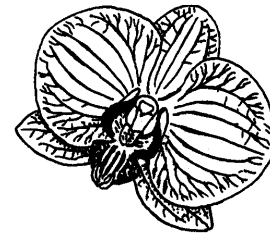




# Orchid Newsletter

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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## MEETING:

**SEPTEMBER 27 at 7:15 PM, NEW LOCATION:** Nebraska Heart Institute, Medical Office Building; 7440 S. 91st St.  
Class Rooms 2-3

( Between Pine Lake Road and US Hwy. 2, access via S. 84th St. or US Hwy. 2 )

Maps, two links on page: <http://www.nebraskaheart.com/Locations/>

**OCTOBER 25: SPECIALTY GROUP at 6:30 PM, Class Rooms 1;**  
**GENERAL MEETING at 7:15 PM, Class Rooms 2-3**

## PROGRAM:

**September 27 - "Getting Orchids Ready for the Winter & Pest Control"**

- Featuring a Panel Discussion to answer your questions by experienced orchid growers.

## NEW MEETING LOCATION:

The society will meet at a NEW location September 27, the Nebraska Heart Institute NHI, Medical Office Building (North of the Heart Hospital); 7440 S. 91st St. This location is near Southeast corner of the Lincoln city limits:

### Directions:

- 1) Members living in the Northern or Eastern areas of the city should use major routes East to 84th St and travel South to Pine Lake Road, turn left East on Pine Lake Road to S. 91st St., turn right South and proceed to 7440 S. 91st St. (if you miss Pine Lake Road proceed South to US Hwy. 2)
- 2) Members living in the Western, Central, or Southern areas of the city should use major routes South to US Hwy. 2, turn left East on US Hwy. 2 and proceed to East to S. 91st St. (next intersection past South Wal-Mart and Menards), turn left North and proceed to 7440 S. 91st St.; if you prefer you may exit US Hwy. 2 at 87th St. (entrance to South Wal-Mart and Menards Plaza), use right side of left turn lane onto 87th St., dead ends at Andermatt Dr. turn right East onto Andermatt Dr. to 89th St., turn left North on 89th St. proceed North (will drive between Wal-Mart and Menards) to Heritage Lakes Dr., dead ends at Heritage Lakes Dr. turn right East to S. 91st St. turn right South and proceed to 7440 S. 91st St.

Maps, two links on page: <http://www.nebraskaheart.com/Locations/>

### Parking:

- Handicap accessibility with parking close to door, South of entrance and drop off area in front of building.
- Main parking West side of street before main parking area for hospital.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DUE AT MEETING:

Please complete the "**Membership Application/ Renewal**" form on the last page and pay dues to **Membership, Co-ordinator:** Dwight Languis at the **August meeting**. Membership, New or Renewal: \$10 00 (#) annually, Single or Family Membership to the same household. Annual dues must be paid by September 1 of each year, and are delinquent after the October meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, print, and send the **Membership Form** below with payment, personal check or money order should be made payable to LOS (Do not mail cash) and mailed to:

Lincoln Orchid Society LOS; P.O. Box 5501; Lincoln, NE 68505-5501

(#) Memberships received during May, June and July are applied towards the next year; our next fiscal year is from September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2007. Please complete of the "Membership Application/ Renewal" form to verify that our

documentation is current and to ensure delivery of your Newsletter by postal or e-mail, if we encounter any delivery problems; plus proper credit of your account with LOS.

**Benefits - Advantages of Membership:**

- Youth Membership, FREE to anyone 18 years of age or younger.
- New Members receive a free orchid plant at monthly meeting.
- Monthly Newsletter and News Releases via e-mail ( HTML or PDF ), or only postal edition of Monthly Newsletter.
- Monthly Plant Raffle.
- Group Purchases, plants at discounted prices.
- Library of Orchid Literature. ( To check out items from the Library, contact Rich Sukovaty )
- Name Badge (Plastic) available at monthly meeting, choice from several types.

**ORCHID PLANT SALES BY SOCIETY: ( Additional plants purchased. )**

Special purchase by society of Orchid Plants, previously flowered (some still have a few flowers remaining at the end of the flower spikes). All are on sale for **\$10.00** Most are labeled with plant name and are clones in 4 inch square pots. An assortment of orchid varieties: Oncidium Intergenerics and Phalaenopsis. Plants will be available at meeting for inspection and purchase. ( **Pictures of flowers available.** )

**ORCHID PLANT AND MEDIA SALES AT MEETING:**

Chuck Hanson will be selling plants, an assortment of orchid varieties. Also available, Media for Desert Orchids: diatomite (Dyna-Rok).

**RAFFLE PLANNED:**

(If you have any that are not flowering for you or know of anyone who discards them after they finish flowering please consider having them donating to LOS for the raffle. They do not need to have name tags or be in good condition, we will revive them. The raffle plants are a valuable educational tool for growers to try varieties of orchids that are new to them and diversify their collection plus find a new home for the plants with a grower that may be able to provide the conditions needed to reflower them.)

Only **current members** of the society may purchase a raffle ticket \$1 each, buy one or several, for opportunity to win plants! Plants located on the table to the left at the front of the meeting room.

