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CALYPSO DEADLINE:
 APRIL 20 for the May. issue

The purposes for which the Society is organized are to create an awareness of orchid culture; to foster the preservation of native species of orchids; to support research and development of orchid culture; and to hold meetings, lectures, and exhibitions.

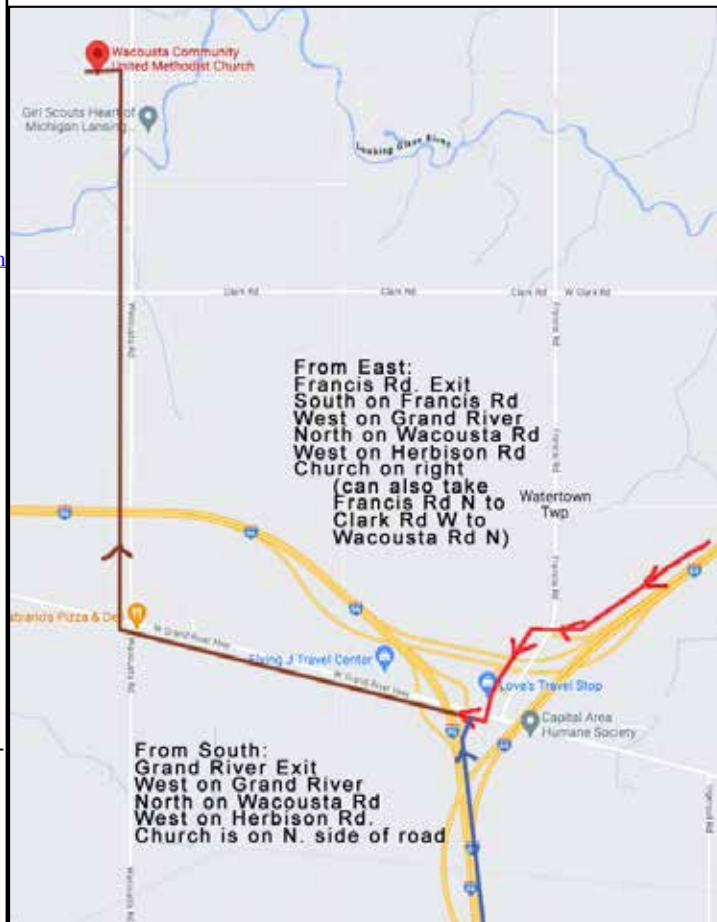
MARCH 14 MEETING: In-Person at 2:00 p.m.

Wacousta Community United Methodist Church, at 9180 Herbison Rd., Eagle

About our speaker: Eric Sauer has been growing orchids for over 35 years and specializes in South American species. He has spoken internationally and across the United States.

Eric recently had a culture chapter published with Guido Braem in his book on Paphiopedilums and his book on Phragmipediums. He also has several of his Maxillaria photos published in Eric Christenson's book on Maxillaria.

Eric has received over 125 awards from the American Orchid Society and has four orchids named after him including two species from Ecuador. He regularly works with other Maxillaria aficionados around the world to better understand the genus.



Eric's real job is as a registered landscape architect and is the planning manager for Five Rivers MetroParks in Dayton, Ohio

Eric's talk: Back to the Basics.

Doors open at 1:30 p.m. for:

- Plant shopping
- Experienced Society members will be available to answer questions and help problem solve orchid growing issues
- Please have refreshments in place prior to start of meeting.

Meeting will start promptly at 2:00 pm

Eric will have plants for sale. Please bring plants for our Show and Tell Table, our Silent Raffle Table and our Auction Table.

SHOW CHAIR'S MESSAGE -- Becky Thayer

As you all know this past weekend was our annual orchid show. We had a great turnout, and the displays were superb! The art pieces and flower arrangements were a hit with all the visitors. I believe everyone enjoyed their visit to our show.

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to all those who contributed, whether by donating funds, bringing food, volunteering time, or providing plants for our display. Your support made this possible, and I deeply appreciate each and every one of you. I would like to acknowledge and give a big thank you to all the show committee chairs for their hard work and dedication, we could not have done this without you. Now take a well-deserved rest because next year's show will be here before we know it.



A very big THANK YOU to Lisa and Jason, and all the staff at Van Attas!

What a great place for our Orchid Show and Sale!

