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CALYPSO DEADLINE:

April 24 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 20 MEETING - via ZOOM:

Our presenter this month is Bob Fuchs, of R. F. Orchids, and AOS President. His talk will be about Vandas.

Robert has a long and impressive biography. You can read about him and his nursery here: <http://rforchids.com/index.php/welcome/meet-robert-fuchs/>

If you would like to see more of the nursery, there is a video which will give you a short tour: <https://vimeo.com/111986580>

There is also a page of garden tour images you can access, either as a page or a slide show: <http://rforchids.com/index.php/contact-us/garden-tours/>

You will also want to browse their catalog: "The orchids listed in our catalog grow under exactly the same conditions (some in the very same greenhouses) as our private collection and stud plants. We're the proud recipients of almost 2,000 awards from the American Orchid Society (including more than 75 awards for outstanding orchid culture!) and hundreds of medals, trophies and other recognition from around the world. <https://rforchids2.mybigcommerce.com>

APRIL 17 MEETING - via ZOOM:

Dr. Harry Gallis is currently a member of the AOS Development Committee. Harry is an Accredited Judge and has served as past Chair of the Carolinas Judging Center, national training coordinator for AOS judges, and served as Chair of the AOS Judging Committee from 2010-2014. His own plants have received over 40 AOS awards.

Dr. Gallis is a native of Athens, Georgia, and his profession is medicine. "I did most of my training at Duke and specialized in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases." Other hobbies ("fortunately not as expensive or consuming as orchids") include gardening of all sorts. He also enjoys cooking, Duke basketball, and golf. Dr. Harry Gallis has been growing orchids since 1980.

Dr. Gallis will talk about dendrobiums, especially the phalaenopsis, latouria, and spatulata sections.

(Editor's note: here is a webpage that talks about different types of dendrobiums, how to ID them and how to care for them:

<https://orchideria.com/types-of-dendrobiums/#:~:text=The%20Dendrobium%20Latouria%20orchids%20are%20short%20and%20stumpy-looking%2C,dendrobiums%20can%20be%20terrestrial%2C%20growing%20in%20subalpine%20grasslands.>

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -- Pete Ostlund

As I write this, the deep freeze is starting to end. A flock of robins has gathered outside my window eating freeze-dried fruit off the American Cranberry Viburnum. I'm able to walk my dog at 6:30 PM and see him without using a flash light. All these things are sure signs that Spring is just around the corner. For me that means it's time to repot some orchids. Several of the dormant orchids have recently been repotted (habenarias and catasetums). Up next are the paphs and phrags, to be followed by cattleyas and dendrobiums. I keep a spreadsheet of all my orchids and have a "last repotted date" column. I plan to repot every two years, but based on what I observe with regards to the plant, roots and the media, some go earlier than 2 years, and some are delayed to be evaluated the next time I repot. What media I use depends on the type of orchid, that's why I do them in groups. I know it's best to repot when they are starting to put out roots, but that doesn't fit very well into my schedule. So I'm sure some suffer from being repotted at the wrong time. Repotting is also a good time to divide something nice that's overgrown its pot, or to toss something that just isn't making it. It's also a good time to evaluate my pest management efforts.

I hope you're thinking spring and your orchids brought you some comfort during this seemingly long winter. I also hope to see you on the next orchid Zoom meeting. These have been very interesting and informative, and have helped us stay connected to other orchid growers.

**SYMPATHY TO DON AND PAT STOECKER**

The Society extends heartfelt sympathy to longtime members Don and Pat Stoecker, who lost Don's mother on Tuesday, January 26, 2021.

GLOS GENERAL MEETING ZOOM LINK:

Greater Lansing Orchid Society is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: GLOS General Meeting

Time: 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Every month on the Third Sat, 12 occurrence(s)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/701683513?pwd=REQzYnpxaTZjb3p6dDNZNWxCOS8xUT09>

Meeting ID: 701 683 513

Password: 20-Orchids

One tap mobile

+19292056099,,701683513# US (New York)

Meeting ID: 701 683 513

GLOS MEET AND GREET - from the editor

This issue of the Calypso continues the special section which highlights members of our society. While this new section cannot take the place of live association, it is an opportunity to learn a little more about our fellow orchidists, and to share with them a little bit about our own orchid passion.

