, I had the honor of being asked to end the evening's festivities by sharing my story with the other guests about how we had become a "Rainforest Trust supporters", and why we value their work. That is what happens when you travel all the way from Dallas! The distance alone defined us as celebrities, including picture taking with the winners of the auction for the donated print.

Another day of the trip was devoted to a tour of the **Smithsonian Environmental Research Center (SERC)**, the center of activity for the SWROGA supported North American Orchid Conservation Center (NAOCC). To finally meet Dr. Dennis Whigham, Jay O'Neill, and Melissa McCormick, and see the facilities where their research is being done, was an opportunity that I had not ever imagined taking place.

The SERC Plant and Molecular Ecology labs support research both on orchids, and on the Chesapeake Watershed, including much of the wetlands along the river. It is appropriately located about an hour's drive east of Washington DC. Seeing the facility itself is worth the trip. It is a world class research campus, built to LEED certification (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design). The building was opened in 2014, replacing the historic facilities originally located in a renovated dairy barn. The property, donated to the Smithsonian in 1965, has a history that goes back all the way to 1652.

Dennis and Jay gave us the grand tour, and we observed first-hand the sample vials of all the various fungi being studied, along with their effects on orchid germination and culture. This brought to life everything I've read about the need to store the exact species of fungi, as well as the orchid seeds to ensure future germination and propagation. The state of the art DNA research lab is shown here and is where Melissa and her team identify and sequence the countless fungi, many of which never take on a form that can be differentiated other than through DNA analysis. I learned from the experts at SERC how intimately orchids and fungi are tied in nature. Orchids like their particular fungus species, and often will refuse to grow and thrive without them.

SERC is unique in the world for being dedicated to conserving orchids through an ecosystem approach. Understanding the interaction between orchids and their mycorrhizal fungi is essential to ensuring the survival of orchids in the wild and in botanical gardens.

One of the goals of SERC is to promote interest in orchids among the younger generations. To that end, they have launched the "Orchid gami" project. This consists of a series of North American orchids, depicted on punch-out cards, which are made to be assembled into realistic, 3-D representations of the plants. Viewing this project rounded out the tour, and emphasized the education aspect of science supported by SERC as part of the mission of all the Smithsonian organizations.

Our 4-day DC visit also allowed us time to take in the spectacular display in the Botanical Gardens. For the 2016 holiday display the designers depicted the nation's National Parks through models built along a winding railroad track. Orchids are always part of their botanical displays, which makes it especially interesting for me.

But the major conservation collection of orchids is housed in the remote Smithsonian Greenhouses, a good distance from the mall. Fortunately, we were able to schedule a tour of this collection, so generously arranged and conducted by Tom Mirenda. **AOS** subscribers will recognize Tom from the two articles every month he has been writing for the last 12 years. If you have read his bio, in addition to maintaining the greenhouse orchid collection, he lectures on orchids around the world.

These remote greenhouses are in a large campus outside of DC in the community of Suitland, MD. From the name of the place you might guess it is smack-dab in the middle of DC ("Suitland!"), but it is actually located about 20 minutes by the Metro subway system, followed by a 15-minute walk from the Suitland station. The complex is known by the Smithsonian employees as the "attic" because this is where they store display materials not currently in use in the Smithsonian museum displays. It was not difficult to spot the dozen or so large greenhouses holding orchids and other tropicals.

As we walked through the many greenhouses, Trudy took hundreds of pictures, while I devoured orchid lore from Tom's vast trove of knowledge. Photos from this tour will soon be on our website as a slide show (www.OrchidartbyCharlesHess.com). Touring through these amazing greenhouses, I felt an overwhelming desire to buy some orchids. I was like a kid in a candy store. But none of these orchids had a price tag. They are not for sale. The good news is, I can continue to enjoy them for years to come, because we have so many pictures to remember them by.