Don't forget, they have wonderful plants for outdoor gardening season as well as all the accompanying needs. And they are open all year around with everything plants and gift ideas.

THANK YOU, CLERKS

The Society issues a hearty "thank you" to members and other friends who volunteered to clerk at the Show. Clerks assist the judging teams in finding the plants entered in the class, preparing the ribbons for the winning entries, placing the ribbons on the winners, and recording the winners in the Society's official record. They began on Saturday morning, February 28th at 7:30 a.m. with a light breakfast and worked until ribbon judging was concluded, about 11 a.m.

Judging Chair Lynn O'Shaughnessy assigned the 14 judges into six teams. She tapped Dea Bishop, Bill Cadman, Ioana Sonea, and Mike Underwood to serve as "lay judges" to enable us to have the six teams. We were very pleased to have judges from the Cincinnati Judging Center working with us this year. All judges and clerks were invited to be the Society's guests at the Judges' Luncheon held at the Show.

The following individuals clerked at our 42nd orchid show:

Linda Battison	Teresa Fowle	Jen Selwa
Leslie Behm	Dan Greiner	Ioana Sonea
Michele Bridges	Dawn Kittle	Becky Thayer
Michael Bukala	Jim Lunsford	Mike Underwood
Bill Cadman	David Madison	Julie Valerio
Rick Chung	Pete Ostlund	Kenesha Verbeek
Jim Churn	Raechel Portelli	

MARCH MEETING ZOOM LINK:

Our March meeting is In Person, but if you are unable to attend, our meeting will also be on Zoom. Here is the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/701683513?pwd=REQzYnpxaTZjb3p6dDNZNWxCOS8xUT09>

Meeting ID: 701 683 513

Passcode: 20-Orchids

GLOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 14 -- GLOS Meeting -in person at the Wacousta church. Speaker: Eric Sauer
- March 21 - 22 -- Michigan Orchid Society Show at Plumber's Union Hall
- April 11 - 6:00 pm -- GLOS meeting
- May 9 - 6:00 -- pm -- GLOS meeting
- July 11 -- Picnic -- Save the Date



GLOS MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES, January 10, 2026

Treasurer Pete Ostund called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. with about twenty people present and three additional members attending via Zoom.

Program: Pete introduced our speaker, Michael Weinert, owner of Cypripedium Nursery Frosch Exclusive Perennials in Bavaria, Germany, who spoke via Zoom on “Cypripedium hybrids: jewels of the shaded garden.” His program was superb, showing many lovely Cypripedium hybrids growing outdoors in beautiful gardens. His program detailed how to plant them and how to care for them. His photographs were breathtaking. After his presentation, he answered many questions from the audience.

Refreshments: Pete thanked the members who had provided refreshments: Doris Asher, Christine Granger, David Madison, Laurie Rubley, and Ioana Sonea. For our March 14th meeting, the following people volunteered to bring refreshments: Christine Granger, Pete Ostlund, Marilyn Porter, and Becky Thayer.

New Members Present: Doris Asher introduced two new members: David Ash and Daniel Greiner.

Pete explained how our raffle and silent auction work and invited everyone to participate in both fundraising activities.

Show and Tell Table: Dot Barnett, Evelyne Cudel, David Madison, Pete Ostlund, Carol Ann Stuht and Jill Wood showed off their plants on a crowded plant table and discussed how they grow them.

Upcoming Shows:

Grand Valley Orchid Society, January 24 & 25; Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park, Grand Rapids. Dot Barnett, Pete Ostlund, Carol Ann Stuht, and David Madison will set up the GLOS display in the GVOS Show. Dot will collect orchids for the exhibit at her house on Wednesday, January 21st.

Three Rivers Orchid Society, February 7 & 8; Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, IN. Carol Ann Stuht and Raechel Portelli will set up our exhibit in this show. Dot will collect plants at her house on Wednesday, February 4th.

Greater Lansing Orchid Society, February 28-March 1; Van Atta’s Greenhouse & Flower Shop, Haslett. Doris had our publicity postcards at the meeting and invited people to take a supply. Show Chair Becky Thayer detailed the various volunteer needs for our Show. Hospitality Chair Teresa Fowle solicited both food items and also volunteers to work in the hospitality area Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Doris handed out hospitality forms to everyone at the meeting. Carol Ann Stuht invited members to enter art items in the Show.

At this point, Pete invited everyone to enjoy refreshments, buy raffle tickets, and bid on silent auction items.