In this issue, we meet two more of our society's members. I enjoyed reading and learning about these members, and finding a little insight into who they are as people besides their love of orchids. I hope you do, too.

I'm looking for volunteers for the May issue. I would like at least two people who will share their orchid experiences with us. Will you volunteer? Please contact me at dotbarnett@mac.com, text me at 517-614-0416, or snail-mail me at 9713 Looking Glass Brook Dr., Grand Ledge, 48837.

GLOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **March 20** - Bob Fuchs, of R. F. Orchids, and AOS President - Vandas
- **April** - Dr. Harry Gallis will talk about dendrobiums, particularly the phalaenopsis, latouria, and spatulas sections
- **May** - Our Annual Business Meeting (See p.7) Speaker: Dr. Randall Bayer on dendrobiums, section calyptrochilus – Jewels of the South Pacific
- **June** - We will join the Great Lakes Judging Center for their seminar. (See pages 10 & 11)
- **July - July Picnic and/or Grand Orchid Mart** will occur July 24 between 10 am and 2 pm, at the Granger Meadows Park, Pavilion 1



GLOS MEMBERSHIP MEETING 1-16-2021 - submitted by Becky Thayer, Secretary

Pete Ostlund opened the meeting at 7:05. There were 45 attendees including members from GLOS, Grand Valley, Ann Arbor, Saginaw Valley, Dunes-Kalamazoo, Michigan Orchid Societies and 2 guests from the Orchid Society of Southern California.

Marni Turkel was our speaker. She gave an engaging and interesting presentation on small orchids with an active Q & A after.

Announcements:

The next speakers will be

- Feb. 20, 2021 Sam Tsui will speak on multifloral paphs
- March 20, 2021 Bob Fuchs will speak on vandas
- April 17, 2021 Harry Gallis will speak on dendrobiums

Elections are coming up in May; if you would like to run for an office please contact Mike Underwood.

Awards will also be given in May, if you have a nominee please contact a member of the awards committee: Pete Ostlund, Bill Cadman, or Jerrie Nichols.

Our picnic will be July 24, 2021 from 10 – 2 at Granger Meadows Park Pavilion #1. We will determine at a later date if we are having a picnic or a Grand Orchid Mart.

Roberts Orchids Supply has offered in light of the shows being cancelled to make delivery of societies orders of supplies. Watch your email for details

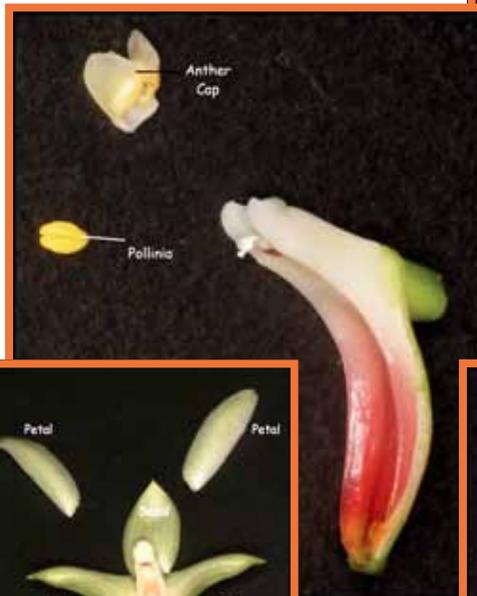
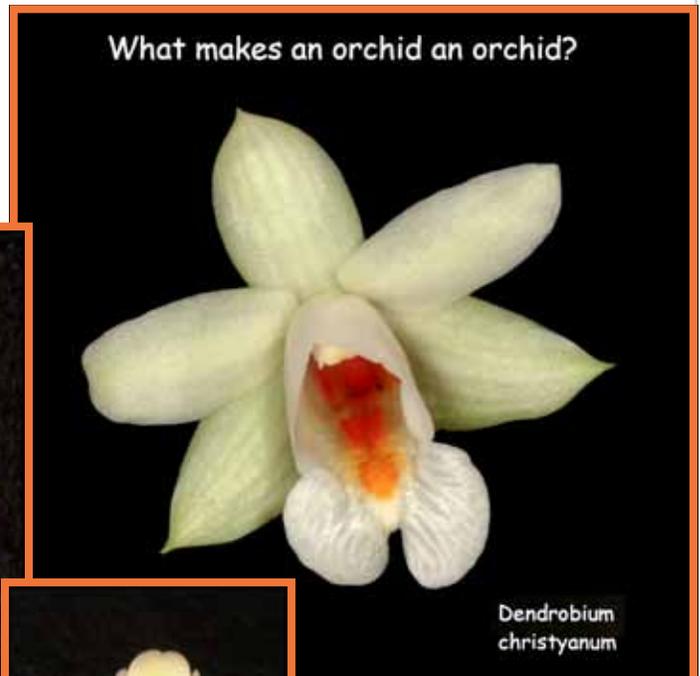
Sam Tsui is offering a speakers discount. Watch your email for details.

