



# S P I K E

Newsletter of the Ottawa Orchid Society

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## October 2011

This month's meeting...

**Sunday, October 16, 2011 @ 1:30 p.m.**  
**Tom Brown Arena, 141 Bayview, Ottawa**



This month's meeting speaker is Glen Decker of Piping Rock Orchids (Galway, New York). Glen will be speaking on *Phragmipedium kovachii* and the latest hybridizing done involving this remarkable new world orchid. Glen has a lot of hands-on experience with this orchid and he has produced some exceptional crosses along with other hybridizers. Prepare yourself to seeing some amazing orchid flowers. Drooling will be permitted only during the picture presentation portion of Glen's talk.

**Don't forget to bring your blooming orchids  
to our monthly show table.**

*The Ottawa Orchid Society meets every third Sunday of  
every month from September to May inclusive  
at 1:30 P.M. at the Tom Brown Arena, 141 Bayview, Ottawa.  
Guests are welcome.*

**MEMBERSHIP: \$25 from September 1 - August 31.**

## EDITOR'S NOTE

The September meeting with Fred Clark of Sunset Valley Orchids (Vista, California) was exceptional. Fred gave an excellent and exciting presentation on *Catasetums*, *Cycnoches* and *Mormodes* orchids with many growing tips on how to grow these beautiful orchids to their fullest potential. We were quite fortunate to be the first Society that Fred visited on this tour to Canada. Fred brought 500 exceptional orchid plants for sale and our members had first pick. The prices were great and there were many divisions of awarded plants or crosses created involving awarded parent plants. Look out for some stunning orchid flowers on our show table in the months and years ahead!



Above from left: Julie Mertens, OOS President, with Fred Clark of Sunset Valley Orchids (photo by Rick Sobkowicz); shot of the sale tables of the 500 orchid plants that Fred brought to sell on his speaking tour in Canada (photo by Rick Sobkowicz); Fred Clark giving his 1 hour and 20 minute presentation (photo by Arlene Lang) which was one of the finest talks given to date by a monthly speaker. Fred shared a lot of invaluable tips on how best to grow *Catasetums*, *Cycnoches* and *Mormodes* orchids.

Our sincerest thanks to Julie Mertens for arranging this presentation and to Roy and Stephanie John for looking after Fred during his time in Ottawa. Our thanks to Roy, André Couture and the other members who helped set up Fred's sale tables and pack everything up that remained. September was a fun meeting and an excellent start for 2011/2012.

**Apologies for Error:** It was reported in the September 2011 Spike that Fred is a Probationary Judge in the Pacific South Judging Region. In fact, Fred has been a long time American Orchid Society (AOS) judge.

### **PREORDERING WITH GLEN DECKER**

If you would like to place a preorder with Glen, visit his website at <http://www.pipingrockorchids.com> and place your order promptly with Glen if you want Glen to bring your order to the October meeting.



Above, from left: *Phragmipedium* Peruflora's Saltimbanco; *Phragmipedium* Fritz Schomburg 'Dark Knight'; *Phragmipedium* Haley Decker, which flowered for the first time in February 2007, with flowers ranging in natural spread from 4 inches (10.2 cm) to 5¼ inches (13.3 cm).

The ECOS Annual Orchid Show in Montreal is just a couple of weeks away. Joyce Medcalf will be erecting the Ottawa Orchid Society display. We hope we can count on your support with orchids for Joyce to take for the Society display. Read on further for details regarding what Joyce would like you to do if you have one or more plants for the OOS display.

See you at the October meeting.

*Rick Sobkowicz,*  
Spike Editor and Past President



## **MEMBERSHIP**

September is membership renewal time. The membership renewal cost is \$25.00. If making payment by cheque, please make your cheque payable to the Ottawa Orchid Society. If you were unable to come to the September meeting, please send your payment to

**Ottawa Orchid Society,  
c/o Marie Gauthier,  
13 Sandringham Court,  
Ottawa, ON K2J 2H9**

**Membership dues reminder - \$25 (Sept. 1 – August 31)**



## **OTTAWA ORCHID SOCIETY (OOS) DISPLAY AT ECOS SHOW IN MONTREAL**

Joyce Medcalf will be erecting an OOS display at the upcoming Eastern Canada Orchid Society (ECOS) orchid show to be held in Montreal, October 22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011.

