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Get New Hybrids, Proven Winners at Sale

This year we are emphasizing Oriempets (OTs), a group on display at the Lily Show this summer. A huge white LO, 'Gizmo,' which caused a stir among show-goers, has been ordered as well as the 'Diamond' series of LAs.

We hope MARLS members will turn out for our bulb packing party on Friday, October 22, at 5:30 p.m. Volunteers are also needed to work a shift at the sale October 23 and 24 in the Beaumont Room at the Missouri Botanical Garden.



We've ordered a nice selection of bulbs. You can see a list of bulbs for sale on our web

site at www.marls.org. Club members who work get a 20 percent discount on bulb purchases all weekend. When

The Fall Lily Bulb Sale is October 23-24 at the Missouri Botanical Garden

you come to the packing party you get first choice on bulbs. Some varieties sell out on Friday night!

After all bulbs have been packaged Friday night, we'll have a short membership meeting. Bring a dish to share for the potluck that will follow. Water will be provided, but no soda.

Sale shifts will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday (or until bulbs sell out). You can sign up at the packing party.

Or, call Pam Hardy at 314-853-4386 to volunteer. Pam is this year's bulb sale chairperson.



Bulbs available at this sale include the stunning LO, 'Gizmo,' shown by Fred Winterowd at the 2010 show (left); a members' favorite, OT 'Nymph,' (above bottom), and OT 'Black Beauty,' a proven classic (above top).

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Looking Back for the Future

Founder's Message
by Fred Winterowd

MARLS started 28 years ago. Looking at history is always interesting. It truly helps us, as a plant society, to better understand the process of change.

Our past allows us to be more efficient—in planning our bulb sales, lily shows, and even society meetings. We are proud to say: “We deliver!” Many gardens attest to our selection of bulbs for sales. We see distinctive new cultivars.

How do we move forward? I'd suggest: Sell quality bulbs, consistently. Promote: The *Lily Trumpet*, plus. Cooperate to build valued friendships. Teach cultural techniques: Dirt does not equal soil! Communicate “in house” and much, much more.

Learn, think and do!



Editor's Note

Since so many of you enjoyed the photo of the bunny in the last issue, here's another backyard friend. If you have garden photos or ideas to share, send them on to me at carolabales@charter.net or to my mail address on the back cover. If you'd like to receive this newsletter by email rather than postal mail, let me know. We encourage email delivery.

You'll Want to Be at the Packing Party

President's Message
by Don Kelley

The show at MBG and mini-show at the home of Fred and Jean Winterowd were both successes, especially so for me. I received Best of Show for Leslie Woodriff. And at the mini-show, I was awarded your Outstanding Service medal! Thank you sincerely for this honor.

Our Leslie Woodriff made the September NALS *Quarterly Bulletin* along with photos from the NALS show itself. Was I surprised and pleased!

Pam Hardy has put together a full-featured Fall Bulb Sale for Saturday and Sunday, October 23 & 24.

Come Friday night (October 22) for the packing party, meeting, and potluck. Packing-party-only discount sales begin after the bulbs are packed and arranged. You'll want to be at the packing party! Some bulbs will be in short supply and likely will sell out early. Come work together informally, get to know each other, have some good food, buy bulbs, and sign up for a shift during the sale days.

Your lily knowledge and

enthusiasm stimulates sales and signs up new members. Let's get some new members.

At our October 22 meeting, we will firm up plans for the educational meeting early next year. Currently, we are considering two sessions on the topic “How Lilies and Lily Photographs Are Judged.”

Founding member and past president Harold (Hal) Schrei passed away August 11. Our deepest sympathy to his wife, Dorothy, and sons, Bob and Dick.

See you at the packing party, October 22.

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Don's Patch of Woodriffs

In response to all those MARLS members asking where he grew his show-stopping stem of 'Leslie Woodriff,' Don Kelley provides the photo above of his garden. There are five or six more Woodriffs down the hill. The others to the right are 'Silk Road.' Note: The hillside site could be a clue to his success.

Don had 22 inches of stem left. The stem he brought in was six feet. So, the entire lily grew to nearly eight feet



Three Asiatics Win MARLS Award at National

David Maltby, Harley, Ontario, Canada, won the Mid America Lily Society Award at the 2010 North American Lily Society's (NALS) show. He won with 'Summer Tan,' 'Pink Giant,' and 'Morden Butterfly,' a collection of three Asiatic hybrid lilies with different orientations.

Photos by Don Kelley.