The meeting concluded with Pete settling up the silent auction purchases and Doris calling out the winning raffle numbers.

The meeting adjourned at 3:55.

Respectfully submitted, Doris H. Asher, Secretary



JENNY BOND 1939-2025 -- submitted by Jolanta Picuch

We lost a former GLOS member when Jenny Bond died on December 18th. She and Jolanta Picuch took over the orchids-in-use competition in our Shows after Marilyn Lee died. Jolanta wrote the following tribute to Jenny.



I met Jenny Bond in 2015 when I became a garden club member and joined the Michigan Garden Clubs Floral Designer Group in our district. Even then, Jenny was already an accredited flower show judge with the Michigan Association of Accredited Judges (MAAJ) of The National Garden Clubs, Inc., and she was one of the most active and engaged members of our designer group.

I first participated in Orchids in Use in 2018, the same year Jenny became an Accredited Life Judge of MAAJ. That year was especially meaningful, as it was the first show after the passing of Marilyn J. Lee, who had organized the previous shows. Jenny Bond and Sue Wittick stepped in to co-organize the Orchids in Use portion of the GLOS show. They continued working side by side for the next two years, producing shows that were both creative and inspiring.

In 2022, Sue Wittick resigned as co-chair of Orchids in Use. Since I had been helping with previous shows, I was asked to work with Jenny as a co-chair.

Jenny was easy to work with, thoughtful, and always open to ideas. She had a wonderful gift for coming up with meaningful and creative titles for the show and its classes. While she focused on staging, I worked on the show graphics, and our efforts complemented each other well.

Jenny was incredibly dedicated. She stayed at the show for its entire duration, even though volunteers were available, because she genuinely loved being there. She enjoyed talking with visitors, answering questions, and especially connecting with children. One of the highlights for many young visitors that year was when Jenny gave them peacock feathers from the decorations—an act of kindness that made her instantly unforgettable.

Although Jenny stepped down as co-chair in 2023 for health reasons, she continued to participate as a designer, sharing her beautiful floral work at orchid and garden club shows throughout 2023 and 2024. She fully retired from floral design in 2025. Jenny had a strong and memorable presence wherever she went. She was always willing to share her knowledge and experience, and she treated everyone with warmth, kindness, and respect. I feel very fortunate to have known her and to have worked alongside her.

GREATER LANSING ORCHID SOCIETY FINANCIAL REPORT - Pete Ostlund, Treasurer

for the period Dec 1, 2025 – Jan 31, 2026
report dated 2/1/26

Balance on hand December 1, 2025 \$19,590.57

Cash-on-Hand \$200.00

Checking \$1,116.08

Saving \$5.01

IMMA \$4,904.09

9 CD's \$13,365.39

2026 GLOS Annual Show

Vendor Table Fees

Natt's \$370.00 4 tables

Dr. Bills \$285.00 3 tables

Suphatras Clay Flowers \$105.00 1 table

Trophy Sponsors

Carol Stucht \$25.00

Diane Zollner \$25.00

Don Farrelly \$25.00

Rob Halgren \$25.00

Ioana \$25.00

Food donations

Jill Wood \$20.00 for specific pizza

Jill Wood \$20.00

Ioana \$300.00 Food or any show expense

subtotal (2026 Show) \$1,225.00

Programs

January 2026 General meeting

raffle \$49.00 silent auction \$56.00

subtotal \$105.00

Contributions/Interest/Dues/Donations (general)

Don Farrelly \$25.00

Memberships

David LeMarble for Dan Greiner \$80.00 lifetime membership

Interest Income (2 month) \$72.74

TOTAL INCOME \$1,507.74

EXPENSES

2026 GLOS Annual Show

Mary Henman for book purchases \$200.00 information table books

Peter Ostlund for Square device \$62.54 swipe device to Square transactions easier

Programs

January General meeting

speaker fee \$358.39

Peter Ostlund for MOAC Zoom

Presentation \$30.00 Ron Parsons-Madagascar

TOTAL EXPENSES \$650.93

NET INCOME (based on above transactions) \$856.81

Balance at close of reporting period (from balances below)

Balance on hand February 1, 2026 \$20,447.38 \$20,447.38

Cash-on-Hand \$200.00

Checking \$1,900.15

Saving \$5.01

IMMA \$4,912.38

9 CD's \$13,429.84

GVOS 2026 SHOW REPORT -- submitted by Carol Ann Stuht

The Grand Valley Orchid Society (GVOS) held its annual show at Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids. January 24 – 25, 2026. The cold temperatures were the lowest of any show I have ever helped set up. The severe cold caused several vendors and two societies to cancel attendance at the show. In spite of the cold, the show was well attended by the public. GVOS members were on hand to help, and their hospitality room had yummy snacks.

