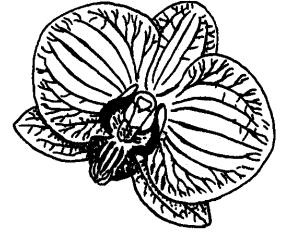




# Orchid Newsletter

Lincoln Orchid Society, INC.

Lincoln Orchid Society LOS; P.O. Box 5501; Lincoln, NE 68505-5501  
Orchid Culture and Conservation, Sowing the Seeds of Knowledge.



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## INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTICE:

Your safety is important to us, should adverse weather conditions be forecasted the meeting will be cancelled.

Membership will be notified by e-mail or contacted by telephone call, if you have questions call 310-7177.

Notification will also be submitted to KFOR-AM radio, KLKN-TV and KOLN/KGIN-TV for broadcasting and web posting.

## MEETING: FEBRUARY 24, 6:30 - 9:00 PM



**Location:** Handicap Accessible Facility

- Nebraska Heart Institute, **Medical Office Building**; 7440 S. 91 St. (Southeast Lincoln, access NHI via S. 91 St. & US Hwy. 2)

**Parking:**

- Handicap parking close to door, West of entrance and drop off area in front of building.
- Society Parking Area: West side of street before main parking area for hospital.

**Security:**

The entrance doors to NHI will be **locked during our meetings**. We will have a "Greeter" available to open the doors for you; to gain access to our meeting after start time, see receptionist at hospital entrance.

## TWO PROGRAMS ◀ ◆ ▶ ORCHIDS FOR SALE

### NEW GROWERS GROUP: 6:30 - 7:00 PM

- "Let's Talk Orchids" by Tim Janssen

### GENERAL MEETING: 7:15 - 9:00 PM

- **Program:** "All Things In Their Season - A Balanced Collection"

Learn how to have orchids in flower all year.

This program demonstrates to Orchid Enthusiasts how to acquire orchid plants to achieve year round blooming.

Plant to attend as this the first time this program has been presented at our meetings.

A slide presentation with audio, 30 minutes; from Orchids by Hausermann.

- **ORCHIDS FOR SALE:** To purchase contact Marty Haferman at the January meeting.

Special purchase by society of young plants that will bloom in a few years, many varieties to choose from.

- **RAFFLE PLANNED FOR MEETING:**

**Current society members** may purchase a raffle ticket \$1 each, buy one or several, for opportunity to win plants!

Plants located on the table at the front of the meeting room.

**Raffle Method:** you receive both halves of raffle ticket(s) for your purchase, keep one half, place the other half in the cup next to the plant you would like to win; members can pre-select plants that best match their growing conditions and preference of genus and flower color. This will reduce the time required to complete the raffle.

**January Raffle, Plants and Items Donated by:**

- Marty Haferman - one "Watering System" (use explained in January program).
- Therapeutic Solutions Massage Therapy; 2145 South St.; Lincoln 438-6038 - 2 coupons for Swedish Massage
- Society - 3 orchid plants (previously flowered).

**February Raffle, Plants and Items Donated by:**

- Society - 3 orchid plants (previously flowered).

— MEETINGS: continued page 2. —

Deadline March 24 to submit articles for next *Orchid Newsletter*.

— MEETINGS: continued from page 1. —

- **“PLANT TALK“: Method**, if you have an orchid in flower and wish to explain on how you have grown and flowered the plant(s), please “sign in” on the list; this will provide a sequence of presentations and scheduling of time.
- **“PLANT TALK“: NEW Method**, if you have an orchid in flower and wish to explain on how you have grown and flowered the plant(s), please “sign in” on the list; this will provide a sequence of presentations and scheduling of time.
- **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** monthly meeting committees.  
Sign up list at meeting.

COMMITTEES:	February 24: Meeting at NHI	March 31:
➤ SET UP: 6:00 PM	Paul Nelson Darrell Waring	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
➤ GREETER: 6:15 PM	Greg Arp	Terry Sims
➤ GREETER: 7:00 PM	Loris Purtzer	Volunteer Needed
➤ KITCHEN:	Mike Lowe Paul Nelson	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
➤ REFRESHMENT:	Jean Arp Jean Pedersen Loris Purtzer	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
➤ CLEAN UP:	Pat Giddings Darrell Waring	Volunteer Needed Darrell Waring

Thanks the following who assisted with SET UP at the January meeting: Pat Giddings, Tim Janssen, and Darrell Waring

■ **NEXT MEETING: MARCH 31, 6:30 - 9:00 PM**



**Tentative Location:** Handicap Accessible Facility

- Nebraska Heart Institute, **Medical Office Building**; 7440 S. 91 St. (Southeast Lincoln, access NHI via S. 91 St. & US Hwy. 2)

■ **NEW GROWERS GROUP: 6:30 - 7:00 PM**

- **"Let's Talk Orchids"** by Tim Janssen

■ **GENERAL MEETING: 7:15 - 9:00 PM**

- **Program:** announced in March issue of *Orchid Newsletter*

■ **MONTHLY MEETING, ACTIVITIES:**

- **"Let's Talk Orchids"**(New Growers Group) an informal question & answer session in a personal **small group** setting.
- **Program**
- **Plant Raffle** Ticket \$1 each, buy one or several, for opportunity to win plants, donated by members.
- **Refreshments**
- **Potting Media, and Supplies:** to purchase contact **Marty Haferman** at monthly meetings.  
**Book:** *Your First Orchid* \$10.00, ideal reference source for the new or novice orchid grower.
  - **Coconut Husk Chips** - one gallon bag for \$4.00
  - **Fertilizer, Michigan State Formula ( 13-3-15 8Ca-2Mg )** - one pound for \$7.00
  - **Standard Mix** - one gallon bag for \$4.00
- **"Plant Talk"** -members display orchids in flower and explain how they grow them.

■ **LOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS:** Program Coordinator: Marty Haferman, Committee: Nataly Murph, Dwight Languis

➤ **MEETINGS:**

- January 27** ----- New Growers Group-----"Let's Talk Orchids" by Tim Janssen  
General Meeting-----"**How I Grow Orchids Under Lights**" by Marty Haferman
- February 24**----- New Growers Group-----"Let's Talk Orchids" by Tim Janssen  
General Meeting-----"**All Things In Their Season - A Balanced Collection**"  
----- Slide presentation from Orchids by Hausermann.
- March 31**----- New Growers Group-----"Let's Talk Orchids" by Tim Janssen  
General Meeting-----"**Program announced in March issue of Orchid Newsletter**"
- April 28**----- New Growers Group-----"Let's Talk Orchids" by Tim Janssen  
General Meeting-----"**Potting and Mounting Orchids: Warm to Intermediate Temperatures**"  
----- Video presentation from the American Orchid Society.
- May 26**----- New Growers Group-----"Let's Talk Orchids" by Tim Janssen  
General Meeting-----"**Summering Orchids Outside**" by Dwight Languis
- June 30** ----- New Growers Group-----"Let's Talk Orchids" by Tim Janssen  
General Meeting-----"**Fragrance In Orchids**"  
----- Slide Program from Orchids by Hausermann
- July** ----- "Growing Area Tour" / "Picnic" & "Auction"  
Residence of Dave and Lorraine Taylor, rural Hickman
- July**----- General Meeting----- **Location:** Eastmont Towers
- August 25** ----- New Growers Group-----"Let's Talk Orchids" by Tim Janssen  
General Meeting-----"**Miniature Orchids**" by Marilyn Hawes-Ehlers with GOOS
- September 29**----- New Growers Group-----"Let's Talk Orchids" by Tim Janssen  
General Meeting-----"**Phalaenopsis**" by Dave Taylor
- October 27** ----- New Growers Group-----"Let's Talk Orchids" by Tim Janssen  
General Meeting-----"**Madagascar**" by Marge From  
**Conservation & Research Center at Henry Doorley Zoo**
- November 17**----- "Pot Luck Dinner and Gift Exchange"
- December** ----- No meeting

➤ **EVENTS:**

- March 19-21 (F-Su)** Husker Lawn and Leisure Show, Lancaster Event Center, 4100 N. 84, Lincoln; NE  
(LOS will have a display at the show.)
- March 20-21, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM (Sa-Su)** Twenty-Third Annual Spring Orchid Show, Greater Omaha Orchid Society;  
Lauritzen Gardens, 100 Bancroft St., Omaha, NE (LOS will have a display at the show.)

