

# ILLINOIS ORCHID SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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## It's August! It's Oak Hill Gardens! It's a PICNIC!

### The August Meeting

Would you believe it's time for our annual picnic at Oak Hill Gardens on Sunday, August 16th. The summer passes quickly, and this is always a special day to savor. SO mark your calendars and set this date aside.  
**Hermann and Dorothy**

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**Pigors** invite you to spend an enjoyable afternoon relaxing under the trees and smelling the flowers on their beautiful grounds. They will generously provide the cold drinks and sweets. Arrive around noon and bring your own picnic lunch to eat at tables provided both indoors or outdoors as the weather permits. Judging will be at 1:00pm so bring you best blooming plants. Obviously there are no members plant sales!

The program will begin at 2:00pm. Hermann will address the problem of insects and diseases that attack orchids. His lecture will include instructions on using insecticides, fungicides, and other chemicals safely. You are invited to bring your

problem plants to the meeting for identification and treatment. This is a great opportunity to save your plants from going to orchid heaven--prematurely.

After this informative talk you can browse through his greenhouse, where a large selection of orchids are available for sale.

Directions are easy: Northwest Tollway(I-90) to Randall Road; take a right on Randall Road(north) and go two and one half miles to the second traffic light(watch the speed limits) which is Binnie Road. Then left(west) on Binnie Road to Oak Hill Gardens, across from the golf course. Or call 847-428-8500 for directions.

**Joe Dixler**



## American Orchid Society Judgings

The judgings of the American Orchid Society Chicago Judging Center are held monthly in the Linnaeus Room of the Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe, IL., on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 1:00PM (unless otherwise announced here and in the AOS Bulletin, Orchids.

September 12, 1998--1:00PM

October 16, 1998--6:00PM

November 14, 1998--1:00PM

December 12, 1998--1:00PM

January 9, 1999--1:30PM

February 13, 1999--1:00PM

March 13, 1999--1:00PM

April 9, 1999--6:00PM

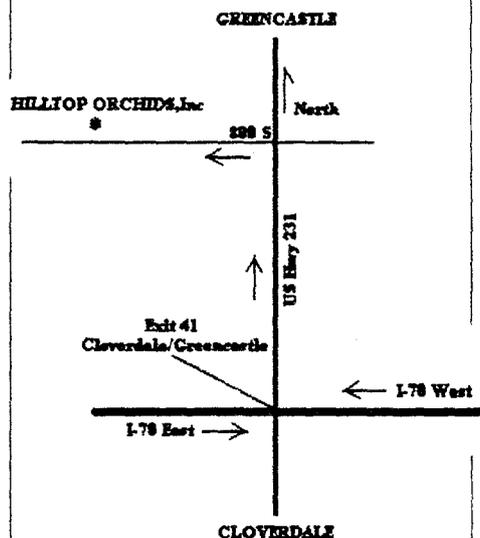
## Hilltop Orchids Open House

Hilltop Orchids cordially invites the members of the Illinois Orchid Society to join them for their 3rd Annual Open House, August 16th, 1998. Complimentary lunch and drinks will be furnished.

The Open House will be held at their greenhouses in Cloverdale, IN. A map is provided below.

This year's speaker will be George Webb of Old Mill Orchids, Louisville, Kentucky. He will be speaking on Breeding and Culture of Zygopetalums. George is planning to bring plants to sell including some of his new Zygopetalum hybrids. It should be a fantastic learning opportunity for all. Also, in honor of the occasion, Hilltop Orchids will be offering a 10% discount on all Phalaenopsis purchases.

If you have any questions, please contact Dick Wells at (765) 795-6016. Please call ahead if you are planning to attend so they can plan. Please mention that you are a member of the Illinois Orchid Society.