The large open area for the displays allowed our 50 square feet, multitiered display to be assembled without backdrops and viewed from all sides. Our orchid display was collected, transported and assembled by Dot Barnett, Pete Ostlund, David Madison and myself. Additional manpower was supplied by Lee Barnett and Michael Bukala. The same crew took the display down and returned plants and staging to Lansing.

The entire display of 47 orchids was lovely and earned the Trophy - Best Orchid Society Exhibit, and the AOS exhibit trophy, also an AOS silver award with 87 points. Three of Pete Ostlund's plants received trophies. Two of Bill Cadman's Paphiopedilum in the display were awarded Am/AOS certificates. GLOS member Jill Wood's Phragmipedium Memoria Estelle Getty received an HCC/AOS award. Her individual display won the trophy for its class, and Jill's Masdevalia discoidea won the Trophy for Best Pleurothallid. GLOS Member Rob Halgren's wonderful Paph. St. Swithin 'Little frog Prince', shown in the Little Frog Farm display, won the Best of Show Trophy, and the Paph. Alliance Trophy. Well-deserved congratulations to these GLOS members for the trophies and AOS awards

Thank you, everyone who contributed to the success of the GLOS display. Without your plants, there would be no display.

Every GLOS member that sent plants for the show received ribbons.



Paph. St. Swithin

GLOS Display	Trophy classes 6-8, AOS Trophy, AOS Silver Award, 87 points	Class 7	1st.
Pete Ostlund	<i>Barkeria naevosa</i>	16	2nd.
	<i>Barkeria palmeri</i>	16	3rd.
	<i>Barkeria skinneri</i> Cat. Alliance Trophy	16	1st.
	<i>Chy. limminghei</i> Misc. Genera Trophy	109	1st.
	Tol. Jairak Rainbow 'Pink Crystal' Onc. All. Trophy	84	1st.
	Tol. Jairak Flyer 'Red Butterfly'	84	2nd.
	Tol. Jairak Rainbow 'Red Sun'	84	3rd.
	Calanthe Red Dragon	110	1st.
	C. Juno's Red Garnet	24	2nd.
	Paph. Angela	32	2nd.
	Paph. Angela	32	1st.
	Paph. <i>venustum</i>	28	2nd.
	Phal. Charming Pink Fantasy 'April's Coming'	55	2nd.
	Phal. <i>hieroglyphica</i>	48	3rd.
	Phrag. Cardinale 'Birchwood' Hcc/Aos	46	1st.
	Rhynchostylis <i>gigantea</i>	75	1st.
Dot Barnett	Paph. <i>tranlianianum</i>	28	3rd.
	Paph. Taiwan 'Yellow Emperor'	31	2nd.
	Phrag. <i>Richteri</i> 'Crooked Creek' HCC/AOS	43	1st.
	Phrag. QF Ula'ula	45	2nd.
	Phrag. Fritz Schomberg	45	1st.
	Phrag. Nichole Tower	46	2nd.
	V. Penny Goh Mei Pyng	68	3rd.
	V. Jairak Pink	70	1st.
David Madison	Paph. <i>appletonianum</i>	28	3rd.
	Paph. QF Mauma U	37	2nd.
Bill Cadman	Phal. Charlie Brown	38	1st.
	Paph. Worthy Sky	38	2nd.
	Paph. Double Fair AM award 82 points	39	1st.
	Paph. Imperial Topaz AM award 83 points	39	-
	Paph. Dragon Blade	41	1st.
	Phal. (Brother Little Heart x Brother Love Rosa) x Sogo Vivien	55	3rd.
	Mo Regine Viard	107	2nd.
Carol Ann Stuht	Phal. Charming Pink Fantasy	55	1st.
	Den. <i>laevifolium</i>	94	1st.
	Ons. Red Silk	85	1st.

