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IOS Meetings and Show Dates*

June 10, 2007 - Chicago Botanic Garden
Workshop: David Tribble - "Setting Up an Orchid Database"
Speaker: Leo Schordje - "Lycastes".

July 8, 2007 - Chicago Botanic Garden
Workshop: Barry Lubin - "Big Box Hardware Stores - an Orchid Grower's Best Friend".
Speaker: Greg Allikas - "Orchid Photography".

August 18, 2007 (Saturday) - Oak Hill Gardens - Picnic! Speaker: Herman Pigors (Topic TBD).

Visit www.oakhillgardens.com or call (847)428-8500 for directions.

September 9, 2007 - Chicago Botanic Garden.
Workshop: Lois Cinert - "Plant Registration - Just in Time for the Show".
Speaker: Cathy Bloome - "Native Orchids and Conservation".

October 13-14, 2007 - Chicago Botanic Garden.
IOS Fall Mini Show.

President's Message

Barry Lubin - IOS President

Congratulations to the officers and directors elected at the May meeting (see page 3 for the slate). IOS has no paid employees; members do all of the work of managing the society and conducting our events. The officers and directors serve as the focal point for many activities, recruiting and organizing the efforts of the members who volunteer their time and expertise to the society. I want to thank the newly elected and returning officers and directors for agreeing to accept the responsibilities of service. I also want to extend a special "Thank You" to the 2 officers who are completing their current responsibilities, Jim Spatzek and Sue Golan. Both are past presidents of IOS and both have done just about every other job for the society. Enjoy the vacation, Jim and Sue - we know where to find you when we need help.

In addition to the officers, 8 members serve on the board of directors. The 4-year terms for directors are staggered such that 2 directors roll off and 2 are elected each year. Many thanks to retiring board members Allen Morr and Wally Zielinski.

Two of our newly elected officers, Luis Torres and Beth Engle, were directors at the time of their election. As Luis and Beth assume their responsibilities as officers, the positions they held as board members are now open. Our By-Laws (printed at the front of the Annual Membership Directory) require the president to appoint members to fill vacancies, subject to approval by the board. The responsibilities of a director are fairly easy to fulfill - you need to attend and participate actively at board meetings. The board meets every other month, usually on the second Tuesday, beginning at 7:30 PM. Before appointing 2 members as directors, I want to hear from you. If you would like to have an active roll in setting direction of the IOS by serving as a director, please let me know (brlubin@sbcglobal.net, 847-432-6005). You can experience the workings of the board first hand by attending our next meeting on July 10th at the home of Luis Torres.

I thank you for entrusting the responsibilities of president of the society to me. I look forward to another year of the challenges and enjoyment that serving as president will surely bring.

-Barry

* Unless noted otherwise, member's meetings held at the Chicago Botanic Garden will begin at 11:30am in the Multipurpose room with the Mentor's meeting, followed by plant judging and plant sales at approximately 12:00noon. At 12:30pm, we move to the Auditorium for our workshop, business meeting, and speaker presentation.

The Chicago Botanic Garden is located one traffic light East of Route 41 (Edens Expy) on Lake Cook Road, in Glencoe, Illinois.

Orchid Events

September 21-23, 2007 - 15th Annual Chicagoland Orchid Festival - <http://www.chicagolandorchidfestival.com/>

November 16-18, 2007 - Mid-America Orchid Congress, Kansas City, Kansas - <http://midamericanorchids.org/>

January 23-27, 2008 - 19th World Orchid Conference. Miami Florida. <http://www.19woc.com/>



Paph. moquettianum x Greyii

Program Notes

Sue Golan - 1st Vice President

Russ Vernon entertained us all at the meeting on May 20th telling us How Not to Grow Phalaenopsis. He asked us all to stand if we had grown a Phal and then said to sit down if we had never killed a Phal. No one sat down. In addition to being so amusing he had gorgeous plants to sell.

On June 10th, we will be enlightened by Leo Schordje about every aspect of Lycastes those uncommon beauties. He'll have some to sell too so I will expect to see them on the judging table soon. At the workshop, Dave Tribble will tell us how to set up an Orchid database. We're lucky to have a techie like Dave and a knowledgeable orchid grower and breeder like Leo in our society.

Speaking of judging, where are the bulbophyllums you bought from Bill Thoms? When you bloom one, I'd like to see it. We'd all like to see it! There might be a prize.



Russ Vernon speaking on how NOT to grow Phalaenopsis



Cattleya aurantiaca

IOS Board Members 2007-2008

Officers (Terms of office are from July 1 until June 30):

President	Barry Lubin	847-432-6005	(brlubin@sbcglobal.net)
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TDB	2008		
Leo Schordje	2009	847-746-9355	(lschordje@dataflo.net)
Joe Dixler	2009	847-432-7708	(jmd@dixler.net)
Lois Cinert	2010	630-739-1068	(geolocin@earthlink.net)
TDB			
Victor Lentini	2011		(f1orchid@aol.com)
Allison Tribble	2011	773-728-4874	(allisont@rcn.com)



Paph. Magic Lantern



Phrag. Quintal's Blush



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