Plants for the ECOS show should be dropped off either at the home of Rick Sobkowicz & Margaret Haydon or Janet Johns on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Here are their address particulars:

Rick Sobkowicz & Margaret Haydon,  
13 Sandringham Court,  
Nepean, ON K2J 2H9  
Tel. # 613-825-0827

Janet Johns,  
149 St Laurent Blvd.,  
Ottawa, ON K1K 2Y6  
Tel. # 613-749-0614

PLEASE CALL RICK OR MARGARET OR JANET TO ARRANGE SUITABLE TIME WHEN THEY WILL BE HOME TO DROP OFF YOUR PLANT(S).

We will return them to Rick's house later on Sunday evening.

If you have plants for the display, please do the following things:

- 1- Put your name on the pot (on the side or underneath the pot).
- 2- Put your name and list of plants INSIDE the box AND on the OUTSIDE of the box
- 3- Include the parentage of hybrids, if known.
- 4- Please ensure the name on the plant tag is spelled correctly
- 5- Pack plants carefully so they are protected from wobbling & from the elements during transport. Stake for transport and for best display, as appropriate.
- 6- Please, please no extraneous decorative pots! (We will not use them and do not want to lose them.)
- 7- Clean the foliage - use water or water with a little milk. Never use plant shine products
- 8- Remove any damaged/old flowers and leaves
- 9- Check well for bugs!

PLEASE, e-mail Joyce Medcalf, before Wednesday night, Oct 19, with the list of your plants (if you have email) even "possible" plants, so I can research them.

Thanks.  
Joyce



## **Conservation Notes – from Roy John**

The AOS has launched an appeal to fund a rehabilitation program for the Myrtle Head Savanna, a part of Green Swamp of North Carolina. Working with the Nature Conservancy, the AOS wants to conserve a critical habitat for native orchids.

The AOS reports that Matthew Hanson has been sentenced to 18 months probation, ordered to pay \$4,000 in restitution and has been ordered to pay a special assessment of \$10 for the illegal spraying of Western Prairie Fringed Orchids in the Sheyenne National Grasslands [Eastern North Dakota]



### **WAITING FOR PAYMENT FROM SOCIETY TREASURER?**

Please be advised that arrangements have been concluded with the Society's bank to start issuing OOS cheques by the new Society Treasurer, Janet Johns. If you are holding receipts or invoices for some expense incurred on the Society's behalf, Janet advises her "office" will be open at the October meeting for reimbursements to be made. Be sure you have your receipt or bill with you.

