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EASTERN IOWA ORCHID SOCIETY

The Spike

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



Eastern Iowa Orchid Display at the Wisconsin Orchid Show and regional Mid-America Orchid Congress in Milwaukee Sept. 14,15th. Our display received the Show Trophy and an 85 pt Silver Certificate for outstanding quality. Andy named the award, **"Fall in love with Eastern Iowa Orchids"** More info inside.

PRESIDENT'S BLURB:

Fall is here even though it is still **Hot**, Hot Hot. We had a well attended meeting in September for my presentation of "The World of Orchids" aimed at beginning orchid growing. Not too many fell asleep!. Then the club went to the Wisconsin Orchid Show and as you can see above, plus later in the newsletter, 'we rocked on!' Special thanks to all who contributed plants and helped with the setup. A special thanks to our members that are also Illowa Society members as Andy picked up their contributions to the display on his drive up through the Quad Cities. **OCTOBER QUARTER AUCTION:** Back by popular demand , we will offer a wide variety of plants donated by our members for auction. Look over your

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Calendar of Events

October meeting EIOS, Shueyville Methodist Church Social 6:30—Meeting 7 Plant Auction	Oct. 3rd, 2019
Orchids are a Scream 2! EIOS Show, Elks Lodge Cedar Rapids	Oct. 26-27, 2019
November meeting EIOS, Shueyville Methodist Church. Social 6:30, meeting 7 pm. Program: special talk by Steve Gonzales from Minnesota	Nov. 7, 2019
Holiday Party - pot luck, club provides meat and potatoes. Each member receives a blooming orchid gift	Dec. 5, 2019

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Fall in Love with Eastern Iowa Orchids



What a way to start out the Fall show season! Andy Coghill-Behrends, Hamptons, and Dusdiekers went to Milwaukee with close to one hundred orchids in bloom and setup a spectacular 100 sq ft display in the Mitchell Park Domes. That was a special orchid show as the Wisconsin Orchid Society hosted the Mid-American Orchid Congress semi-annual meeting. The show had 24 exhibits of which ours was by far the largest and had a major 'WOW' factor. Over 20 AOS judges participated in show judging. The first task is to vote on the Show Trophy for the best display in the show. Exhibits are pointed on quality of plants, variety of plants, and overall arrangement. We scored 85 points which gave us a Silver Certificate/AOS and the Show Trophy. What a thrill - the last time EIOS was that successful was at the Minnesota Winter Carnival in 2018. Our exhibit just seemed to 'fall together' rapidly! We had plants from 11 society members evenly distributed among paphiopedilums, cattleyas, our signature phalaenopsis, and a number of unusual genera. Three large cattleyas sat atop the display and were each very old hybrids from the 1980s. They also had a wonderful fragrance. Down front we had baskets of paphs and miniature phalaenopsis. The Domes can be very hot so we were lucky to be cool at setup and Sunday was cloudy so the flowers stayed fresh. Enjoy some pictures of setup and some awarded plants on the next couple pages. All total we received 56 ribbons: 5 Best of Class Awards, one special award for fragrance, 3 AOS awards: ST show trophy, SC silver certificate, and AM for Doc Bannisters Phal. Shan-Chieh Beauty 'YPM6133 Iowa'. It was a fun weekend!



Doc Bannister's *Phal.* Shan-Chieh Beauty 'YPM6133 Iowa' AM/AOS *Left.*

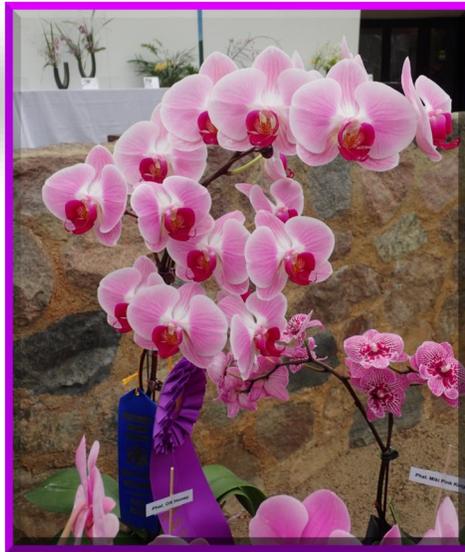
Also his *Phal.* OX Honey the Best Phalaenopsis in the show, *below*