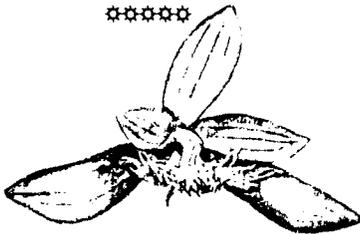
## Calendar of Upcoming

## Events

- 9/8-9/15/98 6th Asia Pacific Orchid Conference Townsville, Queensland, Aust. Illowa Orchid
- 9/23/98 Society Special Speaker (See details elsewhere)
- 9/26-9/27/98 Wisconsin Orchid Society Show, The Domes, Milwaukee
- 10/16-10/18/98 IOS Fall Mini Show, Chicago Botanic Garden Glencoe, IL
- 10/24-10/25/98 Blackhawk Orchid Society Show BloomgredGard. Rockford, IL
- 2/6-2/7/99 Wisconsin Orchid Grower's Guild Show, Madison, WI
- 4/9-4/11/99 Illinois Orchid Society Annual Spring Show Glencoe, IL
- 4/23-5/2/99 World Orchid Congress, Convention Center, Vancouver, BC, Canada. E-mail: [congress@venuewest.com](mailto:congress@venuewest.com). (Judging, Tues., April 27, 1999)
- 9/25/9/26/99 Wisconsin Orchid Society Show Mitchell Park Conservatory Milwaukee, WI
- 10/8/-10/10/99 Illinois Orchid Society Fall Mini Show, Glencoe, IL
- 4/4/6-4/9/00 European Orchid Congress, Copenhagen, Den.
- 9/6-9/10/00 Orchids 2000 4th New Zealand Expo

- 10/5-10/8/00 Hamilton, NZ  
4th Australasian  
Native Orchid Soc.  
Conference  
Melbourne, Aust.
- 10/10-10/15/00 15th Australian  
Orchid Conference  
& Show  
Burnie, Tasmania
- 2002 17th World Orchid  
Conference  
Shah Alam,  
Selangor, Malaysia

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## IOS BOARD MEETINGS:

The next IOS Board of Directors meeting will be held on Monday, September 14, 1998, at the home of Sue Golan, in Lake Forest. All directors & officers, as well as interested members are welcome to attend. If you

The next director's meeting will be on Monday, November 16, at the home of Linda Schubert, in Glencoe.

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**FOR SALE: Hausermann Light Stand, \$300. 1 year old. 2 Fully adjustable levels. Each level has a 22"x48" tray, four bulb(48") fluorescent fixture and newly designed drainage system. Attractive design, 50" wide x34" deep (at base) x74" high. Contact: Laura Stanley at 847-729-5606 or [Inhstanley@ibm.net](mailto:Inhstanley@ibm.net)**

## Future Meetings

- Aug 16 Oak Hill Gardens Picnic
- Sept 20 Darren Norton of Mountain Orchids (Cool & intermediate types of unusual orchids) Workshop: Theresa Choi, Sunflower Gallery Glenview Illinois (Western & Oriental Flower Arranging)
- Oct 16, 17, 18 IOS Fall Mini Show

- Chicago Botanic Gard. Glencoe, IL
- Nov 8 Dr. Harold Koopowitz
- Dec 13 Holiday Party Hausermann's Orchids

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## Fall Show Season Soon!!!

Our own Fall Mini Show will be here almost before we can blink, but I first want to talk to you about the importance of away shows. I know not everyone can get away to help with setting up an away show but you can **SEND YOUR BLOOMING PLANTS.**

Why???

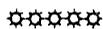
It's in your own, and our Society's best interest. We are able to provide the excellent speakers and programs and support donations to places like the Nature Consrancy and Volo Bog because of our home shows. New memberships, raffle tickets, pin and book sales, plant sales bring in the money necessary for our Society to function. If we did not have the excellent displays of our neighbor societies, our show would be diminished. That means fewer people in attendance, less money, fewer good speakers and programs. **Less for you as a member!**

We need to show our respect and gratitude to our neighbors by sending our best plants to away shows. Almost any regular monthly

meeting has had a better array of plants than most of our away shows last season. A display of 16 plants from 4 people is almost an insult to the host society. Let's try to give our neighbors the kind of excellent, elegant support they give us at our shows. **BRING PLANTS FOR AWAY SHOWS!!**

### LOIS CINERT

(Ed.Note. There will be more articles in future issues so you know how & where to bring your plants and what happens to them. By the way, away show ribbons get double points in the Monthly Competition)



**Coming next month, here in the IOS Newsletter, in glorious living color: "Diary of a Mad Orchidist or Nursery Hunting, "Mexico Style". Don't miss it!!!!**

## Why Help Out At Shows?

Why help out a orchid shows?

- Meet and get to know some really nice people.
- see lots of great and sometimes unusual orchids without the crowds.

- Learn more, close-up, about care and culture of orchids.
- Get some exercise, even if its only walking.
- Help get others involved in an interesting hobby.
- Help your orchid society to put on a spectacular show.