**August Plants donated by:** Allen Bean, Chuck Hanson

**September Plants donated by:** Marty Haferman, Lorna Kissling

**MEETING, ACTIVITIES:**

- **"Plant Talk"** - Members display orchids in flower and explain how they grow them/s
- **"Questions & Answers"** - New Members & Guests are encouraged to bring in their plant/s for identification to assist with determining culture requirements or answering questions regarding their plant.
- **Refreshments:** ( Served in Class Room 1 )
- **Plant Raffle** - Ticket \$1 each, buy one or several, for opportunity to win plants donated by members.
- **Program**
- **Potting Media and Supplies:** ( To purchase contact Marty Haferman )
  - **Standard or Seedling Mix** - one gallon bag for \$3.00
  - **Coconut Husk Chips** - one gallon bag for \$3.00
  - **Dyna-Rok** - one quart bag for \$3.00
  - **Pot Hangers** for 3-4 inch \$1.00, 6 inch ( 18 inches long ) \$1.50

**LOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS, 2006:**

**Programs:**

**January 25** - "Growing Orchids in a Terrarium" DVD presentation from Fantasy Orchids

**February 22** - "Catalog and Internet Ordering"

**March 29** - "Questions & Answers", Group discussion about new purchases

**April 26** - "Repotting Orchids"

**May 31** - "Summering Orchids Outside"

**June 28** - "Flower Arranging with Orchids" by Kevin Smith, owner of Petal Creations and Instructor at SCC

**July 26** - "Picnic and Auction" at Antelope Park, Lincoln

**August 30** - "Growing Orchids in Soil Culture" and "The Genus Dendrobium" by Chuck Hanson

**September 27** - "Getting Orchids Ready for the Winter, Pest Control"

**October 25** - "Fragrance In Orchids" Slide Program from Orchids by Hausermann

**November 29** - "Pot Luck Dinner and Gift Exchange"

**December 27** - No meeting

**Events:** (Details in Area Events listed below.)

**Feb. 18** "Questions & Answers" Orchid Seminar at Finke Gardens & Nursery 500 N. 66, Lincoln NE 466-1995

**Mar. 17-19** Husker Lawn and Leisure, Lancaster Event Ctr., 4100 N. 84, Lincoln; LOS Display

**Mar. 18** Orchid Seminar at Central Community College; 4500 63rd St.; Columbus, NE

**Mar. 24-26** 19th Annual Spring Orchid Show, Greater Omaha Orchid Society, and Mid-America Orchid Congress MAOC Show, Omaha; LOS Display.

**July 29, 2-4 PM** Two Greenhouse Tours at residences of Greg Arp and Dave Taylor with LOS

**Nov. 11-12** Second Annual Fall Orchid Show, Lincoln Orchid Society at Villager Courtyard & Gardens Hotel; 5200 'O' St.; Lincoln, NE.

**REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE:** volunteers to provide refreshments at monthly meetings.

Jan. 25 - Allen Bean and Dwight Languis

Feb. 22 - Greg Arp and Richard Sukovaty

Mar. 29 - Anne Pamperl and Nancy Pittman

Apr. 26 - Jan Learned and Arlene Porter

May 31 - John Biehle and Marilyn Biehle

Jun. 28 - Gloria Arroyo and Anne Vidaver

Aug. 30 - Lelia Coyne, LaFern Zentz, and Marty Haferman

Sep. 27 - Jane Delano, Jan Learned, and Merri Skrdla

Oct. 25 - Arlene Fowler, Lorna Kissling, and Allen Bean

**OFFICERS/ CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Board of Directors, 8 Members:** Allen Bean, Rich Sukovaty, Miranda Harkrader, LaFern Zentz, Jan Learned, Allen Busch, Marty Haferman, and Beth Languis.

**Officers:**

1) **President, 9/05-9/07:** Allen Bean

2) **Vice President, 9/05-9/07:** Rich Sukovaty

3) **Secretary, 9/05-9/07:** LaFern Zentz

4) **Treasurer, 9/05-9/07:** Miranda Harkrader

5) **Board Member, 9/05-9/06:** Allen Busch

6) **Board Member, 9/05-9/06:** Marty Haferman

7) **Board Member, 9/05-9/06:** Jan Learned

8) **President - Retired, 9/05-9/07:** Beth Languis

**Past Presidents:** Don Steinegger, Beth Languis, Dave Taylor, Tim Janssen

**AOS Representative:** Dwight Languis

**Web Master:** Rich Sukovaty

**Newsletter Editors:** Dwight and Beth Languis

**Historian/ Librarian, 2007:** Rich Sukovaty

**Program - Coordinator, 2007:** Rich Sukovaty; Committee: **OPEN**

**Publicity:** Dwight Languis

**Courtesy Committee - Coordinator, 2007:** Jan Learned

**Membership, Coordinator:** Dwight Languis

**Refreshments Committee - Coordinator, 2007:** LaFern Zentz

**Show Chairman, 2006:** Lorna Kissling

**Specialty Group - Coordinator, 2007:** Allen Bean (Focus on New Growers, Meetings Quarterly)

**Ways & Means - Coordinator, 2007:** Marty Haferman (Sales: Potting Media and Supplies)

**TREASURY REPORT:**

Not Available

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MEETING SCHEDULE:**

**Sunday October 8, 4 PM** at home of Allen Bean; 1731 Deweese Dr.; Lincoln, NE 68504

**BOARD DECISIONS:**

- Meeting/ Programming for September, October, and November; review requirements.
- Show; review requirements and committees to finalize.

**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 <http://www.lincolnorchidsociety.org/contact.html>

**Open Request to Membership:** If you have pictures of past LOS Displays or Events, Rich would like to add these to our web-site. Please transfer them to a CD marked with your name. If the file name does not identify the picture contents please include a text document to list file name and picture contents. Your CD will be returned.

**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.

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

**Library Contents:**

See your 2005 October Newsletter, also posted on our web page.

