

June, 2003

# The Orchid Grower

## Upcoming Events:

- July 9: 7:00 PM Directors Meeting at Perkins at I-90 and East Washington.
- August 2. Open House at Oak Hill Gardens
- August 22-24: MAOC at Louisville, Kentucky. Full information available on the MAOC web site.
- September 21: 1:30 PM Guild Meeting at Olbrich Botanical Gardens

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## Orchid Growers' Guild

### Guild Picnic is Saturday, June 14

The June Guild meeting will be Saturday, June 14 at the home of Doug Dowling and Gary Lensmeyer. This is the last meeting of the Guild until September. We will plan to eat at 12:30. You will also be able to tour the "growing room" that Doug and Gary built in which to raise their orchids.

Ribbon judging will begin at Noon, so please have your plants at the picnic before then.

The Guild will furnish tableware and beverages (soft-drinks, water, coffee and tea). You should bring a

dish to pass and a lawn chair to sit in. You will also be able to pick up your new membership directory at the picnic.

**Please** let Doug & Gary know that you will be attending. You may email [dougandgary@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dougandgary@sbcglobal.net) or call 608-244-2123 by Friday, June 13, at 5 p.m. with your name and the number that will be attending. This will greatly help in planning.

Directions to the picnic are one page 3. See you at the picnic!

## Welcome To the New & Thanks To the Old

The following were elected to office at our May Membership Meeting:

Vice President: Elaine Malter  
 Secretary: Meg McLaughlin  
 Director: Liz Wood

Officers are elected for two-year terms and Directors for a three-year term.

We want to thank Jerry King and Joan Smalley for their service as Vice President and Director, respectively.

## A Special Thank You

Our spring orchid sale was a wonderful success because of the people who donated their time to help at the sale and with promoting it in advance.

But we could not have even had a sale without orchids to sell.

A special thanks goes to Orchids By the Ackers for supplying such beautiful blooming plants for the sale at their cost.

### President’s Message – Doug Dowling

It’s hard to believe that I’m completing half my term as Guild President. The time has gone very fast. During this past year the Board of Directors has worked hard make the Guild the best it can be.

There have been a number of changes made to our By-laws to take advantage of the latest in technology. The Directors have also made changes to several of our policies to help make the best possible use of our limited resources and to improve our judging process. We work to improve our away show reimbursement policy to fund away shows within the financial limits of our organization. We work with Orchid Quest to assure the best possible show at the lowest possible cost to the Guild. Finally, the Directors support quality programs for our Guild meetings since education is the major function of the Guild as a not-for-profit organization. But unlike the past, this year the Directors are working through the summer to help make our next program year the best yet.

During the next year, the Directors will concentrate on two emerging issues, as well as the normal ones. We will look at potential places to meet in the years ahead that provide easy access and stability of meeting dates. Based on concerns about ribbon judging policies, we will study ways to make it more uniform. Members have asked why some months all plants are awarded while in others only 1-3 in each class are awarded and why sometimes awarded plants really don’t appear worthy of an award.

### Summary of May Membership Business Meeting

The members present at the May Membership Meeting elected the officers and the director presented by the nominating committee. Also approved as presented were the changes to our By-Laws recommended by the Directors. No additional business was presented or discussed.

### Open House at Oak Hill Gardens

This year’s Open House at Oak Hill Gardens will be on Saturday, August 2. This is always a special event for the Wisconsin societies and our guild. We hope you will be able to take time out of your busy summer schedule to tour the greenhouses, buy some orchids. Oak Hill also provides lunch, door prizes, and an interesting program.

Plan now to attend. Please let Doug Dowling know no later than July 15 of your attendance so that Oak Hill can properly provide for lunch for everyone. You may call Doug at 608-244-2123 or e-mail him at ddowling@mhsjvl.org

### December to April Awards Summary

Name	Pts	Name	Pts
Cocalis, Vicki	2	Dowling, Doug	64
Hynum, Jill	8	Janke, Jay	6
Johnson, Brook	5	Kiergarrd, Cleo	21
King, Wayne	168	Lensmeyer, Gary	33
McKaughlin, Meg	42	Miller, Richard	5
Nofsinger, Mark	24	Orchids by the Ackers	98
Orcutt, Anne	13	Rapacz, Jan	36
Reed, Susan	176	Stevenson, Judy	4
Thimiling, Steven	106	Three Kings	76
Williamson, Judy	58		



*Phaphiopedilum 'moquettianum'* © 2002  
Watercolor by Janet Moore an OGG member

## May Membership Meeting Awards

### Plants Provided for Judging (21 A= Advanced, B= Beginner, I= Intermediate)

Wayne King (6) A      Kay Moore (1) B      Judith Rapacz (5) I      Scott Weber (1) A  
Meg McLaughlin (5) B      Jan Rapacz (4) A      Steven Thimling (2) I

### First Place Ribbons

Wayne King: *Dtps.* Minho Venus x (Taisuco Firebird x Taisuco Happy Beaut); *Encyclia atronecium* x *cordigera* & *Phph.* (Almum x *philippinense*)  
Meg McLaughlin: *Phal.* Hsin Red Lip x *Dtps.* City Girl  
Jan Rapacz: *Miltonia* Versailles 'black Magic' x Pearl Ono 'Red'  
Judith Rapacz: *Laelia purpurata* var *Werkhauserii* 'Blue Sky'  
Scott Webber: *Dactylorhiza incarnata* ssp. *Pulchella*

### Second Place Ribbons

Meg McLaughlin: *Phal.* Neon Stripe x (Flower Maid-Marcie Girl x Camela's Stripe)  
Kay Moore: *Phal.* Sogo Grape  
Jan Rapacz: *Miltonia* Hajime Ono & *Miltonia* Pearl Ono 'red' x *endresii* "Dancing Lady"  
Judith Rapacz: *Lycaste aromatica*  
Steven Thimling: *Masd.* June Winn

### Third Place Ribbons

Meg McLaughlin: *Phal.* Soroa Promenade x Berries-N-Cream  
Jan Rapacz: *Miltonia* Playgirl 'ChaCha'  
Steven Thimling: *Colm* Wildcat 'L'  
Wayne King: *Phrag* Don Wimber & *Phrag.* Sorcerer's Apprentice

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## Directions to the Guild Picnic

### From the South and Beltline

Highway 51 north to Highway 30.  
Right (east) on Highway 30, staying in far right ramp lane to immediately exit onto Thompson.  
Left on Thompson (up a hill around curve to left; just beyond a 30 mph sign) to Hazelcrest.  
Right on Hazelcrest, one block, to Twin Pines.  
Right on Twin Pines. First house on right (gray with maroon trim; you'll see orchids in basement window)

### From the East & Interstate

Highway 30 West to Highway 51, staying in far left exit lane.  
Left on Highway 51, stay in far left lane under bridge to get back on Highway 30 heading east. Follow directions above, starting on 2<sup>nd</sup> line.

### From the North

Highway 151 south to Zeir Rd. (north side of East Towne).  
Left on Zeir to where it ends at Lein Rd.  
Left on Lein Rd which becomes Thompson in one block and follow curve up hill to the right  
Left on Hazelcrest (2<sup>nd</sup> street past wooded development on left), one block, to Twin Pines.  
Right on Twin Pines. First house on right (gray with maroon trim; you'll see orchids in basement window)

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