

## 2006 IOS Meeting and Show Dates

| Meeting Dates        | Location / Facilities       |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>October 14-15</b> | <b>Fall Show @ CBG*</b>     |
| November 12          | Chicago Botanic Gardens     |
| December 10          | Hausermann's                |
| January 14, 2007     | Chicago Botanic Gardens     |
| April 27-29, 2007    | IOS Spring Show/MAOC, @ CBG |

\*Note that our fall show will be our large show for the year (normally our spring show).

## 2006 Orchid Events

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| October 14-15          | IOS Fall Show, Chicago Botanic Gardens   |
| October 27-29          | Blackhawk Orchid Society Show, Rockford, IL  |
| November 4             | 9 <sup>th</sup> Annual Slipper Orchid Symposium, Kissimmee, FL.<br>Contact Jamie Lawson at 888-619-7687, or <a href="mailto:jimorchids@aol.com">jimorchids@aol.com</a> |
| Mar. 27 – Apr. 2, 2008 | 19 <sup>th</sup> World Orchid Conference, Miami, FL  |



Cymbidium sinense alba.  
Grower: Jerry Garner



Bulb. Maykoyanum. Grower: Victor Lentini

## President's Message

Barry Lubin, IOS President

The newly renovated facilities at the Chicago Botanic Gardens will host our fall show, Orchid Odyssey, on October 14 and 15. This will be a large show with full displays and participation by more than 30 commercial growers, fellow orchid societies and IOS members. It is a great opportunity to see a wealth of the finest orchids, shop the plant sales, listen to the speakers and acquaint yourself with the Chicago Botanic Gardens. We will have our IOS special blends of heat-treated bark mix and fertilizers on sale as well.

Sandy Fuller has been hard at work, with the assistance of many of our members, to put all of the arrangements in place for the show. We need your help during the show to handle the many tasks, small and large, that need to be done to make the show successful. If you haven't yet volunteered for a role at the show, please talk to Sandy. A task that fits your time and interest will surely be available, and your help will be most appreciated.

Speaking of appreciation, I would like to recognize the hard work of our members during The Chicagoland Orchid Festival, held on September 22-24. The Festival was once again an orchid lover's shopping delight. Thanks to the diligent efforts of Claire Papiewski and Felicia Cochran, it was also an occasion to recruit new IOS members and spread the word about our fall show. Many thanks to Dave and Allison Tribble, Loren Pollock, Bobbi Steiner, Bob Mack, Ann Kotowski and Jerry Garner, who staffed the table at Orchid's by Hausermann's. Kudos to Lois Cinert, Victor Lentini, Krassi Boboshevsky, Al Optiz and Al Papiewski for their work at the recruiting table at Oak Hill Gardens.

A big THANK YOU to Orchid's by Hausermann's and Oak Hill Gardens for allowing us to have a presence at their facilities during the Festival

-Barry

### November is Final Month for Paper Newsletter

November will be our final month that we will print and post your newsletter through the US Postal Service. Starting in December, *all* IOS newsletters will be sent via email. So, please (PLEASE!), make sure that we have your current email address. Contact Felicia Cochran at FBC@ with your current information.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [ioseditor@higrafix.com](mailto:ioseditor@higrafix.com).

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## October Program Notes

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*Barry Lubin – Program Chair, Retired*

Our main presentation featured a panel and virtual tours of the 3 primary growing environments used by our members – apartment/windowsill, under lights and greenhouse. Panel members Dave Tribble, Sherry Maloney and I described and illustrated our growing conditions and equipment. We talked about cultural challenges and answered questions about how to manage in each type of environment.

For our workshop, Tom Heller gave a very interesting talk on carnivorous plants as companion plants for orchids. See Tom's recap on page 3.

Many thanks, once again, to Orchid's by Hausermann for their generosity and hospitality in hosting our meeting.

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## Upcoming Programs

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*Sue Golin, Program Chair*

At our meeting November 12th at the Botanic Gardens, our workshop will be conducted by Suki Nax, former chairman of the American Orchid Society Chicago Judging Center, will conduct a workshop at our November 12th meeting. She will talk about Orchid judging in the AOS system, how to become one and what to look for in an Orchid being considered for an award.

