

# POTOMAC LILY SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a great annual show we had especially with the lack of blooms and exhibitors, it turned out to be a smash of a show. Some outstanding blooms and exceptional designs.

Next item is the fall picnic and bulb exchange and auction. All the directions and information are elsewhere in this newsletter. Don't forget to call Jack Roe and tell him what you plan to bring to the picnic table. This is the best part, sampling all the delights. See you at the Picnic.

Harlin

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visit: [www.potomaclilysociety.org](http://www.potomaclilysociety.org)  
to see photos of the show

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Fall Picnic and Bulb Exchange

### Next PLS Event

Fall Picnic – Oct. 19, 2008  
John Roe's Residence

Visit [www.potomaclilysociety.org](http://www.potomaclilysociety.org)

for past, present, and future PLS events  
and news.

## PLS 47th Annual Show

Our 47th Annual Show was held July 12 & 13 at Brookside Gardens, Wheaton, Maryland. The late date of the show lead to much speculation and anxiety as to the abundance of horticultural exhibits and availability of flowers for the design exhibits. Considering how late in the season the show was held, it was impressive to the showroom filled with blooms. This, coupled with the spectacular floral exhibits, resulted in an impressive show. Congratulations go out to not only the major award winners, but to all those who contributed to the show.

Our show, "JULY MADNESS" attracted a total of 58 horticultural entries from 15 exhibitors and 20 colorful and creative design entries from designers. There were seven "Best" awards and 19 horticultural blue ribbons awarded. A complete tabulation summary is available from John Roe upon request.

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### MAJOR AWARDS:

Best in Show & Best Interdivisional Hybrid	Scheherazade	Dave Willmore
Best Asiatic Hybrid	<i>Lancifolium</i> Tiger Lily	Mary Queitzsch
Best Oriental Hybrid	Medusa	Mary Queitzsch
Best Seedling in Sec. D	T. White Henryi x (Thunderbolt x T. Black Beauty)	Vicki Bowen
Best Novice	Unnamed	Marjorie Schiebel
Best Design Award	"Tall and Tropical"	Mary Ellen Alden

### OTHER BLUE RIBBON AWARDS:

#### Horticultural Exhibits:

##### Section A

Beauty's Baby	Russ Wagner
Black Beauty	David & Genie Diller
Indian Summer	David & Genie Diller
Leslie Woodriff	Rachel Hollis
Vern's Beauty	Dave Willmore
Unknown	Elaine Faucher
Lady Liberty	M. Casey/R. Wagner

##### Section I

Big Mac x Chevron B.	Marianne Casey
Black Dragon	John & Martina Lydon
L. Henryi Chevron x Golden Angels	Marianne Casey
Medusa	Tricia Kincheloe
Red Hot	Tricia Kincheloe
Scheherazade	John & Martina Lydon
Sdlg. White Henryi x Griesbach Sdlg.	Vicki Bowen

#### Design Exhibits:

Class 64 "Going in Circles"	Babs McClendon
Class 65 "Summer Frolic"	Catherine Hallmark
Class 66 "Tall and Tropical"	Mary Ellen Alden
Class 67 "Color Celebration"	Bonnie Mirmak
Class 68 "Oh What Fun"	Bonnie Mirmak

#### Ribbon totals all Horticultural & Design classes:

Blue	19	Red	17
Yellow	7	White	8
No Award	7	<b>Total</b>	<b>58</b>

**ANNUAL PICNIC AND BULB EXCHANGE  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2008**

At the home of John Roe  
5801 N 36<sup>th</sup> Street  
Arlington, Virginia 22207  
703 534-6569: [jroeboat@msn.com](mailto:jroeboat@msn.com)

Again this year our picnic and bulb exchange will be held at the home of our treasurer. The picnic will be a potluck buffet featuring those superb dishes produced by our members and friends. Please call John at (703) 534-6569 to let him know who is coming and what type of food you plan to bring – salad, main course, or desert. Beverages and place settings will be provided. The picnic will go on rain or shine as the Roe residence has a very large covered patio for the picnic and garage for the bulb exchange.