GLOS BOARD MEETING MINUTES -- February 2, 2026

President Ioana Sonea called the Zoom meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with the following people present: Dot Barnett, Michele Bridges, Teresa Fowle, David LeMarble, Jerrie Nichols, Pete Ostlund, Jolanta Piecuch, Carol Ann Stuht, and Becky Thayer.

As we wanted reports from the Show Committee, Ioana turned the meeting over to Show Chair Becky Thayer, who invited all of the Show chairs to report on their areas of responsibility.

Orchids in Use Designs – Jolanta Piecuch reported that she has ordered \$250 of orchid flowers from Van Atta's. She currently has eleven people who have told her they will be entering designs; she expects maybe seven or eight more people. She and Doris collaborated on an article which Dot sent out an email to the membership in late January requesting orchid flowers for designers to use in their arrangements. Jolanta needs the flowers by Thursday, February 19th.

Hospitality – Teresa has heard from several members about the food they plan to bring to the Show and she has received monetary gifts, too, in the amount of \$225. So far, she does not have any volunteers to help staff the hospitality area. Lisa from Van Atta's will be providing us a coffee maker for use during the Show. Teresa has placed our order for catering for Saturday's Judges' Luncheon. Jerrie will provide the pizza for our Friday night dinner.

Art – Carol Ann Stuht will be accepting entries on both Thursday and Friday this year. She is hearing from lots of people planning to enter art. People who have bought art at the Show may take their purchases with them at 3 pm on Sunday.

Kids' Corner – Although neither Michael Bukala nor Diane Zoellner could attend the meeting, Pete indicated that Michael had brought the Kids' Corner supplies to Pete's house, and that they were all set for the Kids' Corner at the Show.

Flyers/Handouts – Dot will be emailing our publicity card to the membership so they can use it to send to friends and acquaintances. Similarly, she will send out the shorter video that Pete had made so that members can post it on whatever social media they may use. Pete has been posting this video in several places on Facebook. He'll do the paid advertising on Facebook about two weeks before the Show. Ioana has sent out publicity notices to her list of local media outlets.

Meridian Farmers' Market – Ioana will contact the Market manager to request space for us on February 21. Michele Bridges will staff the table; Carol has a good supply of our publicity cards for Michele to use for that event.

Classes for the Public – Although Mike Underwood was not at the meeting, Doris reported that she and he have talked several times about his plans for this year, and Mike has Ivan Portilla speaking on *Cattleya maxima* on Saturday and Lynn O'Shaughnessy on orchid photography on Sunday. Again, he will be using "Tour the Show with an Orchid Judge" – Rob Halgren on Saturday and Doris Asher on Sunday. Ioana is providing the digital projector, and Lynn is providing a screen.

Judging Activities/Registration – Doris reported that she has commitments from 16 judges who plan to come to our Show; in addition, 19 people have volunteered to serve as clerks. She and Lynn O'Shaughnessy will work registration on Friday. She will be consulting with Pete about the email she sends to both judges and clerks to bring them up-to-date about last-minute things such as parking.

Information Table – Ioana is loaning Chris Brown's cell phone to Jerrie and will set it up for use with Square for sales at the Information Table. Mary Henman is buying additional books to sell at the Show – Doris will prepare the sales forms that workers at the Information Table can record their sales on for Saturday and for Sunday.

Exhibits/Vendors – Pete Ostlund reported that two societies have decided not to display this year: Saginaw Valley and Three Rivers. He plans to begin hanging the black cloth at Van Atta's at noon on Thursday the 26th and is looking for volunteers for that task.

Volunteers – Ioana will set up SignUp Genius to solicit volunteers at the Show. She will send out SignUp Genius to us to see if what she has included meets our needs.

Having concluded reporting on the Show, Ioana resumed chairing the meeting and invited the various Show chairs to leave the meeting if they would like to do so.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Pete Ostlund gave a report covering December 1st to January 31st. There was income of \$1,507 including \$1,225 in income for our Show, and \$105 at our meetings. There were expenses of \$857 including \$389 for programs and \$263 in Show's expenditures. Net income for the period: \$856. Balance on hand as of February 1: \$20,247. In addition, he presented the year-to-date financial statement covering July 1, 2025 to January 31st. Income: \$6,673; expenses: \$3,518. Net income for the year-to-date: \$3,156. Finally, he presented a comparison of our actual income and expenses compared to our budget. GLOS expected a net deficit of \$1,334 for the entire budget year. At this point GLOS actually has a net income of \$3,156.

