

SEPTEMBER, 1991

ILLINOIS ORCHID SOCIETY

FOUNDED IN 1952

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sue Golan 708/234-6311

WHO: ILLINOIS ORCHID SOCIETY
WHAT: FALL SHOW
WHEN: SEPTEMBER 28-29, 1991
WHERE: CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN

Please be sure to circle the weekend of Sept. 27-29 on your calendars and plan to spend it with us at the Fall Show. **We still need volunteers in all areas**, especially for the Raffle Table which was inadvertently left off the volunteer sign-up sheet. Donations of salads and desserts for the judges' supper on Friday night are also needed. (Judges do not judge well when hungry!)

Please bring your dish with a serving utensil by 5 p.m. Friday, September 27. Dinner will be at 5:30. A small microwave will be available for use.

We will also be taking a display to the Peoria Show September 20-22. Please call me @ 708/498-0249 to arrange to drop off your plants for this show.

Our shows are so successful only because of the members' involvement. Please let me hear from you soon.

Sherry Maloney
Fall Show Chairman
708/498-0249

I'm writing this message to you in Park City, Utah, where we spend the month of August hiking, playing tennis, entertaining too many houseguests and feeding the world's thirstiest and feistiest hummingbirds.

I want you to know that I've already managed to buy two orchids and that's not easy to do in Utah. That's just an example of the strength of purpose of us orchidists, not to mention the foolishness. The humidity is nonexistent in these high desert mountains and I'll be lucky to keep these two plants alive for a month until departure time arrives and my long-suffering husband packs up the car and screams "Where in the devil (I've cleaned up this part) am I supposed to put these orchids?"

I hope many of you attended the picnic at Oak Hill. I hate missing it each August because it's one of our most enjoyable meetings.

For those of you who are always anxious to learn more about orchids and orchid-growing, I urge you to attend a course being given by **Jim Spatzek** on October 4th and several more evenings at the Chicago Botanic Garden. (Call Lee @ 708-835-8261 for details.)

Ten years ago I attended such a course and it was a wonderful introduction to the world of orchids.

Jim doesn't need notes. He knows all there is to know about growing orchids and has been growing them since 1959.

President's Message (continued)

When I first met him, he had approximately 2,000 orchid plants in his greenhouse. That number is significantly smaller now due to "pestilence and lack of interest". Empty hangers attest to this.

As a teenager, Jim worked as a gardener for some of Lake Forest's ritziest families, including Mrs. Farwell and Mrs. Bensinger or, as he puts it, "a plethora of wealthy bimbos". I imagine that they just loved having this character around. He was known as the "Woman's Home Companion".

He was both cook and gardener for the architect Ralph Millman one summer. Jim baked every day against Mrs. Millman's protests and Mr. Millman's pleas for Spatzek's goodies. "He died of overweight", says Jim who is a gourmet cook and would like to teach cooking.

A former president of the IOS and the Men's Garden Club of the North Shore, he is an accredited flower show judge for the Men's Garden Club of America and a probational judge for the American Orchid Society. You can read about him in *Who's Who in the Midwest*.

He has written two books (out of print now) *Orchid Species*, Book 1 and 2, plus articles for *North Shore Magazine*.

He is also a superb flower arranger and does weddings and Bar Mitzvahs (and my Christmas Party).

Jim was a corporate administrator with the same company for over 20 years. When the company was sold last year, he found himself unemployed. Hopefully, all those talents won't go to waste too long. (If you have any ideas or contacts, please let him know.)

Jim and Cammie, who is a teaching aide, have three sons, one of whom is in college and two of whom play soccer, so Jim and Cammie's spare time is usually spent cheering them on.

Enclosed with this Newsletter are a flyer and a poster. Please make copies if you can and distribute the flyers to family, friends and coworkers. Copies of the poster could be left at libraries, supermarkets, your workplace or your local area florists.

Exploring the World of Orchids

Join **Jim Spatzek**, orchid expert and accredited judge of the American Orchid Society, as he leads you through an in-depth study of orchid culture and orchid genera. Learn the orchids' native habitat, how they grow, and cultural requirements. Some basic knowledge of orchids is recommended before participating in this class.