Some of the plants had "bicycle" reflector stakes inserted in their pots. Tom explained that these reflectors are part of the emergency rescue plan whereby in the event of a fire or a natural disaster the most critical and important specimens could be rounded up, day or night, and moved to standby trucks with generator-powered climate controls. Learning of these plans increased my awareness of our

responsibility, as well as the fragile nature of ex situ preservation. This greenhouse facility is a vital part of a network of cooperation around the country for maintaining living specimens.

We were very fortunate to meet Tom in person. But you can do the next best thing by listening to the podcast of an interview on the website www.indefenseofplants.com. Go to the Podcast section and look for Episode 79. You will learn about Tom's history with marine biology, his experiences in Hawaii, and the story of how he found his way to the Smithsonian. His expertise is quite remarkable, and you will enjoy increasing your orchid knowledge from him. Also, if you are not already doing so, be sure to read his articles in **AOS Orchids**. What you will read in Tom's articles is always fascinating and often surprising. I certainly consider him the international ambassador for orchids and their conservation.

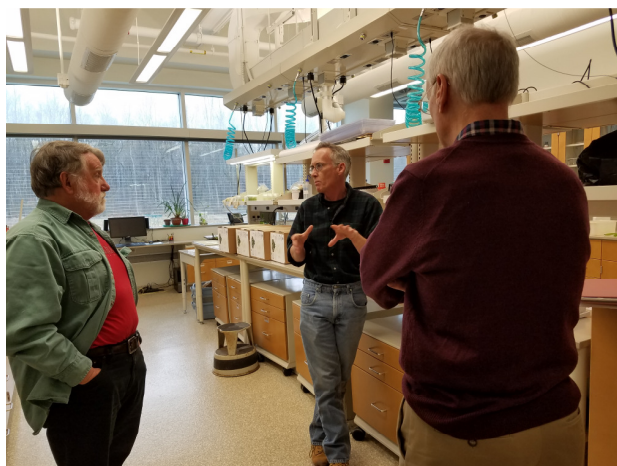
Our D.C. trip turned out to be so much more than we ever expected. Starting with the **Rainforest Trust** event one evening, and continuing with the day at **SERC**, and another day at the Smithsonian Greenhouse facility, added a great deal to my knowledge of orchids, and my determination to continue our efforts to do all we can to ensure the survival of these amazing plants.



Charles and Tom-lessons from the Master



Angraecum leonis



Dr. Whigham, Jay O'Neill, and Charles



Approaching the Greenhouses



Charles and Mellisa



"Orchid-gami"



Bulbophyllum medusa



Vials of fungi

SOUTHWEST REGIONAL ORCHID GROWERS ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the Fall SWROGA 111th Meeting
Shreveport, LA, November 4, 2016

- 1) Welcome by President Mary Mancini
- 2) Call to order
- 3) Approval of spring meeting minutes as published in newsletter. There was a motion to approve the minutes by Jana Butcher, and seconded by Don Maples

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CONSERVATION REPORT—Charles Hess

Charles showed a report showing the sources and disbursements of funds.

He reported on the strong SWROGA society support protecting the critically endangered orchid habitats in Borneo and Indonesia through donations to the Rainforest Trust. Together, these reserves provided protection for almost 400,000 acres and we helped make this happen. A “thank you” was given for the Orchid Society of the Ozarks and the New Orleans Orchid Society for their special donations in the past few months.

A handout was provided showing a list of countries (with rainforest projects) and donation levels supported by society fundraising efforts for the years 2009 to 2016. This was to highlight the overall historical support level we have provided to OCA, Rainforest Trust, and the NAOCC.

A unique and critical habitat on the Philippines of Dinagat (which is near Mindanao) was discussed briefly as an ideal Rainforest Trust project for continued support from SWROGA membership. This island is unique in that its location provides little variations in moisture and is a habitat ideal for new *Bulbophyllums* and *Dendrobiums* discoveries.

By-Law Change

We reviewed the by-law change submitted at the previous SWROGA meeting that would expand the conservation committee focus from North American orchids only to a worldwide orchid habitat conservation. The changes also addressed the need for “Conservation Representatives” to be the standard title for the individual society person as reported each January to SWROGA. The motion to accept was made by Fr. Ted Baenziger, and seconded Bill Parker. It passed unanimously.

