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Jerry Garner, Editor

Happy Holidays To IOS Members and Their Families!

Meeting and Speaker Schedule

December 12th - Our annual holiday party at Orchids by Hausermann in Villa Park. Details inside the newsletter on page 2.

January 9th - Howard Ginsberg, Bedford Orchids, will speak on Golden Peokers. **Meeting will be held at the Chicago Botanic Garden.**

Orchid Events and Dates to Remember

March 4th -6th - Orchid Quest 2005, Madison, WI. Sponsored by the Orchid Growers Guild. Contact: Liz Wood, ewood@biochem.wisc.edu.

March 4th - 6th - Northeast Wisconsin Orchid Society Show, at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, 2040 Airport Dr., Green Bay, WI.

March 18th - 20th - Illowa Orchid Society Spring Show, at the Putnam Museum & Imax Theatre Lobby, 1717 West 12th St., Davenport, IA.

April 20-24 - AOS/MAOC Meeting and Show, hosted by the Minnesota Orchid Society. Check their website for location and details.

www.orchidsocietyofminnesota.com.



Remember - beginning with the January 9th meeting, the IOS members' meeting will be held at the Chicago Botanic Garden in Glencoe. The January meeting will be held in the Education Building in the Linnaeus Room.

It's time to renew your membership! Pay your annual dues at the December meeting or watch for your renewal packet in the mail soon.

An updated meeting and show calendar will be printed in the January newsletter and additional speaker information should be available by then also. Be sure to look for and save this information for reference throughout 2005.



Oncidium Robsan's Gold

Annual Holiday Party -Dec. 12th @ HAUSERMANN'S

Barry Lubin, Program Chairman

Our next meeting on Sunday, December 12th is our annual holiday party at *Orchids by Hausermann* in Villa Park, Illinois. It is a meeting you will not want to miss. The Hausermann family really rolls out the red carpet and gives us a wonderful place to celebrate the holiday season with our friends and many beautiful orchids!

This is a potluck party, so **please bring a dish or dessert** to the party that will feed 8-10 people. We do have the ability to plug in crock-pots and warming trays. Remember to bring serving implements for your dish, and put your name on them as well as your containers.

This year we will be starting a new tradition - a recipe file. Please bring the recipe for your dish on an index card, and we will start a collection for use by our members. Maybe we'll end up publishing an IOS cookbook!

The meeting and eating will start around 12:30. Plants for judging should be in place by then also. Lunch will be followed by an orchid talk by Dana from Hausermann's. **Members' plants will not be sold at this meeting.**

Orchids by Hausermann is located at 2N 134 Addison Road (2 blocks north of North Ave on Addison Road). See attached map for details, or call Hausermann's at 630-543-6855. They will be happy to supply you with directions.

Submit news, photos, and articles for the January newsletter no later than December 25th. E-mail to garnerjl@comcast.net or snail mail to 623 Sheridan Rd. #1, Evanston, IL 60202.



Photo by Al Papiewski (IOS 2004 Fall Show)
Cattleya sp.

President's Message

Wendy Wesley, IOS President

Happy Holidays to All,
I hope to see you all at the meeting/party at Hausermann's December 12th. It is a great opportunity to share food, friendship and, of course, orchids.

This will be the last meeting before we transition back to the Chicago Botanic Gardens and we will be addressing questions and comments this month about the move back to CBG.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all and I send my best wishes for the Holiday Season.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Allison Tribble, Membership Chairman

Please extend a warm welcome to four new members of the IOS. With the addition of these new members, the membership total has risen to 451 people. We all welcome these newcomers to our forum to exchange information and share friendship in the context of orchid growing. We are pleased to welcome:

Javier Dominguez - Chicago
Marvin & Beverley Freedman - Glencoe
Victor Lintini - Chicago
Thomas Kendall - Wilmette

Town of the Month: This month we highlight Arlington Heights, Illinois. We have five active members living in Arlington Heights. They might be able to car-pool to meetings, "plant sit", or give growing advice!