Bill Rogerson will be the speaker. (When I mentioned this to the Tribbles, they said "oh goodie!") You may have heard him some time ago at Oakton. He is a premier *Cattleya* grower with 30 - 40 awards including a recent FCC for a *Cattleya trianae*. There is no higher award. Some of his Cats. grow in bushel baskets.

He had an outstanding article on *Cattleya* species in the October - December 2004 Orchid Digest and has been chosen to speak at the next World Orchid Congress in Miami.

Bill is a professor of Economics at Northwestern University, an Orchid Judge and the father of three. His talk will be about *Cattleya* species and their culture. Bring a notebook and prepare to enjoy and learn.

The December meeting which is more of a feast than a meeting, will be held at Hausermanns' on December 10th. Our Hausermann hosts provide punch, with and without alcohol, and you are free to shop 'til you drop. Everyone is asked to bring a dish large enough to feed 8 people. Hopefully the Hausermann crew will have some and we never seem to have many leftovers. Wait 'til you see the desserts! Bring serving utensils also. This meeting is the most fun. Dana usually gives a talk on some timely subject and we all enjoy the start of the Holidays.

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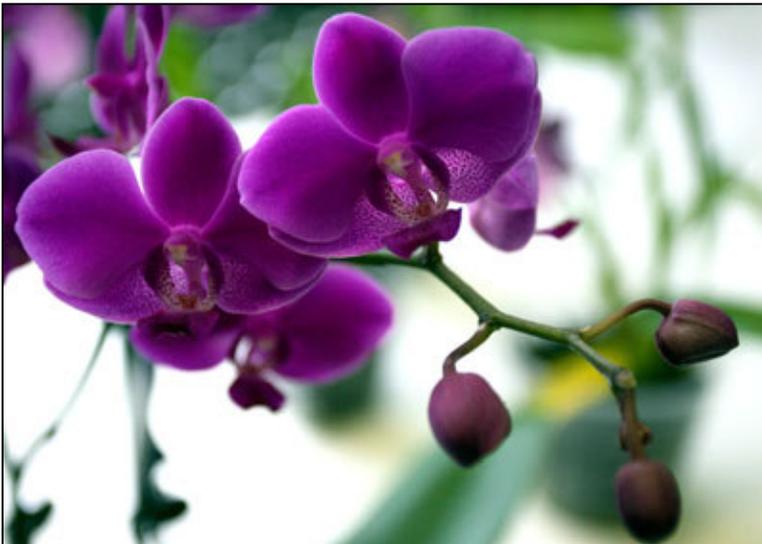
## Membership Report

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*Felicia Cochran, Membership Committee*

Please extend a warm welcome to our new members for the month of October, **Larry and Andrea Tomaszewski, Danny and Jan Lyon, Penny Knox, Sally Archambeault, Jennifer Smith, and Joanne Muraski.**

Please be sure to say hello to our new members at the next meeting.



