

**In This Month's Newsletter:** Note from the President  
Our choices for the AOS Special Awards, What we are  
growing, news from various orchid groups.

The Spike  
**Aug/Sept 2022**

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EASTERN IOWA ORCHID SOCIETY

# The Spike

A small group of people with a big love of growing orchids.

## *What's the Buzz: Tell Me What's a Happening*

As this song title from a '70s Rock Opera suggests:

*Here is a potpourri of EIOS activity since our May meeting.*

*The next newsletter will be our OCTOBER edition.*



**Meet our newly elected leadership team:** Jon Lorence is our new President with Joan Lorence, Sharon Neff, and Denise Klemp on the leadership committee. Andy Coghill-Behrends will be the new AOS representative. Cathy Wilcox and Michael Hampton continue as Treasurer and Secretary. Nile Dusdieker is our webmaster (of sorts) and works with Michael Hampton on the newsletter. The new team has already plotted out programs for the coming year and hope you will attend regularly!

### PRESIDENT'S BLURB

Summer is the time for new growth on your orchids. This growth is required for the spikes and blooms to form for the next blooming season. I hope your plants have been able to endure the heat and humidity as well as you.

Hi! My name is Jon Lorence. I am the new president of the EIOS. I have been growing orchids for over 20 years and will say that I never stop learning. (ex. Types of potting mixes and how to help encourage new growth.) So if you are new to orchids and at times are overwhelmed, have faith. We've all been there. We are all still learning. Some are just a little further down the trail than you are, and still make mistakes.

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### Calendar of Events

<b>EIOS Picnic at Dusdiekers' home</b> 3:30 to 7 pm. They will provide the food. Bring blooming orchids for viewing.	August 7th, 2022
<b>Noelridge 50th Year Celebration</b> 4-8 PM Noelridge Greenhouse in Cedar Rapids, Iowa EIOS will have a display	August 12th, 2022
<b>Mid-America Meeting and Sale in</b> Dayton Ohio. See page 5	August 26- 28, 2022
<b>EIOS SEPT MEETING Note</b> the DATE change - This will be our Quarter Auction of plants	Sept. 15th, 2022
<b>Milwaukee - Wisconsin Orchid</b> Show. EIOS plans to exhibit	Sept. 17-18, 2022
<b>Orchids are a Scream 2022</b> EIOS Fall Orchid Show	Oct. 22-23, 2022

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## How Did We Do?

### In May we selected our choices for the AOS Special Awards.

We reviewed all the Awards given in 2021 by the Chicago Judging Center and these were our choices. The AOS judges then made their choices at their July Meeting in Chicago.



The **Butterworth Award** for best culture: Our own Andy Coghill-Behrends 20212579 – Cyp. Gisela 'Island View' CCE/AOS (92) selected by **both!** The **Hager - best Phalaenopsis** - we liked Doc Bannister's 20212580 – Phal. I-Hsin Yellow Leopard 'Iowa' AM/AOS (83) but the judges preferred 20212617 Phal. tetraspis f. imperatrix 'Deerwood' AM/AOS (81) awarded at our show last fall.



The **Jesup - Best Species**, We liked 20212614 – Ctsm. macrocarpum 'Cheryl's Joy' CHM/AOS (81) but the judges liked 20212576 – Spe. tribuloides 'Orkiddoc' AM/AOS (82) - (above) that was our close second choice! The **Kodama - Dendrobium** **we both chose** 20212610 – Den. Illusion 'Embers' CCM/AOS (83) Our choice for the Luer - Pleurothallid was disqualified. The **Myamoto** for best



Cattleya Alliance was 20212574 – Grc. Black Comet 'Indigo Blue' JC/AOS chosen **by both!**

(above right) The **OFF Award for best display** selected by **both** was the Illowa Display at our show.



And finally the **Wilson Award - Paphiopedilums**. We liked 20212628 – Paph. Chiu Hua Dancer 'Tad Titterton' AM/AOS (81) but the judges liked 20212583 – Paph. niveum 'Deerwood #1' AM/AOS (81). All in all we did a pretty good job! Should we do this

again next year? Anyone want to go into judging? Nile D



## EIOS SUMMER PICNIC at NILE and LOIS DUSDIEKER'S HOME

**Sunday August 7th 3:30 to 7 pm**

1968 Elm Ridge Rd NE, North Liberty, Iowa - from IC take 965 thru N Liberty past Gas Tanks and R on Midriver RD then L on Elm Ridge RD --- from CR take 380 to Exit 10 and south on 965 past the marina then L on Midriver Rd and L on Elm Ridge. LOST? Call 319 360 0219

Meet around 3:30 - bring lawn chairs - bring blooming plants - food at 5PM - **Dusdiekers will provide all the food and drink.** PLEASE RSVP TO NILE niledusdieker@gmail.com or 319 360 0219.