### **OOS Show Table for September 18, 2011**

<b>CLASS</b>	<b>PLACE</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>OWNER</b>
Cattleya Alliance judged by Joyce Medcalf	1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Brassavola nodosa</i>	Ernie Jurakosky
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Cattleya maxima</i>	Angèle Biljan
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Rhyncholaeliocattleya Aurora</i> (syn. <i>B/c</i> )	Angèle Biljan
Cypripedium Alliance Paphiopedilum judged by Joyce Medcalf	1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> Chiu Hua Dancer	Theresa Lafleur
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	** <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Robinianum ( <i>parishii</i> x <i>lowii</i> )	Angèle Biljan
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> Doll's Kobold	Helgi Fatovic
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> Norito Hasegawa	Helgi Fatovic
Phragmipedium Alliance judged by Joyce Medcalf	1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Phragmipedium</i> Sedenii	Terez Paksi
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Phragmipedium</i> Eric Young 'Apricosa'	Angèle Biljan
Oncidium Alliance judged by Joyce Medcalf	1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Oncidium hastilabium</i>	Angèle Biljan
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	** <i>Brassidium</i> Fangtastic Bob Henley (syn. <i>Odontobrassia</i> )	Angèle Biljan
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	** <i>Psychopsis krameriana</i> (syn. <i>Oncidium kramerianum</i> )	Angèle Biljan
Dendrobium Alliance judged by Joyce Medcalf	1 <sup>st</sup>	** <i>Dendrobium bigibbum</i> var. <i>compactum</i>	Janet Lang
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Dendrobium densiflorum</i>	Manfred Hey
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	** <i>Dendrobium bigibbum</i> var. <i>compactum</i>	Angèle Biljan
Phalaenopsis Alliance judged by Joyce Medcalf	1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> No Name hybrid	Angèle Biljan
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Corning's Violet	Angèle Biljan
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Doritaenopsis</i> Purple Martin	Angèle Biljan
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Phalaenopsis violacea</i> f. <i>coerulea</i>	Angèle Biljan
Vanda Alliance judged by Joyce Medcalf	1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Renanthera philippinensis</i>	Manfred Hey
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Neostylis</i> Lou Sneary	Angèle Biljan
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	** <i>Vanda</i> Sansai Blue	Angèle Biljan
Miscellaneous judged by Joyce Medcalf	1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Dendrochilum uncatum</i>	Theresa Lafleur
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Pescatoria wallisii</i> 'Hoosier'	Angèle Biljan
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Trichocentrum</i> Nathakhun	Manfred Hey
Pleurothallis Alliance judged by Joyce Medcalf	1 <sup>st</sup>	** <i>Stelis corniculata</i> (syn. <i>Pleurothallis barboselloides</i> )	Angèle Biljan
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Lepanthes telipogoniflora</i>	Marie Gauthier
Miniature judged by Joyce Medcalf	1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Haraella retrocalla</i>	Angèle Biljan
<b>Best in Show</b> judged by Joyce Medcalf		<b><i>Paphiopedilum</i> Chiu Hua Dancer</b>	<b>Theresa Lafleur</b>
<b>Member's Choice</b> judged by John Gaskill		<b><i>Phragmipedium</i> Sedenii</b>	<b>Terez Paksi</b>

All orchid plant names with \*\* have been either corrected or updated as shown above from the original information provided by the plant owner. Owners are requested to update or correct their plant name tags accordingly. Thanks to Jean Hollebone for organizing the September show table and judging, our judges, and Joyce Medcalf for the show table results and correcting/updating the plant name information. And now we present to you the wonderful photos taken by Arlene Lang of our beautiful September show table plants.



Above, from left: Joyce Medcalf providing her comments on the Best-in-Show Plant Winner being held by our show table coordinator and society vice-president, Jean Hollebhone; Theresa Lafleur with her Best-in-Show Plant winner *Paphiopedilum* Chiu Hua Dancer; and, John Gaskill commenting on his choice for the Member's Choice winner, *Phragmipedium* Sedenii, own and grown by Terez Paksi and held by Jean. Photos taken by Arlene Lang.



Above, from left: Close up of Best in Show Plant Winner, *Paphiopedilum* Chiu Hua Dancer, grown by Theresa Lafleur; Member's Choice winner, *Phragmipedium* Sedenii, along with a close up of one of the *Phragmipedium* Sedenii blooms, plant grown by Terez Paksi; *Haraella retrocalla*, Angèle Biljan. Photos taken by Arlene Lang.



Above, from left: *Dendrobium bigibbum* var. *compactum*, Janet Lang; *Paphiopedilum* Doll's Kobold, Helgi Fatovic; *Oncidium hastilabium* and with close up, Angèle Biljan; and, *Dendrobium densiflorum*, Manfred Hey. Photos taken by Arlene Lang.



From far left: Close up of *Dendrobium densiflorum*, Manfred Hey; *Renanthera philippinensis*, Manfred Hey; and, *Brassavola nodosa* - Ernie Jurakosky. Photos taken by Arlene Lang.



Above from left: *Dendrochilum uncatum* and with close up, Theresa Lafleur; *Vanda Sansai Blue*, Angèle Biljan; and, *Stelis corniculata* (syn. *Pleurothallis barboselloides*), Angèle Biljan. Photos taken by Arlene Lang.



Above from left: *Paphiopedilum Robinianum* (*parishii* x *lowii*), Angèle Biljan; *Trichocentrum Nathakhun*, Manfred Hey; *Paphiopedilum Norito Hasegawa*, Helgi Fatovic; and, *Phragmipedium Eric Young 'Apricosa'*, Angèle Biljan. Photos by Arlene Lang.



