



# Lily Trumpet

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## Spring Educational Meeting

Saturday, March 3, 2007 • 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Missouri Botanical Garden~Beaumont Room

### “Backyard Lily Hybridizing, Against All Odds”

A presentation by Dr. Arthur Evans from Gravette, Arkansas, a nationally honored, award-winning lily hybridizer

*“How stubbornness becomes a virtue when dealing with daunting garden problems. Garden catalogs imply that excellence is easy. It is not. You start by becoming the apex predator in your garden. Then you manipulate the soil, light, and moisture to suit the needs of the plants you love best. Only if you substantially succeed with those basics can you hope to stand on the shoulders of giants long past and start to make a significant contribution of your own. My successes have been mixed with disasters because even though I have known some giants in the lily world, each season brings new challenges to learn from my failures.” . . . Arthur Evans*

Dr. Evans is an admitted “liliholic,” so much so that he creates his own lilies as a hybridizer and constantly works to improve them. When he shows his latest garden lilies, you are truly seeing ‘new and improved’ hybrids. It should be a very interesting, informative presentation as he shares his knowledge, experiences, and expertise with us.

Dr. Evans works with the North American Lily Society (NALS) and his home regional lily society, the Ozark Regional, based near Springfield, MO. He serves as a show judge, chairman of the NALS judges’ accreditation committee and member of its research trust fund committee, and as a speaker to garden groups. He received the Slate-McDaniels Medal in recognition of his work on behalf of NALS and the public’s appreciation of lilies.

There will be a short general meeting before the program, and after Dr. Evan’s presentation, attendees may plant a lily bulb in a pot ready to take home, to grow and bloom this spring.

Meeting is open to the public, and we encourage our members to publicize this event. We have included a flyer with this newsletter which can be copied and distributed to interested friends, garden club members, etc.

All members are also invited to join Dr. Evans for dinner at Tuckers Restaurant following the meeting, Dutch treat. Reservations to **Don Kelley**, 314-921-5246, or **Fred Winterowd**, 314-423-5313.

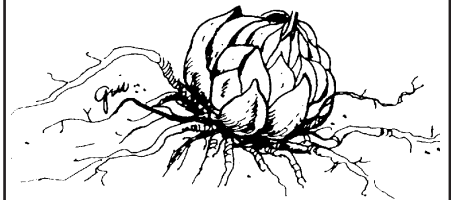
## Spring Lily Bulb Sale

Missouri Botanical Garden  
Beaumont Room

Saturday and Sunday  
April 14-15, 2007

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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## *Minutes of Board Meeting – January 20, 2007 . . . Jean Winterowd*

Meeting, held at the home of **Don and Pat Kelley**, was opened by President Fred at 10:00 am. Present were **Carol Appelbaum, Marlene Belew, Diane Engelsdorfer, Pam Hardy, Don Kelley, Carol Mahoney, Kim Peterson, Audrey Ringhausen, Jean and Fred Winterowd**. We missed Pat as she was caring for her mother in California. From the deck, even on a winter day, we could see the beauty of their garden.

Minutes of the October 27, 2006 meeting were read and approved.

**Treasurer's Report** – Audrey reported a balance of \$9,476.99. The fall bulb sale netted \$1,182.99. Diane sold an additional \$195.00 in bulbs, which she gave to Audrey at the meeting, adding to the totals. Ways were discussed to find a truer account of the sale, considering gift certificates, etc.

**Missouri Botanical Garden dates for 2007**—Carol reported the dates as follows:

March 3 - Educational Meeting, Beaumont Room  
April 13-15 Spring Bulb Sale, Beaumont Room  
June 15-17 Annual Lily Show, Orthwein Floral Display Hall  
October 19-21 Fall Bulb Sale, Orthwein Floral Display Hall

**Membership** – Kim reported that members who had not paid their 2006 dues were dropped from the membership roster, but their names will be kept for special events mailing. Membership dues for 2007 are currently due, only 25 have paid. We gained eight new members at the fall bulb sale.

**Spring Bulb Sale** – Diane, Pam and Kim will order bulbs for sale. A suggestion was made to make a list of names and addresses on checks received to notify of future sales.

**March Educational Meeting** – Don has been in touch with our speaker, **Dr. Art Evans**. He (Don) will provide the A/V equipment needed, and also host him at his home. It was decided to have the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with the general meeting first, Dr. Evans second, and third, lily bulbs will be provided to each in attendance to plant in pots. Fred will obtain materials for the planting. All members are invited to go to dinner with Dr. Evans at Tuckers Restaurant after the meeting—Dutch treat. Reservations to Don or Fred.