Mei Ling Clemens from GVOS announced that the in person show at Meijer Gardens Feb. 27 – 28 has been cancelled and replaced with a virtual event. More details to come.

The virtual show table was once again a lively event with many members presenting pictures of their lovely orchids and telling us about them.

The next meeting will be February 20, 2021 at 7:00 pm via Zoom

Meeting ended at 8:40 pm



Screen shots from Marni's presentation

GLOS BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 3, 2021 - submitted by Becky Thayer, Secretary

This meeting was held by Zoom and there were eight people in attendance:

Pete Ostlund, Ioana Sonea, Becky Thayer, Doris Asher, Bill Cadman, Dot Barnett, Dawn Kittle and Jerrie Nichols.

Pete called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Doris gave the treasurer's report:

- For the period 11/29/2020 – 1/29/2021 we had net expenses of \$209.
- Year-to-date (7/01/2020 – 02/29/2021) we had a net income of \$571.
- Balance on hand is \$18,472.
- For calendar year 2020 the CD's earned \$261.50 in interest.

A more detailed report can be found elsewhere in the Calypso

Membership report: Doris gave the membership report:

Currently there are 94 members in 83 households.

82% of our households receive the Calypso electronically and 18% receive paper copies in the mail.

Old Business

- We reviewed the past membership meetings and everyone was pleased with the multi society format and presentations.
- Review the to do list; there were 2 items that will carry over.
- We discussed how we would handle in person meetings when the time comes. It was decided that Pete would reserve OTCGL (the dog training building) for every second Saturday starting in August from 6 – 10 pm in the event that we can meet in person by that time. We need to reserve as the facility is booking up.

New Business

- Future meetings and speaker topics:
 - Feb 20, 2021 – Sam Tsui on multifloral paphs, speaker fee is \$150, which is waived if orders exceed \$750. GLOS will pay any fee and collect their share from GVOS and AAOS.
 - March 20, 2021 – Bob Fuchs on vandias, GVOS will pay the \$150 speaker fee (a contribution to the AOS) to be split three ways with GLOS and AAOS.
 - April 17, 2021 – Dr. Harry Gallis on dendrobiums (phalaenopsis, latouria and spatulata sections) GLOS will pay the speaker fee (a contribution to the AOS of \$150 split 3 ways)
 - May 15, 2021 - Dr. Randall Bayer on dendrobiums, section calypstrochilus – Jewels of the South Pacific, GLOS will pay the speaker fee (a contribution of \$100 to the Memphis Orchid Society split 3 ways)
 - This is also our business meeting
 - June 19 & 20– GLJC presentation on slippers
 - July 24, 2021 from 10 to 2 – GLOS picnic or Grand Mart
- Robert's Orchids has offered to make a run to Michigan on March 20, stopping in Lansing to drop off supplies and plants ordered by the joint societies in the area. Rob offered his home as a drop off and pick up point. No decisions have been made yet.
- Bylaws: we reviewed the updated bylaws and made a few minor changes. Pete will revise the bylaws within a week, based on our discussion. The board will have a week to complete their review and send comments to Pete. The draft revisions will be sent to the members for review and comment in the March Calypso. The plan is to address any comments received and prepare a final version for a vote of the members at the May meeting.
- Guidelines: the guidelines were re-sent to the board for review and future discussion.
- Dot asked for volunteers for the Meet GLOS Member column and Bill, Becky and Jerrie volunteered