Above from left: *Rhyncholaeliocattleya Aurora* (syn. *Blc*), Angèle Biljan; *Pescatoria wallisii* 'Hoosier', Angèle Biljan; *Cattleya maxima*, Angèle Biljan; and, *Dendrobium bigibbum* var *compactum*, Angèle Biljan. Photos by Arlene Lang.



Above from left: *Phalaenopsis* No Name hybrid, Angèle Biljan; *Brassidium Fangtastic Bob Henley* (syn. *Odontobrassia*) and close up, Angèle Biljan; *Phalaenopsis* Corning's Violet, Angèle Biljan; and, *Psychopsis krameriana* (syn. *Oncidium kramerianum*), Angèle Biljan. Photos by Arlene Lang.



Above from left: *Lepanthes telipogoniflora* and with close up, Marie Gauthier, photos by Arlene Lang; *Phalaenopsis violacea f. coerulea*, Angèle Biljan; *Phragmipedium La Vivace Epicure Phyllis D. Turner*; photos taken by Rick Sobkowicz.



Above from left: Miscellaneous photos of folks around the show table: Angèle Biljan with her *Vanda Sansai Blue* along with a close up image of one of these Vanda blooms; Marcel Carrière in centre flanked by two slim ladies, Marlene Young and Jean Hollebhone; photos by Rick Sobkowicz; and, our latest Society photographer, Rick Sobkowicz, photographing plants on the September show table. This last photo taken by Arlene Lang.

### **A GREAT DIGITAL CAMERA by Rick Sobkowicz**

At one of our monthly meetings a few months ago, we had a number of workshops on various topics of interest to members. One of these workshops was a Photo Workshop led by Arlene Lang. Arlene has been taking pictures for many years. Many of her beautiful pictures have appeared in our monthly newsletters and may be found on our Society's web site. Arlene was asked what digital camera she would recommend that is easy to use, takes great pictures, can be used for taking close up images and is relatively affordable. Arlene recommended the **Panasonic ZS8 Lumix digital camera**. This camera comes with a Leica DC lens, 14.1 megapixels, 16x optical zoom and a 20x intelligence zoom. It takes pictures as well as high definition movies. It is set up with an intelligent auto feature which makes taking pictures an easy task where even a person like me can take pictures which I would not be ashamed to share with others (see photos above). When I bought this camera at Best Buy on Arlene's recommendation, this model of camera had just come on the market and was selling for ~\$320. Since then, the price has been dropping and the last time I enquired, the identical model camera was being offered for under \$280.00. I am certain that this model of camera will drop even further in price when the next model in this series comes on the market.

One of the great features of this camera is that depending on the setting for your pictures, you can take over 1,000 pictures using an 8GB memory card. Larger memory cards are available for even more photo storage. The camera comes with a disk which is easy to install on your computer and it is a simple matter to transfer photos from your camera to your computer where you can use many features to enhance your pictures. Picture looks too faded out because of too much light or perhaps there are too many shadows. Not a problem. You can make the adjustment to darken or lighten your digital images by just moving a point on a scale with your mouse and transform what you thought was a lost picture to something pretty nice. I could never have been able to do this with my old 35mm single reflex camera. The view screen on this Panasonic camera is pretty good (nice big view screen) and you can see instantly whether you have a "keeper" picture or you can immediately delete the unwanted image from the memory card.

I would recommend this camera to anyone who may be challenged by modern technology. If I can take the pictures you see in this newsletter, anyone can. Thank you, Arlene, for your advice. Your recommendation was excellent!

## Central Ontario Orchid Society (COOS) Show Results for Ottawa Orchid Society Exhibit

The Ottawa Orchid Society took down 14 plants through a tremendous storm over Toronto where the visibility was nil and won two Best In Class Awards and 10 ribbons! A great showing! It was a beautiful show with some very exceptional plants. Congratulations to all the winners and to the modest but superb mother-daughter orchid growing team of Terez Paksi and Theresa Lafleur who each won first place ribbons and Best in Class awards. Angèle Biljan, Helgi Fatovic and Ernie Jurakowsky won first place ribbons with their exceptional plants. It was Ernie's first competition away from home. The exhibit won a third place which is not bad considering we were competing against the very big displays of COOS, OSRBG and SOOS. Thank you to all the members who lent plants for the Society display. Thank you, Jean Hollebhone, for getting all the plants together and travelling to the COOS show and setting up the Ottawa exhibit.