**Scholarship** – Diane reported we have no applicant for the Meremac Scholarship, deadline is February 15. Diane will be meeting with **Paul Roberts**, head of Horticulture Department at Meremac.

Budget items were discussed line by line. Pam made a motion that the 2007 budget not exceed \$7,500, seconded by Jean. Change of date of election of officers has been requested by NALS, to bring all regionals on the same schedule. This would require a change in our bylaws. Pam made a motion to abide by the NALS decision if/when they change the time of election. All approved.

MARLS will send a \$25.00 Memoriam Tribute to MBG in memory of member **Muriel Marks** who passed away January 11, 2007. June Show and discussion about 25th Anniversary Celebration tabled until March.

At the invitation of Fred, new member **Carol Bales Mahoney** attended our Board Meeting. She is a “writer” and she showed us two of the books she had written and several brochures she had developed for organizations. MARLS will be happy to have use of her talents in the *Trumpet* and elsewhere. Welcome aboard, Carol.

The Board enjoyed a very tasty brunch at the Kelley's and we thank Don for his hospitality.

## *In Memoriam*

Muriel Marks

We are sad to report that MARLS Member **Muriel Marks** passed away January 11, 2007. Long time member Muriel was a cheerful, helpful lady always willing to lend a hand. She enjoyed gardening and was thrilled when she won ribbons in the annual shows. She will be sadly missed.



Dr. E. Eugene Fox  
August 5, 1937 - January 14, 2007

The lily world lost a giant with the passing of **Gene Fox** on January 14. Gene was a devoted member of NALS, serving as a member of its Board of Directors, President, Publications Chairman, and Yearbook Editor. He was an expert lily breeder, a world authority on martagon lilies, and a dear friend to many. The Alberta Regional Society has posted a copy of his obituary on its website [www.arls-lilies.org](http://www.arls-lilies.org). We will miss you, Gene!

## *From Your President . . . Fred Winterowd*

### WELCOME TO . . . . 2007!

As we move toward Spring Planting time, may we be encouraged to:

- Develop new goals
- Design that special landscape setting
- Seek new features in the garden! New pathways!

To aid you in this process, may I offer you . . .

#### *Innovations to Ponder*

- Forget permanence. Everything seen is transient.
- Make decisions. Make things happen . . . . begin soon!
- Change your focus. With lilies . . . . think LA's, Orientpets
- Seek CREATIVITY! Consider your varied opportunities:  
Elements of Art: Sculptures, Stonework, Raised Beds.
- Know that gardening is fulfilling – Get Excited! Be Happy!
- Be enthusiastic as a member . . . “Bulb Sales’, . . . etc.!

#### *Our Educational Assets ---- to our Friends in Gardening:*

- Suggest the new “Cluster” plantings, i.e., planting 5, 7, 9, etc. in a single color – IMPACT!
- Feature the retailers’ impulse items – SELL COLOR!
- Sell PRICE . . . . . Lily bulbs are low-price plants.
- Go for INSTANT GARDENING! Bulbous pots, 4” annuals, perennials, and Patio Pixies!!!
- Landscape blending of our vast palette of plant materials: Lilies w/dwarf evergreens, small flowering trees, pixies, and low shrubs.

#### *This year pledge to plant a “Cutting Garden”! (Plant some lilies just for the Lily Show!)*

Let us remember to perceive our garden as a PROCESS, not as an end product. May we recognize that a garden is always evolving – like us!

.....‘Cheers’ to All! - Fred



## *Spring Bulb Sale . . . Diane Engelsdorfer*

Our Spring Bulb Sale will be held April 14-15, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day in the Beaumont Room at Missouri Botanical Garden.

The bulb packing party will be Friday, April 13, at 5:30 pm until all work is completed, also in the Beaumont Room. There will be a

short business meeting and ‘pot-luck’ refreshments. Drinks, plates and utensils will be furnished, but please bring a small dish to share.

The bulb sale coordinators will be ordering bulbs soon so please call **Diane**, 314-807-3529, **Kim Peterson**, 314-421-6272, or **Pam Hardy**, 314-869-7882, to let us know what

cultivars you would like us to order. We will do our best to find the exact cultivar or a similar one to grace your garden.

Remember those who help at the sale get a discount on purchases. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the packing party and during the sale weekend.