Dorothy Kuper
Marilyn Kuper
Donna Scemro
Robert & Elizabeth Cherry
Ray & Kathy Cunningham

Membership Renewal: Your membership renewal packet will be available at the

2004-2005 IOS Officers – Terms of office are from July 1 until June 30

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December party and meeting at Hausermann's. Help the Society save on postage costs. Bring your checkbook and renew and you will get your 2005 badge right there at the meeting.



Photo by Al Papiewski (IOS 2004 Fall Show)
Vanda sp.

Stay up to date on IOS activities – check out our website at www.iosoc.com.

[2005 Meetings At Chicago Botanical Garden](#)

Looking for a holiday gift for a special orchid loving friend or family member? How about a membership in the IOS and the AOS. See Allison Tribble about the IOS information and Rosalie Dixler if you are interested in the AOS.

Chicago Botanic Garden Orchid Sale

Thursday, Dec. 16th - Sunday, Dec. 19th
Nothing graces the holidays like orchids and few gifts are more prized. At the Orchid Sale, choose from among hundreds of varieties, all exquisite. Learn how easy it is to grow and maintain them. And for just a moment, sit and smell the incredible fragrance some of these beauties yield. Represented at the sale are Hausermanns Greenhouses, one of the world's largest orchid ranges; the Orchid Trading Co.; Natts Orchids, specializing in Vanda, Ascocenda and Oncidium Alliance orchids; and Anything Orchids.

ORCHID SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA
WINTER CARNIVAL SHOW

"The Coolest Celebration on Earth"

Marjorie McNeely Conservatory at Como Park, St. Paul, Minnesota, January 29-30, 2005

Note: This is not a AOS judged show.

Contact Jayme Hennek jrhenn@juno.com.

Outreach News

Claire Papiewski, Outreach Chairnan

HAUSERMANN'S OPEN HOUSE

We are staffing an information table at Hausermann's Open House February 24, 25, 26, and 27th.

We will be announcing our spring show at its new location, the Chicago Botanic Garden, handing out cultural sheets and explaining the benefits of membership. We usually attract quite a few new members.

If you can spare a few hours, please let me know if you'd like to participate in this event. Call me at (847) 622-8664 or email dreflap@wowway.com.

CHICAGO FLOWER AND GARDEN SHOW

We will be having an information table at the Chicago Flower and Garden Show, Navy Pier, March 12th through March 20th. Sundays 10-6 P.M., Monday through Saturday 10-8 P.M. This is another opportunity to tell the general public about our spring show, handing out cultural sheets and encouraging people to become members of the Society.

Thanks to all who signed up at the November meeting. We could use a few more volunteers. I'd like to hear from you. Please call me at (847) 622-8664 or email dreflap@wowway.com.



Photo by Al Papiewski (IOS 2004 Fall Show)
Habenaria sp.

Bottom left, photo by Al Papiewski, *Phal.* sp.

Website Has Links to Orchid Info
and Record Keeping Software

Rosalie Dixler, AOS Representative

Surfing the net can be rewarding. Recently I came across an interesting orchid section on a website by Susan Taylor, BellaOnline's orchids editor. You can access the site at <http://www.bellaonline.com/subjects/2698.a.sp>.

Taylor provides listings for orchid and orchid record keeping sites. She includes the following links to database programs, screensavers and orchid journaling/record keeping products. The links can be activated on Taylor's site.

Cattleya-Log 3.0 [offsite link] - Database software offering a free evaluation before registration.

Everything Orchid Management System [offsite link] - Database program to track the progress of your orchids. Includes greenhouse management functions and the ability to add photographs of each plant.

My Orchids 2.0 [offsite link] - Database program for orchids record keeping. Several pricing options are available.

Orchid CD-Rom - Includes orchid care information and thousands of photographs.

Orchids [offsite link] - Download a shareware trial version of the database program.

Orchids 2000 [offsite link] - Database program from B. Enterprises.

