

September, 2003

The Orchid Grower

Orchid Growers' Guild

Upcoming Events:

- Sep 4: 7 p.m. Directors meeting at Perkins Fish Hatchery at Beltline
- Sep 12-14: 8 AM – 5 PM Chicagoland Orchid Fest
- Sep 14: 1:30 PM Guild Meeting at Olbrich. Plants for judging must be present no later than 1:00 PM!
- Sep 17: Deadline to deliver orchids to Ackers for WOS show is noon.
- Oct 9: Deadline for October/November issue of the Orchid Grower.
- Oct 19: Guild Meeting
- Nov 1: Slipper Orchid Symposium in Florida
- Nov 16: Guild Meeting at Orchids by the Ackers

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New Publication Schedule for Newsletter

After having the Guild's newsletter published just prior to the monthly membership meeting, the Directors have decided to try a different publication schedule. This will give members greater notice of up-coming events and will also reduce our postage costs.

The next issue of *The Orchid Grower* will be a combined October/November issue and will be on the web site or mailed the week before the October Guild meeting. The deadline for submitting information for the newsletter will be October 9.

It will contain information on events for October 19—November 30.

The deadline for submission of information for the December issue of *The Orchid Grower* will be November 7th; it will include information for the entire month of December. The December issue will be on the web site by the Guild meeting in November and copies of the newsletter for those who do not have Internet access will be available for pick-up at the November Guild meeting. Copies not picked up at the meeting will be mailed.

Pete Peterson to Provide September Program

Our first Guild meeting of the fall will be Sunday, September 14, at Olbrich Botanical Gardens. If you want to enter plants for judging, they must be at Olbrich no later than 1:00 PM. The meeting will begin at 1:30 PM.

Pete Peterson, a member of our guild and the head of the Chicago Judging Center will present a program titled: "Sight Seeing in Peru and Orchid Hunting in Ecuador." His friend, Otto, will assist with the program.

Copies of our membership list for those who do not have e-mail will be available. Also available for those

without e-mail, will be copies of the proposed guidelines for ribbon judging at Guild meetings beginning in December. These were developed by the Board at the request of a number of members to bring more uniformity in our judging, as an educational tool and to encourage new growers to participate more. Before finalizing them, the Board would like your input.

We look forward to seeing you at the Guild meeting in September and throughout the 2003-2004 program year. See you soon!

President's Message – Doug Dowling

Fall is just around the corner. Unfortunately there is still a lot of hot weather ahead.

It was good to see a number of you at Oak Hill for their open house. As always, our members and those from the other Wisconsin societies were able to get some great orchids and Herman gave a wonderful presentation.

The next event is the eleventh Chicagoland Orchid Fest. This is a chance to spend up to three days in Orchid Heaven! EFG, Fox Valley, Husermann, Klems, Natt's, Oak Hill, William Shaban and Wind-song are all participating. There will be programs, food, and even additional American and international vendors. For those of you with Internet access, more information is at www.orchidfestival.com. I hope to see a number of you at the festival.

The Board has been working hard this summer to develop a balanced budget and handle a number of other Guild issues. The Board hopes that the actions they have taken and the items they continue to work on will continue to improve the Guild.

The Board will have guidelines for ribbon judging at Guild meetings ready for your comments at the September meeting. The goals, based on member requests, are to bring consistency to judging at our meetings and help make judging more educational. The Board wants the new system ready for the start of our awards year in December.

2003-2004 Guild Meetings

The following dates have been set for Guild meetings for 2003-2004.

Sept. 14	Jan. 25	June Picnic
Oct. 19	Feb. 15	
Nov. 16 Ackers	Mar. 28	
Dec. 14	Apr. 18	
Christmas Party	May To Be Determined	

Memorials for John Diehl

The Board wishes to thank those persons who have so generously remembered John Diehl with memorials. As of August 9, we have received over \$450 in memorials. Donors include: Sara Dinius, Mary Hanson, Jill Hynum, Patricia Jens, John Moses, Jan & Judith Rapacz, Dick Shackelford and Richard & Rebecca Young.

Congratulations to Janet Moore

Janet Moore's orchid paintings may now be seen at Milward Farrell Fine Art, 2701 Monroe Street in Madison. Janet is a member of the Guild. Janet's watercolor of a Paphiopedilum received the first place award this spring at the WHA-TV Arts and Antiques auction, and she has been invited to participate in the Olbrich Art Invitational Exhibition in January. She also accepts commissions and can be contacted at: 608-838-4286 or leonjanet@juno.com.

August Directors Notes – Meg McLaughlin

Member's Present: Liz B., Doug D., Cleo K., Elaine M., Meg McL., Steve T., Liz W. Gary L. also present.

Steve gave update on payments and income. Orchid Quest promotion was discussed. MSC to distribute newsletter at Guild meetings (for those without Internet access) to save on postage. Committee chairs will be asked if they wish to be replaced or are willing to continue current positions for 1 or 2 years. This will implement a 2-year rotation. Discussion of ribbon judging involved criteria for judging, number of ribbons per class, and division of orchids by alliance or other. Preliminary guidelines to be further discussed in September for presentation to Guild.

New business included where to locate library. Gary provided Board with update of programs for 2004-2005.

July Board Notes – Meg McLaughlin

Members present: Doug Dowling, Cleo Kiergaard, Steven Thimling, Liz Wood, Liz Barlow, Meg McLaughlin

Discussed budget including contributions to be made to Chicago Judging Center.

Discussed website. Change amount from \$210 to \$350.

MSC that there be no expenditures for library until library issue is solved.

MSC to approve budget.

Cleo provided updated list of upcoming shows. It was noted that OGG still needs an “Away-show” chair.

Also discussed possible locations for upcoming OGG meetings.

June Ribbon Judging Results

Plants Provided for Display (A= Advanced, B= Beginner, I= Intermediate) = 20

Doug Dowling (3) I

Brook Johnson (1) B

Wayne King (5) A

Mark Nofsinger (9) I

Jan Rapacz (1) A

Judith Rapacz (1) I

First Place:

Doug Dowling: *Dendrobium christyanum*

Brook Johnson: *Phal.* Brother Golden Wish ‘Aladdin’ x Brother Lawrence ‘Sundial’

Wayne King: *Paph.* (Almum x *Philippinense*)

Mark Nofsinger: *Brassia* Rex ‘Sakata’; *Columnara* Jungle Monarch ‘Everglades’; *Masdevallia* Mardi Gras x *floribunda*; & *Paph. niveum*

Jan Rapacz: *Miltonia* Maui Lavender

Judith Rapacz: *Neofinetia falcata*

Unknown: *Encyclia cochleata* ‘Octopus’

Second Place:

Doug Dowling: *Dendrobium unicum*

Wayne King: *Brassavola nodosa*; *Dtps.* Minho Venus x (Taisuco Firebird x Taisuco Happy Beaut); *Encyclia alata* var *majus* & *Paph.* St. Swithin

Mark Nofsinger: *Masdevallia* John Leathers; *Masdevallia* June Winn & *Paph.* Milbury

Third Place:

Mark Nofsinger: *Masdevallia rex* x *exquisita*

New Member

Timothy Muldowney from Rockford.

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