To Do List:

1. Doris will get contact information for John Jaworski as a speaker on "growing orchids from seed" to Pete
2. Doris will send Dot the membership form so that she can include it in the Calypso
3. Pete will reserve OTCGL (dog training) facility for 2nd Saturday in August 6 – 10pm
4. Pete will rewrite the bylaws and send to all board members within a week
5. All board members will review and comment within a week of receipt.
6. All board members are to read the guideline document for future discussion.
7. Dot will include the bylaws with the March Calypso
8. Becky, Bill and Jerrie will each send Dot their bio for "Meet GLOS Member" column by the week of the 14th
9. Pete will draft survey for the membership about speakers
10. Dot will write a proposal for improving communications with the membership

Meeting ended at 8:05

Next meeting will be April 7, 2021 at 7:00pm via Zoom

GLOS MEMBERSHIP MEETING FEBRUARY 20, 2021 - submitted by Becky Thayer, Secretary

Pete Ostlund called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. There were 40 participants from at least 5 societies logged in to the Zoom event.

Sam Tsui gave a wonderful talk on Multifloral Paphiopedilum. Sam showed us many beautiful photos; spoke on the plants area of origin and growing needs. The presentation was very interesting and informative. Sam answered questions at the end and shared his wisdom and experiences with us.

Sam is offering a 10% discount on all orders until February 27. Use the code 10OFFGLOS at checkout.

Announcements:

- March 20th meeting will be Bob Fuchs on vanda's. Bob is the current president of AOS and proprietor of RF Orchids
- The April and May meetings will feature speakers discussing dendrobiums
- May is our annual business meeting; GLOS will have elections and awards. Watch the March Calypso for more information.
- With the March Calypso will be the proposed revisions to the bylaws. There are many changes being proposed. Comments will be due by the end of March. We hope to vote on the revisions in April or May.
- Robert's Orchids will be dropping off pre paid orders at Rob Halgren's house March 28. Please make arrangements with Rob to pick up your orders. Roberts may be making multiple stops besides Rob's depending on the amount of orders they get.
- Check the calendar of events in the Calypso for future activities including the GLJC Zoom meeting in June on slipper orchids, and our picnic in July.
- Mei Ling Clemens announced the GVOS two-day event Feb. 27th and 28th. Visit the GVOS website for more information.

Ioana Sonea presented the virtual show table that was filled with beautiful plants from 12 growers representing 4 different societies.

Meeting ended at 8:45 pm

Our next meeting will be March 27 at 7:00 pm via Zoom

SCREEN SHOTS FROM SAM TSUI'S TALK ON MULTIFLORAL PAPHS



Fertilizer/Feeding

- Fertilizer
 - High-nitrogen: 30-10-10 or alike (Spring/Summer)
 - Balance: 20-20-20 or alike (Fall/Winter)
 - Bloom: 10-50-10 or alike (Flowering)
 - MSU 13-3-15 w/ 8% Cal + 2% Mag R/O
 - MSU K-lite 13-1-1 w 10% Cal + 4% Mag
- Feeding
 - Weekly/Weakly
 - Use 1/3 or Less Recommended Strength
 - Water first then Feed

Potting Mix/Potting

- Potting Mix
 - 4 Parts Fine/Medium/Large Bark (Orchiata/Kiwi)
 - 1 Part Sponge Rock (Coarse Size Perlite)
 - 1/2 Part Charcoal (#3)
 - 1/4 Cup of Dolomite Lime per 20 gal of Mix
 - Wet Bark Over Night
- Potting
 - Repot: 12-36 Months whenever they needed
 - Never Over Pot

