

# February 2011 **The Orchid Grower**

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## **NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 20th 1:30 pm** **A Basement Greenhouse, Gary Brendemuehl** **Orchid Quest Debriefing – OGG membership**

OGG member Gary Brendemuehl will give a presentation on basement greenhouses. This will be followed by a debriefing of Orchid Quest. Your opinions are wanted on what worked and what did not and ideas for improvement next year.

### **Meeting Dates**

February 20-Meeting Room  
March 20-Orchids Garden Centre & Nursery  
April 17-Meeting Room  
April 23-Spring Orchid Sale at Olbrich  
May 15-Olbrich  
June Picnic-TBA  
Summer Field Trip-June 5

**Meetings start at 1:30 pm unless otherwise noted**

### **Up-Coming Events:**

- February 5 -6, 2011 , Orchid Quest
- February 19 –20, 2011, Batavia
- March 5-6, 2011, Northeast Orchid Show
- March 12-14, Illowa Orchid Society Show
- March 26-27, 2011, Illinois Orchid Society Spring Show
- September 17 – 18, 2011, Wisconsin Orchid Society Show
- September 23-25, 2011, Chicagoland Orchid Festival
- October 8-9, 2011, Illinois Orchid Society Fall Mini-Show

## **WATCH WHEN YOU WALK**

Denise Baylis

Every time we go for walk outside, Jeff and I are on the lookout for orchids. You never know when or where you might spot one. (Clearing brush this summer on our property Jeff found clumps of both Showy Orchis (*Orchis spectabilis*) and Twayblade (*Liparis lilifolia*), within inches of



Showy Orchis (*Orchis spectabilis*)

Photograph by Jeff Baylis

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each other.)

We traveled to Northern California in the spring and again in the fall of this year and found orchids both times. (We were not so lucky in Egypt and Jordan.) We were hiking with

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family among the redwoods at Armstrong Redwoods State Reserve in early March when we saw numerous small clumps of blooming Calypso orchids (*Calypso bulbosa*) right next to the path and growing on the hillsides under the Coast Redwoods. I suspect that the only reason they are still there is that no one expects to see them.



Photograph by Jeff Baylis



Photograph by Denise Baylis

This fall we were hiking in the Mari-rosa Redwood Grove in Yosemite when Jeff spotted

a tall stalk of a type of Habenaria (likely *Platanthera dilatata*, the White Bog Orchid) next to a small creek. There were several in the vicinity but unfortunately they had all gone to seed but it was still a thrill to see them in nature!

A tall stalk of a type of Habenaria (likely *Platanthera dilatata*, the White Bog Orchid) and Calypso orchids (*Calypso bulbosa*)

So whenever you go for a walk, keep your eyes open. You never know what you might find.

## SUMMER FIELD TRIP

We finally have the date of the field trip for this summer. It will be June 5th in Door County so save the date. People can stay at Peninsula State Park. We will go to Bailey's Harbor and probably to "The Ridges" if there is enough time. More information to follow.



## JANUARY OGG RIBBON JUDGING

### First Place

David Kohlwey	<i>Epilaeliocattleya</i> Volcano Trick
Gary Lensmeyer	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> S. Gratrix ('Lemon' x 'Amarillo')
Gary Lensmeyer	<i>Cymbidium</i> Sarah Jean 'Ice Cascade'
Lynn West	<i>Phragmipedium</i> besseae
Lynn West	<i>Rhyncostylis</i> gigantea
Sandy River	<i>Phragmipedium</i> Cape Sunset
Teri Jozwiak	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> #5 unknown hybrid
Teri Jozwiak	Wilsonara Pacific Stars 'Fire's Delight'
Wayne King	Slc Tutankamen 'Pop' (Cattleya Chocolate Drop x Slc. Mae Hawkins)

### Second Place

Lynn West	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> In-Charm 'Grace'
Lynn West	<i>Phragmipedium</i> Chuck Acker
Sandy River	<i>Cymbidium</i> 'Pipeta'
Wayne King	<i>Phragmipedium</i> Chuck Acker



**Slc Tutankamen 'Pop' (Cattleya Chocolate Drop x Slc. Mae Hawkins)** grown by Wayne King.

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***Paphiopedilum* S. Gratrix ('Lemon' x 'Amarillo')** grown by Gary Lensmeyer. Registered a century ago, it is a primary slipper orchid hybrid between *Paph bellatulum* and *godefroyae*. The flowers last for about a month. Keep it slightly drier and cooler during the winter months. This paphiopedilum tends to like brighter light than other mottled-leaf paphs.



***Rhynchostylis gigantea*** grown by Lynn West. This species was first described in 1896 by Lindley and occurs in Myanmar, Thailand, Malaysia, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam, Hainan China, Borneo, Bangladesh and the Philippines. *Rhynchostylis* differs from *Vandas* by the one-lobed lip. *Rhynchostylis* are also commonly called Foxtail Orchids because of their long thin densely packed inflorescences that get up to 37 cm with sweetly fragrant blooms. The inflorescences appear in autumn and winter.



***Cymbidium Sarah Jean 'Ice Cascade'*** grown by Gary Lensmeyer. It will tolerate warmer temperatures and will still bloom well. The pendulous spike habit makes it an excellent hanging plant or displayed in a tall pot. It is easy to grow and flower. East windows in spring and fall and south windows in the dead of winter work best. This plant likes winter nighttime temps from 58 to 63 °F and day temps of 68 to 78°F. Summer temperatures can be warmer as the plant is in active growth. It likes winter nighttime temps from 58 to 63°F and day temps of 68 to 78°F.

## Up-Coming Events

- **February 19-20, 2011 Batavia**, Dupage County Fairgrounds, 2015 W. Manchester Rd., Wheaton, IL
- **March 3-6, 2011**, San Francisco Orchid Society, Pacific Orchid Exposition, 'Natural Wonders', San Francisco, CA
- **March 5-6, 2011**, Northeast Orchid Show, Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk, 123 East Wisconsin Avenue, Neenah, WI
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- **September 17 – 18, 2011**, Wisconsin Orchid Society Show, Milwaukee WI
- **September 23-25, 2011**, Chicagoland Orchid Festival, Oakhill Gardens, 37W550 Binnie Road, Dundee, IL
- **October 8-9, 2011**, Illinois Orchid Society Fall Mini-Show, Glencoe, IL
- **November 14-23, 2011**, 20th World Orchid Conference, Singapore