The success of the picnic and bulb exchange depends on the generosity of members in making their surplus bulbs and other plants available to the Society for sale or auction. Please bring all you can spare and plan to take home any number of good buys. We ask that you identify and price the items you bring. There should be some special bulbs available for auction and, as always, a number of left over bulbs from the bulb order that will be looking for a home. Volunteers to help with the sale are welcome. We ask that all those attending respect the timing of the sale and not attempt to arrive early to squirrel items away.

The schedule:	<b>Director's Meeting</b>	<b>12:30 p.m.</b>
	<b>Social Period</b>	<b>1:15 p.m.</b>
	<b>Picnic Buffet</b>	<b>1:45 p.m.</b>
	<b>Sale and Auction</b>	<b>2:30 p.m.</b>

To get to the picnic from Maryland, use Beltway exit 12 to the I-66 feeder. (A left exit.) Exit I-66 at the first Arlington exit (Exit 68) staying right onto Westmoreland Street. At the bottom of the ramp, go left on Westmoreland under I-66. At the first light, turn right onto Williamsburg Blvd. and follow past the traffic circle to John Marshall Drive. Go left on John Marshall two blocks to 36<sup>th</sup> Street and turn right. 5801 is the 2<sup>nd</sup> house on your left.

For those coming from Virginia, find Williamsburg Blvd. by any route and the John Marshall Drive. If you get lost or just want to confirm directions call (703) 534-6569.

When you arrive, you may place your plant donations in the garage and either give your buffet offering to someone at the kitchen door or bring it around back.

The PLS Bulb Order is a great time to pay your dues if you are in the last year of your membership payment. Just add \$4.00 to your order in the space provided on the form for membership payment. Check your mailing label for the last year that your dues are paid. Please note that Muriel Turner is now membership secretary and is in the process of updating all membership records. If you have any question as to your dues payments or membership status please contact Muriel at (703) 713-0138.

## **THE 2008 PLS FALL BULB ORDER**

Included with this Newsletter is the annual fall lily bulb group order. It is composed of bulbs we will obtain from MAK Lilies & Perennials, Inc. of Stayton, Oregon and Columbia-Platte Lilies of Vancouver, Washington. Overall, the list includes 20 Asiatic hybrid varieties, 5 trumpet/Aurelian hybrids, 4 Oriental hybrids, 15 Orienpets and one each of a Tiger Lily variety and an Asiapet. This should provide a spectrum wide enough to satisfy most members. Some varieties such as Leslie Woodriff, Silk Road and Scheherazade are available at a great price. We have also included recent show winners including the spectacular Oriental Medusa (2008) and Orienpet Robina (2007), to say nothing of Scheherazade which was the mainstay of our recent show. Tyger Tyger is a curiosity, but good, virus free Tiger lilies are hard to come by and are a good investment because of their longevity in the garden. At least one in each bag of 3 will be a double.

The total number of bulbs ordered has been reduced again in keeping with our demand experience in recent years. Accordingly, it will be wise to get your order in the mail as soon as possible to stake your claim. Orders are filled in the order received. **All orders must be received not later 22 September 2008.** Please note that John Roe is again in charge of the bulb order. He may be reached at (703) 534-6569 or by E-mail at [jroeboat@msn.com](mailto:jroeboat@msn.com) if you have questions concerning your order.

As you study the order, it is at once apparent that CP Lilies provides a good word picture of each cultivar on their list while MAK limits description to little more than color and orientation. Fortunately both growers are providing picture CD's which should contain all of the lilies on our order. These will be available on the Society's website – [www.potomaclilysociety.org](http://www.potomaclilysociety.org) by early September.

One of the major benefits of membership in the Society is the bulb order. We do our best to keep prices low and provide good variety. As with everything else, the price of bulbs is increasing and the cost of shipping is now a major factor in our price/profit calculations. We must move along the bulbs we order or the Society takes a hit. The little profit which does accrue from bulb sales provides the funds to cover our show each year, subsidize to some small extent the cost of the annual meeting, and to meet the administrative costs inherent in any organization. So, please take advantage of the bulb order and order as many bulbs as you can find room for. Bulbs do make great gifts and we encourage our members to invite their friends and neighbors to share in the order. You may also make a copy of the order for a friend and encourage him to send it along on his own just so long as he includes \$4.00 for dues. By doing so, he will pay for this year and 2009 membership.