**Missing Publications:**

We are missing the May and June issues of 2006, "*Orchids*" magazines from the library. Please contact Rich Sukovaty if you have them. We need to keep track of the library materials in order for all to enjoy them.

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

**CAR POOL AVAILABLE:**

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

Contact: Allen Bean

**NAME TAG AND ATTENDANCE REMINDER:**

Members and Guests attending meetings please fill in a Name Tag and register your attendance prior to the meeting. Guests attending for the first time will need to register. If you have attended a meeting in the past please verify that all contact information is correct and then mark your attendance.

**AUDITING COMMITTEE:**

**Responsibility:** The auditing committee shall consist of three members and the committee shall be responsible for auditing the Treasurer's accounts following the regular August meeting and render a report at the regular September meeting.

*The committee has reviewed the financial statements for the society from 9/1/05 to 8/31/06 and found them to be in good order. Checking account balance was \$2,316.56 and petty cash was \$50.00 as of Sept. 16th bank statement. Report prepared by:*

**1) Auditor:** Jean Arp, **2) Auditor:** Lorna Kissling, **3) Auditor:** Gary Busek

**SLATE OF OFFICERS, VOTE AT MEETING TO ACCEPT:**

**Nominating Committee:**

1) **Coordinator:** Jan Learned, 2) Anne Vidaver, 3) Dwight Languis

**Nominating Committee, Report:**

The committee has prepared the following report: Names of Nominees for the August meeting to be voted on at the September meeting and posted in the August and September editions of the *Orchid Newsletter*. The candidates have previous experience working other clubs, societies, and organizations that will benefit LOS in meeting our goals.

**Tentative Slate of Board Members (three positions), two year term:**

- 1) **Board Member, 9/06-9/08:** Nancy Pittman
- 2) **Board Member, 9/06-9/08:** Greg Arp
- 3) **Board Member, 9/06-9/08:** Melvin Bates

**ORCHID PLANT GROUP PURCHASE AT MEETING:**

This year LOS will be placing two Group Purchases: **Spring to H & R Nurseries** (March 29) and **Fall to Tropical Orchid Farm** (Aug. 30). This will only be for **current members**. This will allow you to purchase many of the orchid varieties that are not locally available and the size of plant that you want at discounted prices. Plants will not be in bud or flower unless you select a flowering size plant and in season.

**Plants Received:**

If you placed a plant order with LOS to: Tropical Orchid Farm, please pick up and pay for your plants at the **Sept. 27** meeting, contact the **Treasurer:** Miranda Harkrader; make checks payable to LOS or have the exact amount in cash.

**ORCHID SHOW, LOS:**

**Nov. 11-12:** Second Annual Fall Orchid Show, Lincoln Orchid Society, (same date, NEW location); at Villager Courtyard and Gardens Hotel; 5200 'O' St.; Lincoln, NE. Admission: \$3.00, 14 and under free. Special room rate available during show dates, call 1-800-356-4321, local 464-9111; <http://www.villagerhotels.com>

**Show Chairman:** Lorna Kissling; 3330 Timberview Ct.; Lincoln, NE 68506; 402-327-8529; [loshow2006@yahoo.com](mailto:loshow2006@yahoo.com)

- This will be an AOS judged show and the AOS Show Trophy will be awarded.
- LOS is affiliated with Mid-America Judging Center.

**Judges:** Joe Lankton - Show Chair, Dr. Diana L. Plahn, DDS - Mid-America Judging Center Chair; Dr. Craig Plahn, DDS - Mid-America Judging Center Vice - Chair; Marilyn LeDoux, and Matthew Nutt - Probationary Judge.

**Vendors:** we have a number who have made commitments to attend our show.

**Publicity Committee:** Lorna Kissling, LaFern Zentz, Dwight Languis

**Ads:** Event will appear in the September, October and November issues of 'Orchids' magazine. **Web postings:** AOS web-site, Orchid Mall; **Calendar of Events:** KLKN-TV, KOLN/KGIN-TV, KTVG-TV; Radio: KFOR, KLIN;

**Newspapers:** Lincoln Journal Star, Neighborhood Extra, The News (Waverly), The Voice (Adams/ Bennet/ Hickman), Beatrice and Fremont; **News Stand Flyers:** LincolnKids, Lincoln 55+; **Magazines:** AAA Living, Americanprofile, Midwest Living, Women's Edition; **Organizations:** Colleges and Universities, Art Guild, Camera Club, Garden & Horticultural Societies.

**TV Interviews:** Nov. 6 between 12:10-12:20 AM (2-3 minutes) KOLN/KGIN-TV Channel 10/11;

November 7 between 11:10-11:20 AM (2-3 minutes) KLKN-TV Channel 8

Both "Mid-day Forum", Noon News (Lorna Kissling)

**Posters:** copies available at meeting to distribute.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** (Sign up list at meeting or contact Lorna Kissling)

*We need your experience and assistance. Planning and Staffing must be completed within the next two months. FREE Gate passes will be given to persons volunteering to staff the show.*

- LOS Display Coordinator:
- LOS Fall Orchid Show, Staff: (Especially - Information Table)

**REGISTER YOUR PLANTS:**

If you would like your plants included in the **LOS display**, inspect your orchid collection and write down the names of the plants with flowers and those forming buds. If in doubt that it will open, better to include in your list as we will use to print show labels. Plants without name tag (plant label) can be in the display but will not be judged and we still need to know genera: Cattleya, Dendrobium, etc. The exact plant name as it appears on the plant label is needed to make Show Labels to identify the plants in the display and register the plant for judging.

