

Orchid Newsletter

Lincoln Orchid Society

Lincoln Orchid Society LOS; 933 S. 9th St.; Lincoln, NE 68508; 476-3877

Meeting:

January 26

- **New Growers' Group** - New Members & Guests are encouraged to bring in their plant/s for identification to assist with determining culture requirements or answering questions regarding their plant/s.
- **Refreshments provided by:** Rich Sukovaty and Tim Elario
- **Monthly Plant Raffle** - Ticket \$1 each, buy one or several, for opportunity to win plants donated by members.
- **Plant Talk** - Members display orchids in flower and explain how they grow them.
- **Program:** "Preparations for the Orchid Show"
- **Potting Media** - Standard or Seedling Mix, one gallon bag for \$3.00 contact Tim Janssen; Chilean Sphagnum also available for \$5.00 (compressed block 2.5"x4"x5"expands when moistened).

Current Yearly Membership: \$5 (Includes monthly newsletter)

- New Members receive a free orchid plant.
- LOS offers free membership to anyone 18 years of age or younger.

Location: Meetings held at Madonna; 5401 South St.; Lincoln, NE the last Wednesday of each month at 7:15 p.m. Flanigan Room located on the main level, adjacent to West Entrance on 52nd Street.

Lincoln Map and Building Floor Plan http://www.madonna.org/about_findus.htm

LOS Calendar of Events, 2005:

January 26 - "Preparations for the Orchid Show"

February 23 - "Plant Names and Buying Plants"

March 30 - "Repotting Orchids and Home Made Hangers"

April 27 - "Putting Plants Outside"

May 25 - "Native Orchids" by Tim Janssen

June 29 - Program Topic to be Announced

July 27 - "Picnic and Auction" at home of Dwight and Beth Languis

August 31 - Program Topic to be Announced

September 28 - "Growing Orchids Under Lights" AOS Video

October 26 - "Indoor Lighting" discussion by members

November 30 - "Pot Luck Dinner and Gift Exchange"

December 28 - No meeting

Inclement Weather Notice:

Meeting cancellations due to adverse weather conditions, contact Tim Janssen 476-3877

Officers/ Contact Information:

Meeting Co-ordinator: Tim Janssen

Treasurer: Miranda Harkrader

Past Presidents: Don Steinegger, Beth Languis, Dave Taylor, Tim Janssen

AOS Representative: Tim Janssen

Newsletter Editors: Dwight & Beth Languis

Publicity: Dwight Languis

LOS Web-site: <http://www.psfdev.com/los>

Questions & Answers, Archive Lists: (New member or missed a previous article? You may find an answer to your orchid question listed here. Topics listed alphabetically, click appropriate link and we will e-mail the articles to you.

Bacteriacides - Cinnamon and Sulfur

Bugs and Slugs

Chinese Cymbidiums - vendors, culture and potting information

Indoor Lighting, Fluorescent Lamp Selection

Native Orchids

Orchid Bark and Potting Mixes

Orchid Culture Information (Growing Instructions) - all varieties

Orchid Pots, Re-Potting Information

Sugar Water

mailto:DBLANGUIS@juno.com?subject=LOS_Q&A_2003

Ants

Bactericide, Fungicide, or Insecticide for Orchids

Chilean or New Zealand Sphagnum

Dendrobium nobile Culture

Habenaria (rhodostica) rhodocheila Culture

Kiki Propagation

Newsletter Formats Available

Orchid Culture Information (Growing Instructions) - all varieties

Phalaenopsis Reflowering Tip

Temperature Guidelines for Orchids

mailto:DBLANGUIS@juno.com?subject=LOS_Q&A_2004

Questions & Answers: (Send your questions to mailto:DBLANGUIS@juno.com?subject=LOS_Questions we will send an answer to your message and publish it in the Orchid Newsletter)

1) Q - I'm a brazilian orchidist and I would swap orchid seeds with anyone. I have an great number of sudamerican orchids (near 5000 vases) and I'm looking for Asian and African species.

