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ILLINOIS ORCHID SOCIETY

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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WHO: ILLINOIS ORCHID SOCIETY
WHAT: ANNUAL PICNIC
WHEN: August 18, 1990 noon
WHERE: Oak Hill Gardens
 37 W. 550 Binnie Road
 West Dundee, IL
 708/428-8500

I don't know about you, but after hearing George Vasquez speak at our July 21st meeting, I had the urge to pack up my orchids and get on the plane to Japan. Anywhere in Japan. Aren't those prices they pay for orchid plants outrageous? It just might be better than the lottery!

This month we go to Oak Hill Gardens for our annual August picnic. Luckily for us, Hermann Pigors wasn't at our July meeting, so he knows nothing about **THOSE PRICES**. Just don't offer him yen.

We've gotten to be a sizeable group, at least on paper. As of July 1st, we had 428 members representing 303 households. Over 80 members have joined since the spring show. Please come to meetings, all of you!

We'll need your help, especially this fall for our mini-show on the weekend of Sept. 27-29. This is a table-top show and an easy way to ease into show biz.

Sherry Maloney will be Show Chairman and she will need people for committees. This will be good experience to acquire before our Mid-America show in the fall of 1992.

Grace Freeman will be in charge of that show and she will also need help, a lot of it because Mid-America is a big event attended by all the judges in the Mid-America region.

Since many of you have not yet worked with **Sherry**, I found out a bit about her for your information. She grows her orchids under lights in what was meant to be a laundry room. Typically, it became too small, as orchid growing areas are wont to do, so she expanded into the basement.

She is the secretary at Winnetka's Crow Island School and has been for 9 years. Before that, she taught French in a Northbrook grade school.

She and her husband, who retired as manager for accounts receivables at Signode, have two kids, a married son and a just-moved-out daughter.

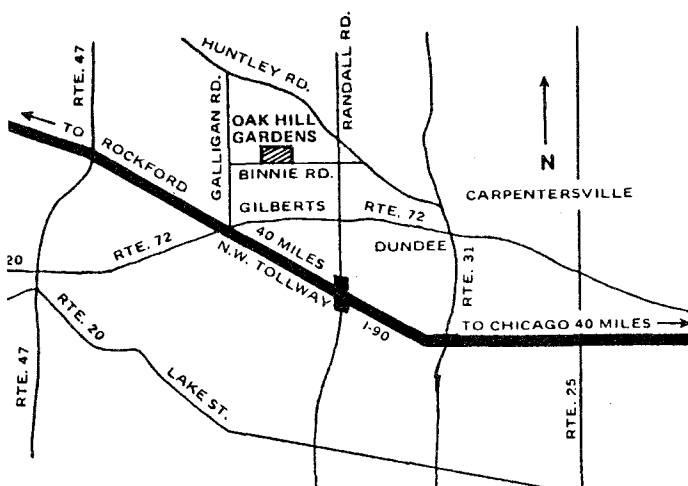
During her 6-week summer break she plays golf.

Show set-ups are new to her but she's gotten great flower arranging experience helping **Nicola Radcliffe** who "does" weddings, etc.

At noon we will gather at **Hermann Pigors'** in West Dundee for our annual picnic. 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 conservation of species and how we can help to perpetuate them as they become rare and unavailable.



CONSERVATION REPORT

This year I started doing volunteer work with the Nature Conservancy in some of the prairie restorations going on around the city. Before long, I was assigned to a prairie in Buffalo Grove where I would count the populations of 2 orchids that have been found there, *Platanthera leucophaea*, white prairie fringed orchid, and *Cypripedium candidum*, small white lady slipper, which are both on the Illinois endangered species list. Unfortunately no fringed orchids were found this year, but this year's blooming of lady slippers increased 100 per cent from last year's. I think that the increase was most likely due to the good rainfall we had at the beginning of this year, but also is due to the work of the Nature Conservancy to protect this land from destruction.

The land is owned by Commonwealth Edison and is under their power lines. It was discovered that the North Shore Gas Company was requesting permission to put a pipeline down the center of the prairie which would destroy or damage these rare plants for many years. The steward of the prairie felt that more support was needed from other organizations with the Nature Conservancy to help persuade Commonwealth Edison to refuse North Shore's request. So I got busy and sent off letters to everyone possibly involved with the proposed pipeline.

Within 3 days after the letters were mailed, Com Ed contacted the steward of the prairie and assured him that no damage would come to the prairie as North Shore would now be rerouting the pipe around the prairie. It's nice to see that a company as large as Com Ed is trying to be conservation-minded.