**Entry Registration, Deadline Nov. 7:** Send the list of your plants, flower color (not required for Dendrobiums or Specie Orchids), and if entering Classes A & B listed below to: **E-mail by Nov. 7** [DBLANGUIS@juno.com](mailto:DBLANGUIS@juno.com) or provide a copy of your list at the **meeting Oct. 25**, (e-mail preferred) or **mail postmarked by Nov. 4** to Dwight Languis; 14510 Ivanhoe St.;

Waverly, NE 68462-1367-02.

**Plant Preparation:** Clean the plant, stake spike and support flowers prior to opening. Remove supports, if not needed prior to show. Details: <http://www.homes2sell.com/ozone/grooming/groomed.htm> or see 'Growing and Displaying Orchids - A Step by Step Guide' by Wilma Rittershausen, Smithmark 1993; available at Lincoln public library. It is very important for you to write your name or apply mailing label to back or bottom of pot to identify your plant, and keep a list of all of your plants as we often get plants of the same variety and almost identical features from two or more members.

#### **SHOW COMMITTEE, MEETING SCHEDULE:**

**Monday September 4, 7:00 PM** at home of Lorna Kissling; 3330 Timberview Ct.; Lincoln, NE 68506; 402-327-8529

*If you have volunteered for a Committee please attend this meeting.*

**PROGRAM COMMITTEE, 2007: Coordinator** - Rich Sukovaty

#### **PROGRAM REQUEST TO MEMBERSHIP:**

*We need your suggestions for new programs and comments about current society events or programs. This will assist the committee in scheduling events and programs for our Calendar of Events 2007, which is included in our Brochures that will be distributed at our show. The society has access to extensive inventories of orchid program materials for the membership to use at our new Specialty Group and General Meetings.*

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

If you would like to be on the committee to assist in determine events and programs for the society contact our Program Coordinator - Rich Sukovaty

**SPECIALTY GROUP:** Coordinator, Allen Bean

New meeting formed with a focus to assist New Growers! These meetings will be held quarterly prior to general meeting 6:30 PM; **first meeting October**. Various subjects will be discussed (topics selected from survey, June meeting; input from membership) They will be help members meet others in the society on a personal level who share the same interest or grow the same type of orchids.

#### **PRESIDENTIAL REPORT OF SOCIETY:**

The Lincoln Orchid Society has made great strides during this past year. It has been an exciting year to be involved in a leadership position on the LOS board in a number of ways.

#### **Growth**

We have seen a tremendous numerical growth during this past year with an average attendance of between 35 and 40. At a time when many orchid clubs are seeing dwindling numbers showing interest in this hobby, the Lincoln Orchid Society has been blessed with an increasing group of enthusiastic orchid growers and hobbyists. In fact, the attendance has grown to the point where we need to find a larger meeting place. We are grateful to the Nebraska Heart Institute for providing such a place in time for our September meeting.

Growth also has not been all numerical. Those who have been involved regularly with the club have come a long way in their understanding of how to grow and rebloom a number of orchid varieties. As someone said, "A year ago I couldn't even pronounce *Rhynchostylis* and now I own one."

It also has been encouraging to see many of our members take an active part in the club. This year has seen a full slate of officers and committee chairs for the first time. Thanks to their diligent efforts and the support of the club members, we have been able to accomplish many goals that have been unattainable in the past. Many thanks go out to each one who has had a part.

#### **Activities**

In addition to the regular monthly meetings, we have been involved in a number of special activities.

- A paving stone was placed in the Sunken Gardens with the LOS name.
- An orchid (*Cypripedium regina*) was donated to the Sunken Gardens.
- A logo was selected and banners were made.
- Application was made for Nebraska Nonprofit Status and approved. (Federal is still pending.)
- The club's entry in the GOOS show won first place for Class V exhibits and Special Award for Classes V-VII
- Greenhouse tours to Dave Taylor's and Greg Arp's greenhouses were conducted.
- Numerous special orders were made allowing our members to purchase plants not available locally.

- Regular board meeting were held allowing the club's business to be kept out of the monthly meetings, thus freeing up time for activities more directly related to growing and maintain orchids.
- An orchid booth was set up and maintained for the Husker Lawn & Leisure Show at the Lancaster County Event Center.
- A great deal of planning has been done to host our own Orchid Show in November, 2006.

I want to express a special thanks to all those who have kept the Society going in the past, to those who are currently involved in the administration of the club and all those who provide support in many behind-the-scenes ways. Without all of your efforts, we could not have accomplished half of what this past year has held.

Respectfully submitted  
Allen Bean, President

**ORCHIDS IN SUNKEN GARDEN, LOS PROJECT:** by Tim Janssen

The *Spiranthes cernua* var *odorata* (Nodding Ladies' Tresses) are currently in flower at the Sunken Garden.

**POT LUCK DINNER AND GIFT EXCHANGE:**

**November 29**

7:15 PM - Register Attendance, Name Tag, Welcome

7:30 - 8:00 PM - Pot Luck Dinner

8:00 - 8:30 PM - Gift Exchange

8:30 - 8:45 PM - Break: buy raffle tickets and view plants shown by members (informal discussion, no "Plant Talk")

8:45 - 9:00 PM - Plant Raffle

9:00 PM - Meeting Adjourned, Swap gifts - optional, Allen Bean will co-ordinate activity for participants.

**Planning:** bring food and gift.

**Details:** Mark your calendar and plan for the LOS Holiday Party. Attend one the highlight events of our society! This is an event for friends and family to attend. Great fun and a social time to meet other members in the society. The evening begins with a potluck dinner. Coffee and Tea will be provided. Please bring a main dish and a salad or desert (enough to feed your own family), plus bring your table service (plates, cups, and flatware). Food is set out as a buffet for everyone to sample the variety of foods.