Membership Committee Report: Doris presented the Committee's report – there was one new membership, a lifetime membership, for Dan Greiner, who lives in Mulliken. In addition, one of our "paper members" said she no longer needs to receive a paper copy of the newsletter, reducing our number of "paper members" to eleven. GLOS currently has 100 members in 91 households.

Board Meeting Minutes Continued From p.4**Old Business:**

- a. Review of January Membership Meeting – the consensus was that our speaker Michael Weinert was excellent.
- b. Program Offered by Mid-America Orchid Congress on “Madagascar: a Land of Many Contrasts” on January 25th at 7:30 p.m. Several members watched this and said it was excellent; Mid-America will be offering a recording of the program soon for those members who missed it.
- c. 2026 Picnic: We are all set for our Picnic on July 11th. Dot reported that she and Lee will be picking up the expense for renting the Pavilion and will be sending Pete the documentation of that.
- d. Nominating Committee: Ioana will ask Mike Underwood about choosing the other two members of this Committee. The Committee needs a candidate for Secretary as Doris has completed the maximum of three years in that role.
- e. Grand Valley Orchid Society, January 24-25: Pete, Dot, David Madison and Carol set up a beautiful exhibit which won both the AOS Show Trophy and also a Silver Certificate. GLOS took all of the AOS awards given at the Show, two for two of Bill Cadman’s Paphs and one to Jill Wood for her Phrag. In addition, Rob Halgren’s huge Paph St Swithin was named Best-of-Show.

New Business

- a. Upcoming meeting – March 14th, 2 pm: Eric Sauer from Dayton, OH; topic to be determined. He will be selling plants.
- b. Future Shows:
 - Three Rivers Orchid Society*, February 7-8: Carol and Raechel will set up our display at this Show.
 - Greater Lansing Orchid Society*, February 28-March 1.
 - Michigan Orchid Society*, March 21-22: Carol and Michele Bridges will setup the exhibit.
- c. Calypso Deadline: Dot reminded us that she needs our articles about the Show on Monday, March 2nd.
- d. Two Lights Needed: The setup crew for the Grand Rapids exhibit felt the need for 4 lights, not just the 2 that GLOS currently has. Pete will look into getting 2 additional lights
- e. Clips for Skirting: We need to be sure we have the right size clips for attaching our table skirting. Ioana will investigate and order the clips.

Next Board Meeting: The Board’s next meeting will be at 7 pm on Monday, April 6th via Zoom.

“To Do” List for Next Board Meeting:

1. Ioana will create and distribute SignUp Genius to the membership.
2. Ioana will set up extra cell phone and Square for use at the Information Table.
3. Ioana will reserve a space for GLOS at the Meridian Farmers Market for Saturday, February 21st – Michele Bridges will work at that event.
4. Ioana will send the link for the Weinert presentation to Dot, who will send it out to the GLOS membership.
5. Ioana will work with Mike Underwood to select the other two members of the Nominating Committee for 2026.
6. Ioana will check with supplier of tables for the Show about the correct table clips and order the clips.
7. Pete will look into getting two more lights based on photographs of current ones that Carol Ann will send him.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:37p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Doris H. Asher, Secretary

NOMINATIONS FOR MAY ELECTION

Nominations are now being accepted for the May election for our fiscal year 2026-2027. Mike Underwood (mike@avi-sci.com) is the chair of the Nominating Committee. If you would like to be nominated for a board position, please contact Mike and let him know of your interest before April 1. The Nominating Committee will present its slate of candidates at our April 11th membership meeting.

PLEASE NOTE: the Nominating Committee needs to select someone to serve as the GLOS Secretary as Doris Asher has completed three years as Secretary and according to the Society Bylaws cannot serve another year. Everyone else on the current Board may serve for another year: President: Ioana Sonea; Vice President: Becky Thayer; Past President: Jerrie Nichols; Treasurer: Pete Ostlund; Directors: Teresa Fowle and Michele Bridges; Away Show Chair: Carol Stuht; and Newsletter Editor: Dot Potter Barnett.

GLOS gained 8 new members at our show this year. Their addresses, etc. will be published in the Roster and be sent out to everyone soon.



Meanwhile, please welcome: Caitlin Ballard, Chad Bush, Bobbi Kilty, Sara Massarani, Jeanette M. Noechel, David Pavlik, Megan Parrott, and Megan Pokropowidz.

