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## From the President . . . Kathleen Rice

As I look back on the year 2002 as we approach the Fall Bulb sale, I see we did a bit of learning, selling and enjoying our get togethers.

We have had a successful Spring Bulb Sale this year. Our thanks to **Pam Brown** and **Marlene Belew** for their hard work.

More stems were entered in our Show this year and rewarded us with a better display of our efforts. Keep up the increase of entries as we prepare for our National show in 2004.

A few new people tried their hand entering the Design Division. I had always felt I didn't have what it took to put an arrangement together. I surprised myself and had great fun. Never mind you couldn't get near the dining room table while I tried making up my mind. I think maybe **Ellen Mell**, **Carol Appelbaum** and **Jean Winterowd** did a fine job at our Educational meeting and now I am hooked.

A big, big thank you to **Carol** and **Jack Appelbaum** for their gracious hospitality hosting our summer mini-show. Their lovely garden was a picture to see and an enjoyable time was had by everyone. Thank you Carol and Jack.

MARLS marks a milestone this year. **Fred Winterowd** our founder has brought us to the '20th year'. We hope you will join Fred and charter members as well as those of us who are hooked on the genius 'Lilium' at our celebration luncheon at Pietro's on October 12th.

A good year comes to a close with our Fall Bulb Sale. Come to the meeting on the Saturday of the sale and participate with us in the fun of lilium.

What would you like to learn, share, enjoy, etc. in 2003. Please let us know. A list of 2003 Schedule of Events is included in the newsletter.

## Fall Bulb Sale October 26-27, 2002

Our Fall Bulb Sale will be held October 26-27 at Missouri Botanical Garden. The Bulb Packaging Party, also at the Garden, will be Friday, October 25, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Check out the Fall Bulb List in this newsletter. **Pam Brown** and **Marlene Belew**, our bulb chairmen, have ordered many great lilies. Read the descriptions and make out your list.

Please come and support your Society. This is our money making activity and our way of promoting lilies in our area. Members will be able to choose and purchase their bulbs on Friday evening after all the business is completed. Help is needed on Saturday and Sunday also. The sale will run from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on both days or until sold out. We will have sign up sheets on Friday evening, so please plan on giving your time for an hour or two.

## Reminder - 20th Anniversary Celebration

Please come to help celebrate the 20th year of MARLS. You should have all received the invitation to the luncheon to be held at Pietro's on October 12, 2002, at 1:00 p.m. It should be an entertaining and fun event! Hope all can attend. If you haven't as yet replied, please call **Dorothy Schrei**, 314-428-1168, and she will be able to enter a last-minute reservation, up until October 8th.

## Calendar of Events

FALL BULB SALE  
Missouri Botanical Garden October 26-27, 2002

### 2003 SCHEDULE

Spring Educational Meeting - March 15, 2003

Spring Bulb Sale - March 28-30, 2003

Annual Lily Show - June 13-15, 2003

Fall Bulb Sale - October 25-26, 2003

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## Minutes of Meeting—June 15, 2002

Submitted by Jean Winterowd, Secretary

President **Kathleen Rice** opened the meeting, seventeen members were present. Judging finished early so time of meeting was moved up, the most members being available at this time. Kathleen reported that the MBG staff thinks highly of our MARLS Lily Show. **Charity Sherrington** reported that the Design Judges for today's show said all arrangements were well done.

Kathleen also reported that **Pam Brown**, bulb chair, would like your bulb recommendations for the fall sale, 10-25-02.

**Carol** and **Jack Appelbaum** are hosting the mini-show July 20. Bring a covered

dish, any late blooming lilies to show, and a plant to exchange.

Discussion was held on the new storage unit. **Don Michel** has moved remaining items to the new storage. **Fred Winterowd** thinks this storage may be too small for our needs, but we will see how this works out. **Linda Smith** brought up the possibility of buying a trailer for storage.

**Mary Lee Gagnon** and **Charity Sherrington** volunteered to wash the stem holders after this show. **Thelma Lord** has agreed to be PR person for MARLS. **Harold Schrei** resigned as show chairman because of poor eyesight.

NALS Show 2004: Kathleen will clarify contract with the Hilton Hotel. Chair people will be contacted. Linda reported that attendance is down at the 2002 NALS because, she thinks, of the expense. MARLS should try to keep costs down in 2004. **Sharon Bishop** has discovered a source for a great umbrella decorated with oriental lilies for 2004.

MARLS is twenty years old. Fred is looking into Pietro's for a luncheon celebration on a Saturday the early part of October. He will report at the mini-show.

## Minutes of Meeting—July 20, 2002

Submitted by Jean Winterowd, Secretary

Meeting was held at the Annual Awards Luncheon. President **Kathleen Rice** opened the meeting thanking **Jack** and **Carol Appelbaum** for hosting such a great mini-show.

Show Chairman **Hal Schrei** gave out the awards for our June Show. Hal also said that our lily stems at the show should be carefully identified and properly placed, so that the stems of the same cultivar can be judged as a group. **Gloria LaBlance** reported that 1036 votes were cast for the *People's Choice Lily Award*.

On August 8, **Kathleen**, **Ralph Bishop** and **Fred Winterowd** will meet with personnel at the Hilton Hotel to discuss the number of rooms and other particulars for the 2004 NALS Show and Meeting. The report on the NALS 2002 convention said fewer members were in attendance and fewer lilies shown.