*Come and meet the new leadership team and help plan our orchid year.*

## 50 years at Noelridge Greenhouse. OPEN HOUSE Friday August 12th 4 - 8 pm

Jon Lorence will direct this event for the club; we will have small exhibit (we need your plants) but no sales table. Members can bring their plants to the picnic on the 7th



**EIOS SEPTEMBER MEETING** will be the 3rd Thursday of the month Sept. 15th at Shueyville Church. 6:30 social and 7 pm our favorite 'Quarter Auction'. Members are asked to bring plants for donation and we will auction them off in whole numbers BUT pay in quarters (*bid of 20 is only \$5*) Most of us should have looked over our collections by then. This an opportunity to downsize your current collection and then BUY MORE!

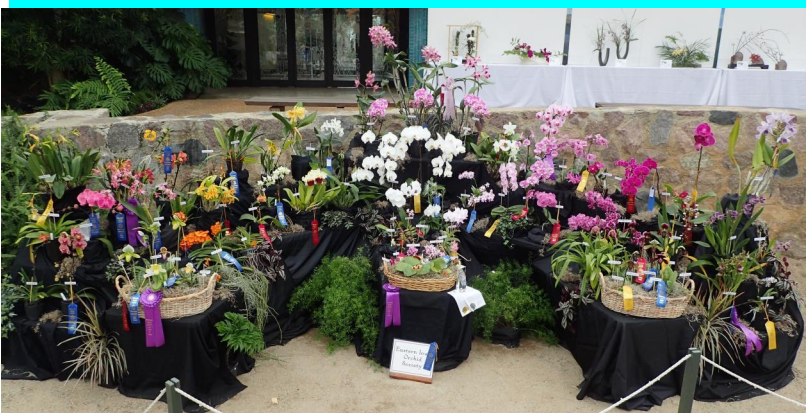


## The Wisconsin Orchid Show 2022 Sept 16-18

Mitchell Domes in Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Our club is planning an exhibit. We are not sure if we will be in the show dome or on the balcony or sales room. This will be the first away Orchid Show we have attended in a long time!

Plan to send your plants and we welcome volunteers to help with setup and display design. We usually start at about 2:30 on Friday afternoon. Judging is Saturday morning, early. We welcome members to clerk - free breakfast! Bring your plants for the display to our Sept 15th meeting. Plan to attend. Below is our EIOS display from 2019.



## ORCHIDS ARE A SCREAM 2022 !



## EASTERN IOWA ORCHID SHOW & SALE

**ELKS LODGE HALL, 801  
33<sup>RD</sup> AVE. SW  
CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA  
SATURDAY OCTOBER 22ND  
SUNDAY OCTOBER 23RD**



**Layne Corner:** I know I have sort of been incognito for a while but I have been active.



One thing I have been looking into is natural insect control. The best I have found is carnivorous **butterworts (left)** which eliminated all the white fly activity I had. Problem with them is they take a lot of special care and any fertilizer on them can kill them. They can be killed by normal water too and so require RO water for survival. I am now starting something new . There is a passion plant called **Passiflora foetida (right)**. It is sometimes called stinking plant as if you crush the leaves is has a stink. Well evolutionary it may be a precursor to carnivorous

plants as it secretes a sticky substance at the bracts and insects are stuck to them. The plant then secretes enzymes that digest the insect. It is not known if the plant benefits from the digestion so it is not officially called carnivorous. The plant does flower and make a small fruit described as tasty. I got seeds from one source and they are growing fine and so got some from another source. I think they might be nice to try in a house, greenhouse, or in summer pergolas. They are Texas natives so won't survive the winter. If my success continues I should have plants for others. *Photos Wikipedia*



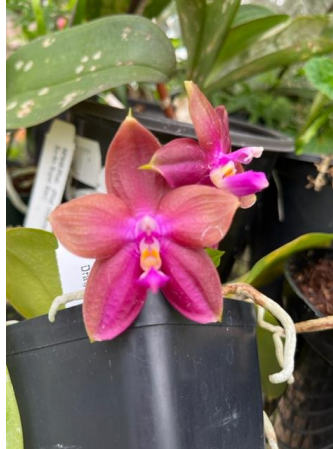
### Shared Blooms!



Lorences' Magic Lantern above  
Hawaiian wedding Song below



C. Grainer Blue Sky - left; Onc.  
Aka Baby Raspberry Chocolate-  
right. Laynez Ackerman



Phal Pylo's Dena -left  
and Phal Concentric -  
below. Both nice summer  
blooming Phals.