■ **OFFICERS/ CONTACT INFORMATION:**

- **Board of Directors, 8 Members:** Dwight Languis, Marty Haferman, Marianne Grandstaff, June Ryan, Nataly Murph, Nancy Pittman, Tim Janssen, and Dave Taylor.

**Officers:** Lincoln Orchid Society, Inc; P.O. Box 5501; Lincoln, NE 68505-5501, Cell: **402-310-7177**

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| 1) <b>President, 9/09-9/11:</b> Dwight Languis  | <b>AOS Representative:</b> Dwight Languis               |
| 2) <b>Vice President, 9/09-9/11:</b> Marty Haferman                                     | <b>MAOC Representative:</b> Allen Bean                  |
| 3) <b>Secretary, 9/09-9/11:</b> Marianne Grandstaff                                     | <b>Web Master:</b> Rich Sukovaty                        |
| 4) <b>Treasurer, 9/09-9/11:</b> June Ryan   | <b>Newsletter Editors:</b> Dwight and Beth Languis      |
| 5) <b>Board Member, 9/08-9/10:</b> Nataly Murph   | <b>Historian / Librarian:</b> Rich Sukovaty             |
| 6) <b>Board Member, 9/08-9/10:</b> Tim Janssen  | <b>Program Coordinator, 2010:</b> Marty Haferman        |
| 7) <b>Board Member, Interim, 9/09-9/10:</b> Nancy Pittman                               | <b>Publicity:</b> Dwight Languis                        |
| 8) <b>President Retired 9/09-9/11:</b> Dave Taylor                                      | <b>Courtesy Committee:</b> Keith Plank                  |
| <b>Past Presidents:</b> Dave Taylor, Allen Bean,  | <b>Membership Coordinator:</b> Dwight Languis           |
| Don Steinegger, Beth Languis, Dave Taylor, Tim Janssen                                  | <b>Refreshments Committee Coordinator:</b> Beth Languis |
| <b>Ways &amp; Means Coordinator:</b> Marty Haferman (Sales: Potting Media and Supplies) |   |

**TREASURY REPORT:** February 20 by June Ryan

**Petty Cash: \$50.00**

**Beginning Balance - Checking Account: \$2,208.58**

**November Expenses:**

Brochures-----	\$27.23
Membership - overpayment-----	\$11.00
Newsletter, September-----	\$14.32
Plants - New Member / Raffle-----	\$42.80
Plants - New Member / Raffle-----	\$50.00
Show - Badges-----	\$20.83
Show - Banners & Postcards-----	\$31.76
Show - Judges (Gift Certificates)-----	\$50.00
Show - Judges (Luncheon)-----	\$75.00
Show - Paint & Supplies-----	\$217.09
Show - Postage (Guests)-----	\$33.60
Show - Postage (Judges, Societies, & Vendors)-----	\$6.60
Show - Raffle Tickets-----	\$8.01
Show - Ribbons-----	\$169.80
Show - Schedule (Judging)-----	\$19.85
Show - Toiletries-----	\$1.80
Show - Venue-----	\$500.00
<b>SUBTOTAL EXPENSES:-----</b>	<b>\$1,279.69</b>

**November Income:**

Memberships: (3 x \$11)-----	\$33.00
Show Income-----	\$982.00
<b>SUBTOTAL INCOME-----</b>	<b>\$1,015.00</b>

**November Income: Ways and Means**

Book (1 x \$10)-----	\$10.00
Fertilizer (1 x \$7)-----	\$7.00
Potting Media - Standard (5x\$4)-----	\$20.00
Pumice (2 x \$1)-----	\$2.00
<b>SUBTOTAL INCOME-----</b>	<b>\$39.00</b>

**December/ January Expenses:**

Newsletter, October-----	\$15.52
Newsletter, November-----	\$12.06
Show - Copies: Contract-----	\$0.76
Show - Postage (Registration Tags)-----	\$1.49
Show - Rental of tables & chairs-----	\$154.19
Show - Toiletries-----	\$4.82
<b>SUBTOTAL EXPENSES-----</b>	<b>\$188.84</b>

**December/ January Income:**

Commission 10%, Plant Sales - Marty Haferman-----	\$2.00
Commission 10%, Plant Sales - Dave Taylor-----	\$4.00
Donation - Dave Taylor-----	\$6.00
Memberships:-----	\$31.00
Raffle - January-----	\$28.00
Show - Income-----	\$100.00
<b>SUBTOTAL INCOME-----</b>	<b>\$171.00</b>

**December/ January Income: Ways and Means**

Book (1 x \$10)-----	\$10.00
Plants, Seedling (2 x \$10)-----	\$20.00
Plants, Seedling (3 x \$6)-----	\$18.00
Pumice (1 x \$1)-----	\$1.00
<b>SUBTOTAL INCOME-----</b>	<b>\$49.00</b>

**TOTAL EXPENSES:-----** **\$1,468.53**

**TOTAL INCOME:-----** **\$1,274.00**

**Ending Balance - Checking Account:-----** **\$2,014.05**

**Donations, January:**

Dwight Languis - Newsletter: 11 Envelopes, Meeting Agenda: 30ss copies.

### ■ BOARD OF DIRECTORS, DECISIONS:

- Approve Nataly Murph to create line art of LOS Logo
- Pend calling to fill committee needs.
- Select and finalize Programs
- Participate in event hosted at Earl May Nurseries
- Picnic at Dave Taylor
- Send announcement of committee needs.

### ■ BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MEETING SCHEDULE:

- Monthly first Wednesday, **March 3, 7:00 PM** at Nebraska Heart Institute NHI, Medical Office Building; 7440 S. 91st St., Conference Room.

■ **COURTESY COMMITTEE:** Committee to send cards and extend other courtesies for events affecting members. Please inform us when you, your family, or if you know of another member in our society has a major event in their life.

**Contact:** Coordinator, Keith Plank

### ■ CAR POOL AVAILABLE:

If you find it difficult to travel for any of the events of the society: meetings, orchid displays, seminars, or the orchid show; please let us know as we value your attendance and will provide transportation for you. **Contact:** Dwight Languis

### ■ LIBRARY: Contact Rich Sukovaty to check out items from the LOS Library.

The society has a number of orchid books, plus current and past issues of **ORCHIDS** (Monthly Magazine of the American Orchid Society). See section below **Articles of Interest: ORCHIDS - Articles** for listing of articles included in each monthly issue. Current members of the society may check these out of the library and return them at the next monthly meeting.

**Library Contents:** See your 2005 October Newsletter, also posted on our web page.

### ■ LOS WEB-SITE: <http://www.lincolnorchidsociety.org>

Our web-site is updated monthly with new edition of Newsletter, society activities, including pictures of meetings and flowers grown by our membership. Additional information posted, past Newsletters plus additional pictures of displays and Orchid Shows are included.

**Membership Form:** web posting as a PDF file <http://www.lincolnorchidsociety.org/member.html>

**Newsletter:** our monthly *Orchid Newsletter* web posting as a PDF file, requires Adobe Acrobat (free software) to read.

Request your **FREE** e-mail subscription to the Newsletter or submit questions to our society through the

**"Contact Us Link"** posted on our web-site <http://lincolnorchidsociety.org/contact.html>

### ■ MARCH 19-21 HUSKER LAWN & LEISURE SHOW, 8th ANNUAL: <http://www.huskerlawnshow.com>

Lancaster Event Center, 4100 N. 84 St., Pavilion 1, Lincoln <http://www.lancastereventcenter.com/>

F: 5-9 PM, Sa: 10 AM - 7PM, Su: 11 AM - 5PM; **Fee \$5.00** (Kids 12 & under admitted FREE); 420-5678

**Programs:** (additional non horticulture programs listed on web-site)

- **Saturday 10:30 AM** "Pond & Waterfall Construction" by Bryan Huntington, Yankee Hill Landscaping
- **Saturday 12:00 AM** "Plant Diversity in the Landscape" by Jake Sittner, Tailored Landscapes
- **Saturday 1:30, 3:00 & 4:30 and Sunday 1:00 & 2:30** "Iron Florists" Competition sponsored by Nebraska Florists Society see florists compete against one another in a timed race to create the most outstanding themed floral arrangement.
- **Daily:** Children's Planting Activity - Let's "Cultivate New Gardeners" A hands-on activity provided by Finke Gardens & Nursery and Farm Bureau Financial Services.