Hal Schrei 1918-2010

Our friend Hal Schrei died on August 11. He was 94. Hal was a charter member of MARLS, who served as president, board member, official photographer, and lily show chairman.

He was also active in NALS, as a board member and an accredited lily show judge. MARLS honored him with the NALS Regional Service Medal. Hal leaves his wife, Dorothy, and two sons, Bob and Dick.

"Hal will be missed by family and friends. I know I will miss him. Thank you Dorothy for sharing him with us!" Linda Smith says, speaking for all MARLS members who knew Hal.

Memories of Hal

Hal did a huge amount of work for our local society, but he'll be remembered most for the person that he was. Following three members who knew and loved Hal share their memories.

Hal and his wife, Dorothy, were a most valuable team for our society. Dorothy was our first treasurer. She handled the dollars for some eight years, along with the extra duties involved with the MARLS-sponsored NALS show here.

--Fred Winterowd

I believe Hal Schrei was one of the finest gentlemen I have ever known. I am sure Dorothy always felt like a lady as Hal's wife because of the respect he had for women. He was always there to hold the door and stand when a woman entered the room.

I felt at ease sharing with Hal my thoughts about our local society and the national society. He always was interested. He and Dorothy are very special in my heart and always will be.

--Linda Smith

I first met Hal and Dorothy at the original organizational meeting and have enjoyed their friendship through the years.

Hal always had a friendly smile and "hello" for all the members, and passed on his knowledge of how to grow beautiful lilies, which he did very successfully.

Hal's other hobby was making beautiful stained glass items. I feel very fortunate to have one of his stained glass lilies. I'll treasure it always, as I do the years I was privileged to know Hal and call him a friend. He will be missed.

--Carol Appelbaum

Lily Show Horticulture Winners



The entry to the Orthwein Hall featured a lovely floral design created by Fred Winterowd and friends for the 2010 Annual Lily Show. It was favored by photographers.



Don Kelley's 'Leslie Woodriff' was awarded the St. Johns Bank & Trust Co. Award for Best in Show.



Pat Kelley's 'Robina' (left) and Carol Bales Mahoney's 'American Hope' tied for Best Single Bloom.



Carol Appelbaum's 'Lime Frost,' Best Asiatic.



Fred Winterowd's 'Yelloween,' Best 3 stems of same cultivar and Bob Roos Memorial Award for best collection of three stems.



Kim Peterson's 'Scheherazade,' Columbia-Platte Lilies Award.



Kim Peterson's 'Tigrinum,' won the Editor's Award, for best species lily.

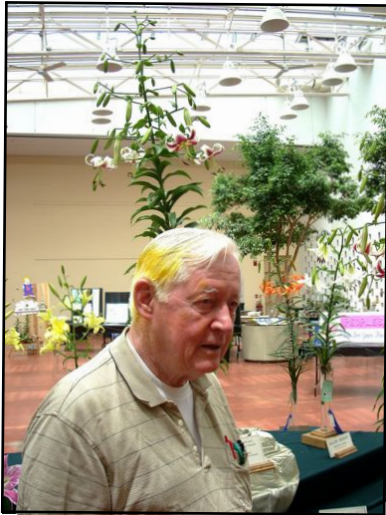
Show Notes: Bob Snider, show chairman, expresses appreciation to all who helped with the 2010 show.

MARLS also thanks Gloria LaBlance, who, with her husband Bernie, started and firmly established the popular People's Choice competition.



Carol Appelbaum's 'Serena Green' won the Ralph Bishop Memorial Award for Best Trumpet.

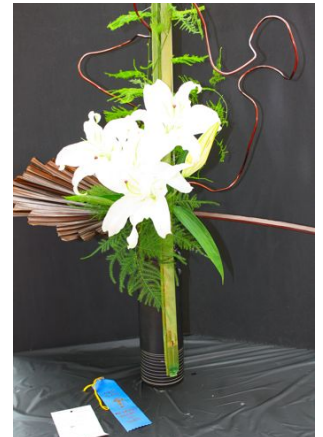
Design Winners



Top to bottom: Bob Snider's pink Asiatic won the People's Choice award; Don Kelley arrived with pollen-yellowed hair and a huge stem of 'Leslie Woodriff' that took the Thies Farm and Greenhouses Award for Best Orienpet, among other awards; and Fred Winterowd dominated the winners' table to collect the Jack Gagnon Memorial Sweepstakes Award.



Best in Show and Class V winner: Carol Appelbaum's "Soulard."
Below: Kim Peterson with her People's Choice winner, a design for "Soulard."



