



Lily Trumpet

Mid America Regional Lily Society

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Spring Educational Meeting

Saturday, March 18, 2006

Society Meeting: 9:00 a.m.

Special Presentation and Auction: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Missouri Botanical Garden

Spink Pavilion

SPRING IN BLOOM

Spring Floral Designs by Pat Scace, AIFD

We are very fortunate to have **Pat Scace**, Exhibit Designer at Missouri Botanical Garden, give this presentation and have invited the public to attend. She will conduct a floral demonstration using spring products with lilies. One of her designs will be presented as an attendance prize and the remaining will be auctioned to the audience. Come prepared for the opportunity to go home with an exciting design!

There will be a short general meeting before the program at which time we will have election of officers. We will be electing a new President, Vice-President, and Secretary. Hopefully all members will be present. Entrance to the Garden is free on Saturday mornings. Included with this newsletter is a flyer publicizing this event. Please make copies and distribute it to your plant society and garden club friends and other interested parties.

Spring Bulb Sale—March 31, April 1-2, 2006

Our Spring Bulb Sale will be held at Missouri Botanical Garden in the Beaumont Room, located on the first floor of the Ridgeway Center to the right of the entrance.

We will meet to pack the lily bulbs on Friday, March 31 at 6:00 p.m. and have the usual good time! All those members who participate in the bulb packaging will be able to buy discounted bulbs. One of the advantages of helping is the opportunity to have first choice of bulbs after all the business is completed. We will have “pot-luck” refreshments. If you are able to, please bring a dish, snack or sweet to share. Drinks, plates, and utensils will be furnished. People are also needed to sign up for times on Saturday and Sunday to assist at the sale. Bulb sale times are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, April 1-2, or until all bulbs are sold.

This is our chief financial source and way of promoting lilies in our area. We need to sell many bulbs to help finance the scholarship we have established at Meramec Community College, and our other operating expenses. Please come, buy bulbs, and help support your Society! Also included with this newsletter is a flyer promoting the sale. Please make copies and distribute it in a grass roots effort to reach more people, and publicize this event!

New!

MARLS Web Site

www.marls.org

Check it out!

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Scholarship Awarded

The *Mid America Regional Lily Society Horticultural Scholarship* for the current semester has been awarded to **Sharon Ward**, a second year student at Meramec Community College. She will be given an honorary membership in MARLS and hopefully we will get a chance to meet her in the future and follow her progress.

Congratulations Sharon!

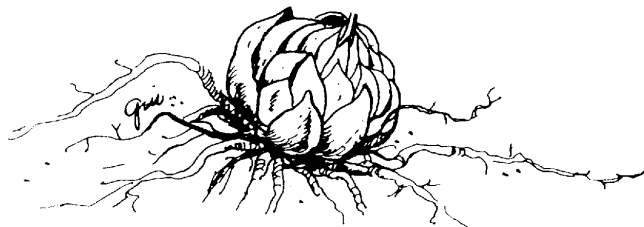
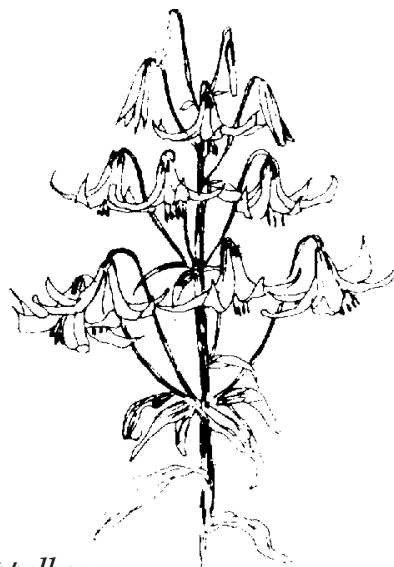
From the President . . . Carol Appelbaum

As I write this, the sun is shining and the temperature is inching up to 60+ degrees! Would really like to be out in the garden doing many of the chores necessary in early spring—maybe tomorrow! My current term as President is over and new officers will be elected at the March meeting. I have enjoyed working with all of you. The congeniality, helpfulness, willingness, ability and ease of working together, are all outstanding qualities of our society. I thank you all for that. I have agreed to again be Newsletter Editor, but would welcome anyone who would be interested in this position.