### NO Orchids or potting media for Sale

Lincoln Orchid Society, Booth 332 (near SE Corner)

### Booths are same locations as last year.

- Lincoln Iris Society, Booth 333

### LINCOLN ORCHID SOCIETY, BOOTH AND DISPLAY: (Same weekend as GOOS Show)

This will be the fifth year our society has been invited to the show. We will need orchids in flower for the display and volunteers to staff our booth during the show.

**Display:** If you would like your plants included in the society display they DO NOT need to have a plant label and we DO NOT need the plant name, just bring the plants to set up. Reserve your plants with name tags and best quality for the Orchid Show hosted by the Greater Omaha Orchid Society.

**Set-up:** You must bring your plants to the Events Center on Thursday, 4-7 PM ( NO late entries ) and be able to pick up your plants at the close of the show Sunday at 5:00 PM.

## ■ ENTERING YOUR PLANTS IN AN ORCHID SHOW:

- **Plant Preparation:** Clean the plant, stake spike and support flowers prior to opening and remove just prior to show.



**Book:** Growing and Displaying Orchids - A Step by Step Guide by Wilma Rittershausen, Smithmark 1993; available at Lincoln and other public libraries. This will ensure the flowers are at their best.



### Internet:

**Preparing Your Plants For Exhibition, Page 17;** the first pages explain how to enter plants but keep in mind the classes referenced have since been revised, use a current MAOC Schedule (see next article)

<http://www.chebucto.ns.ca/Recreation/OrchidSNS/shows/OSNSclassshowbooklet.pdf>

**Displaying Orchids And Setting Up A Display** - extensive list covering every aspect.

<http://www.orchidworks.com/showguide/index.html>

- **Identify Your Plants:** It is very important for you to write your name or apply a mailing label to back or bottom of pot to identify your plant, and tape the pot label to the pot. Make a check list of all of your plants to ensure you have all of your plants at the close of the show and should a label become lost you will be able to make a new one.

## ■ HOW TO FIND INFORMATION TO REGISTER PLANT FOR SHOW:

**NAME:** This is name on the label that came with the plant, sequenced as: Genus Name, Varietal Name (lower case if specie), and 'Cultivar' name (if it applies).

**Genus Name:** is the Latin botanical name and always capitalized, if space is limited on the label an abbreviation of the plant name will often be used. **To verify if valid name,** check for typographical or spelling errors, or look up an abbreviation: use:

"Orchid Classification" (updated July 1, 2009): from the **Mid-America Orchid Congress**

[http://midamericanorchids.org/judging/files/MACLASS2009\\_July-1-UPDATE.pdf](http://midamericanorchids.org/judging/files/MACLASS2009_July-1-UPDATE.pdf) Previously used Genus names (Synonyms) are also listed with the new replacement, example: Haemaria is now Ludisia.

**Varietal Name:** if it is capitalized - it is a Hybrid (GreX), if it is lower case text - it will be a "specie" (native plant). By knowing Genus and if Hybrid or specie and sometimes flower color (if it applies) will determine into which class the plant is to be entered for orchid judging using "**Orchid Classification**" and also to which group (Alliance) that the plant belongs in determining its general culture needs (care required); from the Mid-America Orchid Congress "**Show Schedule**" <http://midamericanorchids.org/judging/files/MAOCSchedule2009.pdf> (starts on page 6)

Example: classes 10-26 all are grouped within Cattleya Alliance.

Additional information on plant names: Taylor's Guide to Orchids by Judy White - 1996 or

"Basics on Orchid Names" from the AOS

[http://www.aos.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=orchid\\_resources1&TEMPLATE=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&CONTENTID=6238](http://www.aos.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=orchid_resources1&TEMPLATE=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&CONTENTID=6238)

Reference: Orchid Newsletter 11-2009 & 8-2006

## PARENTS: (for Hybrids, not required of specie)

To determine the parentage of a Hybrid or check to verify cross (Parent x Parent) or (Parent x specie) or Primary Hybrid (specie x specie) and if name has been registered with the Royal Horticultural Society RHS in the United Kingdom UK; which maintains Sander's List of Orchid Hybrids, view the following:

**The International Orchid Register** <http://apps.rhs.org.uk/horticulturaldatabase/orchidregister/orchidregister.asp>

Click the Tab to select search by Parentage or GreX. Do not use abbreviations when completing Genus, leave blank and complete GreX Name (plant name), do not check Exact Match (will allow for fuzzy search and only need to type in a few text characters - especially helpful if uncertain of spelling), and click Search, results will be all varieties using that name; then select the genus for plant. To reduce results enter Genus. Reset clears entries, do not need to use if you type in a new search. Example: Phalaenopsis sold locally are frequently mislabeled and are actually Doriataenopsis.

Reference: Orchid Newsletter 11-2009

## CLASS:

By knowing Genus and if Hybrid or specie and sometimes flower color (if it applies) will determine into which class the plant is to be entered for orchid judging using "Orchid Classification" and also to which group (Alliance) that the plant belongs in determining its general culture needs (care required); use the Mid-America Orchid Congress

"**Show Schedule**" <http://midamericanorchids.org/judging/files/MAOCSchedule2009.pdf> (starts on page 6)

Example: classes 10-26 all are grouped within Cattleya Alliance, with specific class determined by specie or the parents used (if hybrid), then flower color, or plant size; always enter plant into first class to which it applies.

Reference: Orchid Newsletter 11-2009 & 8-2006

## ■ MARCH 20-21 ORCHID SHOW HOSTED BY THE GREATER OMAHA ORCHID SOCIETY:

22nd Annual Orchid Show, Greater Omaha Orchid Society, Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha Botanical Center, 100 Bancroft St., Omaha NE; Daily 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM; Contact: (402) 734-4112 [jpyrzynski@cox.net](mailto:jpyrzynski@cox.net)

- **Admission to Gardens & Show:** \$6.00, children 6 to 12 \$3.00  
<http://www.greateromahaorchidsociety.org/2010GOOSshow.html>
- **VENDORS:** Balogh International (book dealer) Bird's Botanicals, Ecuagenera (**pre orders accepted**), Fantasy Orchids, Fox Valley Orchids, Michel Orchids, Natt's Orchids, Orchid Inn, and The Plant House.
- **CLERKING:** Saturday at 6:30 AM. Breakfast provided. Learn orchid varieties and qualities to look for when purchasing your orchids, when you help as a Clerk on the Judging Teams.
- **LINCOLN ORCHID SOCIETY LOS, DISPLAY:**  
**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Display Coordinator and Committee (Sign up list at meeting)**  
**If you would like your plants included in the LOS display:**
  - 1) **Set-up:** You must bring your plants to Set-up **Friday at 5:00 7:00 PM ( NO late entries )** and be able to pick up your plants at the close of the show **Sunday at 4:00 PM**. GOOS and LOS members will be there to help unload and direct you to display areas. GOOS provides food and refreshments.
  - 2) **Pre-Registration, NOT REQUIRED:** We DO NOT need the plant name as Show Labels will NOT be preprinted.
  - 3) **Plant Entry:** Plants with a valid name (plant label) can be entered into the competition for judging and you will need to complete an Exhibit Tag for each plant, staff will be available to assist you with the process. Plants without name can be in the display but will NOT be judged.

## ■ MARCH 20-21 SPRING MEETING OF MID-AMERICA ORCHID CONGRESS MAOC:

Spring Meeting of Mid-America Orchid Congress MAOC at Omaha Marriott; 10220 Regency Circle; Omaha, NE.