**Pam Brown** and **Marlene Belew** were thanked for guiding the Spring Bulb Sale. Let them know what bulbs you would like for the Fall Sale.

For the MARLS 20th Anniversary Luncheon at Pietro's, we need 30 people to qualify for the room. Fred will contact **Becky Homan** of the Post-Dispatch to see if she will give the program. (*She will be unavailable that day.*)

Fred reported that MBG would like us to redesign the Lily Plot to conform with other displays. **Sharon Bishop** suggested ground cover or other plants to make the bed more attractive. Help is needed on this project.

A charter member **Lee Geiser** passed away in June. Concern was expressed for **Ray** and **Linda Smith** during his recovery from operations on both knees. NALS Vice President Linda attended the 2002 Convention. Hal reported for her that there is a concern to establish criteria for the judging of pollenless lilies and double lilies.

**Sharon Bishop**, our Boutique Chairperson for the 2004 Show, brought the oriental lily umbrellas to show us. They are to be sold at the

2004 Show. Some members have already purchased them. Fred took pictures and hopes to get one in the 'Quarterly'.

Meeting adjourned. After the meeting we had a game of identifying 12 different lilies, grown by Fred. Twenty MARLS members had a great afternoon.



## News Briefs, Notes, Etc.

- Congratulations to the award winners at our June show, and to **all** the participants! It is a great way to increase your enjoyment of lilies by sharing with others the results of your gardening season and also to promote the beauty and variety of lilies.
- Winners of the MARLS Lily Show Raffle were **Mary Lee Gagnon**, **Sarah Hopcraft**, and **Fred Winterowd**. They will each have certificates for bulbs to redeem at our upcoming bulb sale. Congratulations!
- Thank you to **Pam Brown** and **Marlene Belew** for all the work necessary to bring us the wonderful choice of bulbs for our Fall Bulb Sale. See more information regarding the sale elsewhere in newsletter.
- As in past years, the Daffodil Society will be holding their bulb sale the same dates as ours. **Jason Delaney** has been promoting the idea of daffodils and lilies being good companions. You might want to give it a try, and also support their group.
- We welcome **Thelma Lord** as our new Publicity Chairperson. If you know of any source that would publicize our events, etc. please contact her. Her address is 8425 Engler, St. Louis, MO 63114; phone 314-428-5050. We thank **Jane Graham** for serving in this position previously.
- We extend thanks to **Hal Schrei** for so ably serving in the position of Show Chairman for many years. He is stepping down because of his poor eyesight. Thank you again Hal for doing such a great job!
- Need fertilizer? Plant a Fish! When Captain John Smith landed at Jamestown in 1607, he wrote to England about a funny habit of the Cherokees. They gardened with corn and pumpkin and beans. But under every hill they planted a fish—the original organic gardeners! This furnished about 16 elements necessary for plant growth, and their gardens were good. . . . *Dr. 'Jake' Tinga*
- The lily demonstration garden at the Kemper Center in Missouri Botanical Garden is being redesigned. All the bulbs will be dug up, paths added, and the bulbs replanted. Thanks to **Diane Engelsdorfer** and **Jason Delaney** for their efforts.
- Heard NALS might be organizing a tour to London, England for the *International Lily Conference* sponsored by the *Royal Horticultural Society*, to be held June 30 - July 3, 2004. Does this mean they will leave right after attending the "International Lily Show and Conference" to be held in St. Louis the week before???
- Enclosed is a copy of our membership list updated for October 2002. If there are any corrections or changes, please let Editor or **Pam Hardy** know. Thank you.
- *How does your garden grow?* is an excerpt taken from an article regarding many flowers, originally appearing in the *St. Louis University Alumni Magazine*, 'Universitas.' Compiled with the assistance of Rev. Maurice B. McNamee, S.J., authority on symbolism in Flemish painting, and Connie Wolf, director of the library at the Missouri Botanical Garden.

### How does your garden grow?

In mud soaked with perspiration, you answer grimly, after spending all of Saturday morning pulling weeds. But it also grows in a cloud of symbol and allegory, the mystical and artistic and romantic associations of the world's great civilizations.

...The Lily owes its existence, according to Greek and Roman mythology, to drops of milk which spilled from Juno's breast when she was nursing Hercules. Half the drops spilled into the sky and became the Milky Way; the rest fell to earth and became lilies. The Egyptians adored the lily, the Persians named cities for it, and the Hebrews revered it. Shakespeare said it was as impossible to paint the lily as to gild refined gold—thus, gilding the lily is a senseless and greedy attempt to improve upon perfection. Symbol of purity, chastity and pallor, the lily is associated with the Virgin Mary, and shows up in paintings of the Annunciation either in a vase or in the hand of the Archangel Gabriel. It is an attribute of St. Francis Xavier and St. Thomas Aquinas, among others....

Flowers in general are antithetical symbols of spring, beauty, the brevity of life and the ephemeral nature of pleasure. The Greeks and Romans wore crowns of flowers at feasts, and also strewed flowers over corpses as they bore them to the funeral pyre. Because of its shape, a flower is an image of the mystical Center of all things, hence an archetypal image of the soul. Orange and yellow flowers symbolize the sun; red flowers are connected to animal life, blood and passion. The blue flower is the legendary symbol of the impossible, and the gold flower is the nonexistent flower of alchemy and Chinese mysticism.