Orchids 2000 Database [offsite link] - Database program from Phelps Farm Orchids, Inc.

Orchids Screen Saver [offsite link] - Try the product with a 7-day evaluation program.

The Orchid Journal [offsite link] - Binder system for keeping track of your orchid collection. Record sheets, CD-Rom, potting tips and orchid note cards also available.

The Orchidizer [offsite link] - Orchid journaling system includes note pages, cultural information and photo pages to document your collection.

Wildcatt Orchids Database [offsite link] – CD-Rom version of registered orchid hybrids maintained by the Royal Horticultural Society. Updated twice yearly.



Photo by Al Papiewski (IOS 2004 Fall Show)
Zygo. sp.

Away Show Schedule

Sandy Fuller, Away Show Chairman

Orchid Growers' Guild Orchid Quest 2005, February 5th and 6th at the Alliant Energy Center, Exposition Hall, Madison, WI.

Batavia Orchid Society Show at the Charlestown Mall in St. Charles (I have not been able to determine the dates yet).

Northeast Wisconsin Orchid Society Show, March 4th – 6th at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, 2040 Airport Dr., Green Bay, WI.

Illowa Orchid Society Spring Show, March 18th – 20th at the Putnam Museum & Imax Theatre Lobby, 1717 West 12th St., Davenport, IA.

If anyone is interested in helping out with our display at away shows, please contact me. It is fun working with orchids and meeting new people. Setup is usually on Friday and teardown on Sunday evening. If you cannot spare the time, please send your plants.

For those of you that have never sent plants to an away show here are some instructions that will help things run smoothly. Please write up a list of plants with your name and phone number at the top of the page. Include it in your box and make sure your plants are watered, clean, staked and bug free. Put your name on both the box(es) you are sending them in and on the pot of each plant. Please make sure your plant has a label with its species or hybrid name or parentage. If it is cold, be sure to pack plants so they can withstand short periods outside.

I look forward to seeing everyone's beautiful plants at our away shows. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Deadline for submissions to the January newsletter is December 25th; but like holiday shopping, earlier is better. E-mail to garnerjl@comcast.net.

Member In The News

Lois Cinert, IOS Board Member and Show Chairman, will be promoting orchids and the IOS this winter. Lois will teach two orchid growing courses for Oakton Community College at Niles North H.S. A beginners' session will take place March 7th, 7-10 pm, and a more advanced session will follow at the same time on March 21st.

Peruvian Grower Jailed For Smuggling

Jerry Garner, Newsletter Editor

Manuel G Arias de Silva, a prominent Peruvian Phragmipedium grower, was fined \$5,000 and sentenced to 21 months in jail after he pleaded guilty to conspiracy to import protected orchids into the US. Although Arias was one of three growers who had government permission to collect and cultivate wild orchids, he was accused by US authorities of mislabeling 490 Phragmipedium sp. in a shipment of 1145 plants to a Texas orchid dealer, George Norris. Justice Department interest in Norris was sparked by his advertising rare species for sale on the internet. Norris awaits sentencing and he could be fined \$250,000 and face five years in a federal prison.

This case follows on the heels of the scandal

involving Virginia orchid nurseryman James Kovach and Marie Selby Botanic Gardens and its Director. Kovach was cited for importing a Phrag. species he thought new to science. He took the plant to Selby Gardens which identified the plant naming it *Phrag. kovachii*. Kovach awaits sentencing and the Garden was found guilty of not notifying authorities when they discovered there was no CITES permit for the specimen.

China Enters Orchid Growing

Competition

Jerry Garner, Newsletter Editor

Glasshouses dedicated to growing hybrid Phals are being constructed on a 110 acre site in Chencun in the south of China. Part of an 800 acre floriculture industrial park, the orchid nurseries are expected to be operational by January 2005. Most of China's current orchid production is for its home market, but the plants grown in this new facility will be exported. The low cost of labor in China, plus the many government tax incentives, are already encouraging growers from Taiwan and the US to relocate there.

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