PLEASE PLACE YOUR ORDER ON THE ENCLOSED FORM. Check your addition and keep a copy of what you order. If we turn up short or do not receive the variety ordered, John Roe will do his best to contact you and work out a substitute. We have requested delivery of the bulbs in time for the Picnic on 19 October. They usually come on the Wednesday or Thursday preceding which makes assembling the order a crunch. If you can help with the order please so indicate. Please also check the box for delivery. You may pick your bulbs up at the picnic or at the residence of John Roe, 5801 36<sup>th</sup> St N, Arlington (703)534-6569 in Virginia or from Vicki Bowen, 3 Carter Ct., Rockville (301) 424-8575 in Maryland. If neither of these spots is convenient, please so indicate on your order and we will attempt to work out some other scheme for delivery. You may pay your dues (\$4.00/yr) with the order or obtain a copy of Let's Grow Lilies (\$5.00).

**Bookmark the following web address in the event that you misplace your newsletter or need another copy of the bulb order documentation:**

[www.potomaclilysociety.org](http://www.potomaclilysociety.org)

## 2008 PLS GROUP ORDER – DESCRIPTION OF CULTIVARS OFFERED

KEY: CP = COLUMBIA-PLATTE, M = MAK LILIES

While connected to the internet, place cursor over cultivar names in [blue-underline](#) , hold down the Ctrl key and left-click your mouse to see a picture of the flower

### ASIATIC HYBRIDS:

#### YELLOW

**Sun Reaction** – (M). Upright yellow with spots. Dark stem and buds.

**Classic** – (CP). Nodding, spotless, deep lemon yellow flowers with bronze reverse. Graced with a bell-shaped form this vigorous hybrid returns taller and stronger every year. 4-5' mid June.

**Madras** – (CP) has an incredible candelabrum of perfectly spaced, solid brilliant yellow upfacing flowers. High bud count provides long season of bloom. 3-4' late June.

#### ORANGE

**Circus Crowd** – (M). Side facing orange.

#### RED

**Naomi** – (M). Side facing red.

**Red Velvet** – (CP) is a classic hybrid triploid with a long panicle of deepest velvety black-red flowers. Virtually indestructible with great color. NALS Hall of Fame. 3-5' late June.

#### WHITE

**Brushstroke** – (CP) is one of the most reliable lilies ever grown, gracing gardens for over 25 years. Tall stems bear large upfacing cream white flowers with elegant plum brushmarks. 4'.

**Lighthouse** – (M). Pure white upright.

**Nepal** – (M). White with burgundy spots.

**Sweet Surrender** – (CP) (Cocker) has large, perfectly recurved creamy white flowers, sprinkled at the throat with large, jaunty deep plum spots. Strong, vigorous and delightful. 3-5' late June.

#### PINK

**Bali Hai** – (CP) is a lovely medley of rose, peach, and mango – a subtly shading blend of colors from the tropics. Botrytis resistant and heat tolerant. Indestructible. 4' late June.

**Fantasy** – (M). Pink tips with yellow center.

**Maribelle** – (M). Outfacing, gently recurved rosy pink blooms. Each petal has a delicate peach star in the center. 4' June.

**Rosepoint Lace** – (CP) is a strain of large, recurved, pendant ivory to soft pink flowers, with the signature "rosepoint" pattern of spotting inherited from *Lilium lankongense*. Triploid. 4' mid June.

**Tiffany** – (M). Side facing pink with yellow highlights in center. New and nice.

**Ruby** – (M). Old fashioned upright pink.

#### BICOLOR

**Doeskin** – (CP) has many medium sized Turk's-cap flowers of spotless peach champagne, accented with cinnamon-red anthers. Vigorous. 3-4' early June.