To be held at the Chicago Botanic Garden on 4 Thursdays starting October 3, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Classroom 3

Chicago Botanic Garden members: \$48

Nonmembers: \$60

Please send your check to CBG, P O Box 400, Glencoe, IL 60022-0400

Fall Orchid Show

Schedule of Events

(for both days)

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Show and Sales
Photographers 7:30 to 9 a.m.

11 a.m. - Video (33 min)

An Introduction to Orchids

Auditorium

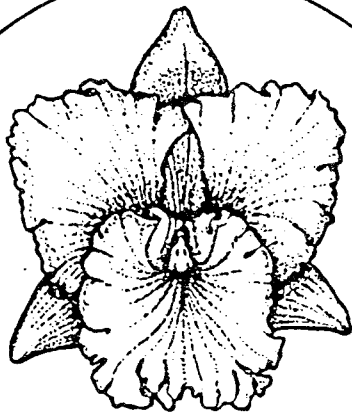
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Growing Orchids Under Lights

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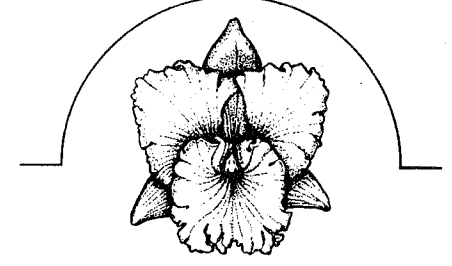
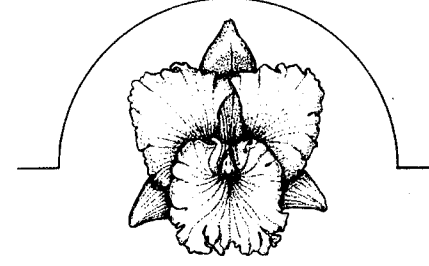
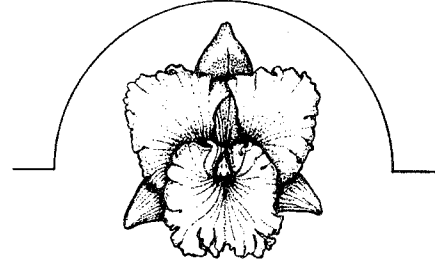
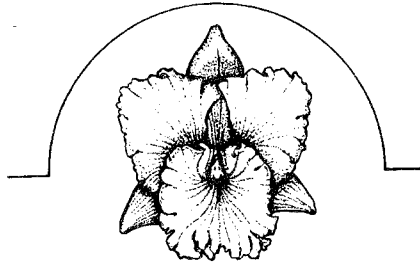
Listen to exciting presentations!

Learn how to grow orchids!

**Sale of plants by professional and amateur
orchid growers**

**The Chicago Botanic Garden
Lake Cook Road and Eden's Expressway
Glencoe, Illinois**

**Admission FREE!
(Parking fee \$3 to Botanic Garden)**



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REPORT OF AWARDS COMMITTEE

Suki Kroeber, chairman, (708) 954-1020

Congratulations are again in order for **Bob Wolf**. He has logged two more AOS awards. In July Bob's dendrobium fili-forme 'Happy Birthday' was awarded a CCM of 95 points at the monthly AOS judging. The rumor being muttered around the judging room was that the plant would not be awarded since the judges would have to count the flowers. That task was accomplished by teamwork, with several judges counting sections and at last the award was granted. It had over 150 inflorescences with more than 5,500 flowers hanging in delicate golden chains. What an outstanding plant!

In 1987 Bob's stelis rubens 'Josh Wolf' was awarded a CBR. At the August judging the plant came back for another judging, and was awarded a CCM of 85 points. It too was a nightmare in flower counting with approximately 150 inflorescences and approximately 6400 flowers and buds.

Also at the August judging, **Duane McDowell's** doritis pulcherrima v. buyssoniana 'Fourth Dimension' was awarded an HCC of 77 points (Duane works for Klehm's). And **Oak Hill Gardens'** miltonia regnellii alba 'Blanca' was awarded an HCM of 83 points. Congratulations to all!