It was requested that society conservation donations received by the SWROGA treasurer be listed as being held in a “Conservation Fund.” Inadvertently, no motion or the need for a motion has been discussed before the membership. Historically, these donations have been

“inflows” and “outflows” from accounts such as the General Fund and detailed in a comment section.

The Conservation Committee meeting had good attendance. The need for better communications regarding the Conservation Committee activities was recommended by several attendees including, Fr. Ted Baenziger, who suggested a communication to all members could be called “Conservation Corner” in our SWROGA semi-annual newsletters.

There is a request for society donations. It was recommended that the Conservation Corner become part of our future newsletters.

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES—Jana Butcher

We had representatives from 11 societies attending.

Good news! Tulsa has requested the Spring 2018 SWROGA MEMBER MEETINGS AND SHOW, and it was granted. Ft Worth has requested the Fall 2017 SWROGA MEETINGS AND SHOW, and has started formal application for approval. (It has since been approved).

There was a bit of discussion regarding the essential differences between a “local” show, and a “SWROGA” show. These differences were rehearsed to try and create less worry about societies eventually hosting a SWROGA member meetings and show.

The need for better inter-society communications is a necessary deed, especially when planning shows. This committee is requesting that all SWROGA Affiliated Societies please post any show they are having on the www.SWROGA.org web site for others to be aware of. This may avoid planning a show at the same time as another society (which has occurred twice in the past 24 months); this can increase vendor availability; and it should improve attendance at each show. If any society needs help posting their show, they can contact Jana Butcher at w.butcher@cox.net.

Now, AOS Judging Centers are supposed to post all shows they have approved. Jana will be asking their chairs to notify her of any approved shows so they can be posted on the www.SWROGA.org website. She will be glad to help to get this information posted. The website information is reviewed and finally posted by Manny Aybar, SWROGA webmaster.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE—Rick Jamison

One project currently at a University in Houston.

From Fr. Ted Baenziner

Report being written.

Report on expenditures.

Money spent sequencing DNA results from 73 samples

Rented the software to run analysis (\$800)

Some samples purchased.

Plants sourced from Ecuador, Columbia and Brazil.

Would like to look at more applications. Money is available for orchid research.

BY-LAWS AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE—Lena Parker

The only remarks were the change to allow conservation funds to projects worldwide, as mentioned above.

PROGRAM AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE—No Report

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—NO REPORT

SHOW SCHEDULE COMMITTEE—Chair Allison Galloway, Co-chair Don Maples

Changes to Oncidiinae: To make #427 Oncidium species, hybrids, and intergeneric hybrids resembling Odontoglossum. The motion was made by Lena Parker, and seconded by David Medus. The motion passed.

Don Maples has spreadsheet on request for all show schedules.

Allison Galloway inquired if we wanted to move Neofinetias, which are now in class 312. Mr. Jake Massey made motion that this should be written out for review. A motion was made by Fr. Ted Baenziger. The motion passed.

It was mentioned that a novice is not confined to plant exhibits at present. Do we need to change? There was a motion to table for later by David Medus. The second was by Harriett Maples. The motion passed.

It is noticed that Paphiopedilium multiflorals and sequentials have no home other than by color. Species have a home, while hybrids do not. Now, defining multiflorals is difficult. It was suggested we need to decide on definite language.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Report was read by Jana Butcher

There was a motion to approve said report by Don Maples. Mr. Dick Jamison seconded. The motion passed.

We need to approve wording on conservation disbursements. It will be a new line item to be voted on at the next meeting.

The Budget was presented. There was a motion to approve budget by David Medus, and seconded by Fr. Ted Baenziger. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Welcome to the Calcasieu Orchid Society from Lake Charles LA.

There is no provision in by laws as to what happens when anyone nominated as an officer cannot fulfill the duties. We need a succession plan. Options available: (1) Do nothing (2) Reconvene the nominating committee (3) It just goes to next person in line.

There was a request that the newsletter publish the chairs and members.