**Dusty Dawn** – (M). Side facing orange/pink.

**Oklahoma** – (M). Not available for many years, it is a show stopper red/yellow blend.

**Tiger Babies** – (CP) have large, lightly fragrant, peach pastel flowers with a hint of pink, shading to deep peach throats. Embryo-cultured hybrid combines longevity of Tiger Lily with substance of trumpet lilies. Always popular and thrives most everywhere. 3-5' late June.

### TIGER LILY

**Tyger, Tyger** – (CP) is a cleaned-up-from-virus-by-tissue-culture double (we thought) Tiger Lily, originating from one bulblet of a spontaneous mutation – but when the new plants bloomed it was discovered that the mutation is actually a chimera, and half the bulbs have single flowers, with the other half truly double. Amazingly vigorous, a delightful combination and the LAST Asiatics to flower. 4' and taller, late June to mid August. **Sold in bags of 3 to include both forms.**

### TRUMPET AND AURELIAN HYBRIDS

**Copper Crown** – (CP) has long, bronze colored buds and beautiful coppery-apricot fragrant trumpets. 4-5' July.

[Golden Sceptre](#) – (CP) has deep golden yellow fragrant trumpets with bronze reverse. 4' July.

[Louis XIV](#) – (CP) is a regally tall lily with deep golden flowers that recurved into a true "sunburst" form, traceable to its *L. henryi* ancestry. 5'+ late July.

[Summer Palace](#) – (CP) A beautiful strain of fragrant pink lilies. 3-4' July.

[White Henryi](#) – (CP). The classic with white "sunburst" flowers with deep golden orange centers. This is a true clone of the over 50 year old favorite. 4-5' July. A must in every lily garden.

## ORIENTAL HYBRIDS

[Angelica](#) – (M). New introduction. White with gold band.

[Medusa](#) – (M). Hot pink with yellow center. "Best Oriental" winner in our 2008 show.

[Rio Negro](#) – (CP). Enormous flowers of deepest crimson with black-red midribs. Flowers have perfect form and beautifully ruffled margins. Best of the new dark Orientals. 3-4', early August.

[Stargazer](#) – (M). Among the best known lilies in the world. Upfacing crimson flowers with white edge. Good container plant. 3' August.

## ORIENTAL HYBRID LILIES

[Alchemy](#) – (CP) is a stunning orienpet with huge, wide-open flowers of deepest red rimmed with a wide margin of rich coppery gold. Fragrant. 4-5' July.

[Black Beauty](#) – (CP). This is the original clone, bred 50 years ago by Leslie Woodriff. This superlative garden plant produces a cascade of tightly recurved "black red" flowers with a "hint of rose" fragrance. 3-5' and taller, mid August.

[Boogie Woogie](#) – (M). Lemon-yellow with narrow rose pink edges. 3-4' July.

[Caravan](#) – (CP) – has large, outfacing flowers of intense sunshine yellow with brilliant rose-red centers. Flower form and poise similar to 'Silk Road.' 4-5' July.

[Conca D'or](#) – (M). Large pale yellow with a deep yellow heart. Sidefacing. 4'

[Indian Summer](#) – (M). Down facing yellow.

[Leslie Woodriff](#) – (CP) A cross between tetraploid forms of 'White Henryi' and 'Black Beauty.' Robust stems carrying numerous semi-recurved crimson-rose flowers with wide white margins. 4-6' late July to early August. Whopper bulbs at special price to celebrate elevation to NALS Hall of Fame.

[Pizzazz](#) – (CP) has brilliant orange flowers with shiny red centers. Sunburst shape. A Popularity Poll favorite. 4-6' and taller, early August.

[Robina](#) – (M). Up facing hot pink with huge flowers. Shows well. 4' mid- July.

[Rococo](#) – (CP) has stupendous rich golden yellow flowers. This sturdy tetraploid has robust stems carrying deepest yellow flowers of any Orienpet. Sweetly fragrant. 4-5' mid-July.

[Scheherazade](#) – (CP) is a vigorous hybrid from 'Thunderbolt' x Tetra 'Black Beauty.' Deep red recurved flowers edged in gold, shading into white margins. (If you saw our show you know.) July to early August. 3-6' and taller. Special price.