Hope all had a wonderful summer and growing season. As you all know, it was a very strange summer weather-wise, but the lilies seemed to do well. For me, of course, the show was very eventful! Never had I ever dreamed I would win *Best of Show* in the Horticultural Division—so much competition. It was a definite highlight of my summer! Also talked daughter Sarah (Assistant Editor) into entering a design and she was awarded a blue ribbon! Maybe she'll enter again next year.

We enjoyed hosting the summer luncheon pot-luck. Our yard has never been so weed-free! It really got us moving. Believe a good time was had by all. Many requested the recipe for the beef brisket we served. I had no intention of making a recipe a regular feature of our newsletter, but the recipe follows. Our grandchildren call it that "yummy meat."

Thanks to all who contributed to this newsletter; sorry it is later than usual. Hope to see many of you at the 20th Anniversary Luncheon and also at the upcoming bulb sale.

### Beef Brisket (Great for a crowd) Very easy

3-5 lb. Brisket (not corned-beef)  
1 pkg dried onion soup  
1/2 cup Italian salad dressing  
1 small can mushrooms  
1 pkg brown gravy mix, or can

Trim as much fat as possible. Sprinkle brisket with seasoned meat tenderizer. Mix above ingredients, pour over meat in roasting pan. Cover tightly with foil or tight fitting cover and cook in oven at 325 degrees. Allow 45-60 minutes per lb. for the largest piece. Usually cook 2 1/2 to 4 hours. As you can see, this is not exact. Not necessary to double above ingredients if using several pieces of meat; have cooked up to 15 lbs. at one time. For ease of serving, cook day before, cool, skim fat, and slice. Reheat before serving.

### Volunteer Opportunity: Plant Doctor

Fred Winterowd received a letter from MBG informing him of the need for six new plant doctor volunteers at the Kemper Center for Home Gardening, and asked that we inform our members of this opportunity.

The Plant Doctor answers questions from visitors and diagnoses problems as your experience allows. Ongoing on-the-job training is provided, and a 15-week diagnostic class is offered each summer. Hours to work would be 10:00 a.m. 'til noon, or 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. once a week during weekday, or each Saturday, or 1st, 3rd, and 5th Saturday, or 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. For more information, contact Jackie Juras at Missouri Botanical Garden, 314-577-5187. Or send an email to: jackie.juras@mobot.org

### Membership

**Membership in *The North American Lily Society*** is a wonderful way to add to your knowledge of lilies. They publish a Quarterly Bulletin and a Yearbook full of information about lily growing in different parts of the country. They hold a National Show each year and set standards for evaluating lilies which help to further the course of lily hybridizing. They have a seed exchange for members. The library is open to members and has a wonderful selection of books about lilies, lily judging, propagating etc . . . All in all a great value!

To join the *North American Lily Society* send \$20.00 for one year or \$55.00 for three years (for new members, the fee is \$15 for a one year membership) to:

**Dr. Robert Gilman**  
NALS Executive Secretary  
Post Office Box 272  
Owatonna, MN 55060  
e-mail: gilman@ll.net

Please send your name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, and permission (if you want) to be included in the membership list sent to all the members, with your check. There should also be a NALS membership form on the NALS website at [www.lilies.org](http://www.lilies.org).

**The Species Lily Preservation Group** is dedicated to preserving species lilies through a bulb propagation program and encouraging preservation of species natural habitats. It is a great way to get virus free species lily bulbs for the garden and to preserve a few of the ancestors of our modern day hybrids.

To join mail \$7.00 for one year or \$20.00 for three years membership to:

*Species Lily Preservation Group*  
c/o **Maureen Barber**  
336 Sandlwood Road  
Oakville, Ontario  
Canada L6L 3R8  
e-mail: ibarber@sympatico.ca

Please send her the same information as stated for NALS.

## Annual Lily Show Highlights

The 2002 Annual Lily Show was held June 15 & 16 at Missouri Botanical Garden. It was a great show, very well attended. The Oriental Lily display in the entry by **Fred Winterowd** attracted people to the show. **Elizabeth Geiser's** original painting of our adopted symbol was on display, and the huge banner made by **Sharon Bishop** several years ago continues to set the stage for our show. In addition this year we had a wonderful lily sculpture fountain by sculptor **Larry Pogue** in the center of the display hall. Many comments

were received regarding this work of art. There were a total of 123 stems and 26 individual blooms entered for competition. In addition twenty designs were entered in the five classes of the Design Division. We went with the full design concept according to *Federated Garden Club* rules, and the entries were judged by accredited Garden Club judges. We thank them for their time and talents so graciously given.

Blue ribbons were awarded to 68 of the stems entered. **Linda Smith** was

the sweepstakes winner with 17 blue ribbon entries, **Hal Schrei** was close behind with 15. The *Best of Show* award was won by a beautiful stem of 'Santa Fe' entered by **Carol Appelbaum**. Carol also won *Best of Show* in the Design Division, in the class "Two for the Road."

**Gloria LaBlance**, who has chaired the People's Choice entries for many years, fittingly won it this year with her entry of 'Delta.'