One of the main things we accomplished during the last two years is establishing the Horticultural Scholarship at Meramec Community College, and also the Lily Garden at that location. This will give us another prominent location for the public to view and enjoy the wonderful lilies. I would like to especially thank **Diane Engelsdorfer** and **Fred Winterowd** for their efforts in this endeavor. We continue to have a strong presence at Missouri Botanical Garden with the beautiful plantings of lilies in the Bulb Gardens and hope to continue to support that effort. I feel we are accomplishing our main goals—education, sharing, and promoting the culture of *Lilium*.

Another recent development is the establishment of the MARLS Web Site, www.marls.org. **Maureen Janson**, webmistress, has been working furiously on this—it's great—check it out! Thank you Maureen!

We will have an outstanding program at our Educational Meeting. Everyone is encouraged to attend and enjoy the presentation by **Pat Scace**, a prominent and very talented floral designer. Our annual Spring Bulb Sale will be held April 1-2, and again we encourage everyone to participate. We need workers to help package the bulbs and man the sales tables, but especially members to spread the word about the great lily bulbs that will be available. Remember, members can purchase bulbs at a discounted price and also have first choice of the bulbs available at the packaging party on Friday evening. Hope to see you all at both of these events!



Welcome New Members . . .

We would like to welcome the following new members to our Society:

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Welcome to the *Mid America Regional Lily Society*. Plan to attend the Educational Meeting on March 18, and also come to the Spring Bulb Sale to get a good start on your lily gardening.

Minutes of Board Meeting – January 14, 2006 . . . Jean Winterowd

Meeting, held at home of **Fred and Jean Winterowd**, was opened by President Carol Appelbaum at 9:30 am. Present were Carol, Marlene Belew, Diane Engelsdorfer, Maureen Janson, Don Kelley, Kim Peterson, Audrey Ringhausen, Hal and Dorothy Schrei, Fred and Jean Winterowd.

Minutes of last board meeting were read and approved. Treasurer Audrey reported a balance of \$6563.16, plus a \$2528.48 CD, for a total of \$9091.64. Total proposed budget of \$7175 was approved for 2006.

Fall Bulb Sale netted a profit of \$795.00, total bulbs sold were 652, approximately 165 not sold are being held in cooler at Winterowd Florist for the Spring Sale. We were in the Beaumont Room, not upstairs, so sales were less. Saturday was the best day; the large Columbia Platte bulbs sold well.

Membership Chairperson **Kim Peterson** will send a renewal notice to members, as annual membership fees are due.

Scholarship Chairperson **Diane Engelsdorfer** read applications for the scholarship being offered at Meramec Community College. Fred and Diane will decide the winner after the February 15th deadline. The bulbs donated to Meramec Horticulture Dept. were potted and stored in cold frames to be planted in the Spring as beds are readied.

NALS Winter Meeting, January 20-21, 2006. **Linda Smith** is taking reservations for Saturday dinner. We will put a lily bud vase in each room, fifteen are reserved at this time, and a bouquet in the hospitality room. Diane, Jean and Carol made arrangements for refreshments for the hospitality room.

Educational Meeting “Spring in Bloom” Lily Designs by **Pat Scace**, March 18, Spink Pavilion, MBG. MARLS meeting at 9:00 a.m., design presentation 10:00 –11:30 a.m. Fred will be Master of Ceremonies and Auctioneer. One design will be an attendance prize, the rest will be auctioned. A total of \$400.00 was approved to include Pat’s fee and supplies. It was requested that garden club style of design be dominant. Publicity will be handled by **Don Kelley and Fred**. Refreshments by **Kim Peterson**, membership will have a table.

Spring Bulb Sale—March 31, April 1-2—Bulb co-chairpersons will be meeting soon. **Hal Schrei** suggested more OT’s as available.