Phal. Queen Beer. Grower: Justine Bricheno



Bl. Bernice Foster. Grower: Allison Tribble

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## Saving Your Awards

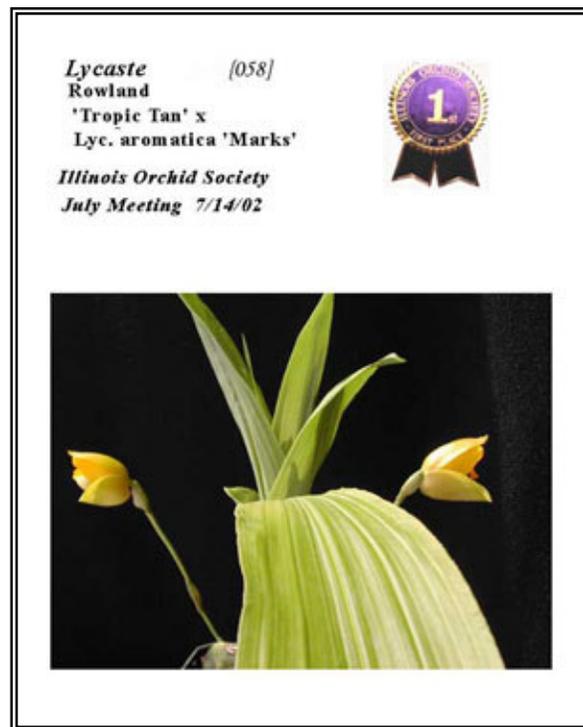
*Dave Tribble, Contributing Editor*

We all dream of winning awards for our orchids (particularly that first one!). The next question is: 'What do we do with them after we win?' How about a scrapbook?

If you have a digital camera and software to process your pictures, then you can make a full page 'photo' (see example) by inserting text describing your plant, a photo of the orchid, and place the sticker on the photo. We keep our awards in a 3-ring binder with the photos in sleeves for protection. For the first award for a particular orchid, we make a full page photo. For subsequent awards we make a 2nd page that can hold up to 3 additional awards. We use smaller photos, and do not need to include again the orchid identification.

Ribbons, of course, present a different problem. Here we include a photo of the orchid (ideally with the ribbon attached), and info on the award: prize, show where it won, etc. The actual ribbons have to be kept in a separate envelope. It may seem stupid to go to all this trouble when you have only a couple of sticker awards, but you might surprise yourself.....we're now on our 2nd album of awards.

Good growing, and good luck!



Sample scrapbook page

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## Workshop Recap – Carnivorous Companion Plants

*Tom Heller, Contributing Editor*

If you missed my talk on Carnivorous companion plants at the last IOS meeting, here is a brief recap

Carnivorous plants consist of the following genera; Aldrovanda, Byblis, Cephalotus, Darlingtonia, Dionaea, Drosera, Drosophyllum, genlisia, Heliamphora, Nepenthes, Pinguicula, Sarracenia and Utricularia, plus a few others. The ones listed are the most popular.

Like orchids they are found all over the world. The talk focused on two types of pitcher plant, Sarracenia from North America and Nepenthes from Southeast Asia, Australia and India and also Drosera or Sundews as well as Pinguicula or Butterworts.

The pitcher plants' passive pit-fall traps consist of hollow leaves, which contain a mixture of water and digestive enzymes. Insects are attracted by not only scent, but also an excretion of a honeylike substance. By contrast, the Sundew and Butterwort are active sticky traps that can move toward an insect or once the insect is mired on the sticky leaf surface envelope it by curling inward or moving its various parts to pin the insect for digestion.

I chose these particular plants, as they grow well with orchids and can trap many insect pests which often damage our orchids. Although they will not eliminate the need to monitor our plant collections for pests, they will help in the intervals between our need to spray insecticide. For instance carnivorous plants will keep ant populations in check and in turn keep scale from being spread.

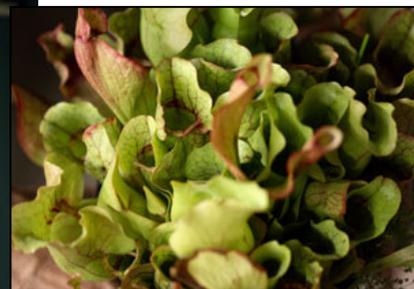
They are also well adapted to trapping flying adult thripes, fungus gnats, flies and many other insect pests including cockroaches and mice.

Carnivorous plants are also quite beautiful. They come in a variety of sizes, shapes, colors and forms. Many of the flowers can easily go head to head with orchids, though it is their leaves that give them their striking appearance.

I encourage you to give them a try. Most are easy to grow and flower in the same conditions as we grow our orchids. Call, or e-mail me at [nothingworks22@hotmail.com](mailto:nothingworks22@hotmail.com) if you have any questions.



Tom talking about carnivores.



One of many beautiful carnivorous plants Tom brought in to show us.