### Winners of the major awards were:

#### Horticultural Division

##### **Best in Show!**

##### **Editor's Award**

(Best Species)

##### **MARLS Award I**

(Best Asiatic in Sections A-D)

##### **MARLS Award II**

(Best single bloom)

##### **Hartle-Gilman Gardens Award**

(Best lily stem introduced by Hartle-Gilman Gardens)

##### **Bernie LaBlance Memorial Award**

(Best lily stem grown from seed, but not hybridized, by exhibitor)

##### **Columbia Platte Lilies Award**

(Best lily stem introduced by Columbia Platte Lilies)

##### **Maxwell Homestead Nursery Award**

(Three stems of the same cultivar)

##### **Bob Roos Memorial Award**

(Three different Asiatic cultivars)

##### **Jack Gagnon Memorial**

##### **Sweepstakes Award**

##### **"Peoples Choice" Award**

(Voted by general public—  
not judged by show judges)

'Santa Fe' Carol Appelbaum  
L.concolor Linda Smith

'Santa Fe' Carol Appelbaum

L.michiganense Craig Hughes

'Screech Owl' Mary Lee Gagnon

Seedling #95-41 Craig Hughes

'Center Stage' Fred Winterowd

'Lady Fair' Hal Schrei

'Center Stage' Fred Winterowd  
'Navonna'  
'Rochester'

96 points Linda Smith

'Delta' Gloria LaBlance

#### Design Division

**Best in Show—Sugar Creek Gardens**  
Carol Appelbaum

**Sweepstakes—Thies Farm and Nursery**  
Carol Appelbaum

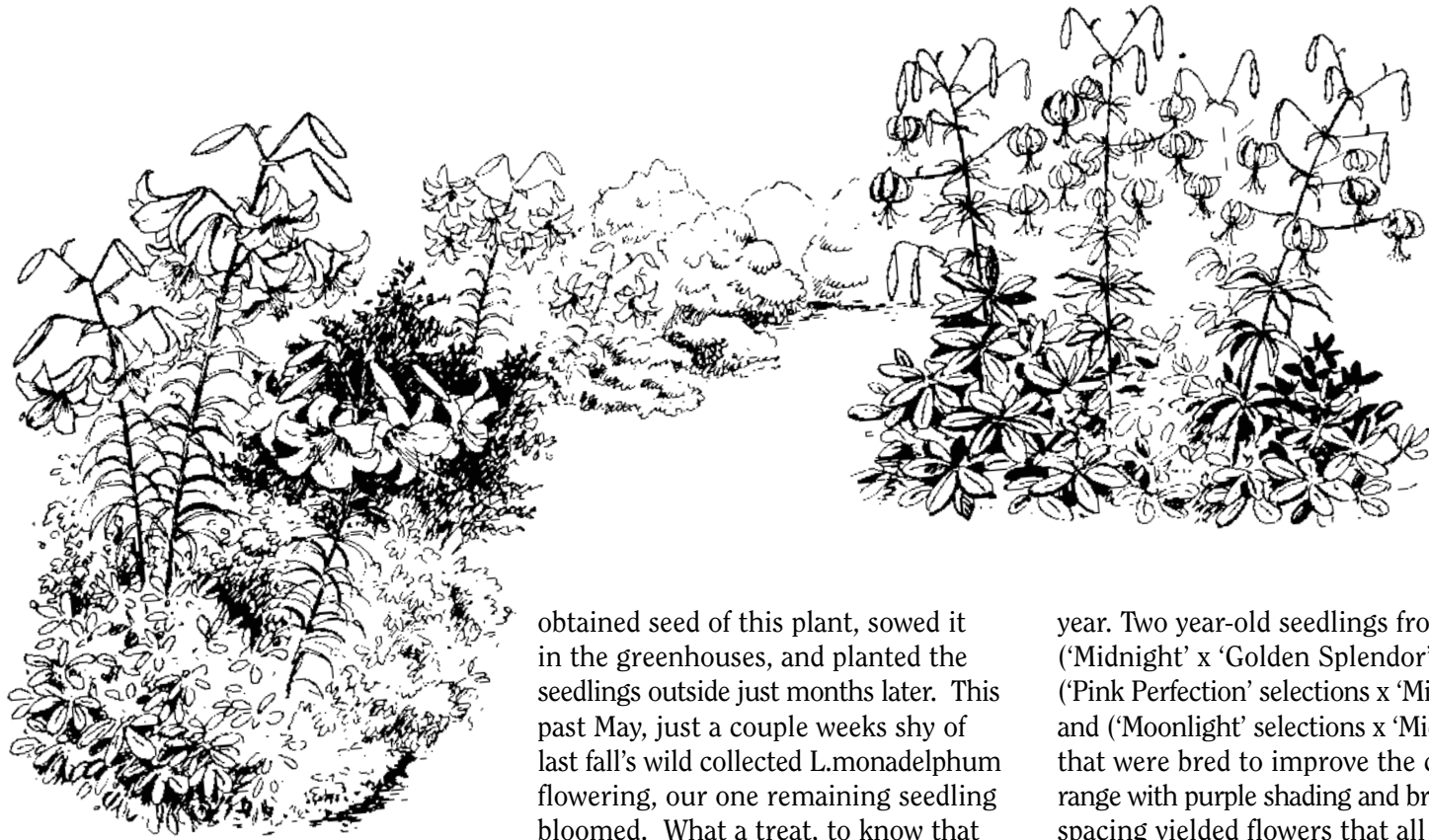
*Carol was awarded the blue ribbon in classes I, II, III and V, Sarah Hopcraft won the blue ribbon in class IV.*

We really do need more participants in the Design Division. Even though we filled all the classes, **Carol Appelbaum** did five entries, **Ellen Mell** and **Jean Winterowd** each entered four designs, **Kathleen Rice** did three, **Sarah Hopcraft**, **Muriel Marks**, **Dorothy Schrei** and **Nadine Wallenstein** each entered one. Think about it for next year! Thank you to everyone who took the time and effort to enter a design. They add so much to our show!