Guess what? This is the annual pitch to get you to come out to help with our **Fall Mini Show**. This shouldn't be like getting an eight year old to the dentist. This is really lots of fun, and you all should beat down my door and ring my phone off the hook for the chance to have this much fun and accomplish something worthwhile at the same time.

Do you like to meet people, or see old friends to chat about orchids? Traffic is for you, or maybe hospitality. Everyone is a friend when you're helping with coffee and cakes. Need a light workout? Help bring in the plants and displays, or help with teardown. If you're a "neatnic" and like to put things in order, help with registrations, names and numbers. You'll learn a lot about plant families, too.

There's something for everyone. It's not difficult. It doesn't require a lot of your time. Please volunteer to help out at the **Fall Mini Show**. You'll love it.

A "Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet" is included in the Newsletter. Fill it out and return to the names shown.

Thanks in advance for your help!

Lois Cinert



## The President's Message

## by Ed Gamson

Sue Golan welcomed us to the world of the warm and cool-growing *Odontoglossum* beauties at our last meeting. A correspondingly hot and cold time was had by those who heard and saw her. Thanks for telling us about those most beautiful of flowers. Our thanks also to **Joe Dixler, Lois Cinert, Tom Franczak and Rob Halgren**, the four members who led the culture "round table" discussion while sitting on one side of a rectangular table.

It's picnic time again. Pack your lunch box and join us at **Oak Hill Gardens** for our August meeting, greenhouse tour and presentation. See you there.

Don't forget, it's never too early to start grooming your plants for our Fall Mini Show.



## The Genus Paphiopedilum

By **Guido Braem, Charles O. Baker and Margaret L. Baker**

A great new paph book had just been published. This 180 page published contained more comprehensive material than ever previously published on the genus, species, varieties and forms. It is priced at  
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VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET

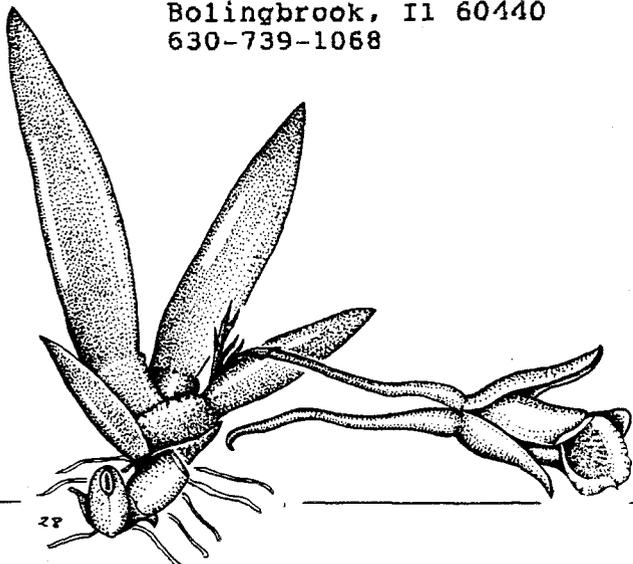
The fall show setup starts Thursday, October 15 at 4:00pm. Teardown is Sunday, October 18, at 5:00pm. Please find an hour or two in between to help out. This is a guideline to help you find a job you will like to do.

Thursday, 10-15	4:00 - 8:00	Registration Traffic	_____ _____
Friday 10-16	9:00 - 12:00	Traffic Registrations Hospitality	_____ _____ _____
	12:00 - 3:00	Traffic Registration Hospitality	_____ _____ _____
	3:00 - 6:00	Traffic Registration Hospitality	_____ _____ _____
	4:00 - 6:00	Judges supper	_____
	6:30 - ??	Clerking	_____
Sat & Sunday Oct 17 & 18	7:30 - 9:00	Photography Host	_____ _____
All jobs, all times	9:00 - 12:00	Security	_____
Sat & Sun	12:00 - 3:00	Raffle	_____
	3:00 - 5:00	Hospitality Information Membership	_____ _____ _____
Sunday 10-18	5:00 - 7:30	Teardown	_____

Your name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
please print

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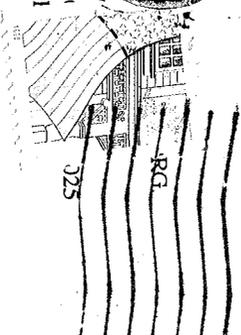
or email Nancy Jean Schoo  
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