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## Mid America Regional Lily Society Membership Form

**Renewal Dues are payable  
for year 2007 at this time.**

**Annual Dues—\$10.00 per  
household**  *check enclosed*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Add email to membership list Yes  No

Receive newsletters by email Yes  No

Make checks payable to:  
**Mid America Regional Lily Society**

Mail to: Kim Peterson  
1705 Carroll St.  
St. Louis, MO 63104

or return at Educational  
Meeting—March 3, 2007

***Membership fees are now  
due for Mid-America  
Regional Lily Society.  
Please complete form  
and return. Thank you.***

Our membership year is the calendar year, January to December. Fees are due January 1st with a grace period until March 31st, at which time all dues should be paid. New members joining late in the year are extended membership until the end of the following year.

Remember the perks of being a member of our society, especially the upcoming 20% discount on bulbs at the spring bulb sale for members only!

## ***Welcome New Members . . . Kim Peterson***

These new members joined MARLS at the Fall bulb sale. We were pleased to talk with so many fine gardeners and to hear about and see (in photos) their fine gardens! I expect these new members to give us serious competition at upcoming shows:

Kay Dieckmann  
St. Louis, MO

Dennis Fitzgibbons  
Fenton, MO

Kelly Gallaher  
Belleville, IL

Ann & Ernie Henson  
Luka, IL

Leora & Ralph McTall  
Irvington, IL

Yoshiko Mitchell  
St. Louis, MO

Julie Olschansky  
St. Louis, MO

Daniele & Michael Schulz  
Park Hills, MO

Marti Warhorst  
St. Clair, MO

## ***NALS Membership***

The North American Lily Society (NALS) was organized in 1947 to promote interest in the genus *Lilium*. The society has active members from almost every state and province in North America, as well as from many countries around the world. NALS members enjoy:

- Four color *Quarterly Bulletins* and an annual hardbound Yearbook, covering culture, *lilium* species, growing from seed, propagation, and hybridization.
- A seed exchange, offering seed from *lilium* species and hybrids from around the world.
- An annual meeting and lily show, where you can see fabulous lilies, attend educational seminars, and meet like-minded lily enthusiasts.
- NALS also maintains a lending library for member use, funds *Lilium* research through its Research Trust, and conducts an annual lily popularity poll to identify varieties that perform well for members.
- The dues structure and additional benefits of membership are found on the Web site, [www.lilies.org](http://www.lilies.org).

## ***The Species Lily Preservation Group***

The Species Lily Preservation Group (SLPG) is the only group in the world entirely dedicated to species lilies. It is affiliated with NALS, but has separate Officers, Directors, membership, and dues structure.

Membership in the SLPG includes the semi-annual color bulletin, "The Species Lily", filled with information about species and growing them in the garden. Members are also able to order species bulbs from the SLPG fall bulb sale, including many rare species commercially unavailable. More information available at [www.lilies.org](http://www.lilies.org).

## *News Briefs, Notes, Etc.*

- All members are invited to join **Dr. Art Evans** for dinner at Tuckers Restaurant in Soulard, Saturday, March 3, after his presentation at the Spring Educational Meeting. Everyone will order and pay for his/her own meal. However, we do need an idea of how many will attend so please RSVP to **Don Kelley**, 314-921-5246, or **Fred Winterowd**, 314-423-5313.
- Annual membership dues of \$10.00 for individual or household are due now. Please complete membership form in this newsletter and mail to **Kim Peterson**, 1705 Carroll, St. Louis, MO 63104 (314-421-6272); or you may pay at the Educational Meeting.
- A tip from **Diane Engelsdorfer**—To mark where your lilies are planted, use plastic knives, and a China marker. She says the marker will not wear off, as do permanent pens, etc.; also good to mark above and below the ground in case some adventurous animal breaks the marker.
- Remember to call Diane, Kim or Pam with your requests for particular lily bulbs. See article in newsletter.
- There will not be another newsletter before the Spring Bulb Sale, April 14-15, 2007. However, a list of bulbs ordered and pictures of same should be on our web site before the sale; check it out [www.marls.org](http://www.marls.org). Members helping with the sale will receive a discount on bulbs purchased. Any ideas to publicize the sale are welcome—contact **Diane** or **Don Kelley**.
- Thanks to **Don Kelley**, Vice President and Program Chair, for the effort he has made to provide an interesting, fun, and educational Spring Meeting. Hope all members and many of the public attend.
- Articles for the newsletter are always welcome. We welcome **Carol Mahoney** who has volunteered to write and submit articles; we look forward to her input. Let us know what you would like to see in your Newsletter. Thanks again to **Sarah Hopcraft** for all the expertise she provides.