*A total of 1036 votes were cast during the two days of the show. 'Delta' received 342 votes, the nearest competitor was Fred Winterowd's 'Dynamico' with 194 votes.*

The **President's Award** was not presented this year because of lack of entries.



With the heat, humidity, and Japanese beetles aside, this was an excellent summer for the lily collections at the Missouri Botanical Garden. Many of last fall's procurements bloomed with amazing vigor and stamina, putting to rest the saying "give them a year or two to establish." 'Golden Stargazer' was a hit, as were 'Allegretto', 'Grandiose', and 'Louis XIV'. All had tremendous carrying power in the garden, not to mention opulent perfume. 'Yuri no Hikari' was also very fragrant, as were the many trumpet varieties which graced the plantings. At a little over six feet tall, 'Northern Carillon' captured the visitor's glances from afar, drawing considerable attention to its unique coloration and un-staked stems. This or 'Silk Road' should be made more widely available—there's certainly a local market for this flower!

Also of interest in this summer's collection were the delicately perfumed flowers of *Lilium monadelphum*, formerly *Lilium georgicum* and *L.szovitsianum*. Six years ago we

obtained seed of this plant, sowed it in the greenhouses, and planted the seedlings outside just months later. This past May, just a couple weeks shy of last fall's wild collected *L.monadelphum* flowering, our one remaining seedling bloomed. What a treat, to know that it was able to survive its harsh and hostile daffodil garden environment for five plus years, and then actually bloom correct to name. The flowers of this and the wild collected forms were shaped like a strongly recurved trumpet—though half the size, and colored a very smooth butter yellow with fine dark reddish-purple speckling, concentrating in the throat and petal edge regions. And the fragrance was perfect: low-calorie and half-the-fat trumpet perfume, without the headiness, dizziness, nausea...you get the picture!

Some other lilies of public interest were my very own trumpet crosses. A handful of bulbs from a three year-old cross ('Midnight' x *L.regale*) yielded 6.5'-7' stems with bud counts up to 37, with *L.regale*-like flowers on 'Midnight'-like inflorescence structures. Three years old and already secondary and tertiary buds, 37 blooms, and 7' tall stems; this might have to be introduced! From the main tram path they were in full view, towering above this year's magnificent stand of 'Green Magic'—be sure to look for them next

year. Two year-old seedlings from ('Midnight' x 'Golden Splendor'), ('Pink Perfection' selections x 'Midnight') and ('Moonlight' selections x 'Midnight') that were bred to improve the color range with purple shading and branching spacing yielded flowers that all looked like the 'Midnight' strain. Nothing yet has hinted toward goal achievement, hopefully they will just need more time to develop.

This fall we aren't planting as many lilies in the bulb gardens, mainly because we're running short of room, but what we are planting will be very nice. 'Ivanhoe' and x 'LeVern Freimann' should be of special interest next summer, and for many to follow.

Many thanks again to MARLS for their generous financial support that allows these lilies to be obtained, and also thanks to MARLS for cultivating such wonderful members who volunteer their time to see to it these lilies are well groomed, staked, and successfully grown. The Garden is very fortunate for the continued interests and volunteer support of **Jack and Carol Appelbaum, Diane Engelsdorfer, and Fred Winterowd.**

Jason Delaney, Horticulturist  
Missouri Botanical Garden

**From The Lily Nook:**

- Black Jack-     **A**    Inside is dark red with outside being a deeper red. A winner!! 3'
- Tangerine-     **A**    Vivid tangerine orange, unspotted 3-4'
- Delta-         **A**    Deep yellow with dark maroon brush marks on black stems. 3'
- Butter Pixie-   **A**    Buttercup yellow to deep golden yellow. Pot or border. 18"
- New Wave-     **A**    A pure clean, crisp white with only a few spots toward the center. Pot or border. 14"
- Aladdin's Sun- **LA** Vivid yellow with greenish-yellow throat, bowl shape upfacing flowers. 3'
- Royal Star-    **LA**    New! Clear golden orange, Same as Royal perfume but petals have a high luster. 3'

