In This Month's Newsletter: Note from the President, the rest of the issue is a review of our just completed orchid show. Enjoy!

The Spike November 2021

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Frightfully Beautiful Orchids! Show Trophy and Silver Certificate.

This exhibit by our sister society, Illowa Orchid Society, was magnificent at our recent 'Orchids Are a Scream Returns' Orchid Show Oct. 23-24, 2021.



More about the show on the following pages.



PRESIDENT'S BLURB

Hello, EIOS!

First of all, a very heart-felt thank you to everyone who helped with our annual show "Orchids Are A Scream...RETURNS!" Whe

ther you contributed plants, donated of your time or money, or volunteered to pitch in at the show, your efforts paid off. We had about 450 people see the show, which is absolutely amazing!

This week, at our monthly meeting, I will be presenting my probationary paper to the club. I will be discussing floriferousness and how it is judged across many genera of orchids. Whether you are an aspiring

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Calendar of Events

EIOS Nov. Monthly Meeting

Andy Coghill-Behrends Presents his Associate Orchid Judging talk on "Floriferousness" pertaining to various orchids. Social 6:30, Program 7 PM at the Shueyville Methodist Church.

EIOS Holiday Party at Shueyville Dec. 2nd United Methodist Church. Potluck with club providing the meat and free gift plant to members

EIOS January meeting likely will be a Zoom presentation - to be determined.

that attend.



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EIOS 8th Orchid Show was a SCREAMING SUCCESS! Photos and text by Nile Dusdieker

Our show 'Orchids Are A Scream, Returns' was held at the Elks Lodge on 33rd Ave in Cedar Rapids the weekend of Oct 23-24. We had exhibits by 6 regional orchid societies, 4 vendors, and 6 amateurs for a total of 16 exhibits. Attendance including the exhibitors was close to 500 over the two days. A rainy Sunday seemed to draw out people. The vendors nearly sold out and needless to say were quite happy! Our sponsors, Pepsico, Raining Rose, and Culvers Nursery, provided free product samples appreciated by attendees. The Elks hall was spacious allowing room for social distancing. Everyone seemed to have fun with the Halloween theme from display design to costumes and other decorations. Illowa Society and EIOS displays competed for top honors. Illowa (shown on the first page) received the Show Trophy and a Silver Certificate for their outstanding presentation, and EIOS built a display in-the-round (shown above) that received 1st Place, Best of Class Societies, and was voted the "Peoples' Choice" by visitors. Below left is Orchid Growers Guild of Madison Wisconsin, middle is Orchid











Society of Minnesota and right is a separate exhibit from Minnesota by Steve Gonzalez and Jim Vlasic (notice the body with the ax in the middle - consistent with our theme!). In addition, Rita Gindt-Marvig had a collectable exhibit and a sugar art & floral table also from Minnesota. The last two society exhibits were from Illinois Orchid Society (left) and Batavia (Chicago Suburban) Society (right). Illinois thematically was subtle with several animal





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OTHER EXHIBITS AT OUR SHOW!

Four vendor table tops were featured, Friday's Embroidery, Natts Orchids, Orchid Trading Company, and Anything Orchids (in order above). Marcia Whitmore shared some of her original painting which were spectacular. She has been featured in past issues of Orchids Magazine! Bill and Jean Snyder showed their photographic and composition skills. After a 2



year hiatus Dorothy
Hampton presented
a gorgeous Cattleya Quilt
with Halloween colors to
complete the exhibits
with #16. She received
the Best of Class and a
1st place ribbon - very
appropriate! Doc Bannis-



ter's Phal. Lainhier Red Diamond Towa' AM/AOS was the 'Grand Screamer,' Best plant in the show (right). NEXT some candid shots of setup beginning with the hall as we started on Friday morning at 8:00. Special thanks to all who helped make the show a success: Sam Appleby, Andy Coghill-Behrends, Nile and Lois Dusdieker, Mark and Julie Farmer, Dorothy and Michael Hampton, Denise Klemp, Jon and Joan Lorence, Jeff Metcalf and his friend Jim, Sharon Neff, Diane Oakley, Bill Page, Bill and Jean Snyder, our friends from Illowa Society and support from members of the Elks Lodge 251. I think we all had a great time! NILE

















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AOS Awards at our show award photos by Nile D

'Deerwood' AM 81pts awarded to Ross Hella owner of Deerwood Orchids located in Deerwood MN about 2 hours northeast of the twin cities. This phal species is remarkable for the deep purple coloring. It is a sequential bloomer. (left)

20212618 Cyc. Brown's Choice (right)

'Cheryl's Joy' AM 83 pts Cheryl Erins of 3 Rivers Michigan received an HCC for this plant last year but the bloom is much better this time, hence the upgrade.

20212619 Ctsm Karen Armstrong 'Kat' AM 84 pts grown by EIOS member Bruce Byorum, clonal name honors his

girlfriend (right). Next a cultural award 20212620 Stelis platystylis 'Cheryl's Joy' CCM 81 pts (left) also to Cheryl Erins. Our new student judge, Jim Vlasic of Minnesota was awarded

20212621 Paph. Tawan 'Debbie' AM 85 pts (right), nice rounded shape! Ross Hella does major paphiopedilum hybridization and three of his new hybrids were awarded: 20212622 Paph. Mary's Little Hellion 'Deerwood' HCC 70 pts (left even) 20212623 Paph. Henry's Kaleidoscope 'Deerwood' HCC 78 pts (left, below) and 20212625 Paph. Memoria Rapee Sagarik 'Deerwood' AM 81 pts

(right). I entered the awards into the judging program but first had to research these crosses and get them registered in the program. Each of these three were the first award to their grex. Very special! The final award went to Jane and Charles High who are excellent amateur growers from the Chicago area 20212624 Paph Liberty Taiwan 'Autumn Glow' AM 82 pts (right). Our show had 360 entries and a total of 11 AOS awards. That is really special. The last 2 awards went to the Illowa Society, 20212626,27 Show Trophy, Silver Cert. 'Frightfully Beautiful Orchids' (left).











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Micheal Hampton 2280 McGowan Blvd. Marion. IA 52302-2258 Thanks Everyone for making this year's show a Screaming Success! *Said Lois(Elvira) Dusdieker*





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orchid judge or a hobby grower, I hope that you will find something interesting in the discussion. We welcome guests including any attendees who signed up at our recent show.

In December, we will gather for our annual holiday party. We will plan on having it in our usual potluck format and I will have a signup sheet at this week's meeting so we can plan for a balanced meal. We will have lots of Phalaenopsis (and possibly some Paphio-

pedilums) at the party and every member with dues in good standing will receive a free plant, from Doc Bannister's greenhouse.

Happy growing!

Andy



Hosts for Upcoming Meeting

Jeff Metcalf

Directions to the First United Methodist Church in Shueyville, Iowa

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 ,read our newsletters, attend our Fall Orchid Show in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and come join us at our next meeting!