Marcia Whitmore  
Dusdiekers' Stanhopea  
Assidensis - right -  
opened as usual just  
after judging



Bulbo picturata left  
Marcia Whitmore





## Central Iowa Speaker's Day Fun had by all!

EIOS was well represented in Johnston, Iowa for Central Iowa Orchid Society's Speakers Day. Our table included Bill Page, Marcia Whitmore, Dorothy and Michael Hampton, Robert Bannister, Lois and Nile Dusdieker. Lectures by Francisco Miranda focused on native cattleyas and their habitat in Brazil. The country is very large with diverse climate but most of the cattleyas are found along the eastern coast where the prevailing winds flow upward over the mountains. Peter Lin then talked on miniature cattleyas and his second talk gave a nice overview of the diversity in the genus Dendrobium with cultural tips. AOS judges gave 5 awards including this pictured Phalaenopsis Lianher Cranberry 'Pear LH101-1' HCC awarded to EIOS member Robert Bannister. After all that education and a wonderful lunch and dessert, we anxiously awaited the raffle. As you can see, Marcia bought a lot of tickets! Dorothy won table bouquets and a lovely bowl. I won an Angraecum - not sure I can grow it.



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## DAYTON MID-AMERICA MEETING AUGUST 26-28

TIRED OF BEING LOCKED UP IN YOUR HOUSE???? THE MAOC WILL HOLD A MEETING IN DAYTON OHIO IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MIAMI VALLEY ORCHID SOCIETY AND THE GREATER CINCINNATI ORCHID SOCIETY, COMPLETE WITH SPEAKERS, A SHOW, AND A TON OF VENDORS. THE 2021 SHOW WAS A WONDERFUL SUCCESS. PLEASE **PLAN ON COMING, AUGUST 26-28**. CHECK OUT THE WEBSITE: [OHIOVALLEYORCHID-FEST.COM](http://OHIOVALLEYORCHID-FEST.COM). COME HEAR GREAT SPEAKERS MARY GERRITSEN AND RON PARSONS, ENJOY A ROUND TABLE WITH THEM, A MAOC MEETING, LOTS OF FOOD, AND JUST A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE YOUR ORCHID TALKS, TALK TO OTHERS WITH SAME INTERESTS. BRING YOUR ORCHIDS AND HAVE THEM JUDGED!!! FOOD TRUCKS WERE WONDERFUL LAST YEAR, AND WILL BE AGAIN.

[WWW.Ohiovalleyorchidfest.com](http://WWW.Ohiovalleyorchidfest.com)

## Orchid Ailments

### The AOS's Pests and Disease Series

The AOS website provides information and images to help identify orchid ailments and grow healthier plants. From Aphids to Virus, you will find information on insect pests, rots, disease and cultural challenges, to name a few, and advice on prevention and treatment for the problems.

## ORCHID NEWS

**AOS MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS!**  
How Discounts and Vouchers/Coupons Work for AOS Members



Orchid Marketplace Partners agree to provide a minimum of 5% discount on purchases to AOS members subject to the vendors' unique terms and conditions.

Two-year members also receive vouchers worth \$30 from each Elite marketplace partner on purchases of \$100 or more.

## Eastern Iowa Orchid Society

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**CAMEO :** *Cyp. Annegret (Cypripedium parviflorum var. makasin x Cypripedium shanxiense)* This seems to be a hardy Cypripedium hybrid for me to grow. It melds two common native species - *parviflorum* from the US and *shanxiense* from China. Verner Frosh first made this hybrid in 2010. NILE D

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It is my hope that you will increase your ability and knowledge of growing orchids, become more aware of the large beautiful world of orchids, as well as be entertained. You'll even meet others interested in growing orchids. I encourage you to be a part of the Eastern Iowa Orchid Society. Come and enjoy the world of orchids!

Please join us August 7th at the home of Nile and Lois Dusdieker 3:30 to 7 PM for a summer picnic. Join us for friendship and fellowship with other orchid growers. **Jon Lorence**

***Please note this newsletter is for both August and September - Our September meeting will be Sept 15th due to conflict at the church for our usual date.***

### Hosts for Upcoming Meeting

**August Picnic: Nile and Lois Dusdieker**

**September 15th Jon and Joan Lorence**

### Directions to the First United Methodist Church in Shueyville, Iowa for our September meeting.

This is half way between Cedar Rapids and Iowa City, The church is located 1 mile EAST of Exit 10 (Swisher-Shueyville) off Interstate 380. Our meetings begin with a social time at 6:30 pm; followed by the official meeting and program at 7:00 pm. Meetings are free and open to anyone interested in orchids! Our club displays orchids at regional orchid shows and participates in American Orchid Society orchid judging. Meeting programs include beginning orchid growing, discussion about various types of orchids and orchid conservation, plus plant sales and holiday party just for fun. Enjoy our website, [easterniowaorchidsociety.org](http://easterniowaorchidsociety.org), read our newsletters, attend our Fall Orchid Show in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and come join us at our next meeting!