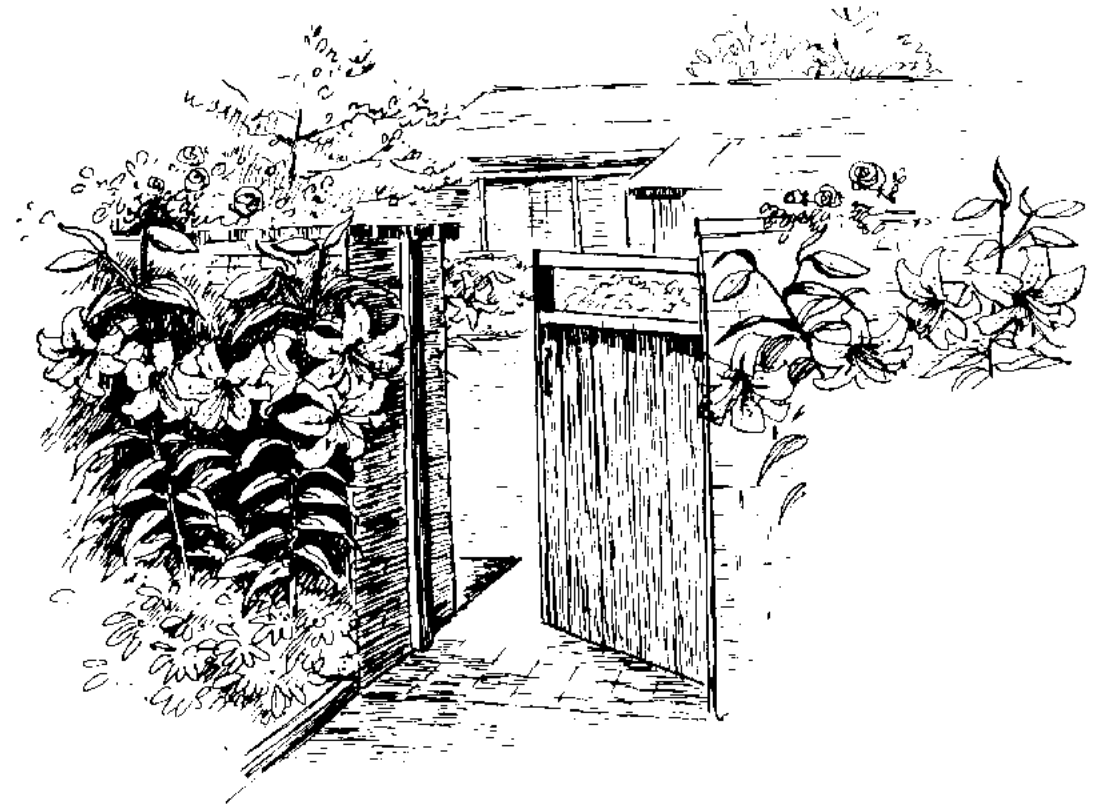
**From Van Engelen:**

- Moonlight-     Trumpet-New! Yellow with a green reverse. Highly Fragrant. 4-6'
- Casa Rosa-     **LA**    Warm mauve-pink, blushed rose, Fragrant 2-3 1/2'
- Royal Sunset- **LA**    New! Glistening, deep melon with an apricot-tinged throat and a pink sheen. 2-3 1/2'
- Red Nymph-    **A**    Rich, deep crimson-red with white edges.

We hope you enjoy the great choices for the bulb sale. If you requested it and it's not on the list it was either eaten by moles (Royal Perfume) or is not available until the spring. See you at the sale!

Sincerely,

Pam and Marlene



# Fall Bulb List . . . Pam Brown and Marlene Belew

Hello and Happy Fall,

The Fall Bulb sale is fast approaching. I hope everyone is as excited as we are. There are beautiful lilies ordered. We worked hard to bring you your requests and some new and exciting lilies. We have lilies coming from across the North American Continent. Please join us Friday evening, October 25, 2002 beginning at 6:00 p.m. for the bulb packing party. It's your chance to get first pick at the great assortment of lilies.

**Here is the list of bulbs ordered: A=Asiatic, Or=Oriental, OP=Oriempet, LA=Longiflorum/Asiatic**

## From Pioneer Plants-

- Oklahoma City- **A** Resistant against all viruses. Up facing, bright yellow spotted center and intense red edge. 40"  
Aurora- **A** White/yellow edge with a darker yellow center. 40"  
Proud Mary- **A** New! Yellow/white flowers are blooming out facing. No spots. Stem is dark. 35"  
Jasmyne- **A** New! Out facing. Inside of flower is white/soft pink with purple spots. Tips have a blaze of reddish pink. 35"  
Soiree- **A** Polyploid! Dark stem and flower is dark red with yellow in center. Early. 40"  
Conquistador- **A** Polyploid! Early blooming. High bud count. Good red color. 45"  
Stargazer- **Or** An oldie, but famous and still going strong as an upright pink. 35"  
Monrovia- **Or** Semi upfacing soft pink accented by a yellow/orange ribbon. Nice pink bud color. 45"  
Alma Alta- **Or** Strong and clear upright clean white. High bud count. Huge flower. Best oriental hybrid NALS/Portland 2000 40"  
Macarena- **Or** New! Up facing dark red with even darker ribbon. Dark red spots at base of flower. 45"  
Pink Perfection- Aurelian/Trumpet. Beautiful Pink flowers. Fragrant. Sure to please!  
Regal Album- Aurelian/Trumpet. Wonderful White. Highly fragrant. Will stand out in the garden.  
Paulus Potter- **A** Cream white with pink/red center. High bud count. Good for pot or border. 25"  
Virginia- **A** Up facing white with red-pink blush in center/compact border or pot plant. 25"

## From Columbia Platte Lilies:

- New Allegra- **Or** A new strain of pure white hybrids from the classic Allegra crossed with the most vigorous pure white Orientals. Has big, pure white flowers with delicately recurved tips. Aug. 4'  
Silk Road- **OP** Huge white flowers with deep, intensely crimson pink throats carried on an enormous inflorescence with well spaced secondary buds. 4-6'  
Scheherazade- **OP** Hybrid from 'Thunderbolt' x Tetra 'BlackBeauty.' Deep recurved flowers are edged in gold shading into white margins. Hall of Fame. Early Aug. 3-6'

*Also ordered in small quantities*

- Meriweather- Asiapet. Slightly recurved, iced-peach flowers tipped in pink. Tetraploid, June 3-4'  
Arabesque- **OP** Long lasting flowers of deepest glowing velvety rose-red. Aug. 4-6'  
Leslie Woodriff- **OP** Produced from tetraploid forms of two of Leslie Woodriff classic garden lilies: 'White Henryi' and 'Black Beauty' July 4-6'  
Anastasia- **OP** Wide open huge white flowers with truly rose pink centers. Long inflorescence carries secondary buds. Marvelously fragrant. Aug. 4-6'

## Reporting:

### Annual "Pot-Luck"/ Mini-Show . . . Fred Winterowd

What a splendid gathering it was, at **Jack and Carol Appelbaum's!** Their beautiful setting was truly complimented by their friendly, cheery hospitality. It was a fairly typical warm July day, yet we all ventured forth into the neat, colorful pathways of their garden! The informal tours held much interest—as we viewed each neatly designed area.