A - The Orchid Seedbank Project of Chandler AZ

<http://members.cox.net/ahicks51/osp/> provides this service. Donors of seed receive one packet of seed free for every four that they provide. You can also purchase seed without making a donation; most are \$3.00, some are \$6.00. Be sure to carefully review all of the requirements and restrictions listed as some of the species native to your country are listed under CITES and can not be exported. Their seed list included several Asian species and only a few African species at this time.

2) Q - Where can I find flasking media? **A** - Our web master Sam Fifer previously sold orchid flasks which were home flaked. He has listed sources of supplies and the entire process from pollination to deflasking seedlings in the following article. <http://www.psfdev.com/los/flasking/> Scroll to read the entire article or use the tabs to find Vendors supplying flasking media. It is also available from The Orchid Seedbank Project of Chandler AZ.

<http://members.cox.net/osp/osp/media/media.html> Growing orchids from seeds is very technical and requires years from pollination, maturing of seed pod, flasking, and growing to flowering size. A better option would be to send seed to one of the Laboratories/Services listed on the LOS Links page <http://www.psfdev.com/los/loslnks.html> Seedlings to flowering size plants are available from the vendors listed on the same web page.

Orchid Information:

Lincoln City Library <http://www.lcl.lib.ne.us/>

Search the Catalog: click - **Subject**, type "Orchids", click - **Search Catalog**; Results = 5 'Orchid Culture' and 41 'Orchid'; click on individual result for review of book and you can then add them to a Wish List or Request to check out the book. Recommended: Talyor's Guide to Orchids by Judy White 1996

"Obsession With Orchids" Take time to visit the PBS interactive web-site featuring the NATURE series documentary of orchids. This episode explores why many creatures - humans included - seem to be obsessed with orchids and examines the many varieties of the beloved flower. The web-site includes many features, videos, pictures, wallpapers, and resource links. You can also purchase a copy of the video program for \$19.95 plus shipping and handling.
<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/nature/orchids/>

Articles of Interest:

Monthly Calendar of Requirements for Orchids

The **AOS To Do List** <http://www.theaos.org/orchids/todo/index.html>

Mid-America Orchid Congress - Newsletter is posted at <http://midamericanorchids.org>

Greater Omaha Orchid Society GOOS: Mailing address: GOOS; P.O. Box 241871; Omaha, NE 68124

Meets the second Wednesday of each month at Douglas/ Sarpy County Extension Office; 8015 West Center Rd.; Omaha. Beginners' Group meets at 7:00 PM, Monthly Meetings start at 7:30 PM. Membership: \$15 Single, \$20 Family.

February 9 Program: "Preparing Plants for Display"

Holiday Houseplants Culture UNL- IANR - Horticulture Website lists directory of publications (Web Pages) on a variety of agriculture and horticultural information

<http://ianrpubs.unl.edu/horticulture>

Horticulture Information Center - NUFACTS 441-7188, 24 hours a day 7 days a week

To listen to a NUFACTS message on one of the following topics, call 441- 7188 and enter the three-digit number listed:

- 117 Tree Snow Damage
 - 120 Christmas Tree Care
 - 134 Wood for Fireplace
 - 137 De-icing Salt Injury
 - 210 Amaryllis
 - 212 Swedish Ivy
 - 213 Prayer Plant
 - 214 Houseplant Insects
 - 217 Boston Fern
 - 218 African Violet Care
 - 219 Poinsettia Care
 - 220 Houseplant Leaf Yellowing
 - 221 Holiday Cactus Blooming
 - 222 Winter Houseplant Care
- *The NebLine*

Area Events, Orchid Related: Complete List - <http://www.theaos.org/events/calendar.html>

2005 Schedule:

Jan. 16 The Lincoln Journal Star an article on Orchids, "926 Prairie Lane" section.