Water/Watering

- Water Quality
 - Rain Water
 - Tap Water
 - Distilled Water
 - Reverse Osmosis Water (RO)
- Watering
 - Very 3-7 days
 - Morning/Beginning of the Light Cycle
 - Moist but not soggy

Light/Shade

- Light
 - Artificial
 - LCD Grow Full Spectrum Light (400-800 FC)
 - LED Grow Full Spectrum Light (1200w/155w)
 - Fluorescent (400-500 FC)
 - Metal Halide (400-700 FC)
 - High Pressure Sodium (400-1000 FC)
 - Natural Light
 - 600-1200 FC
 - Window - East/West Exposure
 - Greenhouse - Require Shading
 - Winter: 30% - 40% Shading
 - Summer: 60% - 80% Shading

Temperature/Humidity

- Temperature
 - Ideal Range: 60-85 F (14-27C)
 - Low Limitation: 50 F (9C)
 - High Limitation: 95 F (32C)
 - Prefer 10F (7C) Day/Night Temperature Differential
- Humidity
 - Range: 50-70% Humidity
 - Gravel Tray
 - Humidifier/Fogger
 - Air Movement

TREASURER'S REPORT GLOS FEBRUARY 3rd - submitted by Doris Asher, Treasurer

Note: For the calendar year 2020, the Society's CD's spun off \$261.50 in interest.

Current period November 29 — January 29

- a. Net expense of \$209
- b. Income – Interest from 9 savings CD's -- \$41.90
- c. Expenses -- January Meeting Speaker's Fee -- \$250

Year-to-Date July 1 – January 29

- a. Net income of \$571
- b. Income -- \$2,762
 - i. Grand Orchid Mart -- \$1,156
 - ii. Dues -- \$644
 - iii. All-State Meeting Reimbursement from Societies -- \$328
 - iv. Donations -- \$319
 - v. Donations for Paper Calypso's -- \$186
 - vi. Credit Union interest -- \$129.88
- c. Expenses -- \$2,142
 - i. 2021 Show ribbons and trophies -- \$854
 - ii. Speaker's fees (@\$875) August, September, October, November 2020, January 2021 meetings
 - iii. Donations -- \$350 (\$150 to GLJC, \$100 to Michigan Nature Association, \$100 to Nature Conservancy)
 - iv. Administrative Expenses -- \$113
- d. Total Assets = \$18,472, of which \$12,893 is in 9 CD's with varying maturity dates; checking account has \$5,573

Budget Reconciliation Year-to-Date July 1 – January 29

a, Actual income = \$2,762 (compared with budgeted amount of \$2,411)

- e. Actual expenses = \$2,192 (compared with budgeted amount of \$2,441)
- f. Under budget = \$571

FROM GLOS MEMBER EWEN TODD: "Apparently this word was popular in the 1850s but rarely used today."

WORD OF THE DAY*Orchidaceous*

or-~~kə~~-DAY-shəs

Part of speech: *adjective*

Origin: *Latin, mid 19th century*

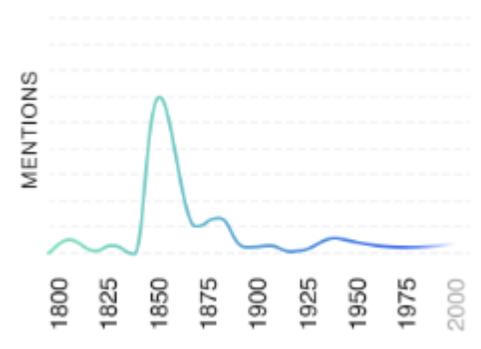
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Flashy, showy, as if an orchid.

Examples of Orchidaceous in a sentence:

"The singer's outfit was colorful, shiny, and downright orchidaceous."

"My decorating tastes can be a bit orchidaceous."

Popularity Over Time

Source: Google

About Orchidaceous: Orchidaceous originated from the modern Latin word "Orchidaceae," the term for plants of the orchid variety.

GLOS BUSINESS: NOMINATING COMMITTEES**Nominations for May Election:**

Nominations are now being accepted for the May elections. 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 the April 17, 2021 Zoom meeting.