The party starts with the gift exchange. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, you will need to bring a gift with you. Some gift suggestions: the policy is that the value should be \$5.00 or more, it may an orchid plant or orchid related item like: a book, fertilizer, or pots; or any item decorated with orchid flowers. (However, it is not limited to orchids as may bring anything you like: candy, decorations or anything you can think of; variety makes it interesting.) If you want your child/ children to have a gift, please bring something for them too. Toys or games work well, as they can play with the other children during the rest of the evening; older children may participate in the adult gift exchange. The gift exchange is done by a drawing of numbers distributed when the gifts are brought in. When your number is called, you may choose an unopened gift, what you open is what you may take home. If you would like to swap your gift for something else see Allen Bean; this option has been left open for those receiving items that they would not be able to provide the culture or room to grow.

**FREE ORCHID, AOS Membership Campaign:**

With your new subscription to *Orchids* magazine as referral from Lincoln Orchid Society or any other AOS member, you and your referral will each receive one **FREE** orchid in a 4 inch pot; a blooming size or near blooming size plant. LOS will be using the plants we receive for raffles. Everyone wins you get one we get one! Plus you get additional AOS benefits.

**First Time Member Benefits:**

- 12 issues of *Orchids* - An 80 page, award winning magazine filled with informative articles, color photographs, and sources for orchid plants and related products.
- One copy of *Your First Orchid*, a great introduction to the care and selection of orchids (**\$7.95 value**)
- One copy of the AOS Orchid Source Directory listings of Affiliated Societies, sources for plants and supplies, special awards, judging information and much more (**\$29 value**)
- One free catalog from the *Orchid Emporium* featuring orchid books, videos, clothing, jewelry, decorative containers, glassware and gifts
- 10 percent discount on items purchased through the *Orchid Emporium*
- Reduced subscription rates for *Awards Quarterly*
- Free admission to the American Orchid Society Visitors Center and Botanical Garden in Delray Beach, Florida
- Discounts on classes at the AOS Visitors Center and Botanical Garden

- Discounts at select botanical gardens and arboreta in the United States

**On-line Special:** receive an Extra FREE issue for each subscription year, 13 issues vs. 12 or 26 issues vs. 24  
(Be sure to complete the referral section to get your FREE Plant and LOS credit.)

**Subscription:** Annual membership of \$60.00, two years \$108.00, includes to monthly issue of *Orchids* magazine plus additional benefits. American Orchid Society; 16700 AOS Lane; Delray Beach, FL 33446-4351; (561)404-2000

**Form on our web page <http://lincolnorchidsociety.org> as a PDF file or attached to Postal Edition of Newsletter.**

**Subscription, 2 Year New or Renewal:** receive a coupon for **\$30.00 discount** on a retail purchase of \$100.00 or more to one of the following vendors: Carmela Orchids, Carter & Holmes Orchids, Gold Country Orchids, Hoosier Orchid Co., IGS, Krull-Smith Orchids, OFE, Piping Rock Orchids, Quest Orchids, R.F. Orchids, Soroa Orchids, and Stewart Orchids.

### **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.

[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 and publish it in the Orchid Newsletter  
Submit Your Question/s: to our society through the "Contact Us" link

<http://lincolnorchidsociety.org/contact.html>

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

1) **Q.** *Received a number of questions regarding orchid ailments. Rather than address each separately, the following article will provide answers to most problems.*

#### **1) A. ORCHID AILMENTS**

Reprinted from "Growing Orchids", American Orchid Society; Handbook On Orchid Culture.

#### **LEAVES**

• **Yellowing Leaves:** This is a normal aging process if only old leaves on backbulbs are involved. If newer leaves yellow and soften, look for: too much light, low temperature, lack of nitrogen (especially in bark), loss of roots.

• **Blackened Areas on Leaves:** The sudden appearance of brown then black areas on exposed surface of leaves on a bright, hot day, may be sunburn. Check shading; if blackened areas increase in size, it might be bacterial or fungal disease. Cut off diseased area, treat with fungicide such as Natriphene, isolate plant, and dry it off.

• **Shriveled Leaves and Pseudobulbs:** A sign that the plant is losing water content, it can be caused by: low humidity, underwatering, dry medium, loss of roots.

**Blackened Tips or Ends of Leaves:** This could be caused by: overfeeding - especially in Cymbidiums; cease fertilizing and flush plant thoroughly with plain water; excessive soluble minerals in water - have water analyzed; leaf dieback, a fungal infection - cut off blackened areas and treat with fungicide.

• **Brown or Black Striking or Mottling of Leaves:** This could be a virus infection. Send a leaf to your nearest agricultural experiment station.

• **Small Spots on Leaves, Reddish Brown Turning Black:** Probably a fungus infection favored by warmth, high humidity and poor light. Reduce humidity or dry off affected plants and treat them with fungicide.

#### **FLOWERS**

**Deformed Flowers:** If deformed flowers are produced each year by a plant, it is probably inherent; destroy the plant. An occasional deformed flower can be caused by: high temperature and low humidity when buds were developing, mechanical or chemical injury to bud, non-recurrent and unexplained anomaly in bud development, virus infection.

**Rapid Wilting of Flower:** If dorsal sepal wilts or dries early, or entire flower "goes to sleep" shortly after opening, it could be caused by: air polluted by ethylene or other gas, too sudden a change in climate, pollination by an unknown pollinator.