[Editor's note: The list of chairs, and committee members has been the last page of every newsletter I have made since becoming Editor.]

Jake Massey invited all to the spring SWROGA show in Tyler March 31st thru April 2nd.

There was a motion to adjourn by Fr. Ted Baenziger, which was seconded by Don Maples. The motion passed.

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. 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

Greater North Texas Orchid Society Presents A Symphony of Colors, Orchid Show and Sale

At the Richardson Civic Center

411 W. Arapaho Rd

Richardson, TX 75080-4551

Set Up Date:

Friday, March 10, 8:00am - 5:00pm

Judging Date & Time:

Friday, March 10, 2017 at 7:00pm

Show Date:

Saturday, March 11, 2017 - 5:00pm

Contact: Mike Beber

3101 Forester Way

Plano, TX 75075

Phone: 469 450 5093

gntos2017show@gmail.com



SPRING FEVER? ORCHID FEVER?

BOTH CAN BE ALEVIATED!

JOIN THE CENTRAL EAST TEXAS ORCHID SOCIETY

HOSTING THE SOUTH WEST REGION

ORCHID GROWERS ASSOCIATION

SPRING MEETINGS, SHOW, AND SALE

APRIL 1 -2, 2017

TO BE HELD AT THE TYLER ROSE GARDEN CENTER

420 ROSE PARK DRIVE

TYLER, TEXAS

CONTACT: JEAN BREWTON

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or CO-CHAIR: Mitsi Runyan @ 903 839 8654

FOR MORE INFORMATION



SAVE THE DATES!

**THE CALCASIEU ORCHID SOCIETY PRESENTS
ORCHIDS AT THE OPERA**

APRIL 22-23, 2017

**TO BE HELD AT THE
GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL CHURCH
715 KIRKMAN STREET
LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA**

**CONTACT MR. KEITH JOINER
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**Tulsa Orchid Society's Orchid Show and Sale
"Orchids Around The Globe"
At the Tulsa Garden Center
2435 S Peoria Ave.
Tulsa, OK 74114**

Show Dates:

Saturday, April 22, 2017 - 10:00am - 5:00pm

Sunday, April 23, 2017 - 10:00am - 4:00pm

Judging Date & Time:

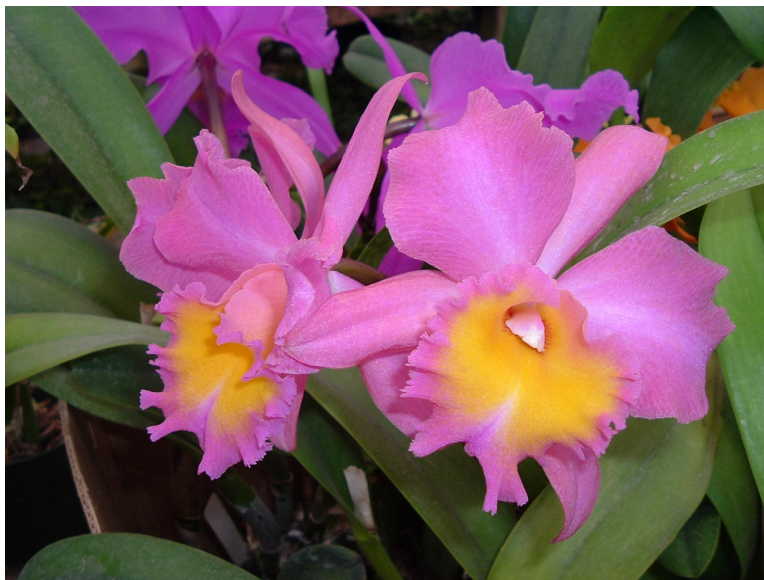
Sat, 2017/04/22 - 8:00am

Set Up Date:

Fri, 2017/04/21 - 9:00am - 4:00pm

**Contact: Dean Harrison
1716 W. Archer St.
Tulsa, OK 74127
Phone: 918-933-7011**

dph995@cox.net



**The Oklahoma Orchid Society's
Annual Mother's Day Orchid Show and Sale
Featuring: Orchid Treasures!
At the Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Center
3400 NW 36th Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73112**