**Contact:** Jim Pyrzynski, 2107 Alberta Ave., Bellevue, NE 68005; (402) 734-4112; [jpyrzynski@cox.net](mailto:jpyrzynski@cox.net);

**MAOC Speakers/Programs:** <http://midamericanorchids.org/meetings/> **Register prior to March 1 for discounted fee.**

- "The World of Cypripediums" **Carson Whitlow**; owner of Cyp Haven and webmaster of the Orchid Mall. He has grown Cypripediums since 1973 and produced the first registered artificial hybrids of Cypripedium in 1987.
- "Orchid Conservation for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Century" **Scott Stewart, Ph.D.**; a member of the North American Regional Orchid Specialist Group, a part of the ICUN Species Survival Commission, as well as the Native Orchid Conference, Inc. Conservation Committee. He is the Associate Editor of the North American Native Orchid Journal.
- Growing Orchids the EnLightened Way: Gardening Under Fluorescent Lights" **Ernie Gemeinhart**; owner of EnLightened Orchids. He has been growing orchids under fluorescent lights since 1997. He grows primarily Paphiopedilums, Phragmipediums, Phalaenopsis, plus mini and compact Cattleyas.

### Saturday Night:

- The Mid-America FUN-raiser, place your bids at this popular auction
- "Dinner and a Speaker • People I've Met & Orchids I've Killed or ....." **Doug Watson**; Past President of Mid-America Orchid Congress. He has been the General Manager, Worldwide Orchids, Inc. since 2001. Before that Doug was the owner of Gemstone Orchids and a hybridizer of Phalaenopsis.

## ■ NATURAL SCIENCE ILLUSTRATORS - WORKSHOP:

**March 20-21**, "Painting Orchids" by Carol Woodin, an international known botanical artist, will give a workshop in watercolors on paper or vellum; hosted by the Great Plains Chapter of the Guild of Natural Science Illustrators GNSI at Omaha Marriott; 10220 Regency Circle; Omaha, NE. About the Instructor: Carol Woodin, Exhibitions Coordinator for the American Society of Botanical Artists, received a gold medal from the Royal Horticultural Society of England in 1995 for her watercolors of *Paphiopedilums*. In 1998, she received the Annual Award for Excellence in Botanical Art from the American Society of Botanical Artists.



Her work has been exhibited recently at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., Kew Gardens Gallery in London, and is also included in the Shirley Sherwood Collection. Individuals with painting experience and who are interested in botanical illustration should attend. Workshop registration: GNSI members- \$150, non-members \$175. Applications should be received by March 5 and must be accompanied by the registration fee. Applications should be received by March 5. Applications must be accompanied by the registration fee. Contact Sara L. Taliaferro [sara@happybeetle.com](mailto:sara@happybeetle.com) or 785-842-4051.

Additional information and registration: <http://www.gnsigreatplains.org/>

### ■ LOS DISPLAY AT OSGKC SHOW:

February 12-14, The Lincoln Orchid Society had an exhibit in the orchid show hosted by Orchid Society of Greater Kansas City OSGKC inside the Metropolitan Lawn and Garden Show at the Hale Arena, Kansas City, MO. The LOS display was set up by: Nataly Murph, Dave and Lorraine Taylor with plants provided by Nataly Murph & Dave Taylor. The display received a first place award in its class. Dave Taylor received two awards on Brassavola Little Stars, a first place award in its class and best specimen.



Upper portion.



Lower portion.



Lincoln Orchid Society

**Bird's Botanicals**  
AOS Show Trophy, **Best Exhibit in the Show**

Photographs by Nataly Murph

### ■ DAVE TAYLOR'S GREENHOUSE FEATURED IN JOURNAL STAR:

February 21 Sunday, The Journal Star featured an article about Dave Taylor's greenhouse and love of orchids. The article was published in the Prairie Lane section and includes details about his greenhouse and several pictures of orchids, interior and exterior views of the greenhouse. The article also includes a related story, "Things to consider when setting up a greenhouse" from the Washington Post. The print edition is available for sale at newsstands through Saturday, February 27.

- The complete article is also posted on their web-site with links to addition photographs not included in the print version: [http://www.journalstar.com/lifestyles/home-and-garden/article\\_1af2c364-1ddb-11df-bfc4-001cc4c03286.html](http://www.journalstar.com/lifestyles/home-and-garden/article_1af2c364-1ddb-11df-bfc4-001cc4c03286.html)
- Attend the LOS Growing Area Tour, Picnic, and Auction this July to see the greenhouse and orchids.  
Date and schedule in next issue of *Orchid Newsletter*

### ■ GREENHOUSE INFORMATION:

If you currently have a greenhouse or sun room or are considering purchasing one. I would recommend reading a number of books available at most public libraries or for sale at local book stores. Selecting a greenhouse or sun room is determined by the type of plants you want to grow, where you live, and utility concerns as to heating and cooling. Additional information: **Charley's Greenhouse and Garden**; 17979 State Route 536; Mount Vernon, WA 98273-3269; 1-800-322-4707 <http://www.charleysgreenhouse.com> Their catalogs and web-site contains a lot of reference information and products for the hobbyist.

To learn the operation and maintenance requirements, especially during the first few years of operation; you should also consider joining the Hobby Greenhouse Association to avoid making errors and having problems. Some information: **Hobby Greenhouse Association** <http://www.hobbygreenhouse.org> is a nationwide nonprofit organization of people who enjoy growing ornamental and edible plants year round through the use of various structures designed to provide the necessary or optimal environmental conditions for successful plant growth. Whether from commercially manufactured sources, or self designed and constructed, Hobby Greenhouses provide year round enjoyment for those who love growing a wide variety of plants. This requires knowledge and skills regarding their design, construction, operations, maintenance, and use. The Hobby Greenhouse Association has been a source for sharing knowledge and experiences among fellow greenhouse enthusiasts since 1976. **Membership Dues:** USA, \$28.00 per year or \$54 for two years to: HGA MEMBERSHIP; P.O. Box 404; Andover, MA 01810 by postal mail by check or money order and Internet with credit card or PayPal; send payment and contact information: name; address, phone, e-mail. **Benefits:** Quarterly magazine

### ■ ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The society wishes to express our deepest sympathy to Betty Morrison, her husband Howard passed away January 28 Howard and Betty have been members of our society since October 2005.
- Greg Berna, founder of Paradigm Gardens, passed away January 9. Paradigm Gardens are family owned retail stores providing gardening products; located in Omaha, Nebraska, and Madison, Wisconsin. His sons will continue the business. Paradigm Gardens has been a vendor at our past orchid shows.

### ■ QUESTIONS & ANSWERS, ARCHIVE:

Questions on Orchids? Visit our list of frequently asked questions, link listed below, find the article and visit the Newsletter Index list; articles in the 'Question and Answer' section of each edition and included in the Postal Edition Newsletter, January 2006 or web-site [http://www.lincolnorchidsociety.org/pdf/Newsletter/Newsletter Index 2005.pdf](http://www.lincolnorchidsociety.org/pdf/Newsletter/Newsletter%20Index%202005.pdf)

## ■ QUESTIONS & ANSWERS, CURRENT:

Send your questions and we will send you a reply, then publish it here.




📧 **Submit Your Question(s):** through our web-site "**Contact Us Link**" <http://lincolnorchidsociety.org/contact.html>

✉ **Mail to:** Lincoln Orchid Society LOS; P.O. Box 5501; Lincoln, NE 68505-5501

1) **Q.:** *I've been growing and flowering orchids for some time but would like to try some specie. I have heard that they are difficult to grow. Which ones should I try?*

1) **A.: Specie vs. Hybrids:**

Hybrids tend to have more vigor and be more tolerant of less than ideal growing conditions. However, many species are just as easy to grow as their hybrid cousins. The best ones to start with would be Phalaenopsis, Paphiopedilum, or Ludisa for low light conditions and Cattleya for medium light conditions. The key is to do research on the variety you would like to grow as some specie require very specific growing conditions: light, temperature, and rest period; if the conditions are not met the plant may not flower or may even die.