THREE RIVERS ORCHID SHOW REPORT – by Carol Ann Stuht

The Three Rivers Orchid Society show was held February 7 – 8, 2026, at the Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Raechel Portelli accompanied the plants, staging and me to Fort Wayne where we set up a 25 square foot floor display with 27 orchids. The road conditions were not good early Friday in Lansing but the return trip was dry and under sunny skies. We stayed the weekend and helped clerk on Saturday. The Three Rivers society produced a well-managed and enjoyable show weekend.

Dot Barnett collected the orchid plants and completed all the registration slips and name tags (which I forgot). Kim Weldon of Three Rivers, graciously supplied us with blank tags and a gold ink pen. Thankfully, Raechel has excellent penmanship. Special thanks to the six GLOS members whose plants traveled to Indiana. The GLOS display was first in its class, Best in Show, and received the AOS Show Trophy with an award of 82 points. Congratulations go to Bill Cadman and his Paphiopedilum Mrs. Judy Jerrett, for earning an AM/AOS with 80 points. The attractive plant featured five erect, well-arranged flowers. Also, Pete Ostlund’s V. Motes Adorbs received the Vanda



GLOS	Best of Show trophy,	AOS Trophy 82 points	Class 6	1st.	Photos courtesy of Carol Ann
David Madison	Paph. Chiara		40	3rd	
	Paph appletonianum		28	1st	
Pete Ostlund	Barkeria naevosa		16	1st.	
	Cl. rosea		107	2nd	
	Rlc. Circle of Nine ‘Syzygy’ AM/AOS		24	1st	
	Paph. Angela		32	1st	
	Paph Angela		32	2nd	
	Paph. Magic Mountain		39	2nd	
	V. Motes Adorbs	Vanda Trophy	69	1st	
Carol Ann Stuht	Oncostele Red Silk		85	1st	
	Phal. Charming Pink Fantasy ‘April’s Coming’	Phalaenopsis Trophy	55	1st	
	Phal. OX Golden Sands ‘Golden Goblin’		56	1st	
Bill Cadman	Paph. Mrs. Judy Jerrett	AM/AOS Award 80 points	39	1st	
	Paph. Blood Moon		41	1st	
	Mormodia Clara		107	3rd	
Raechel Portelli	Phal. No ID		57	2nd	
	Leomesezia Lava Burst ‘Puanani’ AM/AOS		86	2nd	
Dot Barnett	Den. tetragonum		94	1st	
	Epi. Jairak Treasure		12	2nd.	
	Phrag. Misty Run Sunrise ‘Wacousta’ AM/AOS		44	3rd	
	Paph. Judge Philip		37	1st	
	Phrag. Belle Hogue Point		44	2nd	
	Phrag. Saint Peter		44	3rd	



GLOS DISPLAY:

10 members contributed 83 plants

Thank you to everyone who provided orchids and greenery, and a special thanks to all who helped with setting up the display and with tear down.

2026 ART SECTION SHOW REPORT by Carol Ann Stuht

Hello GLOS Members. I hope all of you were at our show and visited the art display area.

Van Atta's provides a perfect location for the art. There is room to stop, and look at each entry. The light is good even early when judging begins.

Speaking of judges, they are a great group. Most have judged our art and photography for several years and have become familiar with orchids in that time. The art judges are: Michelle Word, Shari Carney, and Christine Waugh Fleischmann. All with years of experience in fine art. Our Photography judges are similarly experienced. They are: Dot Barnett, Judith Morrigan and our most recent judge, John Diephouse.

This year we initiated email pre registration. This worked very well to speed up the delivery and staging of the art. There were thirty artist and photographer entrants, with a total of 56 pieces entered. Seven pieces of art were purchased at the show for a total of \$1,095.00

The photography trophy was awarded to Lynn O'Shaughnessy for a striking photo of a *Phrag. pearcei*, printed on canvas, and titled "Sexy Lady".

The trophy for the Art classes was awarded to former GLOS member, Roberta Kilty, for her joyful mixed media which included acrylic media and dried dendrobium flowers, titled "Cascading Dendrobiums".

I would love to have more GLOS members enter the Art Section classes at our show. Could that mean you???

Thanks to everyone that helped put this part of our show together. Especially Raechel Portelli. A woman of many talents.