Annual Lily Show—June 24-25, 2006. The Show Team was decided: Chairperson—Carol; Classification—Maureen; Judging—Linda Smith; Design—Ellen Mell; Awards—Fred, Dorothy and Diane; Clerks—Claudia Chopp; Orthwein Hall Liaison and Staging—Carol; Entry Design—Fred and Don Kelley; Education—Don; People’s Choice—Gloria LaBlance. Carol will correct errors in schedule. It was voted to change Sweepstakes Award to the winner being one with most blue ribbons, counting red ribbons only if a tie occurs.

The summer awards luncheon will be held at **Maureen Janson’s** home—date to be decided later.

Proposed by-law update—change “immediate past president” to “all past presidents” will act as members of the Executive Committee. Also, indicate the quorum to be “simple majority”.

Website: Maureen researched a number of regional lily society websites and presented the results to the Board. (Good job, Maureen!) We selected the one used by Iowa Regional, Lycos/Tripop. Our website address will be www.marls.org.

The *Lily Trumpet* will come out in March. New officers—President, Vice-President and Secretary will be elected at the March 18 meeting. We do not have a candidate for Secretary at this time. Next Board Meeting will be May 6, 9:30 a.m, at **Kim Peterson’s** home. Meeting adjourned 12:45 p.m.

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

Please furnish your email address. We will not add it to the address list distributed to our members if you so request. In the interest of cutting printing and postage expenses, we are considering sending the newsletters by email to those who have internet service. Please indicate on membership renewal form if you agree to this.



Mid America Regional Lily Society Membership Form

**Renewal Dues are payable
for year 2006 at this time**

Enclosed is check for:

- \$5.00 (individual)
- \$7.50 (family)
- \$2.00 (student)

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 18, 2006

Donation to Missouri Botanical Garden

We recently sent a check to the Horticulture Department of Missouri Botanical Garden to help offset the cost of lily bulbs ordered for the Bulb Garden. MARLS had set aside the amount of \$300.00 for this purpose. We feel that the wonderful display of lilies at the Garden contributes greatly towards educating the public and promoting the culture of the beautiful true lily, *Lilium*. The lilies are enjoyed and appreciated by the thousands of visitors who view them each year. We also thank **Jason Delaney**, Senior Horticulturist, for promoting the planting of lilies.

Following is the thank you letter received:

On behalf of the Missouri Botanical Garden, I want to thank the *Mid America Regional Lily Society* for your donation. Your total contribution of \$300 will be used, as you specified, to offset the cost of lily bulbs recently ordered for the Bulb Gardens.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Please pass on my thanks to the other members of the *Mid America Regional Lily Society*.

Sincerely,

Jim Cocos
Vice President, Horticulture

Proposed Updates to By-Laws of Mid America Regional Lily Society

According to our by-laws any proposed change or amendment to the Constitution must be published in the Newsletter six weeks prior to the next meeting date. These changes will be voted on at the June meeting.

Section V. Executive Committee, Article 3, currently reads: The officers, immediate past president and standing committee chairpersons will act as the Executive Committee.

Change to read: The officers, all past presidents and standing committee chairpersons will act as the Executive Committee.

Section VI. Membership and Dues, Article 5, currently reads: Annual dues recommended are: Individual, \$---, Couple, \$---; Student \$---; Institutional, \$25, \$50, and \$100. There will be an Associate Membership status offered during the Annual Lily Show only. This will be for individuals for the cost of \$--.00, one will receive: etc., etc.

(We never put an associate status in place, and amount of dues was never listed.)

Change to read: Annual dues are recommended for individual, family, and student. Amounts to be decided by executive committee, and agreed to by affirmative vote of a simple majority of those members in attendance at next general meeting. (Eliminate institutional and associate membership.)



MARLS is on the Web!! . . . *Maureen Janson*

It all started with a lot of research. I was asked to look into the problems and cost of building a web site for the *Mid America Regional Lily Society*. Cost was a big factor.

I contacted a few people who professionally build web sites and the cost was prohibitive. I then emailed all of the webmasters/mistresses who have built the web sites for the other regional lily societies.