**Spotting of Flowers:** Light brown or pinkish dots and spots on flower after opening usually indicate fungus, Botrytis, or sooty mold. Reduce humidity, increase ventilation or air movement, remove spotted and old flowers from greenhouse.

**Punctures in Flowers:** Denotes presence of: aphids, soft-bodied sucking insects, or thrips, small chewing insects -spray with Malathion.

**Bruises on Flowers:** Either mechanical damage or red spider mites. Chewed or eroded flowers, buds or roots shows presence of: slugs or snails - use dust or bait; or cockroaches - use Diazinon or Sevin on ground, on plants and pots.

**Color Mottling of Flowers:** This could be a color-breaking virus. Isolate plant and get an experienced opinion; destroy the plant if virus infection is confirmed.

#### ROOTS

**Loss of Roots:** Numerous causes, difficult to diagnose: over watering; black rot, an infection of Pythium - Soak in Natriphene solution; slugs or snails - dust with Metaldehyde; excessive salt content of water; potting medium old and broken down - repot after soaking plant in Natriphene solution.

**Entire Plant::** White Cottony Mass or Gray, Brown, Blackish Crust on Underside of Leaves, on Flower Stem, in axils of Leaves, etc.: Mealybug or one of the many Scale insects. Scrub with soft toothbrush dipped in Malathion. Spray greenhouse regularly with Malathion.

**Editors Note:** Some of the products listed above may not be available, for bacterialcide and fungicide use Physan 20.

**CULTURE SHEETS:** how to care and rebloom commonly grown varieties of orchids. **PDF or HTML**

**AOS Culture Sheets PDF** <http://www.theaos.org/aos/orchids/orchids.aspx?sec=29>

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

#### Phalaenopsis (Moth Orchid)

These are direct links to the index pages above, so you will not have to navigate through them

**AOS Culture Sheets PDF** <http://www.theaos.org/aos/uploadedfiles/docs/culturephals.pdf>

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

**Detailed Requirements by Genus** <http://www.orchidculture.com/>

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

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

#### ARTICLES OF INTEREST:

##### **Orchids - Articles, Monthly Magazine of the American Orchid Society AOS:**

(Contact Rich to check out a copy from the LOS Library)

**April 2006 Issue:** Masdevallia coccinea (culture and presevation), Orchids and Humming Birds, Orchids in Costa Rica - Part 4, Orchids in Art - Plieone praecox, Orchid Checklist, Garden Variety Orchids, Charming Cattleya Hybrids, Volunteers, Books: The World's Most Beautiful Orchids and Fragrant Orchids: A Guide to Selecting, Growing, & Enjoying

**May 2006 Issue:** Saving Orchids & Birds, Exhibiting Botanical Art, Adaptive Repotting Approach, Holcoglossum flavescens, Orchid Checklist - May: A Time to Thrive, Support Your Local Orchids, Vegetative Propagation, Books: The Classic Cattleyas and Masdevallias - Gems of the Orchid World .

**June 2006 Issue:** FCCs of 2006, Orchids in Art - Aerangis punctata, Cattleya Haryana, Introduction: Reseach Grants and Fellowships, Isolation of 43 Microsatellite Loi from Paphiopedilum rothschildianum, Recircumscription of Pityphyllum, Paphiopedilum xCribbii, 2006 Fascination of Orchids, Colombia Wants to Show You Its Orchids, Western Australian Orchids in the Field, Orchid of the Month: Bulbophyllum, Summer-Flowering Orchids, Behind the Scenes: Royal Thai Project, How To Grow Cattleya Haryana, History of Tampa Orchid Club, Books: Orchid Grower's Companion and Orchideas Nativas Del Tachira

**July 2006 Issue:** Spotted Cattleyas, Longwood Gardens Centennial Orchid Show, Acineta Versus Lacaena, Orchids in Art - Acacallis cyanea, Sowing Orchid Seeds, Microepidendrum, Orchid Checklist, Growing with Orchids - Hybrid Hype, Orchid Portrait - Independence Day Designs, Recommended Books from 30's, Books: Native Costa Rican Orchids, How I Grew That Orchid - Bulbophyllum medusae, The Laura Bush Cattleya, In Memoriam: Otto Tinschert, Orchids at Sherman Library and Gardens, Orchid of the Month: Brassia and its Intergeneric Hybrids, Hybrid Orchids Recommended by Members of the Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Society, How To Grow Acineta and Lacaena

**August 2006 Issue:** The Orchids of Cuba, Encyclia Enthusiasts, Orchids in Art - Pleurothallis gargantua, A Rare Form of Phalaenopsis cornu-cervi, Sophronitis sincorana, Orchid Checklist - August Recess, Growing with Orchids - Green Without Envy, Connoisseur's Collection - Pescatoria cerina, Orchid Portrait, The Society Page - Keeping It Fun, Proceedings of the 18th WOC Conference, In Memoriam: Mary Noble McQuerry.

**September 2006 Issue:** H. Patterson & Sons (The Family Behind Orchidhaven), Cattleya dowiana, Introduction: What the Future Holds, A New Species of Stomatostalix, Capillital Extrusion From Maxillaria nardoides, Encyclia rosaries, Orchid Checklist - September: The Stolen Month, Growing with Orchids - Nine Ladies Dancing, Orchid Portrait - Cattleya Species

Parents, CITES Update, Diatomite: Mineral Salt Retention and Removal, Orchid of the Month: Jewel Orchids.