## *MARLS Proposed Budget 2007*

Newsletter	\$ 400.00
Bulbs (2 Sales)	4000.00
Sale Supplies	
Advertising	
Educational Meeting	700.00
Hospitality	100.00
NALS Regional Dues	50.00
NALS Trophy, (MARLS)	0
<i>(was not awarded last year - \$75.00)</i>	
Membership	50.00
MBG Donation	300.00
<i>(includes fees from Fred's lectures)</i>	
Annual Lily Show	450.00
Storage Rental	590.00
Annual State Registration	
Non-profit status	10.00
MBG Membership	300.00
Meremac College	
Scholarship	1000.00
Website	150.00
Misc. Printing, Postage, Supplies, etc.	50.00

## *Spring Care of Lilies*

Following is from Virginia Howie's *Let's Grow Lilies*. Even though we are in this deep freeze right now, Spring must surely come!

Leave the mulch on the lily beds as long as possible . . . but peek under now and then to see what's poking. Before the shoots get too long, the mulch must be raked off. Careful now . . . those shoots are brittle! If you break one, that means no bloom for the season on that lily!

Keep the mulch stacked close by . . . maybe in the paths. On frosty nights it is a good idea to cover the shoots; newspapers, cardboard boxes or baskets may be used for this purpose too.

Scratch in a generous helping of complete fertilizer in early spring after the shoots have emerged, with small supplementary feedings throughout the season. Keep fertilizer away from the bulb and leaves and water it in thoroughly.

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# *NALS Winter Board of Directors Meeting*

. . . *Maureen Janson, Director*

The North American Lily Society Winter Board of Directors Meeting was held January 19-20, 2007 in Phoenix, Arizona. In spite of the bad weather, snow and electrical outages across the country most of the Board/Officers were at the meetings. The president was unable to attend due to closed roads and no electricity at her home. Some members arrived later than expected due to the weather at the airports. But then two sisters who drove down from Canada had no problems. They must know what roads to take. I wonder what kind of connections they have?

The hotel was very accommodating. Due to the cold, rainy weather I didn't see anyone taking advantage of the outdoor swimming pool. Many members did take advantage of the situation and extended their stay for vacation, visiting relatives or seeing the sites in and around Phoenix.

For complete information on the Board meeting notes they will be in the March NALS *Quarterly Bulletin*. But I have listed a few here.

The NALS web site, [www.lilies.org](http://www.lilies.org) has been redesigned. **David Sims** has been doing a great job with this site. There are a lot more photos on the site now. The ability for users to pay via PayPal at the site has been well received. According to Treasurer **Ede Strand**, the total amount of PayPal purchases (including seeds, publications and memberships) for 2006 (our first year of accepting PayPal) was \$11,771.82.

According to David, NALS will earn a 4% commission when someone orders books etc by going through the NALS web site. So, if there is a book at Amazon.com that someone wishes to purchase, go to the NALS

web site and find the Amazon.com link (which would be where the books are) and click on the link that takes you to Amazon.com.

**Stephanie Sims** the new Executive Secretary is doing a wonderful job. She has imported and updated all of the membership information. If you have had any problems with your membership in the past, Stephanie will gladly work with you and solve the problem.

The Publications Committee has found that there are extra NALS *Yearbooks* and *Quarterly Bulletins*. They will be offered to the NALS members and the Regional Societies at a discounted price. So, if anyone is interested visit the NALS web site or contact the MARLS Officers and let them know what books you would like.

All in all a lot was accomplished. It was really nice to meet everyone face to face and talk with them before and after the meetings. You really get to know everyone by being able to talk personally to them even over meals. I know I really enjoyed myself at the dinner Saturday evening. We were laughing so hard the table next to us asked us to keep it down.

I really do appreciate the fact that we have computers and the Internet. The jobs I have had: Newsletter Editor, Bulb Chair, Web Mistress and now NALS Seed Chair I would not have tackled without a computer. (Can't be a Web Mistress without a computer and Internet access!!) I guess I am old fashioned, but face to face contact enables you to meet and learn so much more about fellow lily enthusiasts. Everyone should try it, it works even with local lily societies. You only get out of it, what you put into it.

## *Calendar of Events*

Spring Educational Meeting  
March 3, 2007 - 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
MBG–Beaumont Room

Bulb Packaging Party  
April 13, 2007 - 5:30 p.m.  
MBG–Beaumont Room

Spring Bulb Sale  
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MBG, Beaumont Room

Annual Lily Show  
June 16-17, 2007  
MBG–Orthwein Hall

NALS Show and Convention  
July 11-15, 2007  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Summer Awards Luncheon  
Date and place to be determined

Fall Bulb Sale  
October 19-21, 2007  
MBG–Orthwein Hall

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