Almost all of the people I contacted replied with answers to my questions quite quickly. They all were very helpful with costs on different items, how they went about building a web site and what programs they used to make a web site.

After going through the great information and figuring costs (ranging from \$2,000 at the high end to \$100 + –at the low end) the MARLS officers decided to go with the lower end. Since no one (in our society) knows the exacting web language, it was decided to go with Tripod/Lycos which has a very reasonable price and offers web templates. Now, anyone who uses templates knows that they do make a job easier and generally quicker, but if you want a good looking site it still takes time.

I volunteered to build the MARLS site using Tripod/Lycos, which was used by webmaster **Ron Reed** to construct the *Iowa Regional* site. A big "thank you" to him for telling us about this site and answering many questions very quickly.

David Sims, the NALS webmaster, advised me to request the domain name quickly even if the web site is not ready. Fortunately no one else had the domain name www.marls.org so that is our web site name.

The next step was deciding what template of the many choices to use. Tripod/Lycos is great in giving you ideas of where headings, text, photos, page links etc should go. What takes a lot of time is writing the articles and adjusting the photos. MARLS web site

is only allowed so much space. So each photo must be reduced in size keeping in mind that they also should not be too small. This also allows a page to be seen quicker and doesn't keep anyone waiting. Most people still have dial up access which is much slower than DSL or cable access.

Don Kelley and **Fred Winterowd** were a big help supplying me with articles. "Thank You, Fred and Don!" This definitely cuts down on my time and I can put the information up on the web site much faster. Also a big "thank you" to Carol for the information on the Calendar of Events.

About the MARLS web site itself:

One thing I want to make clear. Any and all photos used on the web site are used with permission of the owners. They are copyrighted © and can not be used without permission from the photographer. Following are descriptions of the pages that can be seen on the web site right now.

Home–the first page a visitor sees when he/she goes to the MARLS web site. This page also has several photos from the 2005 MARLS Lily Show.

Our Purpose–information supplied by **Don Kelley**.

History–the first article was supplied by **Fred Winterowd** and the second was taken from the report written by **Dorothy Schaefer** in the 1983 *Quarterly Bulletin* of the North American Lily Society.

Educational–Information regarding the upcoming Educational Meeting featuring a program by **Pat Scace**, AIFD.

Becoming a Member–who to contact and current membership prices

2006 Calendar of Events–all the MARLS events for 2006

Lily Bulb Sale–Information about the April Bulb Sale

2005 Show Winners–a list of all the Horticultural and Design winners with some photos

Contact Us–address, phone number and email address of the current President and the webmistress's web address. We want to make it as easy as possible for visitors to contact us. The sooner a prospective lily member receives a reply the more likely this person will either join our society or attend one of our events. I also added the name and address of the Scholarship Committee Chairperson, **Diane Engelsdorfer**.

Photos–The photos page is still under construction. Pictures must be scaled down as we only have 25MB of space on the web site. If anyone would like to have their photos added to the web site, please let me know. My contact information is at the end of this article.

Links–many links including NALS, Missouri Botanical Gardens and the other American and Canadian lily societies, some lily nurseries, etc.

There will be new pages added: What's A Lily?–here I hope to have a drawing of a daylily and a true lily. Plus some information from the great book *Let's Grow Lilies*.

2006 MARLS Lily Show Winners–who won in the Horticultural Division and the Design Division and more photos.

Any and all information will be updated regularly. So be sure to visit often and tell your friends about the site.

I can be reached by email: herblady_63090@yahoo.com, phone: (636) 239-2766. I am always open to new ideas, suggestions and especially lily photos and articles relating to lilies.

Please tell all of your friends about our web site. This can be especially easy to do with email. The more people that visit the site, the better chance we have of spreading the word about our main objective, growing "LILIES".

North American Lily Society Winter Meeting – January 20-21, 2006 – St. Louis, Missouri

Following are comments by MARLS member **Maureen Janson**, who is currently serving on the Board of Directors of NALS.

This was the second Board of Directors meeting I have attended. The first was in Manitoba, Canada during the 2005 International Lily Show. I found that both meetings were interesting but that I was able to concentrate more on the meeting in St. Louis without the distraction of the lovely lily show.