For those interested in orchid conservation, there is a newsletter being put out by a group of orchid species lovers in Florida. The publication is called *Aa* and is well worth the \$10 annual subscription rate for 4 issues. If you'd like to see a copy of the first issue, look for me at the meetings. You can send your subscription to:

FWCOS/TOCC c/o Karen Wilson
P O Box 3536
Seminole, FL 34642

Make check payable to: FWCOS/TOCC

**Cathy Bloome, Chairman
Conservation Committee**

Condolences: Our condolences to Howard Frank on the death of his father July 21st.

FOR SALE - COLLECTION OF ORCHID LITERATURE: These items are new (unused, i.e. most of them have not been read or even opened).

AOS Bulletins, 216 numbers (1962-80) - \$200

Cymbidium Society News, 238 numbers (1947-77; 1947-66 out of print?) - \$140

The Orchid Digest, 1 number (Nov. 1971) Silver Anniversary - \$1

Review, The Orchid Society of Southern California, 10 numbers (1964-65) - \$5

The Orchid Journal, 19 numbers, plus Index (1952-53) - \$15

Books:

American Orchid Society Bulletin. Silver Anniversary issue, 1971 - \$3

Freed, Hugo. *Orchid Serendipity*, 1970 - \$6

Jefferson, R.N. and F. S. Moreshita. *Orchid Pests and Their Control* - \$2

Proceedings of the Fifth World Orchid Conference (Singapore). Limited Edition. 1966 - \$7

Sander, David. *Orchids and Their Cultivation*, 1969. Autographed copy - \$5

Swinson, Arshur. Frederick Sander: *The Orchid King*. 1976 - \$7

Your First Orchids and How to Grow Them. Oregon Orchid Society, 1951 - \$1

Entire collection - \$320. I would prefer to sell the collection intact.

Dr. Carl E. DeVries
7618 Cregier Avenue
Chicago, IL 60649
312/721-0012

1991-1992 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY: Those of you who were unable to attend the July meeting and did not receive a copy of the new Directory will receive it under separate cover. Please check your listing and if you have any changes, call 708/674-4671 and leave a message.

FALL SHOW: Believe it or not, summer is almost over, and it's time to think about the Fall Mini Show (Sept. 27-29). Elsewhere in this bulletin you will find a sign-up sheet for volunteering a little of your time during that weekend. Even if you are new to the society or have never volunteered before (I've never been Show Chairman before, either!), please consider doing it this year. There is a job waiting for you, and it's a great way to meet interesting people and learn more about this habit forming hobby. If you have questions about what any of the jobs entail, please call me @ 708/498-0249.

**Sherry Maloney, Show Chairman
Fall Mini Show**

ILLINOIS ORCHID SOCIETY FALL MINI SHOW SIGN UP

Below are listed the jobs and time frame for which your help will be needed in order to make this show a success. **Please circle all the jobs and times you will be available and return this form as soon as possible.**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1991

Noon - 4 p.m.	Table Setup		
4 p.m. - Completion	Table Setup	Traffic	Plant Registration

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1991

9 a.m. - Noon	Plant Registration	Traffic	Plant Sales Setup
Noon - 4 p.m.	Plant Registration	Traffic	Plant Sales Setup
5 p.m. - Completion	Judging/Clerking		

I will provide Salad Dessert (circle one) for Judges' Dinner. (Must be brought to CBG before 5 p.m.)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1991

9 am. - noon	Information Table	Traffic
	Demonstrations	Floor Host/Hostess
Noon - 5 p.m.	Information Table	Traffic

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1991

9 a.m. - Noon	Information Table	Traffic
	Demonstrations	Floor Host/Hostess
Noon - 5 p.m.	Information Table	Traffic
	Demonstrations	Floor Host/Hostess
5 p.m. - ?	Table Tear Down	

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

EXHIBIT SPACE REQUEST

I would like to reserve space for an exhibit in the Illinois Orchid Society Fall Mini Show (September 27-29, 1991). All exhibits are to be done on table top. Tables are 6' long and 30" deep.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

SPACE NEEDED: _____ (1 space = 1/2 table; 2 spaces = 1 table)

Please fold and staple and return to Sherry Maloney, 1504 Elm, Northbrook, IL 60062 by **August 31** or bring to the August meeting at Oak Hill. Address is listed on back of form for your convenience.

REPORT OF AWARDS COMMITTEE

Jim Spatzek for Suki Kroeber, chairman

Before we get to the facts and figures for the July meeting competition, we are pleased to report that **Bob Wolf** received a CBR (Certificate of Botanical Recognition) at the July judging in St. Louis. The award was received for his plant of *Dendrobium aduncum*, which has never been previously recognized by the American Orchid Society. Congratulations on the first AOS award of the new competition year to a member of the IOS.