**Mid-America Orchid Congress** - <http://midamericanorchids.org>

• Newsletter, July 2006: <http://midamericanorchids.org/MidAmerican/MidAmNewsJul2006.pdf>

MAOC Fall Show, Report of MAOC Spring Show, Entering Your Orchids In A Show, Congratulations to Lowell Jacks, Future Mid America Congress Dates, Officers and Committee Chairpersons, MAOC Fall Registration Form

**Greater Omaha Orchid Society GOOS:** 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.

<http://omaha-orchid-society.org>

**INVITATION, GUEST SPEAKER AT GOOS MEETING:**

**October 11** Program - Francisco Miranda of Miranda Orchids in Haines City, Florida, will give a talk on the genus *Cattleya* in Brazil. Francisco is mainly a plant taxonomist and as a orchid grower he specializes in *Cattleya* alliance orchids. He will bring a large selection of plants for sale. NO admission fee.

**November 8** Program - To be announced

**December 13** Holiday Party

**AREA EVENTS, ORCHID RELATED:** [http://aos.org/aos/events/documents/ShowSchedule\\_009.pdf](http://aos.org/aos/events/documents/ShowSchedule_009.pdf) (Complete List)

**Sept. 29-Oct.1** Fort Worth Orchid Society Show, Ft. Worth Botanic Gardens, 3220 Botanic Garden Blvd., Fort Worth, TX. Contact: Jerry Brandenburg, 11045 Swaffar Dr., Dallas, TX 75228; (972) 279-4075

**Sept. 29-Oct.1** South Texas Orchid Society Show, Omni Marina Motel, 707 N. Shoreline, Corpus Christi, TX. Contact: Donna J. Myers, 4033 Kingston Dr., Corpus Christi, TX 78411; (361) 814-8666; [djmye@worldnet.att.net](mailto:djmye@worldnet.att.net)

**Sept. 30 - Oct. 1** Orchid Society of Greater St. Louis, Fall Show, Missouri Botanical Garden, Orthwein Floral Display Hall; 4344 Shaw; St. Louis, MO. Contact: John Hammons, 43 Country Club Pl., Belleville, IL 62223; (618) 394-9436; [johnhammons@charter.net](mailto:johnhammons@charter.net)

**Oct. 11, 7:30 PM** Greater Omaha Orchid Society; 8015 West Center Rd.; Omaha, NE. Speaker: Francisco Miranda

**Oct. 14-15** Denver Orchid Society, Fall Orchid Show & Sale, Denver Botanic Gardens in Mitchell Hall; Sat. 10 AM - 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM - 4 PM. Cost is free with Denver Botanic Gardens admission. (720) 865-3500

[webmaster@denverorchidsociety.org](mailto:webmaster@denverorchidsociety.org) <http://www.denverorchidsociety.org>

**Oct. 14-15** Illinois Orchid Society Show; Chicago Botanic Garden; 1000 Lake Cook Rd.; Glencoe, IL 60062. Contact: Lois Cinert, 595 Sharon Way, Bolingbrook, IL 60440; (630)7391068; [geolocin@earthlink.net](mailto:geolocin@earthlink.net)

**Oct. 21-22** Heart O'Texas Orchid Society, 35th Annual Show & Plant Sale, Hosting: Southwest Regional Orchid Growers Association, SWROGA. Austin's Texas Star Events Ctr., 11810 Manchaca, Austin, TX. Contact: Geoffrey L. Frost, 1011 Strickland Dr., Austin, TX 78748-4847; (512) 280-0511, [geoffreyfrost@yahoo.com](mailto:geoffreyfrost@yahoo.com) Daily: 9 AM to 5 PM. Hourly raffles and door prizes. Admission: \$2.00, 14 and under free. <http://www.hotos.org/>

**Oct. 27-29** Blackhawk Orchid Society Show, Klehm Arboretum, 2701 Clifton Ave., Rockford, IL. Contact: Brian Lang, 3509 S. Baileyville Rd., Freeport, IL 61032; (815) 297-4723; [langfam@aeroinc.net](mailto:langfam@aeroinc.net)

**Nov. 3-5** AOS Fall Members Meeting hosted by the American Orchid Society at the Embassy Suites Hotel, St. Louis Airport in Bridgeton, MO. 314-739-8929. Contact: Lee Cooke, 561-404-2011 [lcooke@aos.org](mailto:lcooke@aos.org)

**Nov. 4-5** Kansas Orchid Society Show, Botanica, The Wichita Gardens, 701 N. Amidon, Wichita, KS. Contact: Karlene Sanborn, 1925 SW Mustang Rd., El Dorado, KS 670427910 ; (316) 321-0822

**Nov. 11-12** Lincoln Orchid Society, Second Annual Fall Orchid Show and Sale, Villager Courtyard & Gardens Hotel; 5200 'O' St.; Lincoln, NE. Setup Nov. 10 ( **See article above.** )

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**Feb. 3-4** Orchid Growers Guild Orchid Quest; Alliant Energy Center; Madison, Wisconsin. Contact: E. Malter, 3914 Cherokee Dr., Madison, Wisconsin 53711; 608-238-5871; [egadzicki@charter.net](mailto:egadzicki@charter.net)

**Mar. 19-24** International Orchid Conservation Congress; Jardin Botanico Lankester. Contact: Carlos Ossenbach, P.O. Box 136, 1150 LaUruca; San Jose, Costa Rica; [caossenb@racsa.co.cr](mailto:caossenb@racsa.co.cr)

**Mar. 23-25** Illowa Orchid Society; 32nd Spring Show, Putnam Museum and IMAX® Theatre, 1717 W. 12th St., Davenport, Iowa. Contact Karen Pedersen 563-441-0824.