Right, top down: Class I, Yoshiko Mitchell's "The Loop;" Class II, Jean Winterowd's "Vintage Vinyl;" Class III, Kim Peterson's table design for "Something Exotic;" and Class IV, Ellen Mell's "Architectural Artifacts." Ellen also won Sweepstakes in the Design Division.



Photos by Lynn Slackman and Carol Bales Mahoney

News from the Board

By Mary Lou Snider

Minutes of June 25 Meeting

After members set up for the Lily Show, Don Kelley opened the meeting, with 14 members present. Mary Lou Snider read the minutes. Pam Hardy made a motion they be accepted as read. The minutes were approved.

It was decided to keep the storage shed we have now. One of our members from Indiana, Keith Brown, came with lilies for the Lily Show and helped with judging.

Pam is the bulb chairman for the fall sale. Several members had a short meeting with her to decide how many bulbs to order and the varieties. Because the sale is going to be in the Beaumont Room, we won't sell as many. So it was decided to order fewer bulbs. Kim Peterson will have some bulbs for the sale.

Pam had 50 bulbs from Zabo to give out. There is a form to evaluate the lilies. Lynn Slackman will put the form on the web.

Carol Mahoney gave a report on the newsletter. She cut the cost to \$139.70 for the June edition. This was accomplished by trimming members who did not pay their dues and by sending more newsletters by email. She mailed 33 copies and emailed 19.

This year's Mini Show will be held at Fred and Jean Winterowd's house on Saturday, July 17, at 11 a.m.

Minutes of July 17 Meeting

Fred Winterowd started the day off by showing members his garden, which has trees, bushes, and, of

course, beautiful lilies. After our tour we enjoyed a pot luck lunch.

Don Kelley opened the meeting, with 19 members present. The minutes were read and approved. Audrey Ringhausen reported a balance of \$9,011. We saved about \$60 on the rental of the storage shed with a 10% discount.

Bob Snider thanked everyone for help in making the Lily Show a success. Fred wants the evaluation forms for the Zabo lilies returned to him by October. 1.

It was decided not to advertise in the "Best of Missouri." Carol Bales Mahoney will write an article about the lily show and send it to *Gateway Gardener*. She will also send dates for upcoming events.

Linda Smith explained the North American Lily Society Regional Service Medal. And then Bob Snider presented the medal to Don Kelley. We think we really surprised him.

Fred talked about the judging school he will teach next year. New judges will have to be members of the NALS for three years. Members will purchase handbooks and be student judges for three years.

Don talked about the National Show, and working some of their ideas into our local show. Next year, the national will be in Ontario in July.

There was a discussion about the Lily Show next year--having it only one day or having it earlier. We will continue talking at the next meeting.

Fred and Kim Peterson gave out the awards for the Lily Show. Everyone went home with some kind of lily, thanks to Fred.

Minutes of September 11 Meeting

Fifteen members were present at the home of Don and Pat Kelley. The minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was accepted as read.

There was a discussion of our Tax Free status. Fred Winterowd will find the society's information, and Don will follow up on it.

Lynn Slackman gave a report on the web page. She suggested we pay for five years at one time to renew our dues. She will pay \$59.88, which is due September 20. The web site is busy, with 389 people making their first visit.

Pam Hardy talked about the bulb sale, asking members for input about which lilies to buy. There was a discussion about "pre-sales." We will continue getting information, and discuss it at future meetings. Chuck Robinson of The Garden Center Association of Greater Kansas City would like us to send a person who can give a good program about lilies. Of course, that would be Fred. Fred will check his schedule.

Kim Peterson said we have 50 households on our membership list. Annual dues are due January 1.

Carol Bales Mahoney gave her report on the *Lily Trumpet*. She sent our October Lily Bulb Sale information to *Gateway Gardener*. She is still taking articles about "My Favorite Lily." Include pictures, if possible. The newsletter copy deadline is September 20.

Lynn brought a sample paper purse as a promotional item. It was suggested that we use them to include membership information and bulbs for a \$10 membership. Bob Snider made a motion to make 20 for the bulb sale, which was approved.

Debra Pratt was a guest at our meeting to explain the possibility of having a photography contest at the 2011

Lily Show. We would add a Photo Section at our show next year. This proposal will be discussed further with the whole membership after the packing party on Friday, October 22. Debra will be there to answer any questions. She agreed to be the photo chairman for the first year.

Carol Appelbaum suggested we have a "Harold Schrei Memorial Award" for the Peoples' Choice photo.

Fred announced a judges class on Saturday, October 23, at 11 a.m. during the bulb sale.

