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CBHL 18TH ANNUAL MEETING

The 18th annual meeting of the Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries will be held in Claremont, California, from June 4 to 7, 1986. The host institution will be the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden with Los Angeles State and County Arboretum and the Santa Barbara Botanic Garden as co-host institutions. The meeting will begin with registration and a reception at the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden on Wednesday evening, June 4 and will conclude with an all-day trip to Santa Barbara on Saturday, June 7.

The program includes visits to the three host institutions as well as a visit to see the gardens, museum and a behind-the-scenes look at the library of the Huntington Botanic Gardens.

CHANGES IN CBHL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Following the recent resignation of Doug Ritchey as President of CBHL, Geraldine Kaye becomes President and Meryl Miasek becomes First Vice-President. We wish all involved in this re-organization the best of luck in their new appointments.

Meryl is now the head of the Reference Department at the Library of the University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403-1299, Phone: (503) 686-3078.

OBERLY AWARD WINNERS

WE have received the following letter of thanks from the winners of the 1985 Oberly Award, James E. Simon, Alena Chadwick and Lyle E. Craker, for the work, Herbs, an indexed bibliography, 1971-1980.

"We wish to express our thanks to the Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries for their support of the 1985 Oberly Award. It is, indeed, a great honor to have our book recognized by those in professional library societies. Your group's contribution to the Oberly Award offers considerable encouragement for continued work on bibliographic reference books."

CARLA LANGE

It is sad to report the death of Carla Lange, formerly of the Missouri Botanical Garden, on September 24, 1985, shortly after her retirement from the Garden in July. Carla's work with the older literature at the Garden was well known to many CBHL members, particularly to other reference librarians. Other professional activities mentioned in the memorial which appeared in the January-February, 1986 issue of the Missouri Botanical Garden Bulletin included her translations of over 250 German letters written to George Englemann as well as assisting Frans Stafleu and Richard Cowan in their compilation of Taxonomic Literature. We have all lost a valuable resource in her.

HUNT INSTITUTE SPRING EXHIBITION

The Hunt Institute's next exhibition will be entitled "Printmaking in the Service of Botany" and will be on view from 21 April to 31 July 1986. The show will trace the history of botanical images over five centuries and will focus on the technical problems relating to the field of printing. Some examples of printing surfaces, including woodblock, copper plate and lithographic stone, will be included. The exhibition will be accompanied by a catalogue.

AHS Tours

The following tours are offered through the American Horticultural Society: Kenya and East Africa, 5 March - 24 March; China, Horticulture and History, 9 April - 29 April; Dutch Treat, Holland at Tulip Time, April 27-May 11; Horticultural Exploration of Spring England, May 8- May 23; Scotland, Unspoiled and unknown, May 25-June 8, 1986; In search of Gertrude Jekyll, 24 July - 7 August. For further information, contact the American Horticultural Society, P.O. Box 0105, Mt. Vernon, VA, 22121

GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA TOUR

The New York Committee of the Garden Club of America announces a 30 day tour to China be led by Edwin T. Morris, noted writer on Chinese gardens. The tour will visit Hong Kong, Canton, Guillin, Shanghai, Suzhou, Peking, Xian, Chendu and Tibet. For further information, contact Mr. Richard N. Kalfayan, Special Tours for Special People, 250 West 57th St., Suite 1515, New York, NY 10107.

BROOKLYN BOTANIC GARDEN

Brooklyn Botanic Garden will celebrate Wildflower week, from April 12 through April 20, 1986. For information on events, which include an illustrated talk "Wildflowers--endangered species and their preservation" by Kerry S. Walter of the Center for Plant Conservation, Arnold Arboretum, please contact the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 1000 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11225.

MEMBER'S PUBLICATIONS

Diment, Judith and Linda Newington. "Botanical prints and drawings at the British Museum (Natural History)". In ARLIS, Art Libraries Journal, Spring, 10(1), 85, 1985: 5-27.

JOB OPENING

Member Mary Lou Wolfe will be retiring as librarian at the Pennsylvania Horticulture Society in September and sends us the following job posting:

Position: Horticultural librarian. Qualifications: MLS and several years experience in Library Administration. Training and experience in horticulture desirable.

Responsibilities: Administration of Library, supervision of library assistant, part-time cataloger, part-time conservator and volunteers. Supervision of horticultural hot-line. Assisting public, members and staff. Acquisition of materials to support both the working and historical collections. Coordination of volunteer Library Committee. Planning programs for and solicitation of contributions for Friends of the Library. Assisting with other Society Activities including annual Flower and Harvest Show and with Society Exhibits.