**Apr. 27-29** Illinois Orchid Society Spring Show in conjunction with Spring Mid America Orchid Congress; Glencoe, Illinois. <http://www.midamericanorchids.org>

**May 2-6, 2007** Fort Worth and Greater North Texas Orchid Societies Show and **AOS Members Meeting**, Arlington

Convention Center, 1200 Ballpark Way, Arlington, TX. Contact: Ronnie & Jerry Brandenburg, 11045 Swaffar Dr., Dallas, TX 75228; (972) 279-4075; [roneidab@aol.com](mailto:roneidab@aol.com)

## 2008

**Feb. 27- Mar. 2, 2008** 19th World Orchid Conference hosted by the South Florida Orchid Society (SFOS) and the Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Society (FLOS) at the Miami Beach Convention Center, Miami Beach, Florida. Having hosted the 11th WOC in 1984 in Miami, the local societies are looking forward to bringing this event back to South Florida for a spectacular and successful conference. Held once every three years in a different international location, the World Orchid Conference is the largest and most prestigious gathering of orchid enthusiasts, growers, hybridizers and scientists. In addition to educational and scientific seminars, the conference also features a spectacular orchid show with displays from orchid growers around the world. The first WOC was held in October 1954 in St. Louis, Missouri. Since then, WOCs have been held in Honolulu, London, Singapore, Long Beach, Sydney, Medellin, Frankfurt, Bangkok, Durban, Miami, Tokyo, Auckland, Glasgow, Rio de Janeiro, Vancouver, Shah Alam and Dijon. Contact: Robert F. Fuchs, Cochair; 28100 Southwest 182nd Ave.; Homestead, Florida 33030; [WOC19@aol.com](mailto:WOC19@aol.com) or Col. Kenneth M. Kone, Cochair; 5571 Northeast 26th Ave.; Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33308; [kenkone@earthlink.net](mailto:kenkone@earthlink.net) ; Web site: <http://www.19woc.com>

**AREA EVENTS:** Additional Lists <http://www.visitnebraska.org> [http://www.kfor1240.com/lincoln\\_events/](http://www.kfor1240.com/lincoln_events/)  
<http://www.kolnkgin.com/community> <http://www.lincolnkidsinc.com/>

**May 6-Oct. 14** Lincoln's Haymarket Farmers Market, 7th & 'P' St.; **Saturdays** 8:00 AM to Noon; Craft, Horticultural & Food Vendors

**May 6-Oct. 29** Farmers Market, Old Cheney Center; 5500 Old Cheney Rd.; **Sundays** 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM; Craft, Horticultural & Food Vendors

**May 6-Oct. 14** Omaha Farmers Market, 11th & Jackson; **Saturdays** 8:00 AM to 12:30; Horticultural & Food Vendors  
<http://www.omahafarmersmarket.org>

**Oct. 6 - Nov. 19** Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha Botanical Center, 100 Bancroft St., Omaha NE 68108, 402-346-4002. Fall Chrysanthemum Show - A variety of ornamental grasses, chrysanthemums, shrubs and trees will provide a changing display of color outdoors, and the visitor and education center will be festooned in autumn colors. The mum show in the indoor floral display hall will articulate the beauty of fall with thousands of brightly colored mums and Japanese lanterns.

**Oct. 14** Household Hazardous Waste Collections; Lincoln-Lancaster Co. Health Dept. (LLCHD), 441-8040 Residents of Lancaster County only. <http://www.ci.lincoln.ne.us/city/health/environ/pollu/waste/housewas.htm>

Collection for heavy metals, fluorescent lamps, solvents, pesticides (including those EPA banned), and PCBs. Call or view web page for complete list. Collections dates and locations:

<http://www.ci.lincoln.ne.us/city/health/environ/pollu/waste/pdf/wstcolec.pdf>

Oct. 14 State Fair Park, 4-H Youth Complex 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

## HORTICULTURAL SOCIETIES:

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

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

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

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

**Lincoln African Violet Society** - Christ United Methodist Church, 46th & A St.; 2nd Tuesday at 7:15 PM, 770-2925

**Lincoln Garden Club** - Culler Middle School Cafeteria, 52nd and Vine St.; 2nd Monday at 7:00 PM;

Dues: Individual \$8, Family \$10

**Lincoln Gladiola Society** - 489-5264

**Lincoln Iris Society** - Antelope Park Church of the Brethren, 3645 Sumner St.; Last Monday at 6:30 PM; Dues:

Individual \$6, \$4 for each additional; 423-7172

**Lincoln Rose Society** - Antelope Park Shelter House, North of Auld Recreation Center; 3rd Monday of February, March, May, September, and October at 7:00 PM, 486-1420

**Nebraska Herbal Society** - 5901 'O' St., Lincoln; last Saturday at 10:00 AM, 476-1635

**Nebraska Nutgrowers Association** - 472-3674

**Nebraska Statewide Arboretum**, P.O. Box 830715; Lincoln, NE 68583-0715; Membership: \$35, 472-2971

<http://arboretum.unl.edu>

**River City Cactus and Succulent Society** - Papillion Public Library; 320 N Washington St.; Papillion, NE 68046; 402-597-1584 or [cactus@river-city-cactus.org](mailto:cactus@river-city-cactus.org) Meets at 1:30 PM on the first Sunday of each month. Dues: Individual \$15, Family \$20; <http://www.river-city-cactus.org>

**UNL Garden Friends**; P.O. Box 81501; Lincoln, NE 68501; 472-2679 meets annually