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# IOS Fall (Spring) Show on October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>

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*Sandy Fuller, Home Show Chair*

The show is almost upon us now. Please checkout our website for our show page if you haven't already. There is still time to sign up to volunteer. The more the merrier. Also, please take a look at your orchids and pick out the ones you would like to send to the show. You can now pre-register the

plants on line if you like. If you enjoy baking, please think about making something for our hospitality room.

Thanks in advance for all your help. We really cannot do it without you.

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## Report on Milwaukee Show

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*Anne Kotowski, Away Show Chair*

The fall show season is well under way. With the help of Lois Cinert and Sandy Fuller, we received a first place ribbon for our exhibit. This being my first away show I knew I would forget some thing, half the black cloths, the third table, you know, nothing important.

Thanks to Allison and Dave Tribble, Lois, Sue Golan, Joel Edwards, Ed Gamson, and Sandy for contributing plants. We had 29 plants with 3 firsts, 4 seconds, and 4 thirds. It was a beautiful sunny day which meant it was hotter than you-know-what inside the Mitchell Dome, but soon the trees provided some shade, and it cooled down. The only victim of the heat seemed to be my own paph. Virtuous, it got a second place ribbon then lost it flower. Lois and Sandy arrived with the rest of the plants and we started putting together the display. That's when I realized I was missing two of the clothes for the backdrop. A few judiciously placed evergreens and I don't think the judges noticed. The only thing I wished I had was MORE plants, never think that your 1 or 2 plants wouldn't make a difference, they do! The next away show isn't until Oct. 28-29 in Rockford. Please, please, please drop off by Thursday night Oct. 26 at the usual locations.

Sue Golan -Lake Forest (847-234-6311)  
Sandy Fuller -Palatine (847-991-5434)  
Lois Cinert - Bolingbrook (630-739-1068)  
Anne Kotowski -Elmhurst(630-833-8042)

Don't forget we need plants at our Fall show Oct. 14-15. If you can't get to the show Friday, you can drop them at my house by Thursday, I'm home most nights and only a block from the Ike and Tristate.

-Anne Kotowski



IOS display at Milwaukee show



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## Away Show Plant of the Year

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*Anne Kotowski, Away Show Chair*

Announcing a new contest! Everyone is eligible! Just contribute an orchid to the IOS display at away shows. One orchid from each show we go to will be nominated for the annual prize (awarded at the June meeting). Ed Gamson's Milt.

Belle 'Everglades Waterfall' is the first nominated plant. I am not an AOS judge, I pick the plant with the best "wow" or "cool" factor. "Wow" is lots of flowers, like Ed's, and "cool" is weird and wonderful.

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## 19<sup>th</sup> World Orchid Conference – Miami Florida

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*Rosalie Dixler, Contributing Editor*

- **WHO:** Hosted by: South Florida Orchid Society, Inc., and Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society, Inc.
- **WHEN:** January 23 - 27, 2008 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday
- **WHERE:** Sheraton Miami Mart Hotel & Convention Center 711 N.W. 72nd Avenue, Miami, FL

The South Florida Orchid Society and the Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society have joined forces to host the largest and most prestigious event in the world for orchid enthusiasts, growers, hybridizers, scientists and the general public—the 19th World Orchid Conference®!

Held every three years, the World Orchid Conference is returning to the United States for the first time in more than two decades. The 2008 Conference marks the first time in World Orchid Conference history that it has returned to a city as Miami hosted the 11th World Orchid Conference in 1984. Since that time, the event has been held in numerous exotic locations across the globe including Malaysia, France, Australia and New Zealand.

The highlight of the 19th World Orchid Conference® will be its major orchid show, titled "Orchids – Nature's Masterpiece®". Orchids by the thousands will arrive from every major orchid growing center in the world. These exotic

flowers will be displayed in artistically designed exhibits of varying sizes and shapes. Acclaimed orchid growers from around the world will exhibit and sell their magnificent orchids. Orchid art and related items will be on display and there will be a large sales mart carrying plants and all things related to orchids. During the Conference, an opportunity to hear prestigious speakers, attend a series of seminars, business meetings, parties and sightseeing will keep the attendees happily and productively involved in the exchange of ideas and appreciation of nature's largest family of flowering plants.