AUGUST MEETING: Now for the monthly flower judging. At the August picnic and meeting, 22 people brought in 83 plants for judging. Who said, "Nothing's in bloom in the summer?" **Gerry Steuben's** brassia rex won the special award as well as a first place ribbon. The first-place awards were:

J. Edwards	phrag. percei	C. Cloud	rhyn. coelestis x asctm. ampullaceum
T. Franczek	masd. infracta	G. Freeman	paph. concolor
W. Losert	dtps. Purple Gem		paph. goultenianum
	phal. violacea 'Willos'		phal. Always II
	den. samarai		v. iolanthe x asda Nelda Arnold
	phal. violacea 'alba'	S. Kroeber	pleur. sonderana
S. Maloney	ionopsis paniculata	J. Mullen	milt. spectabilis
M. Nichele	paph. dianthum		v. Paki
M. Schmidt	den. Jacquelyn Thomas x Candy	N. Radcliffe	b. fladosa x cordata
	Stripe	L. Sahagian	mil. Alderwood x mil. Ambre
	howeara 'Mini Primi'		sarc. appendiculatus
S. Swan	bro. sanguinea		onc. longipes
B. Youngdale	paph. Claire de Lune	B. Walsh	masd. Misfit
	phal. Malibu Imp. 'Grand'		
	catt. Penang 'Black Caesar'		

I am looking forward to our September show, which will be judged on Friday, the 27th. Regular AOS judging will take place at the Chicago Botanic Garden on Saturday, the 28th, as well. See you at the show!

IOS POINT SCORE ACCUMULATIONS

GREENHOUSE		LIGHTS		COMMERCIAL	
R. Wolf	150	J. Pupelis	60	Oak Hill Gardens	60
L. Sahagian	140	M. Schmidt	55		
G. Freeman	70	J. Edwards	54		
S. Golan	60	W. Losert	54		
J. Mullen	35	C. Bloome	42		
G. Steuben	30	B. Youngdale	32		
N. Radcliffe	26	T. Franczak	29		
C. Cloud	22	M. Nichele	29		
B. Walsh	16	S. Swan	29		
R. Desser	15	M. Poor	21		
S. Kroeber	13	P. Kralik	18		
O. Leupi	10	A. Huehl	12		
J. Coutts	5	S. Maloney	11		
C. Thompson	5	K. Vrabel	11		
		K. Langwell	5		
		O. Boor	1		
		C. Boreland	1		

DATES TO REMEMBER

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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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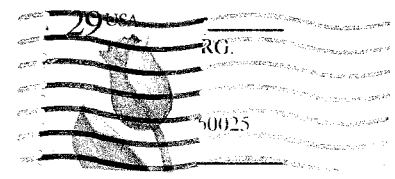
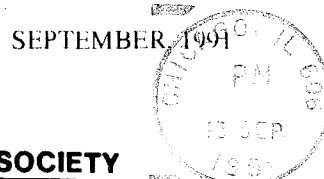
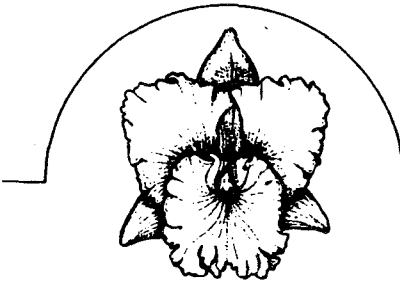
January 20: Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
March 13-15: Spring Show at CBG
March 30: Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
June 15: Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
September 27-29: Mid-America Show at CBG

COMMUNICATIONS CENTRAL

JUDGING STUDY GROUP: The next meeting of the Judging Study Group will be held **September 25** at the home of Heddi Schellbach. Please call 708/674-4671 if you can not attend.

FALL SHOW PLANT SALES: Please bring your plants to the sales area with prices in even dollar amounts only. You may obtain sales tickets in advance from Jay Mullen, 490 Ava Street, Highland Park 60035, tel. 708/432-4684.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER: The deadline for the October Newsletter is **September 25**. Please submit copy to Heddi Schellbach, 3825 Jarlath, Lincolnwood, IL 60645-1015 or via FAX @ 312/440-7494.



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