

OKLAHOMA ORCHID SOCIETY  
Initial meeting.  
February 10, 1950

2218 Classen Blvd.

At the initial meeting of Oklahoma City members of the American Orchid Society, Mrs. F. M. Lee acting as Secretary, records the following actions.

Mr. R. Wade Vliet was elected temporary chairman.

- I. (a) PUBLICITY: Daily Oklahoman is to be asked to have the Publicity to run an article and pictures from the Wardian case to mature blooming size plants.
- (b) Notification by letter to be sent every member of American Orchid Society in Oklahoma, name to be obtained from the A. O. S. year book, urging all these members and other growers of the proposed Society.

II. PLACE AND TIME:

Second Thursday of each month at eight o'clock at meeting place to be selected and each member notified to the effect.

III. OFFICERS:

Pres. Dr. Henry Turner, Oklahoma City  
First Vice. Pres. James Ward, Norman, Okla.  
Second Vice Pres. R. Wade Vliet, 2218 Classen Blvd., Okla City.  
Secy. - Mrs. F. M. Lee, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Treas. - Mr. Harold Whitlock, Oklahoma City.  
Librarian - Mr. George Payne, Oklahoma City.  
Exhibits - Charles Doughty, Oklahoma City, Okla.

IV. NAME:

Oklahoma Orchid Society.

V. LIBRARY FUND:

One-fifth of dues to be turned to Librarian for books and other literature.

VI. DUES:

Equal membership privileges for each member. Five Dollars (\$5.00) per year.

VII. QUALIFICATIONS:

Orchid Bug.

VIII. PROGRAM:

Chairman Vliet to secure film from Missouri Botanical Gardens if possible for use at next meeting.

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Continued.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. John W. Furrow Jr. offered services of their company 's mimeographing machine anytime except Thursday and Friday.

Vice President Ward made motion seconded by Chairman Vliet that the meeting adjourn until March 9, 1950. Meeting to be at Furrow & Company No. 32 Broadway Circle, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Vera Lee, Secretary.

1800 Canary Drive  
Edmond, Oklahoma 73034  
March 10, 2000

Kathy Wright,  
SWROGA Historian  
223 Larkwood Drive  
San Antonio, TX 78209

Dear Kathy,

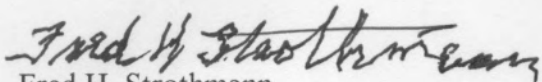
At long last, through the efforts of our current Secretary Richard Sharp, we have found the minutes of the meeting held to organize the Oklahoma Orchid Society on February 10, 1950. The minutes of the organizational meeting in their entirety are attached.

John Furrow, who was at the organizational meeting, recently informed me that there were twelve people present. The four people not mentioned in the minutes of the meeting are believed to be Mr. and Mrs. Robert McInnes, and Mr. and Mrs. Mel Crocker.

The Oklahoma Orchid Society has hosted two AOS shows one in 1958 and 1989. The Oklahoma Orchid Society joined SWROGA in 1961 and has sponsored numerous SWROGA shows.

Oklahoma Orchid Society is celebrating its Golden Anniversary of 50 years.

Sincerely,

  
Fred H. Strothmann