Jan. 22-23 Grand Valley Orchid Society Show. Contact: James Scott, 7522 East Pierce Dr., Big Rapids, MI 49307

Jan. 29-30 Orchid Society of Minnesota, Winter Carnival Show, Marjorie McNeely Conservatory at Como Park , 1325 Aida Place, St. Paul, MN; Contact: Jayme R. Henneck, 16107 Nakomis Dr., Avon, MN 56310; (320)356-7767 Not AOS Judged

Feb. 3-6 Omaha Home and Garden Expo, Qwest Center, Omaha (GOOS Display and Sale)

Feb. 5-6 Orchid Grower's Guild of Madison, Orchid Quest 2004; Alliant Energy Exhibition Hall; 1919 Alliant Energy Center Way; Madison, Wisconsin; Contact: Elizabeth Barlow, 2118 Allen Blvd. #8, Middleton, WI 53562; (608)238-1939

Feb. 5-6 Missouri Orchid Society Show, Missouri Botanical Garden, 4344 Shaw Ave., St. Louis, Missouri. Contact Charles Dana 314-773-3042 or CTDana@slmpd.org

Feb. 18-20 Batavia Orchid Society Show, Charlestowne Mall, St. Charles, IL. Contact: Mary Weiss, 278 Woodward Ave., Geneva, IL 60134; (630) 232-0597

Feb. 26-27 18th Annual Spring Orchid Show, Greater Omaha Orchid Society, Crossroads Mall, 72nd & Dodge St., Omaha, Nebraska. No admission fee. Sat, 10am-9pm; Sun, Noon-6pm; Contact: Jim Pyrzynski, 2107 Alberta Ave., Bellevue, NE 68005; (402) 734-4112; pyrzynskij@worldnet.att.net

Feb. 26-27 Greater Lansing Orchid Society Show. Contact: Doris Asher, 277 N. Hagadorn Rd., East Lansing, MI 48823; (517) 332-0004; asherdoris@juno.com

March 1-6 Wichita Garden Show, Kansas Orchid Society will be selling plants

March 4-6 Northeast Wisconsin Orchid Society Show, Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, 2040 Airport Dr., Green Bay, WI. Contact: Julie Eckberg, 910 Catherine St., Green Bay, WI 54301; (920) 468-6219

March 12-13 Denver Orchid Society Show, Denver Botanic Gardens, John C. Mitchell Hall, 1005 York Street, Denver Colorado. Saturday 10-5, Sunday 9-5; Contact: Keith Funk, 10081 W. 9th Drive, Lakewood, CO 80215; (303) 234-9290; keithfunk@comcast.net Show Information: http://www.denverorchidsociety.org/spring_2005.html

March 11-20 18th World Orchid Conference, Dijon Congress and Exhibition Centre, Dijon, France. Contact: Mrs. Vinciane Dumont, Chateau de Messey, F-7170 Ozenay, France; 33-385-51-33-83; contact@woc2005.org
Show: <http://www.woc2005.org/>

March 18-20 Illowa Orchid Society Spring Show, Putnam Museum & Imax Theatre Lobby, 1717 West 12th St., Davenport, IA. Contact: Karen Pedersen, 2520 E. Hayes St., Davenport, IA 52803; (563) 441-0824

March 18-20 Michigan Orchid Society Show, Laurel Park Place Mall, Livonia, MI. Contact: Rosie Kiley, 22306 Kramer, St.Clair Shores, MI 48080; (586) 776-6222

March 25-27 Heart O'Texas Orchid Society Show, Zilker Botanical Gardens Center, 2220 Barton Springs Rd., Austin, TX. Contact: Geoff Frost, 1011 Strickland Dr., Austin, TX 78748; (512) 280-2271; geoffreyfrost@yahoo.com

April 1-3 Houston Orchid Society Show, West Oaks Mall, Houston, TX. Contact: Don Ghiz, 3217 Amherst St., Houston, TX 77005; (713) 661-1885; doninhoustonTX@aol.com

April 15-17 Orchid Society of the Ozarks Spring SWROGA Meeting & Show. Contact: Tom Larkin, 9790 Larkin Lane, Rogers, AR 72756; (479) 925-2228

April 20-24 Orchid Society of Minnesota presents 'Minnesota Orchid Fever'; American Orchid Society Members Meeting and Mid-America Orchid Congress Show; Sheraton Bloomington Hotel; Bloomington, MN; free shuttle to Mall of America
<http://www.orchidsocietyofminnesota.com>

April 30-May 1 Three Rivers Orchid Society Show. Contact: Rose Poehler, 6322 S. 800 E-92, Fort Wayne, IN 46814