■ **CULTURE SHEETS:** how to care and reflower commonly grown varieties of orchids.   

➤ **American Orchid Society AOS, FORMATS: PDF or HTML**

**Index: HTML** [http://www.taygeta.com/aos\\_culture.html](http://www.taygeta.com/aos_culture.html)

**PDF** [http://www.aos.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Culture\\_Sheets&Template=/TaggedPage/TaggedPageDisplay.cfm&TPLID=2&ContentID=3342](http://www.aos.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Culture_Sheets&Template=/TaggedPage/TaggedPageDisplay.cfm&TPLID=2&ContentID=3342)

**Phalaenopsis (Moth Orchid)** These are direct links from the index pages above, so you will not have to navigate them.

**HTML** <http://www.taygeta.com/phalaenopsis.html>

**PDF** <http://www.aos.org/Content/ContentFolders2/ContentType/Articles/CultureSheets/ByGenre/cultureintermedphal.pdf>

➤ **Culture for Specie Orchids:** Internet Orchid Species Photo Encyclopedia <http://www.orchidspecies.com>

➤ **Detailed Culture Requirements by Genus from Charles and Margaret Baker:** <http://www.orchidculture.com>

**Free List of above link for examples:** <http://www.orchidculture.com/COD/FREE/index.html#Sheets>

## ARTICLES OF INTEREST:

■ **MONTHLY CALENDAR OF REQUIREMENTS FOR ORCHIDS: Monthly Checklist for March and April**

### **Cattleya**

Although March is, in many parts of the country, still a cold and blustery month, the lengthening days and warmer temperatures allowed by increased light are long-awaited harbingers of the coming change of season. Some of the best standard cattleyas of the year will be in bloom, or will be blooming soon. The last of the winter-flowering hybrids will join the earliest of the spring hybrids in a wonderful display. Be on the alert for senescing sheaths that need removal. If these yellowing sheaths are not removed, the moisture they trap can lead to bud rot. Careful removal of the sheath will allow the buds to develop, although they will need additional support. Changing light conditions can also be a problem in March and April. An exceptionally bright day, especially immediately following a rain, can lead to sunburn of the foliage if shading is not attended to properly. There can still be periods of dull days where spikes can be weakened owing to the lower light. Lengthening days will mean increased metabolic rates necessitating increased water and fertilizer. The plants will indicate needs by drying more rapidly, which means more frequent watering and fertilizing.

With the passing of the season for winter bloomers, and the beginning of the season for spring bloom, it is also the time to be on the lookout for plants that will need potting after they bloom. Immediately after blooming has proven to be the best time to repot winter- and spring-flowering cattleyas. In most cases, they will be ready to grow roots, so if potted at this time, they will root right into fresh mix with little or no setback.

### **Cymbidium**

Plants should be putting on a spectacular show this time of year. Adjust all staking and twist-ties and be on the lookout for aphids, slugs and snails. Give adequate water because flowering strains the plants. As new growths appear later, increase the nitrogen level in the fertilizer. Should a plant look healthy but not be blooming, try increasing the light during the next growing season. The number-one reason for no flowers is lack of light.

### **Dendrobium (Australian)**

These hard-cane dendrobiums will be at their flowering peak now. It is not unusual to see a specimen of this type in an orchid show boasting 1,000 flowers. The secret with this group -- bred primarily from *Dendrobium kingianum* and *Dendrobium speciosum* -- is to provide ample water, fertilizer and light during the growing season.

### Lycaste

This genus of superb orchids will be coming to the end of its flowering season. Soon you will see the beginning of new root growth, which is an excellent time to repot into fresh media. As new growth emerges, provide ample fertilizer and water. A sign of good culture is an increase in the size of pseudobulbs with each successive year.

### Miltoniopsis

This marks the beginning of the flowering season. Amazing displays of color will dazzle the grower over the next few months. Prepare your plants for optimum display by staking spikes (if needed) and cleaning off the older yellow foliage. Do not miss the wonderful fragrance as the flowers unfold.

### Paphiopedilum

March is the beginning of the season of heaviest potting for lady's-slipper orchids. However, it is a month where the volume of plants needing attention is still small. It is an excellent month to take the time to work with your paphiopedilums before the pressure of other potting prevents your doing the thorough job you should. Look at each plant: Is it clean of dead and dying foliage? Is it weed free? Does it need potting? Is it in spike? Does it have an insect problem? Cleaning and restaging your paphs is one of the most satisfying tasks of the orchid year. Cleaned and potted paphiopedilums look happy.

The summer-blooming types will be showing the first of their buds in March and April. Be on the lookout for the buds, as well as any insect pests that may have found their way into the crowns of your plants. It is especially difficult to clean mealybugs, in particular, once they have become established in the plant. Better to get to them before they get a good toehold.

Increasing light levels should give emerging spikes the strength they need to grow straight and strong. Do not be too anxious to stake the spikes, because if they are staked too soon, the flowers may develop a "nodding" stance, where the dorsal will not stand upright. If the spikes seem to develop at an angle, let them, and stake after the flower has hardened for best carriage, especially on the hybrids with fairieanum background.

### Phalaenopsis

In most of the country, March is the peak blooming month for phalaenopsis. Staking needs to be carefully attended to, so that the flowers will be displayed at their best for orchid shows and judging -- even those intended for your home will look best if properly staked. One of the most decorative aspects of phalaenopsis spikes is the way they gracefully arch. If not staked properly, the spike will lack this grace and will not be as pleasing. Most growers like to have the final support just below the first flower, allowing maximum support, without sacrificing the beauty of the arching spike.

Rapid-growing spikes and open flowers place extra demands on the plant. Careful monitoring of watering and feeding will give the plants the energy they require to give their best floral display. Remember, too, that the lengthening days will also increase the frequency at which plants need water.

Beware of the invasion of sucking pests that accompany the flowering season. Flowers and spikes are favorite targets of mealybugs and scales. Be on the look out for their presence, often indicated by the appearance of sooty mold resulting from the exudate of the bugs, and treat before flowers or buds are too advanced. If flowers and buds are too far along, the chemical treatment may damage or abort them.

### Pleurothallids

Members in this large and increasingly popular group will be looking their best now. If plants are not in flower, the next few months provide an excellent time to divide if needed or repot into fresh mix. Taking care of these tasks now will allow enough time for your plants to become established before the hot weather arrives. *The AOS thanks Ned Nash and James Rose for this essay*

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## **ORCHIDS - ARTICLES, Monthly Magazine of the American Orchid Society AOS:**

Contact Rich Sukovaty to check out items from the LOS Library.

- **Articles in Bold Text will be of interest to new or novice orchid growers.**

**December Issues:** Index of all article published during year.

**January 2010 Issue / Page: 6 Talking Points: Why Orchid Societies?;** 8 Special Reports: The Illustrations of Erich Nelson 8 Past, Present, Future; **10 Questions and Answers: Spathoglottis kimbballiana, Onc. Sharry Baby (chocolate scented orchid), Orchid Patents;** **10 Start a Plant Log;** **12 Orchid Checklist - January: The Month of the Dream** 14 Orchid of the Month: *Galeandras*; 16 Observations on Florida's *Galeandra*; **18 New World Slipper Orchids: Long-Petal Hybrids and *Phragmipedium kovachii*;** 20 Genus *Phragmipedium* Rolfe; **26 *Phragmipedium kovachii* Hybrids;** **30 Spotlight: Bulbophyllum Tonya Jacob's 'Balchan's Beauty', HCC/AOS;** **32 Jewel and Painted -Leaf Orchids: *Macodes, Dossinia and Goodyera*;** **38 Orchid Conservation: Creating Effective Strategies in Modern Times** 42 Orchid Conservation Heroes; 44 Native Orchids: *Platanthera integrilabia*; 48 Nomenclature Notes: Linnaean Taxonomic Notation