Show Dates:

Saturday, May 13, 2017 - 10:00am - 4:00pm

Sunday, May 14, 2017 - 10:00am - 4:00pm

Judging Date & Time:

Sat, 2017/05/13 - 8:00am

Set Up Date:

Fri, 2017/05/12 - 9:00am - 5:00pm

Contact: Jana Butcher
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Oklahoma City 73131
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2017 Orchid Show and Sale

Presented by Acadian Orchid Society

Ira Nelson Horticulture Center

2206 Johnston Street, Lafayette, La.

*Saturday, June 10,
9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.*

*Sunday, June 11,
9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.*

**ORCHID DISPLAYS
ORCHID VENDORS
PLANTS FOR SALE
CULTURAL ADVICE**

Visit us at www.acadianorchidsociety.org



**The Baton Rouge Orchid Society Show and Sale
July 7, 8, 9, 2017
Burden Museum and Gardens
4560 Essen Lane
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

**For more information, contact:
Valerie Creehan
vcreehan@bellsouth.net**



**Houston Orchid Society 38th Annual Summer Workshop
University of St. Thomas
4000 Mt. Vernon St., Room 201, Jerabeck Athletic Center
Houston, Texas
August 4, 5
Contact John Stubbings at JDStubbings@comcast.net**

AUTUMN SWROGA SHOW AND MEMBER MEETINGS

November 3, 4, 5, 2017

Oak and Redbud Hall
3220 Botanic Gardens BLVD
Fort Worth, Texas

Show Contacts:

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**THE TULSA ORCHID SOCIETY WILL HOST THE
2018 SWROGA SPRING MEETINGS, SHOW AND SALE**

A Palette of Orchids

**At the Tulsa Garden Center
2435 S Peoria Ave.
Tulsa, OK 74114**

Show Dates:

Saturday, April 21, 2018 - 10:00am - 5:00pm

Sunday, April 22, 2018 - 10:00am - 4:00pm

Judging Date & Time:

Sat, 2018/04/21 - 8:00am

Set Up Date:

Fri, 2018/04/20 - 9:00am - 5:00pm

Contact Soundra Schacher

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Hello SWROGA Members

My name is Jennifer Sutton, owner of Botanical Greenhouse Builders. I am reaching out to you as a fellow orchid enthusiast. I have taken my passion for growing and turned it into my life work as a personal greenhouse consultant. I assist homeowners, schools, and businesses with every aspect of the planning process; from permits to interior design, and beyond. As an experienced grower, I take the particular needs of my clients and make specific recommendations for heating, cooling, ventilation and layout.

BGB would love to help your society members design and build their own custom tailored greenhouses.

Botanical Greenhouse Builders is dedicated to orchid conservation and education. We would like to offer your club our best factory discount. All AOS members will receive 15% off ANY greenhouse purchase. We provide hassle-free, detailed quotations.

BGB is interested in supporting your Orchid Societies!

- Talks on greenhouse growing
- Orchid Show Sponsor – we would love to make a donation and/or advertise in your show directory
- We will advertise your society news on our website via link -FREE
- We offer FREE Advertising on our Facebook page
- We always refer interested hobbyists to join their local Orchid Society
- 15% Discount on Custom & Standard Greenhouses

Please contact us for details on how we can help your clubs GROW!

Thank you for taking the time to read this message. We welcome all inquiries and hope to build your dream greenhouse!

My best regards,

Jennifer Sutton

Florian Consultant 12+ years

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[440-867-8007](tel:440-867-8007)

www.BotanicalGreenhouse.com

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KANSAS ORCHID SOCIETY

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ACADIAN ORCHID SOCIETY

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THE BATON ROUGE ORCHID SOCIETY

<http://www.batonrougeorchidsociety.com/index.html>

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THE CALCASIEU ORCHID SOCIETY, LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA

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The Oklahoma Orchid Society

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(Spanish page only?)

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The Greater North Texas Orchid Society

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The Heart of Texas Orchid Society

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