Library: The Library is situated in the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's headquarters in the historical district of Philadelphia within Independence National Park. The Society, founded in 1827, has a 13,000 volume library that is open to the public for reference and to members for borrowing. The library has a working collection of books, journals, slides and seed catalogs as well as an extensive collection of rare books.

Salary: Excellent benefits available. Salary range: \$19,800 - \$29,800. Please send resume to: Jane G. Pepper, President, Philadelphia Horticultural Society, 325 Walnut St., Philadelphia, PA 19106

ADDITIONS TO MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN LIBRARY'S STAFF

Two recent additions to the staff of the Missouri Botanical Garden Library are Dale Johnson and R. David Weaver. Dale Johnson, who will serve as reference librarian, received his Ph.D. in botany under Robert Ornduff, University of California, Berkeley, in 1978, spent a post-doctoral year at the Hunt Institute and has worked for Academic Press. R. David Werner will serve as cataloguer and previously was with the University of Missouri, Columbia and brings particular expertise in the cataloguing of rare and older materials.

SOCIETY OF BOTANICAL ARTISTS ESTABLISHED IN BRITAIN

We are pleased to announce the founding of a Society of Botanical Artists by British botanical artist, Suzanne Lucas. Their first exhibition will be held at the Mall Galleries, London in April. The first elections will be for Founder Members "who have been awarded the Gold Medal of the Royal Horticultural Society, or the Silvergilt Greenfell Medal for their pictures and others of equal achievement and repute who cannot show at the RHS either

because of the medium in which they work or due to their living elsewhere in the world, but are highly regarded in Britain. Any Members elected at the due time in 1986, who may apply whether or not they have exhibited at the RHS will be considered Founder Members also." Painters, sculptors and engravers are eligible. American artists are particularly encouraged to send a minimum of 5 color transparencies of their work for consideration, accompanied by a list of exhibitions and awards and a fee of £5 sterling payable to the Federation of British Artists, to Miss Patricia Lambert, Exhibitions Executive, F.B.A., 17 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1 5BD England, to arrive by the end of February. For further information and details, please contact Miss Lambert.

ORTHO'S COMPUTERIZED GARDENING

We have received notice of software (greenware?) from Ortho which is said to provide "growing information specifically programmed for your neighborhood!" Ortho's Computerized Gardening runs on an Apple IIc, Macintosh, IBM or Commodore computer and apparently supplies you with plant lists arranged by such categories as flower color, watering requirements and growth habits, a plant encyclopedia with information on plants searchable on either common or scientific names, a planning calendar and a calculator. Ortho's Computerized Gardening which comes with a "Personalized Plant Selector Program, 192 page Gardening Techniques Book and a Bonus Garden Planning Kit" will be available nation-wide for \$49.95.

GARDEN PRESERVATION SEMINAR

West Dean College (West Sussex) announces its Summer School seminar "The protection and conservation of historic landscapes, parks and gardens" to be held from July 4-10, 1986. The program will include a wide variety of lectures and site visits, including the West Dean Estate, Painshill and Petworth House. For further information, please contact Barbara Paca Steele, 80-A "The Roof" South Hill Park, Hampstead Heath, London NW3, England.

AABGA PUBLICATION AVAILABLE

The 1986 edition of Summer Employment and Internships at Botanical Gardens and Arboreta for 1986 is now available for \$1.50 from the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta, P.O. Box 206. Swarthmore, PA 19081.

BOOKS RECEIVED FROM TIMBER PRESS

Books received from ISBS for review and available from Timber Press, 9999 S.W. Wilshire, Portland, OR 97225 include:

Galle, Fred. Azaleas. Portland, Timber Press, 1985. \$65.00 (UPS shipping \$2.50) ISBN: 0-88192-012-6. Originally intended as a revision of F.P. Lee's The Azalea Book, this work became instead a complete description of all the Azaleas, with particular attention to the over 6000 cultivars. Considerable attention is paid to the creation of the cultivars with extensive documentation on the breeding lines. Additional chapters deal with general cultivation information, special training techniques such as espalier and bonsai, plant propagation and diseases. The appendices include a name list of Azalea hybridizers, unfortunately without full names and dates, and plants introduced by the USDA. The color photographs are vivid and clear.