Nominations for Annual Awards:

In May of each year we set aside time at our meeting to recognize individuals for their special service to GLOS over the past year. This may include special recognition at the highest level (Orchidist of the Year). If you feel someone deserves special recognition, please send your nomination to someone on the Awards Committee (Jerrie Nichols, Bill Cadman or Pete Ostlund). Please include a short write-up of why you feel this individual is worthy of such recognition. Candidacy for the Orchidist of the Year award may be based on, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Leadership
- b. Promotion of the Society of or orchids
- c. Committee activity
- d. Society organizational efforts
- e. Botanical development
- f. Research
- g. Authorship of orchidaceous articles
- h. Taxonomy of orchids

GLOS BUSINESS: BYLAWS**Proposed Bylaw Revisions:**

The Board has been working on revisions to the GLOS Bylaws for the past several months. The proposed revisions are now available for review and comment. If you have any comments you'd like the Board to consider, please send them to Pete Ostlund (p.ostlund@yahoo.com, or phone 517.449.5248) by March 31, 2021. There are many changes proposed as it has been 10 years since the Bylaws were last revised. The proposed changes bring our Bylaws and our operating procedures in-line, as well as incorporate some new or modified practices.

Some of the items that have been modified include: modified duties of the Board, added a new director (Away Shows director), changed how the nominating committee operates, changed voting to reflect that absentee voting is acceptable for many business items, and deleted references to Policies and Guidelines, as we've been guided only by the Bylaws in how we operate as a society.

Please note, there is a separate attachment of the Proposed Bylaws included with the mailing of this Calypso. If you wish to compare these with the old Bylaws, they are available for download on the GLOS website:

<https://www.greaterlansingorchidsociety.com/LinksandDownloads.html> -- the Bylaws are the last item on the list.

ROBERTS FLOWER SUPPLY OFFER:

Wayne Roberts, of Roberts Flower Supply, has offered to gather together any orders from our members and bring them to Lansing on March 28. Rob Halgren has offered to be the dropping off place.

If you are interested in taking Wayne up on his offer, please place your order with him from his website, pay him according to his directions, and make sure you let him know you are from GLOS so he will bring your order to Rob's where you can pick it up. That will save you shipping costs, which can be quite a savings!

Roberts Flower Supply: <http://orchidmix.com/>

Here are their instructions for ordering:

Methods of ordering:

Print and fill in the order blank (on their website) with check or credit card info.

Email your order to rfs@orchidmix.com with your phone number and we will call for credit card info if required or you can email and call in your own credit card.

Call in your order. You may get an answering service so leave a phone number in case there is a question.

Roberts Flower Supply phone number is 440 236-5571.

Note: Roberts does not have on-line payment options. Please read their directions carefully.

MEET GLOS MEMBER JERRIE NICHOLS

I got hooked on orchids over 50 years ago. When we were living in Virginia, a friend's dad took us down to the Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington D.C. By chance there was an orchid show at the National Arboretum and of course we went. I had never seen such plants. Remember this was before the internet, even before personal computers. And then I saw it. An absolutely huge 4 foot high brassia covered with "100s" of blooms. The plant was so wide that it completely filled the round table it sat on. It totally hid its owner, a tiny elderly woman who was beaming with pride and answering questions about her "baby". Told me that brassias were easy to grow and bloom in the house. Sweet looking old ladies should be ashamed to lie like that. Over the years, multiple brassias did prove relatively easy to grow in my house, but for decades they never bloomed. Not one bloom.

There followed years of buying orchids, killing orchids, cursing orchids, throwing away, etc, etc. To be fair, culture information was limited for years—no internet remember. I started with a brassia of course, but branched out into cattleyas that I could bloom. Success was slow but steady. Not to say that there weren't accidents that killed multiple orchids at one time. Winter power outages, hurricanes (while I was in South Carolina), goat attacks, bacterial rot, massive scale infestations, all took their toll. So no, I do not have an orchid that has been with me for 50 years. My oldest orchid is a *Cattleya maxima* that I bought in 1986 from Taylor Orchids.