More than 250,000 attendees, growers and exhibitors from throughout the world are expected to attend the highly-anticipated 19th World Orchid Conference®. Attendee and Exhibitor registrations are now open. Please visit the World Orchid Conference website at [www.19WOC.com](http://www.19WOC.com) for registration information.



From left to right: Lc. George Baldwin 'Prolific'.  
Grower: Orchids by Hausemann. Pot. Burana Beauty  
'Burana' HCC/AOS. Grower: Orchids by  
Hausemann. Refieldara Jerry 'Pacific Empire'.  
Grower: Orchids by Hausemann

# Member's Judging Points

Alex Manuel, IOS Awards Committee

Hello everybody!!! I am sorry for not posting the points last month, but I now have the updated points.

Before I continue, I would like to congratulate Mr. & Mrs. Joe and Rosalie Dixler for receiving the 'Plant of the Month Award' for August for their *Chondrorhyncha lindleyana*.

I would like to thank all the members who keep participating in the monthly judging. This month's recipient of the 'Plant of the Month Award' is Mr. Wilfried Losert for his rare *Phal. equestris forma alba*. It is a beautifully grown plant with multiple growths, 25 flowers and several buds on 5 inflorescences. He is growing his plants under lights. Congratulations.

Also, before I forget, there were three plants exhibited without the exhibitors name. They were 1. Phrag. Kai Quintal, 2. Phal. Sogo Grape, and 3. Degarmoara Winter Wonderland 'White Fairy'. Let me know who you are so I can add it to your scores. If you have any questions regarding your scores, email me. My e-mail address is vandaalex@aol.com. Lastly, Orchid show season is here, if you received any AOS award make sure to let me know so we can add it to your points.

Thank you.

-Alex

| Lights/ Windows       | Points |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Garner, Jerry         | 45     |
| Goodman, Joan         | 10     |
| Hall, Julie           | 10     |
| Herbst, Penny         | 10     |
| Kowalski, Dan & Terri | 10     |
| Kotowski, Anne        | 10     |
| Kwiatkowski, Cheryl   | 5      |
| Larson, Greger        | 5      |
| Lentini, Victor       | 101    |
| Losert, Wilfried      | 81     |
| Maloney, Sherry       | 56     |
| Minonne, Fransco      | 6      |
| Ortega, Norine        | 10     |
| Papiewski, Claire     | 10     |
| Torres, Luis          | 119    |
| Tribble, Allison      | 105    |
| Vrabel, Ken           | 58     |

| Lights/ Windows      | Points |
|----------------------|--------|
| Bestman, Jim & Jerry | 10     |
| Bricheno, Justine    | 20     |
| Buckles, Betsy       | 5      |
| Cinert, Lois         | 10     |
| Cochran, Felicia     | 6      |
| Dangoia, Phyllis     | 10     |
| Edwards, Joel        | 31     |
| Engle, Beth          | 30     |
| Fuller, Sandy        | 218    |

| Greenhouse            | Points |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Dixler, Joe & Rolalie | 55     |
| Gamson, Ed            | 16     |
| Golan, Sue            | 121    |
| Mack, Bob             | 77     |
| Mastdagh, J. & V.     | 10     |
| Passine, Paul         | 38     |
| Thompson, Carole      | 36     |



Above: Close-up of the Plant of the Month - *Phal. equestris forma alba*. Left: Full view of orchid. Grower: Wilfried Losert.

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## IOS Board Members – 2006 - 2007

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## Do You Have Extra Orchids?

*Wally Zielinski, Contributing Editor*

Having trouble getting your orchids back inside now that cool weather has arrived? The IOS will try to sell your plants at our shows. All you have to do is bring the plants to the show and fill out a registration form. Give as much information as you can about the plant, especially color. You will also need a log number for each plant. Log number are available at the show or contact Wally Zielinski at 847-587-5534 or wallyzzz@earthlink.net. All plants not sold must be picked up at the end of the show. 25% of the sales price is kept

by the IOS. This is an opportunity to make room for more plants and get a few bucks.