American Fuchsia Society. Fuchsia Culture. Dist. by ISBS, Portland, 1984. \$9.95 (Shipping \$2.25) ISBN: 0-9613167-1-3. Paper. Extensive cultural information including discussion of training into various forms, illustrated by line drawings. Attention paid to species and hybridizing. Color photographs illustrate blossoms of 96 cultivars for easy identification.

Krussmann, Gerd. Manual of conifers. 1985. \$65.00 (Postage \$3.00). Translation of second edition of Handbuch der Nadelgehölze. Many line drawings and illustrations.

Hoffman, Neal and Andrew Brown. Orchids of South-west Australia. Dist. by ISBS, 1985. \$40.00 cloth, \$28.00 paper. ISBN: 0-85564-226-2. Field guide format, clear color photos, line drawings showing features of each genus, distribution maps.

Butler, Lesley. Fuchsias in Australia. Dist. by ISBS, Portland, 1985. \$15.00 (Postage \$2.00) ISBN: 0-909921-00-8. Color plates, with cultivation methods and information on hybrids.

Rentoul, J.N. Growing orchids, vol. 4, The Australasian families. Timber Press, 1985. \$26.95 (cloth), \$19.95 (paper). ISBN: 0-88192-021-5 Includes biographical notes on those who have worked with Australian orchids.

Hudak, Joseph. Gardening with perennials. Timber Press, 1985. \$24.95. ISBN: 0-88192-018-5. Another in Timber Press Horticultural Reprint series. Calendar arrangement, from March to September. Each section begins with guide to colors available. Plants examined as to flower form, leaves, general habit and susceptibility to disease. Useful lists including such groups as long blooming periods, tolerant of dry conditions and persistent winter foliage.

Eliovson, Sima. Garden design for Southern Africa. Dist. by Timber Press, 1983. \$37.50. ISBN: 0-86954-1455. Lavishly illustrated with plans, color photos of both general garden views and plant closeups. Includes a 40 page overview of the history of gardening styles, world-wide. An attractive bedside book for the armchair gardener, not geographically restricted to South Africa.

THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

An art exhibit entitled "Art and the Science of Botany, 1840-1845", featuring botanical paintings and drawings from the NYBG Library collections, opened at Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, New York, on December 3, 1985. Sponsored by the Council of the NYBG and Sarah Lawrence College, the exhibit was curated by Bobbi Angell, Curator of Botanical Art at NYBG. The combination of cooperation between the Garden and a college produced an unusual exhibit. A catalogue of exhibit highlights is available for \$5.00 postpaid from: Library, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY 10458-5126. The exhibit will run until February 16, 1986.

Back issues of CBHL's Plant Bibliography Series are available:

#2. Vegetable Cookery	\$2.50 Postpaid
#3. Edible wild plants	1.50
#4. Botanical crafts	3.25
#5. Dyes from plants	2.50
#6. Endangered plant species of the world and their endangered habitats	5.00 U.S. (\$6.00 overseas)

Order from:

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Due to be published in series: "Plant Exploration: A Selected, Annotated Bibliography" by Dolores Rescigno, expected in July 1986. This gathering contains over 900 entries. Also, "Cooking with Vegetables, Flowers and Fruits: An Annotated List of References" by Eileen K. Schofield is due sometime this summer.

HARVARD SCIENCE LIBRARIANS

Harvard biology librarians using the LC Subject Headings have found them inadequate for scientific collections. In particular, we've had difficulty with the LC policy of using common names of organisms in preference to scientific names. We're trying to come up with a system of local subject headings to accommodate taxonomic names. For this purpose we need to identify one or a few reference work(s) as authority for currently accepted nomenclature, and develop a set of cross-references to LC subject headings. We'd like to hear from anyone else who has this problem and learn how you're handling it. Write: Harvard Science Librarians, c/o Gerry Kaye, 20 Divinity Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138.

GRAY HERBARIUM INDEX

The Gray Herbarium announces that commencing with the equivalent of issues 304-306, the Index will be incorporated into a database and produced on microfiche. The fiche will be cumulative: the first set will include issues 304-306; the next set will include that material AND the equivalent of issues 307-309, with the new material intercalated into the alphabetical sequence; and so on. We hope that this change will address the problems of curation inherent in the card-format Index and that retrospective incorporation of the Index into the database can be carried out. If you wish additional information, please write to Dr. Elizabeth Shaw, Gray Herbarium, 22 Divinity Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138.

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Annual dues are \$50.00 for institutional members and \$20.00 for individual members.

Applications for membership should be directed to John F. Reed, Treasurer. Checks should be made payable to: The Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries, Inc.