The Embassy Suites Hotel was a great selection. The suites were very nice with a reasonable price, including a great cooked to order breakfast and a welcome happy hour each evening. Everyone I talked to was having a nice time. They really appreciated the lovely lily arrangements in their rooms. There were also lily arrangements in the hospitality room and at the tables for the Saturday dinner.

The NALS Board of Directors meeting itself was very interesting. There were over 30+ committee reports to be covered. The President, our own **Linda Smith**, did not let the meeting get bogged down. All of the committee chairs were very prepared. There were many handouts covering most of the reports on the agenda. Minutes of the meeting will be published in the March *Quarterly Bulletin*.

According to **Warren Summers**:

“I really enjoyed myself at the Board meeting. The flights, airport, hotel staff, flowers, free happy hour and roomy room were all great. The highlight of the trip was the hospitality and participation of the St. Louis group and getting together with all my NALS lily friends again. Please thank your group for me personally for planning a wonderful meeting and weekend.”

Thanks also to **Carol Appelbaum** and **Fred** and **Jean Winterowd** for all the work they did to make everything run so smoothly.

I particularly want to mention the great work accomplished by Board member **David Sims** and his wife. They converted the first fifty volumes of the *North American Lily Society* Yearbooks to DVD, at a very high quality. This means that if your computer has a DVD drive you can read all fifty Yearbooks, or at least have it as a valuable resource! I hope to include the information on the MARLS web site very soon.

Following are other notes we have received:

Dear Members of Mid America Regional Lily Society,

I am writing to tell you how much I and everyone else enjoyed our winter meeting, because of the efforts of MARLS. There were many compliments of how nice everything was, especially the hospitality room. The refreshments were most appreciated by those who had foodless flights. Everyone seemed to love the special touches. There were many praises for the beautiful lily arrangements in the guest rooms.

I wanted to thank you personally for being there! I cannot say enough nice things about my special group of friends. I appreciated the support at the meetings, and at the dinner. Thank you for the wonderful lily arrangement, we enjoyed it for almost two weeks! Thanks Fred!

You people are the best! I am very proud to be associated with you through MARLS, NALS and just plain friendship. Thanks again for all your hard work.

Most sincerely,

Linda K. Smith
President
North American Lily Society

Dear Jack and Carol,

Thanks once again for the hospitality extended to myself and NALS members at the recent NALS Winter Meeting. It was really very kind of you and your members to see to our comfort. Please thank Fred and Jean for the arrangements of lilies—that little coloured light certainly made us look! We look forward in the future to welcoming you to our home.

Sincerely,

Dolores Nelson

We are including a membership form for the *North American Lily Society*. Your new member's package includes a copy of the *Lily Disease Handbook*, membership list, four *Quarterly Bulletins*, a hard covered Yearbook, access to the NALS Library, and low cost seed exchange. The *Quarterly Bulletins* alone provide valuable information for the lily enthusiast.

The *North American Lily Society* Annual Show and Meeting this year will be hosted by the *Wisconsin Regional Lily Society* and will be held in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, July 12-16, 2006. It is a fun, informative event, with interesting speakers and wonderful tours to see lilies in bloom at public and private gardens, and, of course, the Lily Show itself with many varieties of lilies from all over the country.

**The NORTH AMERICAN LILY SOCIETY, Inc.
Membership Application/Renewal Form**

Please enroll me as a member of the North American Lily Society, Inc. for the calendar year/s 20_____. Membership term is from Jan.1 to Dec. 31.