**February 2010 Issue / Page:** 70 Questions and Answers: Mealy Bugs, Basic Orchid Care, Fertilizer Expiration; 72 Orchid Checklist, February: The Month of Attraction, 74 Orchid of the Month: *Jumelleas*, 78 Well Worth the Space: *Diplocaulobium chrysotropis*, 80 Celebrity Lady - The Semialba Large-Flowered Cattleyas, 88 New World Slipper Orchids - III. Culture: What Nature Can Reveal, 98 Spotlight: *Cycnoches Manilodd* 'George Carr' HCC/AOS, 100 Orchids Under Cover - Experiences with Wardian Cases in Western Canada, 106 Nomenclature Notes: *Vanilla dietschiana*, 120 Parting Shot Solar Greenhouse: A New Twist

**AMERICA ORCHID SOCIETY - NEWSLETTER (ON-LINE):**

- **Articles of interest to new or novice and experienced orchid growers.**

**November 2009:** [http://aos.informz.net/aos/archives/archive\\_536676.html](http://aos.informz.net/aos/archives/archive_536676.html) AOS is on Facebook!,

**What Causes Brown Sheaths in the Fall?, Orchids Basics, *Catasetum* and *Cycnoches* - Part 4, and Collector's Items - Rlc. (Blc.) George King 'Serendipity' AM/AOS**

**December 2009:** [http://aos.informz.net/aos/archives/archive\\_576091.html](http://aos.informz.net/aos/archives/archive_576091.html) Tell Us What You Think... (on-line survey),

**Orchids Basics, *Catasetum* and *Cycnoches* - Part 5, The Conservation Front, Collector's Items - *Dendrobium dichaeoides*, and EcoMinga Foundation – Ecuador.**

**January 2010:** [http://aos.informz.net/aos/archives/archive\\_613617.html](http://aos.informz.net/aos/archives/archive_613617.html) **OK - Now what do I do?**

**(treating plants with cold damage); Orchids Basics; *Catasetum* and *Cycnoches* - Part 6; Hand Pollination of *Vanilla*; Collector's Item: *Ludisia discolor* - A Foolproof Orchid**

**February 2010:** Not received

**ORCHID SPECIALTY GROUPS:** [Cymbidium Society of America](#), [Encyclia Enthusiasts](#), [International Phalaenopsis Alliance](#), [Maxillaria Tribe](#), [Native Orchid Conference, Inc.](#), [Native Orchid Conservation Inc.](#), [Orchid Conservation Alliance](#), [Orchid Conservation Coalition](#), [Orchid Conservation International](#), [Mid-American Orchid Congress MAOC](#), [Odontoglossum Alliance](#), [Orchid Digest](#), [Pleurothallid Alliance](#), [Southwest Regional Orchid Growers Alliance SWROGA](#)

**MID-AMERICA ORCHID CONGRESS, The Mid-American Newsletter Articles:** <http://midamericanorchids.org>

- **Past Newsletters available on their web-site.**

**August 2009:** 50th Anniversary Mid-America Orchid Congress show and sale at the Franklin Marriott Cool Springs Hotel & Convention Center in Franklin, TN on October 30 – November 1, in conjunction with Orchid Society of Middle Tennessee show (registration forms posted); Innovative Approach To Orchid Conservation; death of Barbara Nuernberger; Where Do You Hold Your Show?

- **Current Newsletters**, currently not posted. if you would like a copy "Contact Us" <http://lincolnorchidsociety.org/contact.html>

**November 2009:** Fall Congress in Franklin TN p.1; OrchidWiz in Omaha Auction p.3; MAOC to Meet in Omaha p.4 From Our President p.6; Omaha Breakfast Discussion p.6; Renew Membership/From Your Editor p.7; Jan Yates Orchidist of the Year p.7; Registration Feedback Requested p.8; Helpful Information p.8; Member Societies p.9

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**GREATER OMAHA ORCHID SOCIETY:** Mailing address: GOOS; P.O. Box 241871; Omaha, NE 68124 Meets the second Wednesday of each month at Douglas / Sarpy County Extension Office; 8015 West Center Rd.; Omaha. Beginners' Group meets at 7:00 PM, Monthly Meetings start at 7:30 PM. Membership: \$15 Single, \$20 Family.

**March 10** "Oeceoclades" by Scott Evans, **April 14** Panel Discussion, "How to Grow Plants in Your Home"

**May 12** Guest speaker Brian Gerhard from Down Under Orchids in Australia <http://www.duno.com.au/>

The nursery specializes in Australian specie orchids; especially *Dendrobium speciosum*, *Dendrobium kingianum*, *Sarcochilus*, (both species & Hybrids), and *Dockrillia*. **Plants for sale at the meeting.**

**Future Programs:** <http://www.greateromahaorchidsociety.org>

**AREA EVENTS, ORCHID RELATED**

➤ Participation by Lincoln Orchid Society

Regional or National Event

**Feb. 27-28** Greater Lansing Orchid Society Show, Michigan State University, Plant & Soil Science Conservatory, SW Corner of Bogue St. Wilson Rd., East Lansing, MI. Contact: Jerrie Nichols, 9609 Brandi Ln., Fowlerville, MI 48836; 517-223-8965; [sjnichols@alldial.net](mailto:sjnichols@alldial.net)

**Feb. 26-28** Miami International Orchid Show, Doubletree Hotel & Convention Center, 777 NW 72 Ave., Miami. FL Contact: Robert Fuchs, 28100 SW 182 Ave., Homestead, FL 33030; 305-245-4570; [info@rforchids.com](mailto:info@rforchids.com)

**March 5-7** Orchid Show & Sale; Regency Court; 120 Regency Parkway, Omaha, NE. GOOS will have a display and promotional material for GOOS/MAOC show March 20-21.

**March 6-7** Denver Orchid Society Show, Tagawa Garden Center, 7711 South Parker Rd., Centennial, CO.

Contact: Shirlee McDaniels, 2107 W. Baker Ave., Englewood, CO 80110; 303-905-7014; [shirlee.mcdaniel@comcast.net](mailto:shirlee.mcdaniel@comcast.net)

**March 13-14** Northeastern Wisconsin Orchid Society Show, Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk, 123 E. Wis Ave., Neenah, WI. Contact: David Bluma, 1367 Eagle Feather Tr., Neenah, WI 54956; 920-428-4595; [davidluma@aol.com](mailto:davidluma@aol.com)

**March 20-21** Illinois Orchid Society Show, Chicago Botanic Gardens, Chicago, IL. Contact: Jeanne Becker, 901 Sunset Ct., Deerfield, IL 60015; 847-945-8107; [beckerjeanne@hotmail.com](mailto:beckerjeanne@hotmail.com)

➤ **March 20-21, 10 AM-4 PM** Greater Omaha Orchid Society; 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Show & Sale at Lauritzen Gardens, 100 Bancroft St., Omaha, NE and Spring Meeting of Mid-America Orchid Congress MAOC at Omaha Marriott; 10220 Regency Circle; Omaha, NE, Contact: Jim Pyrzynski, 2107 Alberta Ave., Bellevue, NE 68005; (402) 734-4112; [jpyrzynski@cox.net](mailto:jpyrzynski@cox.net); <http://www.greateromahaorchidsociety.org/>

**MAOC Speakers/Programs:** <http://midamericanorchids.org/meetings/> **Register prior to March 1.**

(See article in this issue for additional details.)

**March 27-28, 2010** 35th Illowa Orchid Society Spring Show at Wallace's Garden Center and Greenhouse; 2605 Devils Glen Rd.; Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. Contact: Dee Haiston 563-386-3212, [eednderf@msn.com](mailto:eednderf@msn.com) or James E. Hall, 620 W. Davenport St.; Eldridge, Iowa 563-285-4173 [jimhall@netins.net](mailto:jimhall@netins.net)

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**April 3-4** Heart O' Texas Orchid Society Show, 39th Annual Orchid Show & Sale, "Easter Orchids"; Zilker Botanical Garden Center, 2220 Barton Springs Rd., Austin, TX. Contact: Geoffrey Frost, 1011 Strickland Dr., Austin, TX 78748; (512) 413-3199; [geoffrey1frost@yahoo.com](mailto:geoffrey1frost@yahoo.com) Saturday: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Sunday: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM <http://www.hotos.org/>

**April 28 - May 2, 2010** Spring AOS Member's Meeting/SWROGA Spring Show and Sale hosted by Oklahoma Orchid Society at Clarion Meridian Hotel & Convention Center, 737 S. Meridian, Oklahoma City, OK 73108.

