

CONSOLIDATED EXHIBITIONS REPORT May 24, 2009

Supply Report by Susan Boyce

Ken and Carol Coleman, (relatives of Jayme) drove down and delivered the exhibitions supplies and paperwork to me on Feb 10th. Included in the material received were the 2009 show reports which which I sorted and forwarded to Karen and Ray Jones.

Also received was the following inventory:

Entry tags: 2 3/4 cases (approx 20,000 cards or 100 packs of 200)

Ribbons:

Blue ribbons:	10 packs of 25	White ribbons:	30 packs of 25
Red ribbons:	8 packs of 25	Pink ribbons:	36 packs of 25

(were in bad shape and had to be discarded)

Rosettes:

Best Specimen of Show:	59	Special Award, Horticultural Division:	46
Best Seedling of Show:	73	Special Award, Artistic Division:	74
Best Design of Show:	55	Best Specimen, Youth:	53
Horticultural Sweepstakes:	75	Best Design, Youth:	43
Artistic Sweepstakes:	97	Horticultural Sweepstakes, Youth:	35
Section Rosette:	273	Artistic Sweepstakes, Youth:	29

Medals:

Silver, Adult:	149	Silver, Youth:	54
Bronze, Adult:	143	Bronze, Youth:	44

In mid April, I was doing some research in past AIS Board meeting minutes for another subject, and I discovered that at the Fall 2005, AIS Board meeting, 2 motions were passed concerning the exhibitions department. Those motions were:

1. That the price of Exhibition entry tags be raised from \$11 to \$12.
2. That a shipping and handling fee of \$5 be uniformly required of all exhibition supply orders regardless of \$\$ amount of the order.

Right after that board meeting the job of exhibitions was transferred from Roy to the Giles', and these 2 motions were never implemented.

Since that board meeting in the Fall of 2005, there have been 4 postage rate increases. (Jan 2006, May 2007, May 2008, and May 2009.) The USPS did not raise prices this year, but will undoubtedly raise the prices again next year. Upon reviewing the prices of all of the boxes that I have sent out this year, I feel that \$5 is too low. My recommendation is that the price be raised up to \$7 (or more), to be implemented on October 1, 2010.

Show Schedules Report by Lois Rose

By early January, 2010, I had received all the documentation I needed to have the Show Schedule Approval up and running. This included the printing of a new supply of show certificates with the signatures of Dr. Epperson and myself. I had reviewed eleven show schedules and sent out the approval packets before Dr. Epperson's untimely death in late January.

Dr. Epperson's death required a brief delay while I arranged to have a new supply of show certificates printed with signatures of new AIS President, Judy Keisling, and myself. The masters I sent to Judy

for signing were all I had to work with — Xeroxes of Xeroxes, often with signatures and text pasted in. Using her graphic arts skills, Judy was able to produce new, much improved certificates with cleaned up graphics and uniform text.

By mid-February I was back in business again. I sent replacement certificates for the eleven shows I had approved previously. By May 15 I had approved schedules for a total of 150 shows. So far, I have received notice of only two show cancelations.

Unless I was traveling, which resulted in a backlog of schedules waiting for me when I returned home, I was usually able to maintain a 24-hour turnaround time from receipt of a show schedule to mailing of the approval packet.

I have great respect for those who have done this job in the past. I am responsible for only one-third of the job, and find it very time consuming. There is no way that Exhibitions is a one-person job.

Show Reports by Karen & Ray Jones

We began receiving show reports in December 2009 and into 2010 from Show Chairman who had not received Medals and Exhibition Certificates for Seedlings for there 2009 Shows. In March 2010 we received all of the final show reports held by the previous Exhibition Committee and have processed them. We have contacted those Show Chairman that had indicated they had problems in a survey conducted earlier. Silver and Bronze Medals and Exhibition Certificates have been provided when not provided earlier. We have compiled and submitted the the following Exhibition Committee Annual Reports for 2009 for printing in the July 2010 AIS Bulletin.

AIS 2009 Exhibition Report, based on 134 Show Reports, one of which was for Seedlings only,

2009 Exhibition Certificates, 120 seedlings,

2009 Bronze Medals/Certificates, 23 Educational and no Commercial exhibits,

AIS Youth Shows for 2009, 47 shows with youth participation,

Multiple 2009 Best Specimen Winners, five way tie for 2 wins each.