Check desired class and duration of membership

	Class	Duration	US Dollars	Canadian Dollars	Overseas (U.S. Dollars)
	Junior (to age 18)	One year	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$25.00
	Individual	One year	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$35.00
	Individual	Three years	\$55.00	\$70.00	\$100.00
	Sustaining	One year	\$100.00	\$120.00	\$100.00
	Sustaining	Three years	\$250.00	\$300.00	\$250.00
	Individual	Life Membership	\$350.00	\$450.00	\$350.00
	Household	Life Membership	\$500.00	\$600.00	\$500.00
	Fellow	Life Membership	\$500.00	\$600.00	\$500.00
	Patron	Life Membership	\$1,000.00	\$1200.00	\$1,000.00

Please print your name, address, and contact information, and indicate whether we may include the information in our membership directory		Yes	No
Name(s)			
Street or P.O. Box			
City, State, Code			
Country			
Phone (optional)			
e-mail (optional)			
Is your garden open to other members on request?			

Indicate Method of Payment, and for credit card payment provide Number, Expiration date, and Signature		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enclosed is my check or money order (U.S. funds) Payable to The North American Lily Society	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Or By credit card. Signature:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	VISA #	Exp.(mm/yy)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Master Card #	Exp.(mm/yy)

Mail New and Renewal Memberships to:	
North American Lily Society c/o Executive Secretary Robert Gilman P.O. Box 272 Owatonna, MN 55060 USA	Canadians:(cheques or money orders only) Please send new or renewal NALS membership form and dues to: Dolores Nelson 3830 20 th Avenue Regina, SK S4S 0P4

Annual Lily Show – June 24-25, 2006

At the January Board Meeting the Show Team was established. Help is always needed by the various committee heads. Please volunteer your talents. We have also published the Design Schedule for those of you who would like to be thinking about what design to enter. It is a big part of the total effect and a fun division to enter. Also, keep your eye on those lilies as they start emerging and take good care of them so you will have beautiful award winning stems to enjoy and enter in the Horticulture Division. The show schedule will be included with the June Newsletter, along with tips about entering.

The Show Team

General Chairperson	Carol Appelbaum
Classification Chairperson	Maureen Janson
Judging Chairperson	Linda Smith
Design Division Chairperson	Ellen Mell
Awards	Fred Winterowd Dorothy Schrei Diane Engelsdorfer
Clerk Chairperson	Claudia Chopp
Orthwein Hall Liaison	Carol Appelbaum
Orthwein Hall Staging	Carol Appelbaum
Entry Lobby Staging	Fred Winterowd, Don Kelley
Education Exhibit	Don Kelley
People's Choice	Gloria LaBlance
Staging and Takedown	All MARLS Members



Web Site Ideas From Maureen . . .

Here are some thoughts if you would like to build your own web site. Put in a request for a Domain Name now. Ask questions from other web masters/mistresses, most are more than willing to share their experiences and give advice. Make sure you give yourself enough time to build a good web site. You want people to enjoy their visit, tell others about your site and come back often. Templates are fast, but I still have spent over 35+ hours building the MARLS web site. Also plan to keep the sites up-to-date. I know most society web builders are not being paid. So, whenever you visit a good web site, email that webmaster and let them know you appreciate their good work.

Design Division Schedule

Thanks to the creativity of **Ellen Mell**, following is the schedule written for the Design Division of our Annual Lily Show to be held in June. Please contact Ellen for further details, instructions, etc. if necessary. She will be happy to help with explanations and the guidelines as printed in the *Federated Garden Club Handbook*. There was a good explanation of “parallel design” in the September 2005 NALS *Quarterly Bulletin*.

Theme: “Dear Diary”

Dear Diary, Last week I met the most interesting man

Class I **At the Gallery**

- A design to include an art object as an accessory.

He called! We went to

Class II **The Symphony**—We heard wonderful selections by Cabrier, Bartok and Ravel.

- A parallel design (“a creative design in which three or more groupings are placed in a strong parallel manner”)

We have been seeing each other for some time.

Tonight we're going to

Class III **Dinner at Tony's**

- an elegant Exhibition Table Type I

He proposed! I, of course, accepted.

Our wedding will be held at

Class IV **Missouri Botanical Garden**

- a mass design

We will spend our honeymoon

Class V **Cruising the Mediterranean**

- an underwater design (“a creative design having a part or parts placed under water to create interest by magnification...”)

Designs will be staged in front of 32” high black backgrounds, which may be draped. Class V will be staged in front of 48” tall by 48” wide (triplex) colored backgrounds (color is designer's choice). Class V may be covered.