JULY MEETING: 23 members exhibited plants at the July meeting. One cultural award was presented to **Bob Wolf** for his *Dendrobium Precious Pearl* (*cruentum* x *margaritaceum*), along with a gift certificate to Hausermann for his achievement. Many members received 1ST PLACE ribbons and included:

A. Huel	Doritis pulcherrima Phalaenopsis violacea, Paph. Rosettii Goliath	L. Sahagian	Epidendrum fragrans Ornithocephalus gladius Kagawara Red Lava
J. Edwards	Paph. Pizar Paph. niveum		Asct. hendersonianum 'Tokyo'(Rhy. coelestris x Asceda. Nancy Knapp)
M. Poor	Phal. Hausermann's 'Red Bird' Milt. Laurie Kathleen		Doritis Asahi Dend. (<i>cruentum</i> x <i>trigonopus</i>)
O. Leupi	Oncidium henekenii		Angraecum scottianum
R. Desser	Phal. (spica x George Vasquez)	R. Wolf	Dend. Precious Pearl
J. Pupelis	Paph. Ariel Manning Paph. Makuli Paph. godfroyae v. Leuco. Paph. Faire-Maud	S. Golan	Odm. Burkhard Holmes Odcetm. Susan Kaufman Dend. strebloceras Paph. Edithae Paph. Parishii Lyc. locusta
C. Bloome	Cattleya Ward Helphingsten Paph. Parishii		
N. Radcliffe	Paph. (claucophyllum x lowii)		

Congratulations to all the winners! Now here are the official point standings as of the first month of competition. So we don't confuse anyone, you do not have to report your monthly meeting ribbons to the chairman. We have those because of the registration forms.

IOS POINT SCORE STANDINGS

GREENHOUSE		LIGHTS		To refresh everyone's memory, here is how points are accumulated:			
				SHOWS	MONTHLY MEETINGS		
L. Sahagian	91	J. Pupelis	60				
R. Wolf	90	C. Bloome	35				
S. Golan	60	M. Schmidt	29				
G. Freeman	25	J. Edwards	21	20	First Place	10	
R. Desser	15	M. Poor	21	10	Second Place	5	
N. Radcliffe	15	T. Franczak	18	5	Third Place	3	
O. Leupi	10	M. Nichele	17	2	Plant-no ribbon	1	
C. Thompson	5	S. Swan	15	20	Silver/Special	20	
		A. Huehl	12	60	AOS Award	60	
		K. Vrabel	10				
		W. Losert	8				
		P. Kralik	6				
		K. Langwell	5				
		O. Boor	1				
		S. Maloney	1				

Bring your plants to the monthly meetings, shows at home and away, and to the AOS Supplemental Judging Center.

**Suki Kroeber, Chairman
Awards Committee**

DATES TO REMEMBER

1991

August 18: Picnic at Oak Hill Gardens, 12 noon

August 24: AOS Judging at CBG, 7 p.m.

September 10 (Tuesday): Board Meeting at Linda Schubert's, 7:30 p.m.

September 27-29: IOS Fall Mini-Show

September 28: AOS Judging at CBG, 7 p.m.

October 27: Monthly IOS Meeting at CBG, 12:30 p.m.

October 26: AOS Judging at CBG, 7 p.m.

November 17: Monthly IOS Meeting at CBG, 12:30 p.m.

November 18: Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

November 23: AOS Judging at CBG, 7 p.m.

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January 20: Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.

March 13-15: Spring Show at CBG

March 30: Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

June 15: Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

September 27-29: Mid-America Show at CBG

COMMUNICATIONS CENTRAL

For Sale: Lean-to greenhouse, aluminum and Lexan, 48" deep, 81" long. Used over a stairwell. Price \$250. Call Jim or Carol Thompson @ 708/966-6269.

For Sale: Orchids (Phalaenopsis and Cattleyas) and other miscellaneous items, such as: A never-used Sears storm door and an off-white with almond trim Italy Eurostyle kitchen cabinets with granite counter tops. Call Marie Dziekiewicz @ 32/935-2479.

(See add'l ad on page 2)

JUDGING STUDY GROUP: The next meeting of the Judging Study Group will be held August 28 at the home of Heddi Schellbach. Please call 708/674-4671 if you can not attend.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER:

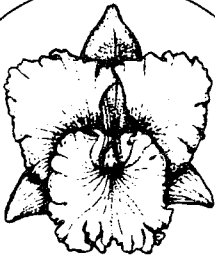
The deadline for the September Newsletter is August 28. Please submit copy to Heddi Schellbach, 3825 Jarlath, Lincolnwood, IL 60645-1015 or via FAX @ 312/440-7494.

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