Contact: Johnita Turner; 27 Oakwood Drive, Oklahoma City, OK 73121 405-427-2133 [jhturner@coxinet.net](mailto:jhturner@coxinet.net)

This is an Orchid Conference which includes the: Orchid Digest, Southwest Regional Orchid Growers Association, International Phalaenopsis Alliance, Pleurothallid Alliance and the Slipper Orchid Alliance as well as the AOS.

**Speakers/Programs:** <http://www.2010aosshow.ooorchids.org/> **Register prior to April 1 for discounted admission.**

- Joyce Stewart - "Angraecoid Orchids of Africa and Madagascar"
- Peter Tobias - "Strategies and Opportunities for Orchid Conservation Through the Orchid Conservation Alliance"
- Bryon Rinke - "The Genus Pleurothallis According to Dr Carlyle Luer"
- Glen Decker - "Phragmipediums" - A look at the species and how they relate to their hybrids and most importantly, how to grow them!
- Clair Ossian - "Bulbophyllums...Monsters and Beauties"
- Erich Michel - "Jewel and Painted Leaf Orchids and Their Culture"

■ **AREA EVENTS:** Additional List: <http://www.kfor1240.com/> <http://www.kolnkgin.com/calendar>

**NEW ➔.CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY IN LINCOLN:** Patrick Kramer owner of "Cactus Guys", 1742 N. 48th St., is considering starting a Cactus and Succulent Society in Lincoln, if there is sufficient interest in the Lincoln area.

If you would be interested in attending possible monthly meetings contact Patrick Kramer with your contact information and preferred meeting date by e-mail: [pkcactus@gmail.com](mailto:pkcactus@gmail.com), telephone: 467-5268, or at "Cactus Guys" on Saturdays only.

Greenhouse open for sales Monday-Friday: 9:00 AM-6:00PM and Saturday: 9:00 AM-5:00PM

**March 7, 2:00 PM** UNL Garden Friends annual meeting at Hardin Hall Auditorium, NE Corner of 33rd & Holdrege. will feature guest speaker Pam Duthie, Chicago area author, gardener & retired former owner of The Gifted Gardener; a landscape design and consulting company that specializes in "Continuous Color Gardens." An enthusiastic lecturer, Pam's skills as a long time gardener, designer, instructor at Chicago Botanic Garden and photographer will inform and entertain attendees. Pam's lecture, "Continuous Color, The Easy U-Can Plan Way"© focuses on a simple way to plan a garden starting with shrubs, conifers and small trees and adding perennial partner plants to create a garden with color in every season. No admission, free parking, an open to the public.

**March 9, 7:00 PM** Omaha Council of Garden Clubs meeting at Douglas/Sarpy C. Extension; 8015 W Center Road, Omaha, NE.

Speaker will be Jan Riggenschon on "Fifty Fabulous Finds". She will share her 50 current favorites and tell you how to use them in your garden.

**March 18, 6:30 PM** Omaha Rose Society will meet at Douglas/Sarpy C. Extension; 8015 W Center Road, Omaha, NE.

Program: "Wake Up the Garden" and Tool Sharpening - Round table discussion. Bring your pruners and tools to be sharpened

➤ **Mar. 19-21** Husker Lawn and Leisure Show, 8<sup>th</sup> Annual, Lancaster Event Center, 4100 N. 84 St., Lincoln Fee \$3.00; 420-5678  
F: 5-9 PM, Sa: 10 AM - 7PM, Su: 11 AM - 5PM; <http://www.huskerlawshow.com> LOS will have a display at the show.  
This will be our fifth year at event. <http://www.lancastereventcenter.com/>

**Mar. 25-28** Omaha Home and Builders Show at Qwest Convention Center ; 455 N. 10th St.; Omaha. Landscape Design, Seminars, and More! Remodeling, New Construction. Admission: Adults \$9, Students (Ages 17 & Under) \$5, Children Under 5 FREE. Parking \$6.00. [http://www.gototheshows.com/hbs\\_v\\_home.html](http://www.gototheshows.com/hbs_v_home.html) Th 5-9, F Noon-9, Sa 10-9, Su 10-5;  
<http://www.qwestcenteromaha.com/>

**March 26. 7:00 PM** South Omaha Horticultural Society will meet at Douglas/Sarpy C. Extension; 8015 W Center Road, Omaha, NE.;  
Program by Maggie Sweigart "Fitness in the Garden"

**March 28** "Spring Gardening Conference" sponsored by the West Pottawattamie County Extension Master Gardeners at  
"The Center", 714 S. Main St., Council Bluffs, IA. Fee \$30 register before March 22 lunch included, walk-ins no lunch;  
contact (712) 366-7070 or <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/NR/rdonlyres/42E92A9B-6826-4F33-99B8-253447CF199E/117640/MGBrochure.pdf>

**April 10, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM** The Lincoln African Violet Society will hold their annual spring sale at St. Mark's Church,  
84th St. & Pioneers Blvd. (enter the building on the south side). Blooming violets for sale.

**April 12, 6:00 PM** Lincoln Garden Club at Culler Middle School Cafeteria, 52nd and Vine St., Lincoln. Guests Welcome.  
"Plant Sale": Annuals & Perennials (categorized by type and culture requirements); plants donated by Garden Club members.  
If unable to attend, event also held May 10

➤ **April 22, 5-9 PM** "Girl's Night Out" (the men are welcome too) Earl May Nursery and Garden Center, Lincoln.  
(North Store) 100 Wedgewood Dr (71st St. & 'O' St.) 489-7168, (South Store) 5555 S. 48th St. (48th St & US Hwy 2) 423-5354.  
Gardening demonstrations and samples from other area businesses; different activities at each store.  
The Lincoln Orchid Society will have members at both locations to questions about orchids and our society.

**April 22, 6:30 PM** Omaha Rose Society will meet at Douglas/Sarpy C. Extension; 8015 W Center Road, Omaha, NE.. Program: The  
Marina Results - by Joanne Langabee. "Our National EARTH-KIND Test Results"

**April 24, 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM** Great Plains Chapter of Guild of Natural Science Illustrators (GNSI), Potluck & meeting, Lincoln.

**April 24** Nebraska Daylily Society will meet at Wunderlich's Catering at 3rd Ave. and Hwy 30 in Columbus, NE for their meeting  
and an auction.

**April 24, 9 AM - 4 PM** "Spring Affair", Nebraska State Fair Park, Agricultural Hall, Lincoln. Free, 472-2971  
Plant sales, programs and demonstrations. **Free admission and seminars.** <http://springaffair.unl.edu/>

**Programs:**

10:00 AM Jeff Culbertson of UNL Landscape Services "The Green Approach to Perennial Maintenance"

11:00 AM Harlan Hamernik "A Fresh Start for Gardeners Young & Old"

1:30 PM Bryan Kinghorn of Kinghorn Gardens in Omaha "Pots & Possibilities"

• **Hardy Orchids for Sale:** Bletilla striata alba, Bletilla striata, and Spiranthes cernua var. odorata

**April 30, 7:00 PM** South Omaha Horticultural Society will meet at Douglas/Sarpy C. Extension; 8015 W Center Road, Omaha, NE.;  
Program: Annual Auction

**May 2, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM** "Art in the Park" annual juried outdoor exhibition of fine art sponsored by the Lawrence Art Guild,  
featuring work by many area artists and continuous musical entertainment, food vendors, and family fun. Over 10,000 people  
typically attend Art in the Park, Lawrence's premiere arts event. Located in South Park, 12th & Massachusetts, at the south end of  
downtown Lawrence, Kansas. <http://www.lawrenceartguild.org/>

**May 15** Deadline to enter Omaha Rose Society - 2010 Photo Contest. Competition open to amateur photographers, submit un-matted  
4 x 6 or 5 x 7 photographic prints, glossy or matte finish, may be entered. Published photos or photos that have won previous  
awards are not eligible. The exhibitor must take the photos, but the photographer need not have grown the subject of the photo.  
The back of each entry must be labeled with the name and phone number of the exhibitor, **the rose variety**, and the rose  
classification. Exhibitors are allowed up to 3 entries in each class. All photos will be on display during the Omaha Rose Show  
June 6 at Lauritzen Gardens. Entries must be personally delivered or mailed and postmarked by May 15 to Jennifer Pospichal at  
Outdoor Recreation Products; 1055 N 204 Ave; Elkhorn, NE 68022

**July 1-31st** Art exhibit "Salt Creek Environment: Local and Endangered" at the Haydon Art Center, Lincoln, NE

➤ **Lauritzen Gardens** Omaha Botanical Center, 100 Bancroft St., Omaha (402)346-4002 ext 201  
<http://www.omahabotanicalgardens.org/>

- Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Admission: \$7 for adults and \$3 for children age six to 12.