Someone long ago categorized a "GARDEN" in this way: Its first nature being the natural wild; the second nature being agricultural use, and third, being nature in sync with ideas of beauty and art. We all noted how Jack and Carol have brought these elements together in a most appealing and enjoyable design. Situated at the end of EASY STREET, the landscape is a continuum—the formal front/entry garden giving way to the more informal (rear), ending with a woodland embracing the forest. Lovely, it is, as some twenty-plus of us thoroughly enjoyed our visit!

From this juncture, we moved into the tastefully appointed AIR-CONDITIONED setting for that delicious "POT-LUCK!"

Hmm-m-m, check the menu—beef with mushrooms, delightful main fare, and scrumptious desserts! (We do eat well, don't we!)

Then, . . . SHOW TIME became I.D. TIME, . . . as we gathered down by the rustic barn. Numerous stems were displayed, and the TEST was on! Most of these beautiful stems were the glorious Oriempets. We continue to want to know them better. **Pam Brown** and **Dorothy Schrei** tied as our WINNERS! Congratulations, Pam and Dorothy!

Our attention then was diverted to an extemporaneous, colorful Chorus Line/ Fashion Show! Here, **Sharon Bishop's** oriental lily umbrellas came on parade! FUN, it was!!! Everyone expressed their fullest enjoyment of this, a very happy gathering. Thanks again, Jack and Carol.

IT WAS GREAT TO BE ON EASY STREET—for a little while!

## In Memoriam

*It is with sorrow we report that during the last few months we have lost the following members of our Society:*

*Lee Geiser  
and  
Alfred Lord*

*Both Lee and Al were Charter members. They will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with Elizabeth Geiser and Thelma Lord.*



## From the Membership Chairperson . . . Pam Hardy

We wish to welcome the following new members to our Society:

- Jack Hambene**, 8330 University Dr., Clayton, MO 63105, 314-863-0025  
**William Hausman**, 20 Burroughs Lane, St. Louis, MO 63124, 314-567-4059  
**Mark and Maureen Janson**, 2114 East 5th St., Washington, MO 63090-3610, 636-239-2766  
**Loretta Jones**, 334 Sunward Dr., O'Fallon, MO 63366, 636-978-5127  
**Jackie Phillips**, 41 Ladue Estates Dr., St. Louis, MO 63141, 314-432-5704

Maureen is a former member who has been missed. We welcome her back! All are welcomed to *Mid America Regional Lily Society*. Please come to our upcoming Fall Bulb Sale to get a good start on growing wonderful lilies. Feel free to talk with other members about lilies and ask any questions you may have.

# Then . . . and Now

## Twenty years ago . . .

Following are some memories from charter members of our society.

*Jan Smither's, Hal Schrei's and Fred Winterowd's reports are reprinted from the 1992 Newsletter, at the time of our tenth anniversary.*

**Jan Smither** In 1982, I was a horticulture student at East Central Community College in Union, MO. At that time **Mr. Fred Winterowd** was the Department Head and as such I had several classes with him. We were treated to frequent slide picture shows to illustrate the subjects we were studying. We were shown slides on the *North American Lily Society* Show at Portland, Oregon. He invited all his students to come and be a part of the Charter Meeting for a regional lily society. As a child my mother grew many types of flowers and one of my favorites was the Tiger Lily (*Lilium tigrinum*), I liked the name, the spots on the orange petals, and the lovely little black stem bulbils. That being the case I decided to attend the meeting.

The first organizational meeting was held at the Missouri Botanical Garden in their new Educational Building. It was a cold gray day in mid-March. There were three representatives from the *North American Lily Society*, **Julius Wadekamper** from Minnesota and the *North Star Regional Lily Society* and two sisters from the *Iowa Regional Lily Society*, **Maise Lewis** and **Dorothy Schaefer**. There were gift bulbs for all of those attending from Oregon Bulb Farm. **Most of the people attending the meeting were friends of the Winterowds**. The meeting had been advertised locally as well as nationally and there were some in attendance who came as a result of the advertising.

A demonstration was given by a member of the Missouri Botanical Garden on growing lilies in containers. A pretty good way to get us all excited about growing lilies.

The national representatives made suggestions as to how to develop our constitution and how to establish membership fees. As suggested, a slate of officers was made and it was decided to hold an election. **Fred Winterowd** turned out to be the favorite of the day and was elected our first President. If you were a friend of the Winterowds there was a good chance you were either elected to an office or appointed to a job. I was fortunate and asked only to be the bulb chairman. (pretty easy since Fred did all the work the first year). If you left the meeting for any reason you could be pretty sure you would get a job.

An Executive Board meeting of the new officers and chair heads was held at the Winterowd home at a later date at which time we firmed up the Constituion and decided to call ourselves the **Mid America Regional Lily Society**. It was noted that *Lilium michiganense* (by **Jan Smither**, reporters remark) was the one true lily native to the state of Missouri and as such was adopted as our logo.