[Shocking](#) – (M). Yellow with red band.

[Silk Road](#) – (CP). Huge white flowers with deep, intensely crimson pink throats, carried on an enormous inflorescence. Everyone knows this beauty, on list for anyone who by now does not have one or needs a replacement. Special price.

[Yelloween](#) – (M). Up facing yellow.

[Kariba](#) – (M) Actually an L/O hybrid that looks like 'Triumphator.' Large white flowers with deep pink heart. 3' or so.

[Seafarer](#) – (CP) is an Asiapet. It has a perfect pyramid of unspotted cantaloupe orange flowers with apricot throats and dusky plum reverse. Bell-shaped pendant flowers have a soft trumpet-like fragrance. 3-4' and taller, late June to early July.

## 2008 PLS LILY BULB GROUP ORDER

<b>ASIATIC HYBRIDS</b>	Price	No.		<b>ORIENTPET HYBRIDS</b>	Price	No.	
	Each	Ordered	Amount		Each	Ordered	Amount
Sun Reaction	1.50	_____	_____	Alchemy	8.50	_____	_____
Classic	4.00	_____	_____	Black Beauty	5.00	_____	_____
Madras	3.50	_____	_____	Boogie Woogie	3.00	_____	_____
Circus Crowd	1.50	_____	_____	Caravan	7.00	_____	_____
Naomi	1.50	_____	_____	Conca D'or	3.00	_____	_____
Red Velvet	3.50	_____	_____	Indian Summer	3.00	_____	_____
Brushstroke	3.50	_____	_____	Leslie Woodriff	5.00	_____	_____
Lighthouse	1.50	_____	_____	Pizzazz	7.00	_____	_____
Nepal	1.50	_____	_____	Robina	3.50	_____	_____
Sweet Surrender	4.00	_____	_____	Rococo	11.00	_____	_____
Bali Hai	3.25	_____	_____	Scheherazade	4.50	_____	_____
Fantasy	1.50	_____	_____	Shocking	3.00	_____	_____
Maribelle	1.50	_____	_____	Silk Road	6.00	_____	_____
Rosepoint Lace	4.00	_____	_____	Yelloween	3.00	_____	_____
Tiffany	1.50	_____	_____	Kariba	3.00	_____	_____
Ruby	1.50	_____	_____	Seafarer	11.00	_____	_____
Doeskin	3.50	_____	_____				
Dusty Dawn	1.50	_____	_____	<b>TOTAL THIS COLUMN</b>			_____
Oklahoma	1.50	_____	_____				
Tiger Babies	3.00	_____	_____	<b>TOTAL PRIOR COLUMN</b>			_____
Tyger, Tyger (bag/3)	16.00	_____	_____	<b>GRAND TOTAL BULBS</b>			_____
<b>TRUMPET AND AURELIAN HYBRIDS</b>				<b>Let's Grow Lilies @ \$5.00</b>			_____
Copper Crown	3.50	_____	_____	<b>PLS Dues @ \$4.00/year</b>			_____
Golden Sceptre	3.50	_____	_____	<b>TOTAL REMITTED</b>			_____
Louis XIV	4.00	_____	_____				
Summer Palace	3.50	_____	_____				
White Henryi	4.00	_____	_____				
<b>ORIENTAL HYBRIDS</b>				<b>Make checks payable to:</b>			
Angelica	3.50	_____	_____	<b>POTOMAC LILY SOCIETY</b>			
Medusa	3.50	_____	_____	<b>Mail order to:</b>			
Rio Negro	4.00	_____	_____	<b>John Roe</b>			
Stargazer	2.00	_____	_____	<b>5801 36<sup>th</sup> St N</b>			
				<b>Arlington, VA 22207</b>			
<b>TOTAL THIS COLUMN</b>			_____	<b>ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEP 22, 2008</b>			

Please hold bulbs for pickup: VA \_\_\_ MD \_\_\_ Picnic \_\_\_

I volunteer to help pack: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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