Dave Wujek's *Stellamizutaara* Kelly 'Lea' was the best of the Cattleya Alliance, *above*



Connie and Greg Harris' *Burr* .Francine 1st place ribbon for this intergeneric oncidium, *above*. This was really special as it represents the first time they have exhibited a plant in one of our exhibits.



Gptm. Starburst 'Parkside' Best of Class Zygopetalum group. Anyone know what Gptm stands for? Gptm = Galeopetalum. Cross Galeota and Zygopetalum Deno Kandis' plant *left.*

Paph. Tomiko Moon was the best Paph of the show shown by Bruce Byorum. It is a very new hybrid from Lehua registered in 2018. It was also taken back for AOS judging.



More Photos

of our EIOS Display



Lots of Cattleya Alliance flowers. Large Hausermann's Sensation won the fragrance award for Doc Ban-nister above.

Marcia Whitmore's blue *Ctt.* Mary Elizabeth Bohn (below) and her bright yellow *Et.* Don Herman 'Freckles' (right). Both of these hybrids have Guarianthe in their background .



A nice Rlc. Ann Cleo second place ribbon to Bruce Byorum Left.

Dusdieker's *Maxillaria rufescens* below



Phil Mears sent this white C. Arctic Star 'Snow Queen' HCC which I think he got at one of our quarter auctions - what a deal!



AOS PAGE

From aos.org

This page on the website offers many links about seasonal orchid care. This is the time of year when orchids need to move back inside here in Iowa. Consider joining the AOS. I just trialed the new Orchid Pro which seems to be a great addition to all memberships.

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Seasonal Orchid Care



“Organizing orchid culture and its chores by season is a convenient way to make sure that your orchids get the proper care at the right time. Becoming in tune with your plants' growth cycles creates a connection with the natural world and makes you a better grower.”

Long before there was the internet, monthly checklists of orchid care were a staple of AOS orchid information. These checklists have long been a regular feature in the AOS publications. Because plant growth and flowering is in tune with the changing seasons, these monthly checklists will remind you of what needs to be done when in your orchid collection throughout the year. If you are an AOS member, you also receive the excellent monthly checklist written by Tom Mirenda, orchid curator at the Smithsonian Institution.

Seasonal Orchid Care Checklists

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Ann Morris and Dorothy Hampton at the *show and tell* table at our September meeting. **Be sure to come to our October meeting and bring plants for the 'Quarter Auction' Great opportunity to acquire 'orchid treasures!'**

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collection and bring extras, ones you can't bloom, treasures you **can** live without, plants that just won't fit in your growing areas anymore. Remember "One person's orchid junk is another person's treasure and maybe even an AOS award.." The auction works this way: the plant is offered with some enticing information about its potential (which may or may not be true) and then members bid in whole numbers and run up the price - BUT when all is done, you pay in quarters, ie 40 equals \$10. In the past we have had some heated bidding for certain plants. The funds raised help support our Holiday Party and blooming gift plants for all! Please plan to sign up to help for our home orchid show 'Orchids are a Scream 2' coming up Oct. 26-27. We will have more information and advertising material. Hopefully about 6 regional orchid clubs plus 4 vendors will participate in the show. Get your Halloween costumes ready! Ann Morris has ordered the polo type shirts with our logo and hopefully they will be ready by the meeting or at least the show. Thanks Ann very much. NILE D

Hosts for Upcoming Meeting

Denise Klemp

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!