Growers please talk to Joyce Medcalf if you have any blooming plants for the ECOS Show in mid October.

<b>Central Ontario Orchid Society (COOS) Show Results</b>		
Sept 21-23,2011 Cambridge, Ontario		
<b>Placing</b>	<b>Owned By</b>	<b>Plant's Name</b>
Best Paph. in Class & 1 <sup>st</sup>	Theresa Lafleur	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> Chiu Hua Dancer ( <i>gigantifolium</i> x <i>sanderianum</i> )
Best Phrag in Class & 1 <sup>st</sup>	Terez Paksi	<i>Phragmipedium</i> Sedenii
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ernie Jurakowsky	<i>Brassavola nodosa</i>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Angèle Biljan	<i>Den. bigibbum</i> var. <i>compactum</i>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Angèle Biljan	<i>Darwinara</i> Charm "Blue Star"
1 <sup>st</sup>	Theresa Lafleur	<i>Phragmipedium</i> Sorcerer's Apprentice ( <i>longifolium</i> x <i>sargentianum</i> )
1 <sup>st</sup>	Helgi Fatovic	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> Doll's Kobold ( <i>charlesworthii</i> x <i>henryanum</i> )
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Angèle Biljan	<i>Neostylis</i> Lou Sneary
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Angèle Biljan	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> Robinianum ( <i>parishii</i> V.Q. x <i>lowii</i> )
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ottawa Orchid Society	Orchid Societies Exhibits

Many of the OOS orchids which won ribbons at the COOS show appeared on our September Show Table. For pictures of these orchids, please see our September show table photos.



Above on left is the OOS display erected by Jean Hollebhone. The OOS exhibit won a 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbon. On the right is the Southern Ontario Orchid Society (SOOS) exhibit which won a rosette for Best Society Exhibit at the COOS show.

## 2011 UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 8-23 **Orchids: Mystery and Romance** – October 8th to 23rd, 2011 – Muttart Conservatory, Edmonton, Alberta. For more details on this event, including a description of activities to be held, see the Canadian Orchid Congress (COC) September 2011 newsletter to be found at <http://www.chebucto.ns.ca/recreation/orchidcongress/news/cocv234.pdf>

Oct 15-16 The **Foothills Orchid Society (FOS)** presents The Calgary Orchid Show ‘Orchids for Everyone’ at Triwood Community Centre, 2244 Chicoutimi Drive NW, Calgary, Alberta. Website: <http://www.orchidshow.ca>

Oct 22-23 **Eastern Canada Orchid Society (ECOS)** annual show at the Hotel Espresso and Conference Centre, 1005 rue Guy near the corner of Boulevard René-Lévesque, Montreal, Quebec. Web-site: <http://www.ecosorchids.ca>

### Sunday's Speaker Program

Speakers, times and topics are listed below.

Signup will take place on the mezzanine floor Saturday and Sunday. Space is limited.

Program:

10:30 am: “Vandas Hands On” by Lynne Guimond of Exotic Orchids Plus

12:00 noon “Miniature Orchids” by one of the ladies of J & L Orchids

1:00 pm “Potting Bare Root and Repotting” by Jay Norris of Ravenvision



Oct 28-30 **Orchid Society of the Royal Botanical Gardens (OSRBG) Orchid Show**, 680 Plains Rd., Burlington, Ontario. Website: <http://www.osrbg.ca>

Nov 5-6 **Fraser Valley Orchid Society (FVOS)**, Show & Plant Sale will be held at the George Preston Recreation Centre, 20699 42nd Avenue, Langley, BC. Web-site: <http://www.fraservalleyorchidsociety.ca>

Nov 12 The **Essex County Orchid Society (ECOS)** will be holding their second orchid show and sale at Colasanti's Tropical Gardens, 1550 Road 3 E, Ruthven, Ontario. There will be vendors, artistic design displays by vendors and members and also an art component. For more information, please email: Juliette St. Pierre at [canadel@cogeco.ca](mailto:canadel@cogeco.ca) or visit their web-site: <http://www.essexcountyorchidsociety.webs.com>

