

## ILLINOIS ORCHID SOCIETY

FOUNDED IN 1952

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sue Golan 708/234-6311

Thanks to Heddi for providing an orchid-colored newsletter. It should be difficult to lose among your other mail. Please READ IT! It's full of earth-shaking edifying stuff.

Our sincere thanks to our July speaker, **JIM PHILLIPS**, River Bend Orchids, who spoke about breeding *miniphalaenopsis*.

We have so many varied interesting members. I thought I'd tell you a little about some of them.

Many of you know **MAGGIE KUNTZ**. She's a good grower and manages to bloom pots of *Sophronitis coccinea* every year. Did you know she takes all of her orchids to Michigan every year? She and her husband spend the summers in Muskegon where he is the sound engineer at a religious retreat center.

The Kuntz's have a trailer there and Maggie has set up oven racks on bricks with shade cloth over them. The cooler-growing species love the climate there. It's always ten degrees cooler than here, sometimes in the 40's with heavy mists off the lake and dew in the mornings. Even the warm-growing stuff likes it. *Masdevallias* love it and so does Maggie.

A former member of ours, **MARTY COOPER**, was in town recently. He's moved and joined the North Jersey Orchid Society. He says it can't compare with the IOS. It's terribly disorganized and does not have the outstanding speakers like we do. That's good to hear but not surprising.

One of our new members pointed out that, if you wear your IOS badge to the monthly meetings at the Chicago Botanic Garden, the \$3 parking fee will be waived. That's \$3 more to spend on orchids!

Get-well wishes to **MEL SCHMIDT** who had surgery recently.

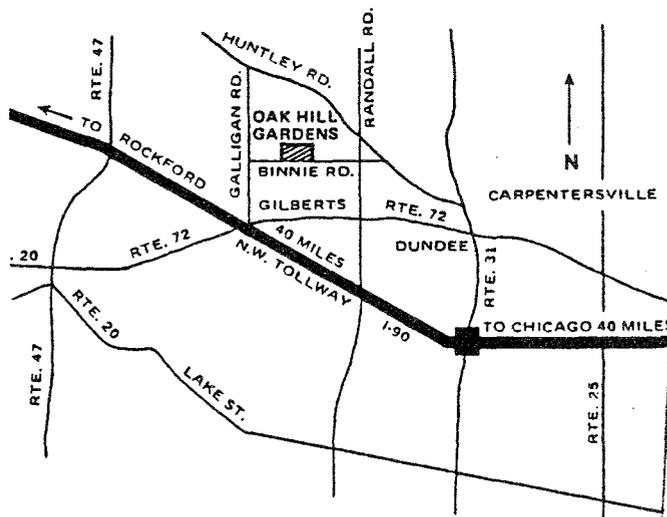
We were sorry to learn of the recent death of **WILLIAM KORTZ**. Bill was an outstanding grower of *Miltonias* and was happy to share his know-how with anyone who showed an interest. He asked Mrs. Kortz to give the IOS his remaining plants and equipment. (He had already given us several dozen when he became sick.) These will appear on the sales table in September. If you are interested, his humidifier, electric heater and small window greenhouse are for sale.

**WHO:** Illinois Orchid Society  
**WHAT:** Annual Picnic  
**WHEN:** Sunday, August 19, 1990  
**WHERE:** Oak Hill Gardens  
37 W. 550 Binnie Road  
West Dundee, IL  
708/428-8500

**Picnic at Oak Hill Gardens.** At noon we will gather at Hermann Pigors' in West Dundee for our annual outing. Consult the map below for directions. Hermann will provide picnic tables, drinks and dessert. YOU provide your lunch. Be prepared for a special day!

After lunch, there is plenty of time to wander through the greenhouses. Hermann is an outstanding source of reasonably priced species as well as hybrids and orchid supplies. There will be a door prize and plant judging.

At 2 p.m. Hermann will give a talk about species in flower, their special needs and how to maintain them in cultivation. He'll touch on propagation and how we can help to perpetuate them as they become rare and unavailable.