May 21-22 Kentucky Orchid Society Show. Contact: Jo Boudinot, 1576 Beech St., Radcliff, KY 40160

March 24-26, 2006 Greater Omaha Orchid Society, Mid-America Orchid Congress Show, Marriot Hotel Regency Court

Area Events: Additional Lists - <http://www.visitnebraska.org>
http://www.kfor1240.com/lincoln_events/

Art Exhibits: Finke Gardens & Nursery 500 N. 66, Lincoln NE 466-1995

<http://www.finkegardens.com> Included in the exhibits are oil paintings of Orchids by Gary Pummel, previous LOS Member and award winner of paintings exhibited at past Orchid Shows hosted by the Greater Omaha Orchid Society.

Horticultrual Classes Available:

Finke Gardens & Nursery 500 N. 66, Lincoln NE 466-1995 <http://www.finkegardens.com> Classes are at no cost except as noted and are held at 10:00 AM in the classroom East of main retail store.

<http://www.finkegardens.com/3/article.asp?id=55>

Feb. 19 Audubon: Backyard Birds

Feb. 19 at 2:00 PM "Introduction to Orchids" by Dwight and Beth Languis with Lincoln Orchid Society

Feb. 26 Audubon: Prairie Gardening

March 5 Landscape Design

March 12 Viburnums

March 19 "Temperennials" with Harlan Hamernik of Bluebird Nursery

March 26 Growing Small Fruits

April 2 New Trees, Shrubs and Perennials

April 9 How to Be Successful with Rhododendron and Azaleas

April 16 Combining New Annuals

Feb. 10-13 Home Show & Garden Show, Lancaster Event Ctr., 4100 N. 84, Lincoln

<http://www.lancastereventcenter.com/>

March 17-20 Husker Lawn and Leisure, Lancaster Event Ctr., 4100 N. 84, Lincoln

<http://www.lancastereventcenter.com/>

April 23 "Spring Affair", Nebraska State Fair Park, Lancaster Building, Lincoln. Free, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (402)472-2971 Plants, programs and demonstrations. <http://springaffair.unl.edu/>

May 3 Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha Botanical Center, 100 Bancroft St., Omaha NE 68108, 402-346-4002; Ron Morgan, Internationally recognized floral designer, demonstration and tips held from 10 AM to Noon followed by a luncheon. Fee

<http://www.omahabotanicalgardens.org/RonMorgan/>

<http://www.ronmorgandesigns.com>

Horicultural Societies:

Flower Arrangers Club - Anderson Library, 3635 Toulzalin Ave., Lincoln; 1st Tuesday at 1:00 PM, 488-3081

Lincoln Garden Club - Culler Middle School Cafeteria, 52nd and Vine St., Lincoln; 2nd Monday at 7:30 PM.

Plant Sales April and May at m:30 PM

Feb.14 - "The latest and best in Vegetable Gardening plus Vegetables as Ornamentals", Speaker Susan Schonweiss

March 14 - "Flowering Shrubs: Fragrance, Forcing, Berries and Fall Color", Speaker Bob Hendrickson

April 11 - "Container Gardens", Speaker Gladys Jeurink

May 9 - "Plant Propagation"

June 13 - Annual Garden Tour

Lincoln African Violet Society - Christ United Methodist Church, 46th & A St.; 2nd Tuesday at 7:15 PM, 770-2925

Lincoln Rose Society - Antelope Park Shelter House, North of Auld Recreation Center; 3rd Monday of February, March, May, September, and October at 7:00 PM, 488-0174

Nebraska Herbal Society - 5901 'O' St., Lincoln; East door, room E11; 4th Saturday at 10:00 AM, 435-0640 or 477-6787

Lincoln Iris Society - Antelope Park Church of the Brethren, 3645 Sumner St.; Last Monday at 6:30 PM; 423-7172

Hemerocallis (Daylily) Society - 796-2191

Lincoln Gladiola Society - 489-5264

Nebraska Statewide Arboretum - 472-2971

Friends of Maxwell Arboretum - 484-8032

Nebraska Nutgrowers Association - 472-3674