Thank You

REPORT ON JUDGING GLOS 42nd ANNUAL SHOW -- Doris Asher

Visitors to our Show enjoyed 21 exhibits. Approximately 100 exhibitors entered about 416 orchids, exhibits, flower arrangements, and pieces of art. (Last year's Show had 19 exhibits, 100 exhibitors and 425 entries. The 2024 Show had 18 exhibits, 110 exhibitors and 487 entries.)

Our trophy winners this year:

Open exhibit: Natt's Orchids, Naperville, IL

Society exhibit: Greater Lansing Orchid Society

Amateur exhibit: Jill Wood, Grand Valley Orchid Society

Julie Bishop Memorial Cattleya Alliance: Rhynchobrossoleya TLDC Devine Phoenix 'Pterodactyl' (Brassavola cucullata x Rlc. Bryce Canyon) – Pete Ostlund, GLOS

Paphiopedilum Species: Paphiopedilum delenatii – Littlefrog Farm, Holt

Paphiopedilum Hybrids: Paphiopedilum Mrs. Judy Jarrett (In-Charm Topaz x spicerianum) – Bill Cadman, GLOS

Phragmipedium, Cyripedium: Phragmipedium Yelva Myhre 'Fire Horse' (Rosalie Dixler x kovachii) – Bill Cadman, GLOS

Phalaenopsis: Phalaenopsis no ID – Olivia Martin, Grand Valley Orchid Society

Vanda: Vanda Motes Adorbs (ampullaceum x christensoniana) – Pete Ostlund, GLOS

Brassia and Miltonia: Oncostelopsis Mayor Billy 'F069' (Ons. Warm Memories x Oip. Francine) -- Bob Skaggs (Grand Valley Orchid Society)

Oncidium Alliance: Oncidium Sharry Baby (Jamie Sutton x Honolulu) – Mary-Louise Totton, Kalamazoo Dunes Orchid Society

Cymbidium – Cymbidium Red Cross (Via Ambarino x Red Beauty) -- Si Chen, Ann Arbor Orchid Society

Dendrobium Alliance: Dendrobium Hamana Smile (Hohoemi x speciosum) – Natt's Orchids, Naperville, IL

Pleurothallid Alliance: Stelis ciliaris -- Anything Orchids, Frankfort, IL

Alex Challis Memorial Miscellaneous Genera: Gastrophaius Micro Burst (Gastrorchis pulchra x Phaius tankervilleae) – Pete Ostlund, GLOS

Specimen Plant: Oncidium Sharry Baby (Jamie Sutton x Honolulu) – Mary-Louise Totton, Kalamazoo Dunes Orchid Society

Art (Excluding Photography): "Cascading Dendrobium" – Bobbi Kilty, GLOS

Photography: "Sexy Lady" – Lynn O'Shaughnessy, GLOS

Don and Kris Garling Memorial Best of Show: Phalaenopsis no ID – Olivia Martin, Grand Valley Orchid Society

AOS Show Trophy – Outstanding Exhibit: GLOS (85 points)

In addition to the above trophies, the 14 judges who judged our Show this year selected 16 orchids from the Show to study further and gave American Orchid Society awards to two of them:

Phragmipedium Yelva Myhre 'Fire Horse' AM/AOS 84 points (Rosalie Dixler x kovachii) – Bill Cadman, GLOS

Rhynchobrossoleya TLDC Devine Phoenix 'Pterodactyl' AM/AOS 88 points (Brassavola cucullata x Rlc. Bryce Canyon) – Pete Ostlund, GLOS

In addition, one of our judges, Dave Miller from Niles, OH, brought a Phalaenopsis Yaphon Gelacea 'Duck Creek' (Yaphon Gelblitz x Chang Maw Jade) which was awarded an HCC/AOS of 79 points

In addition, the GLOS exhibit received an AOS Silver Certificate of 85 points.

Lynn O'Shaughnessy, who chaired judging on Saturday morning, and I want to thank the people who helped us register all of the entries and prepare the judging folders on Friday night: Michele Bridges, Jim Churn, David Madison, Tammy Scherer and Jill Wood. In addition, we'd like to thank all of our judges and all of our clerks who came early Saturday morning to help us with the ribbon judging as well as with the AOS judging which followed. Kudos, too, to Ed Cott, who was our AOS photographer.

Thank you so very much!



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