## SUPPLEMENTAL JUDGING CENTER

The big night was July 28th. Considering that 61 plants were entered, it WAS a BIG NIGHT! Thanks to all who brought plants. I hope the postjudging discussions of the 40 plants nominated to be considered for awards explained satisfactorily why you did or did not receive an award.

Four awards were granted: *Phragmipedium ecuadorensis* brought OTTO LEUPI yet another CCM of 82 points. He very graciously named it "Joe Koss" in honor of our Judging Chairman.

*Ornithocephalus iridifolius* was given a CCM of 87 points for WALTER CRAWFORD of Milwaukee. Two

*Paph. godefroyes* owned by RIVER KWAI ORCHIDS were given HCC's of 76 and 77 points.

There were 6 tables with 39 judges present. Judges and orchid society members came from Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin.

We were especially honored to have the President of the American Orchid Society, DONNA CRAIG, as a judge. She wished our new endeavor luck and paid tribute to the patient efforts of Joe Koss in bringing this new judging center to life.

Having a judging center here brings enormous prestige and opportunity to the IOS. Those who helped out or came to show support spoke of how interesting the process was and how much they had learned.

## IOS POINT SCORE ACCUMULATIONS

Tom Kalina, Chairman - 708/420-0216

Monthly Judging Results - July, 1990

Eighteen people showed a total of 53 plants at the July meeting. Two special awards were presented to greenhouse growers, both commercial, but none under lights. The special awards were:

**PLANT OF THE MONTH** River Kwai Orchids for *Dendrobium Minnie*

**CULTURAL AWARD** Cyps, Etc. for *Hartwegia purpurea*

Other first for greenhouse were:

G. Freeman	<i>Aeranthes</i> ( <i>grandiflora</i> x <i>ramosa</i> )
C. Hartman	<i>Onc. Robsan</i> "Orchid World"
	<i>Asconopsis Irene Dobkin</i> "Elmhurst"
	<i>Asca. Su-fun Beauty</i> "Orange Belle"
L. Sahagian	<i>Phal. Laycockii</i> x <i>Vanda teres</i>
	<i>Ornithocephalus gladiatus</i>
J. Sikora	<i>Oncidium unicornum</i>
G. Steuben	<i>Cattleytonia Jamaica Red</i>

First under lights/window were:

K. Langwell	<i>Paph. concolor</i>
W. Losert	<i>Chilochista usenoides</i>
	<i>Phal. (Malibu Imp x Necedah)</i>
S. Maloney	<i>Cattleya Claesiana</i> "Elva"
	<i>Cattleya Skinneri alba</i>
M. Schmidt	<i>Dtps. Malibu Queen</i> x <i>Phal. violacea</i>
K. Vrabel	<i>Kagawara Red Lava</i>

## POINT STANDINGS

### GREENHOUSE

L. Sahagian	40
C. Hartman	30
J. Sikora	25
G. Freeman	21
J. Mullen	11
S. Golan	11
G. Steuben	10
N. Radcliffe	5
C. Thompson	5
G. Dubenic	2

### LIGHTS

M. Schmidt	23
W. Losert	20
K. Vrabel	16
S. Maloney	11
K. Langwell	10
N. Radcliffe	5

### COMMERCIAL

Cyps, Etc.	70
River Kwai	40

**FALL MINI-SHOW**

Howard Frank, Chairman  
Phone: 708/564-2630 (home); 708/569-2076 (office)  
Fax: 708/564-3789

The Fourth Annual Fall Mini-Show will be held on Sept. 21, 22 and 23, 1990. The show will again feature displays on table tops. The IOS will NOT have a society exhibit. Instead we encourage all members to try to set up their own displays. Each space measures 36" wide x 30" deep. You may reserve one space, or two side-by-side spaces. One space equals one table. You may exhibit any type of orchid plant in your display.

Setup will begin on Thursday evening after 6 p.m. Judging will be on Friday at 7 p.m. Tear down Sunday at 4 p.m. This year the show will be held again in conjunction with the Topiary Show in the main exhibit hall.