My collection is dominated by species cattleyas, hybrid Phalaenopsis, and a few odds and ends such as oncidiums, paphiopedilums and, phragmipediums. The most uncommon plants I grow are pleiones and cypripediums. After all these years, I have gotten intolerant of bad plant behavior. The plant better bloom within a couple of years or I get rid of it. I get rid of weak plants. I get rid of plants that need constant coddling. There are plenty of plants that grow and bloom easily in my house so why waste time and shelf space on a stubborn one. Definitely, seedlings are a pain someone else can deal with.

My plants are grown in a south/east facing heated sun porch with supplemental lighting. Most of my plants are sunlovers, and grow better with extra light in our gray winters. The sun lovers spend the summer outside. Most grow and bloom well under this regime.

So did I ever get a massive floriferous brassia? Not exactly. After many years of trying different brassia species and hybrids, I found one that grows and blooms easily in my house. Neat and tidy with growths that only get about 24 inches high. Each pseudobulb reliably produces 2 flower spikes with a dozen blooms each. But there is a catch—it is a NOID. Next time it blooms I have to post photos and see if someone can ID it. Shame not to be able to tell people which brassia is a reliable blooming houseplant. But I still wonder how that little old lady grew that @#%! plant.



Photos Courtesy of Jerrie

MEET GLOS MEMBER BECKY THAYER

My name is Becky Thayer and my orchid addiction started in 1986. My husband and I went to Hawaii and I brought home an orchid, a dendrobium. I had no idea how to care for it and was telling my friend and she mentioned that Mike Underwood, who belonged to the same bird club as we did, had orchids. So I asked Mike and he said that it would go dormant after it bloomed and not to give up on it. He gave me good advice, the next year it just sat there, in the summer I put it out on the patio and it started to show some life. About that time my dog got it and was chewing on the pot and I thought that it was root bound. Not knowing that orchids like to be tight, I repotted it like I would a houseplant. It took the next year or two to grow roots and then it took off! It was a prolific bloomer and grew huge! The last time it bloomed it had about 75 flowers! Now for the sad part of the story, the plant got very big and top heavy so I put the plant's pot inside a big heavy pot and put that on pot feet in a large saucer. I could water it in place and it drained freely. That worked well for a few years until unknown to me the drain holes in the big pot got plugged and I inadvertently killed it by drowning it. A hard lesson learned! I would like to say that was the only orchid I have killed but that would be a lie, like every other orchid grower I have had my failures.

For several years I grew them in the living room near windows until I collected too many for that and I had to move them to the basement under lights. Most of my plants have come from the raffle table or the picnic plant sale. I have about 40 plants now; some are quite large (I need to learn to divide). Any plant in my house has to tolerate cool temperatures; my basement is only about 60 degrees. Any plant that survives my winter abuse gets to spend the summer outside near the pool, against the north side of the garage. They don't get a lot of direct sun but a lot of reflection from the pool.



My favorite plant is the one currently in bloom! Unfortunately



right now I am between blooms, several bloomed right after I brought them inside and they are now faded and some are just starting to open.



Photos Courtesy of Becky

2021 EDUCATIONAL ORCHID SEMINAR

The Great Lakes Judging Center is pleased to announce its annual education seminar, this year on the Cypripedium Alliance of orchids Saturday and Sunday, June 19-20, 2021. The Cypripedium Alliance encompasses the genera of Paphiopedilum, Phragmipedium, Cypripedium, Mexipedium and Selenipedium.



Due to continuing COVID-19 concerns about public gatherings, this seminar will be completely online. There will be no AOS judging. The schedule for both days will be online talks from 11 am to 2 pm. Details about the Seminar will be available on the GLJC website (gljc.org), but note that the schedule is not fully developed at this time.

Our featured speakers will be Hadley Cash, Marriott Orchids (www.marriottorchids.com) on “Novelty Complex Paphiopedilums” and Bill Goldner, Woodstream Orchids (www.woodstreamorchids.com) “Trends in Phragmipedium Hybridizing”. There will be additional talks by members of the Great Lakes and Toronto judging Centers. We will have more details on the program in our May Calypso.