**Jan. 15 - May 9, daily 9 AM - 5 PM** Spring Flower Show of ever changing of flowering bulbs & shrubs plus perennials.

**March 10, 7 PM** Loveland Garden Club Lecture: "The Authentic Garden: Five Principles for Cultivating a Sense of Place" with Claire Sawyers, director of the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College since 1990, learning how to create gardens that are both deeply rooted in their surroundings and deeply satisfying to their creators and owners. Fee: \$10 for members and \$14 for non-members, and space is limited. register and make payment by **April 3**.

**June 6** Omaha Rose Show

## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS:

➤ HortUpdate newsletter from the UNL- Lincoln Extension which provides timely information to the lawn and landscape industry; which includes current lawn & landscape problems with control recommendations & a seasonal "To Do" list. Posted on-line or e-mail subscription <http://extensionhorticulture.unl.edu/HortUpdate/Update.shtml>

➤ **Mulhall's Nursery**; 3615 N. 120 St. (120th & Maple) Omaha NE (402)496-0700 <http://www.mulhalls.com/events.asp>  
Seminars are Free (unless noted) and are held at 11:00 AM on Saturdays in the greenhouse. Advance registration and full payment is required for all workshops with fees. Workshops with costs will include all materials and a completed project to take home and enjoy. Register by calling (402) 496-0700      Date / Program:

**Mar. 20, 10 AM-6 PM and 22, Noon to 5 PM** Cost: Free  
**African Violet Show** - Omaha African Violet Society

**Additional events, see website.**

➤ **Southeast Community College:** Non credit classes. Information and registration 402-437-2701 or 1-800-828-0072 ext. 2701  
SCC-Continuing Education Center, 301 S. 68th St. Place, Lincoln

**Date / Program:** [http://www.southeast.edu/sharedmedia/PDFs/Cont\\_Ed/CEL\\_Spr10\\_web.pdf](http://www.southeast.edu/sharedmedia/PDFs/Cont_Ed/CEL_Spr10_web.pdf)

**March 18** Guest speaker, Amy Stewart, author of several best-selling books. Her essays and commentaries have appeared in the New York Times, the San Francisco Chronicle, Garden Design, Organic Gardening, and elsewhere. She's been featured on NPR, Good Morning America and CBS Sunday Morning. She is the recipient of a National Endowment for the Arts fellowship and a California Horticultural Society Writer's Award. She will be speaking about two of her books:

**4:00 PM** Wicked Plants: The Deliciously Dark Side of the Plant Kingdom, Tuition: \$15.

**7:00 PM** The Global Garden: Connecting the World of Horticulture to Your Own Backyard, Tuition: \$15.

**Apr 5 (First start date)** Floral Design, several classes, Tuition: varies, see page 28 (30 in pdf) for details

**Apr 15 May 20, 7-9:30 PM** All for One & One for All: The Complete Landscape Class!, Tuition: \$59, see p 29 (31 in pdf) for details

**May 1, 9 AM-3 PM** Pots with Punch, Tuition: \$20

**May 15, 9 AM-4 PM** Roses Roses Roses, Tuition: \$25

■ **HORTICULTURAL SOCIETIES:** Submit Your Organization through the "Contact Us" link posted on our web-site.

**NEW ⇨.Cactus And Succulent Society in Lincoln:** see article above in **AREA EVENTS**

**Flower Arrangers Club** 1st Tuesday, 1:00 PM, Anderson Library, 3635 Toulzalin Ave, Lincoln; 488-3081

**Friends of Maxwell Arboretum** Lincoln, 484-8032

**Friends of Wilderness Park** Lincoln, 477-8282

**Hemerocallis (Daylily) Society** Lincoln, 796-2191

**Lincoln African Violet Society** 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 PM; Lincoln Public School - Administration Bldg., 5901 'O' St., Lincoln  
488-8586; dues: \$10.00 **NEW Meeting location.**

**Lincoln Garden Club** 2nd Monday, 7:00 PM; Culler Middle School Cafeteria, 52nd and Vine St., Lincoln;  
Dues: Individual \$8.00, Family \$10.00

**Lincoln Gladiola Society** Lincoln, 489-5264

**Lincoln Iris Society** last Monday, 6:30 PM, St. Andrew's Lutheran Church - Church Fellowship Hall (Southeast side of building);  
1015 Lancaster Lane; Lincoln; 4 Blocks East of 70th & Vine St. to East Avon Lane then North (left) on East Avon Lane one  
block - church on left side.; 786-2495; Dues: Individual \$6.00, Each Additional \$4.00

**Lincoln Rose Society** 3rd Monday May, Sept., & Oct.; 7:00 PM; Antelope Park Shelter House - North of Auld Recreation Center,  
Lincoln; 486-1420

**Nebraska Herbal Society** 4th Saturday, 10:00 AM; Lincoln Public School - Administration Bldg., 5901 'O' St., Lincoln;  
435-4217 or 476-1635

**Nebraska Nutgrowers Association** Lincoln; 472-3674

**Nebraska Statewide Arboretum** P.O. Box 830715; Lincoln, NE 68583-0715; 472-2971; <http://arboretum.unl.edu> Dues: \$35.00

**Omaha Rose Society** 3rd Thursday (except Nov. & Dec.), 7:00 PM; Douglas/ Sarpy County Extension Office, 8015 West Center Rd.,  
Omaha; 291-9651 <http://omaharosesociety.com> Dues, Individual or Family: \$15.00

**Shady Choice Hosta Society**, Mar. - Sep. call for location, Omaha, 428-8684; <http://www.shadychoice.org>;  
Dues: Single \$5.00 Family \$10.00

**River City Cactus and Succulent Society** first Sunday (No meeting July & August), 1:30 PM; Papillion Public Library,  
320 N. Washington St., Papillion; 597-1584; <http://www.river-city-cactus.org> Dues: Individual \$15.00, Family \$20.00

**UNL Garden Friends**, meets annually March 2, 2:00 PM at UNL City Campus - Union Auditorium; Lincoln;  
472-2679; <http://www.unl.edu/bga/friends/> Dues: \$25.00 Family

■ **ART & PHOTOGRAPHY:**

**NEW ⇨.Great Plains Chapter of Guild of Natural Science Illustrators (GNSI)**, based in Lincoln, Nebraska, founded in 2006 and  
is made up of members from Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska. The group began meeting in October, 2005. Meetings and events will be  
held six times per year. Anyone interested in Scientific Illustration, are welcome to participate. Annual member dues are \$20 or  
\$10 for students, contact 785-842-<http://www.gnsigreatplains.org/>

**Lincoln Artists' Guild**, 1st Tuesday (Feb. - Dec.), 7:00-9:00 PM, Lincoln Public School - Administration Bldg., 5901 'O' St., Lincoln,  
202-1326, Dues: \$35.00 Individual (Jan.-Dec.), Couple \$50.00 <http://www.lincolnartistsguild.org>

**Lincoln Camera Club**, 3rd Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 PM (see web-site for program title and directions to meeting room), UNL School of  
Natural Resources in Hardin Hall, 33rd and Holdrege (Southwest corner of the East Campus), Lincoln, Room 163 (Northwest  
corner of the building) 486-1456, <http://www.lincolncameraclub.org>, \$25.00 Individual or Family, Student \$10.00