If you want to set up an exhibit, please register for the space as early as possible--choice tables go first. A registration form is included below. Complete rules and regulations and show book will be mailed to you upon receipt of your registration.

We hope that some of the new members and members who have never set up a display will participate. It's quite

easy to set up a display. Use boxes or inverted pots under your plants for height and spacing. Arrange the plants by color, size and shape, each complementing the other.

Cover the pots with some type of material, either cloth or moss, etc. You can use decorative baskets, pots or other types of containers if you do not want to use cloths to cover pots. The purpose is to arrange the flowers in a pleasing manner and to not see the plastic pots. Wood baskets are okay to display and need not be covered. A 36" x 30" space is not large and you do not need many plants. You can also get together with another member to set up a display if you feel that you won't have enough plants on your own. It's easy and FUN to do -- and you just might win a ribbon for your display. There will also be a special award given to the best display by an IOS member. We hope to get many volunteers to help with the show. If you have not signed up, please call me and let me know in which area you would like to work.

Clip and mail or FAX to Howard Frank, Show Chairman, 1685 Highland Ave., Northbrook, IL 60062  
FAX #: 708/564-3789

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**FALL MINI-SHOW -- Sept. 21, 22 and 23, 1990**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print as you want name to appear on exhibit sign)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX #: \_\_\_\_\_

SPACE NEEDED:      1 Table              2 Tables (circle one)

CATEGORY:              Plants              Minatures              Cut Flowers (circle one or more)

Yes, I want to help. Please sign me up for \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_

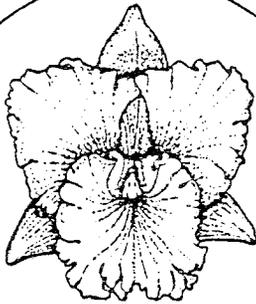
Please return registration form by September 1.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**August 25:** IOS judging at CBG  
**September 17:** Next Board Meeting at Grace Freeman's home at 65 Acorn Lane, Highland Park, 708/831-3297  
**September 21, 22 and 23:** Fall Mini-Show at CBG  
**October 21:** Monthly IOS meeting at CBG  
**October 17-21:** AOS Fall Trustees Meeting, Virginia Beach  
**October 26-28:** Mid-America Orchid Congress, St. Louis  
**November 18:** Monthly IOS meeting at CBG  
**December 9:** Christmas Party at Hausermann's

**JUDGING STUDY GROUP:** Please contact John Stubbings at 708/480-1532 if you wish to join this group. We will try to continue the efforts of Joe Koss and cover newground. So far only six members have signed up. We need at least 12.

**JUDGING PHOTOGRAPHY:** The Judging Center needs a second photographer as back-up. If you have a 35 mm camera that can focus on individual orchid flowers, you can be a big help. Judging is the fourth Saturday evening of the month. Please call John Stubbings at 708/480-1532.



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## COMMUNICATIONS CENTRAL

**FOR SALE:** Greenhouse, 20' x 22' x 11' high; galvanized steel frame and double layer of fiber glass; hot water heat and evaporative cooling. Large stainless steel sink; rain-water collection and storage. Pots, trays and orchids. To view come to an **OPEN HOUSE** at 5737 Carpenter St., Downers Grove, on Saturday, August 18, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday, August 19, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon or call Renate Schmidt at 708/968-6945.

**PLANTS FOR SALE:** I need room and need to sell many types: Paphs, Phrags, Miltonia and others. Most are good varieties for the beginning collector. A few collector items. Call Leo Schordje at 708/746-9355 evenings.

**COUNTRY LIVING AT ITS FINEST!** A house located on over 1 acre in the Wadsworth area. The home has been completely remodeled. There is a 9 x 16 attached greenhouse, with water, electricity and automatic vents. The garage is 20 x 36 and heated. Apple trees, dog run and more. \$124,000. For more information, call Rich Jezioro at Coldwell Banker. Phone 708/816-5900 (office) or 708/662-1727 (home).

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