There is no charge to attend as the Seminar is entirely online; however, you will need to let me know that you would like to so that I can email you the Zoom login information.

Since the third Saturday of the month is GLOS’s regular meeting day, this seminar will take the place of any GLOS program.

Join us!

Doris Asher Email: asherdoris44@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP YEAR DRAWS TO A CLOSE

Since the Society’s fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30 of each year, it is getting to be time to renew your membership by sending in your annual dues – \$8.00 for an individual plus an additional \$4.00 for each additional household member. For members who want to save significant dues over time, the Society offers a life membership for a one-time payment of \$80.00. Forty-four people have already taken advantage of the life membership.

Please make checks payable to GLOS and send them to me at 277 N. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing, MI 48823.

Thank you for sending in your dues prior to the deadline. We do not want you to miss even one issue of The Calypso. So far, 45 households (48 individuals) have already paid their dues for the coming year; we need to hear from 40 households (46 individuals) who have not yet renewed. Please consider receiving your newsletter electronically at no cost to the Society. Or, perhaps you could make a special donation to help offset the expense of photocopying and mailing – each issue costs GLOS \$1.15 to provide in hard copy for a total cost per year of \$6.90. Help the Society keep its dues low!

(Members who have not yet paid for the coming year have their names highlighted in yellow on the mailing label on this issue. Such members need to pay at this time so they will not miss any issues of The Calypso. The Editor will contact those members receiving their newsletters electronically to remind those who have not yet renewed to do so.)

Doris Asher
Treasurer and Member, Membership Committee

GLOS Membership Form is on the last page of this issue.

GLOS MEMBER JULIA BISHOP - Julie’s daughter, Dea:

Last week, Julie was hospitalized with a blood infection and a liver abscess. She was being treated with antibiotics for the infection before they could treat the abscess. Unfortunately, Julie died on March 2nd. As Dea observed, “It is the end of an era.”



Editor’s note: About 20 years ago, the society was much different than today. There was much contention and in-fighting between different “factions” in our society. I, a relatively new member, had been newsletter editor for a year, and so seemed to align myself with the faction “in power” at the time. Julie, who was about the least factious person I have ever known, sent me a private letter in which she expressed concerns about an ambiguous statement I made about choosing the right leader at the next election. We corresponded back and forth about the state of the society, and she gave me much insight about some of the issues and people involved. What I learned from Julie was to watch carefully and learn about people and their motives before making judgements. Julie will forever remain one of my inspirations as editor, as well as orchidist. I will miss her kind and gentle disposition very much.



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2021 Great Lakes Judging Center Annual Seminar

Sat. June 19 - 11 am to 2 pm and Sun. June 20 - 11 am to 2 pm

ONLINE MEETING via Zoom Meetings

The Cypripedium Alliance - The Slipper Orchids

FEATURED SPEAKERS

- Bill Goldner, Woodstream Orchids
- Hadley Cash, Marriott Orchids
- more lectures by Michigan and Toronto Judging Center members.

No AOS Judging

Continue to check the GLJC website at gljc.org
for updates on Location, times, costs, topics



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MICHIGAN ORCHID SOCIETY SHOW CANCELLED

It with great regret, we have cancelled our 2021 Orchid Show. Our venue where our show was schedule is closed for Covid 19 and will not be reopen in time for our show. We plan on having a show in 2022 on March 26-27 in our regular location. We hope to see you there. I would appreciate if you could pass this along to your society.

Stay safe and happy growing.

Joe Peterson



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GREATER LANSING ORCHID SOCIETY - MEMBERSHIP FORM

Date _____

Membership Categories: Individual (8.00) Joint (\$8.00 plus \$4.00 for each additional member) Life (\$80.00)

Renewal New Membership Check # _____ Cash (DUES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE)

Dues are payable in May for the membership year which begins July 1st.

Name(s) _____

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Please help the Society keep dues low – choose email delivery of newsletter – or make a donation to offset the cost?
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Thank you.

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