While you are at the fall show, come and see the IOS sales table. Bargains galore to be had. Plants sell at prices about half of retail. Many divisions of fine plants can be found including awarded plants and many fine mericlones. Purchases here help fund the IOS .

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## Photographer Wanted – Chicago Judging Center

*Jim Spatzek, Chairman, Chicago Judging Center, American Orchid Society*

The Chicago Judging Center is seeking a photographer to photograph the orchids plants receiving American Orchid Society awards each month. If you are an avid photographer, we need your help.

The judging is held each month on the second Saturday at the Chicago Botanic Garden in Glencoe, where we have our meetings. We meet at 1:00pm and photography begins as soon as a plant is awarded. Our former photographer and IOS member, Rhonda Peters moved to North Carolina. You need to be:

- Interested
- Love to Photograph
- Able to attend most meetings
- Have a good 35mm camera
- Want to see your photographs published in Orchids and The Awards Quarterly.

We provide all the instructions and the film. You just have to be there and willing to help. If you're interested, please contact me at:

Jim Spatzek, Chairman  
Chicago Judging Center  
(847) 498-4638

and I'll answer any questions you might have. Thanks!

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## Follow-up on AOS / Amazon Relationship

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*Rosalie Dixler, AOS Liaison*

The staff and volunteers of the AOS have received a lot of questions since our recent partnership announcement tied to the shift in our books operation. I thought that a bit of clarification might be in order.

The good news is that the unquestioned best place to purchase orchid (and horticultural) books is still through [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org). Let me explain why. The site is safe, reliable and no one pays a penny more by starting with the AOS shopping cart to purchase books from our terrific new partners, Amazon and OrchidsBooks. We're out of the hands-on mail-order business, but have turned that aspect of our service to the orchid community over to two well-known businesses. In exchange, the AOS receives a very small portion of the proceeds from all sales placed through our Web site. By ordering your books and calendars through the link [www.aos.org/aos/shop/orchidbooks.aspx](http://www.aos.org/aos/shop/orchidbooks.aspx) members and visitors to the AOS shopping cart are actively supporting our nonprofit organization while at the same time securing outstanding pricing and customer service. Importantly, if individuals go directly to Amazon or OrchidsBooks, the AOS receives no benefit whatsoever. And here's another important bonus for the AOS -- if you are searching for anything (trips, other fiction or nonfiction titles, clothing, jewelry, computers, electronics, tools, fitness equipment -- you name it!) from Amazon, the AOS will receive a small percentage of your ultimate purchase, but only if you start your Amazon search through the AOS Web site's shopping cart. Simply enter the Amazon portal

through [www.aos.org/aos/shop/orchidbooks.aspx](http://www.aos.org/aos/shop/orchidbooks.aspx) and then proceed to explore the rest of Amazon's amazing selection of offerings. If you are an on-line shopper, you can literally help support the AOS in this very simple manner -- at zero extra cost to you. You can do your holiday shopping on Amazon (and "get there" through the AOS), and actively help our nonprofit organization with every purchase made. We will continue to strive to bring our members and customers access to the largest number of orchid books in order to be your one-stop shop for orchid information. As new titles become available, they will be added to the AOS Web site. Since the Society is now partnering with Amazon and OrchidsBooks and offering orchid and gardening books at lower prices and with improved delivery service, only a few items will be sold directly through the AOS: back issues of Orchids/AOS Bulletin, Lindleyana and Awards Quarterly, and the new e-AOS Awards CD (see link off AOS homepage). The AOS will also continue to offer wholesale specials to affiliated societies and retailers through our Orchid Emporium.

Please remember and please spread the word -- when looking for an orchid or horticultural book, please go through the Society's Web site ([www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org)) and then click Shop at the top of the page) to guarantee a portion of the proceeds of your purchase will go to the AOS and help our many efforts to support the orchid community -- including this discussion board and Orchids magazine.

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***The Fall Show will be held at  
The Chicago Botanic Gardens on Sunday, October 14-15th  
See inside for details.***