Nov 14-23 **20th WOC Singapore 2011** – “Where New and Old World Orchids Meet”, web-site: <http://www.20woc.com.sg/site/>



## 2012

Feb 11-12 **The Southern Ontario Orchid Society (SOOS)** Annual Orchid Show at the Toronto Botanical Garden, 777 Lawrence Avenue East, Toronto, Ontario. Web-site: <http://www.soos.ca>

Mar 17-18 **London Orchid Society**, 35th Annual Orchid Show & Sale, Mother Teresa Catholic Secondary School, 1065 Sunningdale Road East, London, Ontario, web-site: <http://los.lon.imag.net/>

Mar 24-25 **La Société des orchidophiles de Montréal** “Orchidexpo 2012”, CÉGEP de Maisonneuve 2700, av. Bourbonnière, Montréal, Québec

TBA Exposition des Orchidophiles du Saguenay-Lac-St-Jean, Hôtel Le Montagnais, bl. Talbot à Chicoutimi, Québec.

## 2012

- Apr 21-22 **Orchidophilia – Ottawa Orchid Society's 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Orchid Show and Sale**, Nepean Sportsplex, 1701 Woodroffe Ave., Ottawa, Ontario. Society website: <http://www.ottawaorchidsociety.com> Show Chairman: Dave Cooper, [orchidae@storm.ca](mailto:orchidae@storm.ca)
- Apr 28-29 Orchid Show of **Les Orchidophiles de Québec** to be held in the Pavillon de l'Environnement, at l' Université de Laval, 2480, boul. Hochelaga, Saint-Foy, Québec. Further details to be posted when made available.
- Sep11-16 19<sup>th</sup> Australian Orchid Council (AOC) Conference and Show, Perth, Western Australia. Nineteen world class orchid specialists are presently scheduled to be speakers at this event. For more information or to register, go to [http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/19th\\_AOC\\_Conference.htm](http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/19th_AOC_Conference.htm) . Earlybird Registrations must be received by 31st January 2012.



### **UPCOMING OSRBG ORCHID SHOW IN BURLINGTON, ONTARIO, OCT. 28-30<sup>TH</sup>**

Barbara Wysocka has volunteered to erect the exhibit for our Society at this show if she can get sufficient blooming orchids from OOS members. This show is immediately one week following the ECOS show in Montreal so we don't know what members may have to provide that may still be in good looking appearance after appearing on our October monthly show table and at the ECOS show. Barbara will be away in Europe from Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>. If you have plants for Barbara, you can contact Barbara by phone at 613-237-0494 on the evening of October 26<sup>th</sup> or during the day on Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> to advise her of what you have and make arrangements for dropping off the plant(s) at Barbara's home. Barbara's address is #2, 32 Thornton Avenue, Ottawa (Glebe area).

If Barbara is unable to get sufficient orchids for an OOS plant exhibit, we will plan to have an educational display as an alternate exhibit. We don't want to let our many friends down in the OSRBG by withdrawing from participation as they have been so supportive of our show with their own very large and beautiful orchid exhibits.

### **WE NEED A PLACE TO STORE SOCIETY'S LIBRARY**

Our society librarian has run into a storage problem with the Society's library where he is currently living. He is looking for a place where the Society's library holdings may be stored until further notice. For further information or to volunteer your services, please contact Evan Ouellette at 613-232-0986 or by e-mail at [evan.ouell@gmail.com](mailto:evan.ouell@gmail.com) .

### **HELP WITH MONTHLY MEETINGS**

Julie Mertens is looking for someone to help her at monthly meetings to make sure we have all the necessary equipment for our monthly speakers and our other activities. For further information or if you want to volunteer, please contact Julie direct at 613-858-5311, by e-mail at [julie\\_mertens@videotron.ca](mailto:julie_mertens@videotron.ca) .

### **PLEASE NOTE**

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS OF MATERIAL, NOTICES OR ANY OTHER INFORMATION OR PICTURE(S) FOR INCLUSION IN NOVEMBER SPIKE IS **NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>** .