Lilies must be included in all designs. No Missouri Conservation material may be used. No artificial flowers, foliage, fruit or vegetables permitted. Fresh plant material may not be treated. Accessories are permitted.

To register an entry, contact **Ellen Mell**, 8250 Woodcliff, House Springs, MO 63051; (636) 285-0674.

News Briefs, Notes, Etc.

- Congratulations to **Sharon Ward**, our first scholarship recipient! Hope she enjoys her association with our society and all things “lily”!
- MARLS on the Web—www.marls.org—A big thank you to **Maureen Janson** for her enthusiasm and all she has done to make this a reality! See her article in this newsletter.
- Remember, annual membership fees are now due. Please complete the form and return to **Kim Peterson**, our Membership Chairperson. Also, please include your email address. If you have already paid your dues for this year, we would appreciate it if you would also complete the form and answer the questions about the email. Thank you.
- Visit the North American Lily Society website, www.lilies.org for everything you need to know about our favorite genus: Lilium.
- We will have a “potluck” at the upcoming Spring Bulb Sale. Remember to bring your favorite dish, snack or dessert to share. Drinks, plates, and utensils will be furnished. Thanks to **Diane Engelsdorfer**, **Kim Peterson** and **Pam Hardy** for all the planning, ordering, etc. they have been doing to make our bulb sale successful.
- All plant society sales at MBG this year will be in the Beaumont Room or similar location. Because of the Chihuly Glass Exhibition, Monsanto Hall is not available for this purpose. Since we will be “off the beaten path”, your help in publicizing the bulb sale is especially needed.
- We do not have a candidate for a new Secretary for MARLS. **Jean Winterowd** has held this position for the last five years. This would give the opportunity for one of our members to become more actively involved; would appreciate someone volunteering to become a candidate for this position!
- An enjoyable time was had by all at the NALS Winter Meeting held in St. Louis! See article in this newsletter.
- Make plans to attend “Spring in Bloom”, the presentation by **Pat Scace**, AIFD, on March 18th. Many thanks to **Don Kelley** for all he has done to publicize this event. We’re anxious to see the results of his efforts.
- Attended “Art in Bloom” at the Art Museum this past past weekend. MARLS members **Claudia Chopp**, **Joan Hicks**, **Madelyn Hucker**, and **Cecilia Lindemann** all had entries. Totally amazed at the creativity of all of the participants!
- Thank you to **Maureen**, **Don**, and **Diane** for submitting information for this newsletter. The next newsletter will be early June with mainly updated information about the Annual Show. Would welcome articles anyone would like to submit.
- Many thanks to **Sarah Hopcraft** for her assistance in doing the layout for this Newsletter! We had a respite when **Maureen Janson** took over as Editor for the last four issues. Thank you Maureen! Again, anyone who would like to volunteer for this position would be most welcome!

First Fifty Years of NALS Yearbooks on DVD!

NALS Board Member, webmaster, and exceptional lily hybridizer **David Sims**, along with his wife, have scanned the complete yearbooks onto a DVD. At the NALS Winter Meeting David showed samples of some printed copies to show the quality of the work. It was impressive! The Yearbooks are an invaluable reference source for all lily enthusiasts. The DVD will be available from him at a cost of \$59.00 plus \$6.00 shipping and handling. Fifty percent of the profits will be given to NALS!



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Calendar of Events

Spring Educational Meeting
and 'Spring in Bloom' presentation – March 18, 2006
Missouri Botanical Garden, Spink Pavilion
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Bulb Packaging Party
March 31, 2006 • 6:00 p.m. • MBG, Beaumont Room

Spring Bulb Sale
April 1-2, 2006 • 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Beaumont Room, MBG

Annual Lily Show
June 24-25, 2006 – Orthwein Hall, MBG

NALS Show and Convention
July 12-16, 2006 – Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Summer Awards Luncheon
Maureen and Mark Janson's home – date to be determined

Fall Bulb Sale
October 27-29, 2006 – Beaumont Room, MBG

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