

Editor's Corner

What a difference a year makes. We begin this, our seventh year, with a completely new format and our first color plates. This change was made possible through a joint effort between the Co-Editors and staff representing the subscribers and Kandid Litho Company, San Gabriel, California. Pat Hansen, our secretary-treasurer, who has done such a tremendous job this past year, will continue her fine work.

Many projects are in the works for the coming year. One of them will fill a need for better communication between CPN'rs who may live on the same block and not know of each other's existence.

We also hope to begin a continuing series on a detailed description of each species of CP somewhat in the style Don Schnell used in his book. This would include scientific and common (where known) names, range, general cultivation requirements, flower season, trap season

and type, dormancy requirements, etc. It is hoped that we can release them as soon as they become available. At the present time, it is planned that they will be released as a looseleaf supplement to be placed in an easily obtained binder with subsequent descriptions to be filed alphabetically.

The Seed Bank has been very successful. Keep those seeds coming. Since this is a service for subscribers only, a list is sent to Pat Dwyer. Since new subscribers may want to order seeds as soon as their first issue is received and their name may not have reached him, the mailing label should be used for verification.

In closing, we would like to encourage you to communicate with us your ideas and/or criticisms, articles, to use and support the various subscriber services and to bear with us when the inevitable "bugs" crop up. Also, try and spread the good word.

Seed Bank

PATRICK DWYER, Director, St. Michael's Episcopal Church Gardens and Arboretum, 49 Killean Park, Albany, NY 12205, reports that the Seed Bank has been very successful. As of December 1, 1977, he has received \$266.70 from seed orders; after expenses, \$215.67 was contributed toward the publication of CPN. As of January 30, Patrick reports 32 donors of 2776+ packets of seed, and he has answered 211 letters!

There have been several suggestions for the seed bank, one of which is to include the name of the donor on each packet. This information, including habitat, date of harvesting and cultivation aids, will be sent with the seeds only if requested. Any donor not wishing his or her name given out must notify Patrick.

The Seed Bank needs as much seed as you can spare. All species, but particularly the rarer ones, are needed. Many thanks to those persons who have supported the Seed Bank!

DONORS	# PACKETS
J. Mazrimas	681
B. Hanrahan	605
C. Bramblett	265
D. Schnell	228
J. Brodie	194
B. Gardner	111
R. Frenzer	110+ (Not all counted yet)
P. Thomas	106
L. Song	60
P. Taverna	45
B. Muller	34