After some discussion, Bob Snider made a motion to keep the Lily Show at two days. The motion was approved.

At the Educational Meeting, Don suggested Fred give an overview of how lilies are judged. The second part of the meeting will be on how lily photos are judged, as preparation for the possible introduction of a photo section at our 2011 Lily Show. Fred offered to find someone to talk about photo judging.

Bob Snider agreed to be chairperson for the 2011 Lily Show in June.

The next board meeting in January will be at Audrey Ringhausen's house. Date to be determined.



Evaluation Forms from Trial Gardens Returned to Vendor

Through the summer, MARLS members evaluated the performance of bulbs supplied by Zabo Plant. They completed an evaluation sheet on each variety by October 1. Some included photos. Above is a photo Carol Mahoney submitted of 'Glamour,' an oriental. She says it was her favorite.

Richard Barrie Strohman: The Lily King

By Linda Smith

A giant in the lily world died this summer. Barrie Strohman, who was called the Lily King, was born in a log cabin in Hallboro, Manitoba, Canada, in 1930. While attending the Agriculture Program at the University of Manitoba, he received the Governor General's Medal.

His mother, Mary, loved gardening and would identify the different native fruits and various wildflowers in bloom, including the native Prairie Lily. A close friend directed Barrie towards the genius *Lilium*.

For more than 30 years he collected lilies, a few at a time, until he had a large collection. He has hybridized, named and registered his lilies with the Royal Horticulture Society in England. Barrie's son, Nigel, has continued on with promising lilies to be registered.

The nursery where he and his family have done their beautiful work is called The Lily Nook. You can look at the nursery and their lilies on the web at www.lilynook.mb.ca. Many of our MARLS sale bulbs have come from The Lily Nook, including this year's sale.

Barrie won numerous awards and medals through the years. Just this year he was awarded the prestigious Slate McDaniels Award, which was presented to him by Dr. Wilbert Ronald.

Barrie was also president of the North American Lily Society (NALS) and the Manitoba Regional Lily Society. He was co-founder of the Neepawa Lily Festival. Barrie generously shared his knowledge of plant material and promoted lilies throughout North America and the world. This is why he was known and had the title of "The Lily King."

On a personal note, Barrie was one of the finest men I have ever met. When I was president, he always took time to encourage and give me words of wisdom. I appreciated his work and him as a man. When the North American Lily Society had its international show in Winnipeg, Barrie and Joyce, his wife, made sure we all got to visit their Lily Nook. Barrie will be truly missed by not only his family, but by the entire lily world.

Don Kelley: Medalist

Awarded the 2010 NALS Regional Service Medal



Our current president, Don Kelley, received the prestigious medal July 17 during MARLS' Awards Picnic and Mini Show. VP Bob Snider made the presentation to a surprised recipient.

Don has been a member of MARLS since 2003. He served as VP from March 2006 until March 2010, when he was elected president. He has proven to be an indispensable member of our regional society. Don is reliable,

dependable, and knowledgeable, and always ready to step in to help.

He and his wife, Pat, have opened their home for meetings. He has created outstanding educational exhibits for our shows, expanded our liaison with local garden clubs, provided IT support and videos, and been a main speaker. In his own words, he "does whatever anyone else doesn't want to do."

New Photo Section at Show

All MARLS members are invited to discuss the addition of a photo section to the annual Lily Show. The discussion will occur during the October 22 packing party meeting.

Member Debra Pratt presented a potential registration form and guidelines at the Board's September 11 meeting.

The Board voted to give consideration to the idea and put it to a vote on October 22.

The photo section would encourage members and the general public to submit photos of lilies for judging. The Show currently includes two sections: horticulture and design.

Many other regional lily societies as well as NALS have photo sections.

Debra will be available at the meeting to answer questions.

Calendar

Fall Bulb Sale
Oct. 23 & 24, 2010
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Beaumont Room,
MBG

Bulb Packing Party
October 22, 5:30 a.m.
MBG

Education Meeting
March 2011
MBG
Date and Topic to be Announced

Judges' School Starts

Members who've signed up for the NALS Judges' School, sponsored by MARLS, have received their books and study guides.

The official organizational meeting will be held October 16 at Fred and Jean Winterowd's home.

The class will meet again October 23, May 21, June 4, and during the lily show. Students will learn the basic botany of the genus, *Lilium*, and how to judge the quality of a stem. After passing a test, they'll become student judges.

Fred Winterowd is the lead instructor, assisted by other accredited MARLS judges.

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