The goals of the Regional Society are the same as the National Lily Society which is to educate the people and promote the growth of the true lily in the home garden.

**Hal Schrei** About mid-March in 1982, we received an invitation in the mail to attend a meeting at the Missouri Botanical Gardens for garden lovers. The invitation was on an attractive note card with an orange lily on it and was signed by **Fred and Jean Winterowd**. When we arrived at the meeting on an early Saturday morning, we met some long time good friends and some strangers.

Fred Winterowd opened the meeting and said it was going to be about lilies. He showed some beautiful slides of lilies growing in gardens and on display. **Dorothy Schaefer** and **Maise Russell**

of DesMoines and **Julius Wadekamper** of Minneapolis all gave glowing talks about how wonderful it is to grow lilies, what a wonderful organization the NALS is and that we should consider starting a regional lily society. So, now we knew what the nebulous meeting on gardening was all about.

I'm not sure we really knew what we were doing but before the day was over we organized a lily society. At least one member of each family attending ended up with an office of some kind. My thanks to Jean and Fred for introducing us to a wonderful hobby.

**Thelma Lord** As I recall I left at lunch break because I had to go to work. I was called and told I had a new position—Newsletter Editor!

**Carol Appelbaum** I remember vividly that very first organizational meeting in March, 1982. I attended with a friend and neighbor, **Elizabeth Geiser**, who of course was a friend of **Fred and Jean Winterowd**. We all ended up with a job or office of some kind. I became Hospitality Chairman, which I thought would be supplying tea and coffee for the three meetings we would have each year, another appealing fact to me—only three meetings! The first year, we had a pot-luck luncheon at the first lily show; a "Charter Banquet," and hosted the winter meeting of NALS, all coming under the organization of the Hospitality Chairman! Although a gardener, I knew nothing about lilies. At the meeting we were each given five lily bulbs and I planted them and to my amazement they all bloomed beautifully. I was hooked!

**Fred Winterowd** A beginning might well be to indicate that Jean and I joined NALS back in 1976! We got the "Lily Bug", so to speak, as we saw the public's reaction to them through a florist's realization. Brides were especially attracted to them! Then,

at our first national convention, in Hamilton, Ontario, we saw the magnificent displays!!! Beautiful!!!!

'BULBS' took on a fuller emphasis in both our garden, and in the horticulture curriculum at East Central College. We were on our way!

With this background, we were rather easy picking for the encouragement of one **Dorothy Schaefer**, that great lady from the Iowa Regional! Dorothy caught our name badges, as it were. . . strolling down the lily path, there at Oregon Bulb Farm. It was in 1981. She and **Kay Briggs**, from the Michigan Society, found us at the same banquet table, and more encouragement ensued!!

In December, Dorothy called inquiring how we were coming along on the development of a Missouri Regional?! She then coaxed us to gather up some gardening friends, and the good Iowa folks and **Julius Wadekamper**, from *North Star Regional*, would all be down to get us organized and underway! The rest is really history!

We talked to friends, told the students, and sent out our letters of invitation! Presto! Done! Everyone showed great cooperation from the beginning, as we assured each "volunteer" of the FUN we'd all have!!! Members of that exciting first year became the Society's Charter Members!

*Following are the officers from March 27, 1982:*

President—Fred Winterowd  
Vice-President—Calvin Helsley  
Secretary—Elizabeth Geiser  
Treasurer—Hal Schrei  
Bulb Chairman—Janet Smither  
Nominating Committee Members—  
Bill and Dorothy Evans  
Newsletter Editor—Thelma Lord  
Show Chairman—  
Ralph and Sharon Bishop  
Nominating Committee Chairman—  
Joe Rataj  
Hospitality—Carol Appelbaum

## Twenty years later . . .

Since its initial organization MARLS has kept to its purpose of educating the people and promoting the growth of the true lily in the home garden. We have held annual lily shows, all very well attended and impressive. We have gone from one bulb sale a year to adding an additional one in Spring, almost always sold out. This is our major money-making event.

MARLS has been fortunate to have a good core of active members over the years. Several have become active in the *North American Lily Society*—**Calvin Helsley** served as President of NALS and started another regional society in Springfield, MO. **Fred Winterowd, Hal Schrei, and Linda Smith** have all served on the NALS Board. Linda is currently Vice-President and will become President in 2004. The late **Jack Gagnon** was one of our tireless workers, and developed many friendships in NALS.

Many judges have been trained through the years and serve in this capacity at both local and national

shows—**Fred and Jean Winterowd, Linda Smith, Jan Smither, Hal Schrei, Ellen Mell, Carol Appelbaum, Maureen Janson, Pam Hardy, Diane Engelsdorfer and Kathleen Rice. Jack Gagnon** was also a lily show judge.

We have had many educational seminars and design workshops, and have developed a very good working relationship with Missouri Botanical Garden. We hosted the National Show and Conference of NALS in 1992 and will do so again in 2004. In 1982, we started with seventeen members; by January, 1983, there were 80 members, and currently our membership is around 100. Many members have come and gone but all have taken with them a greater appreciation and love of *Lilium*. Through all of this runs a common thread—**Fred Winterowd**. Even as he was the instigator, his enthusiasm, organizational skills, leadership, motivation, etc. is what has helped this regional to thrive!

**Thank you Fred!**

