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CALYPSO DEADLINE:

Dec. 29 for the January 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.

NOVEMBER 18 MEETING:

Presbyterian Church, Okemos

Doors open at 6:30 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.

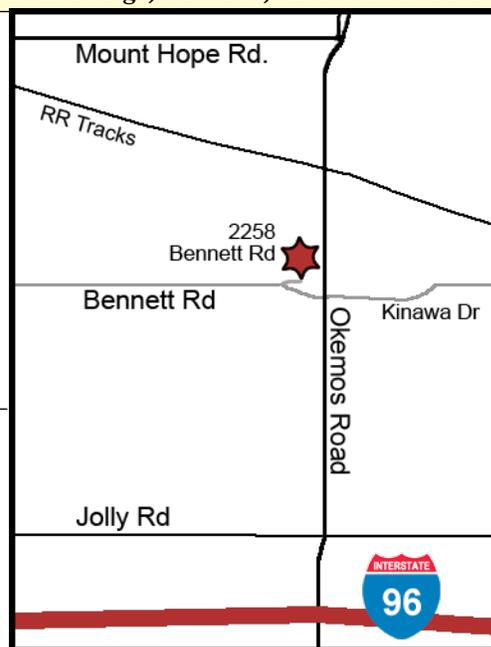
Meeting will start promptly at 7:00 pm

Our speaker this month is Eric Sauer. Eric is the President of the Miami Valley Orchid Society in Dayton, Ohio.

Eric has been growing orchids for more than 25 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 new book on Paphiopedilums and has completed a chapter for his upcoming book on Phragmipediums soon to be published. He also has several of his Maxillaria photos published in Eric Christenson's book on Maxillaria.

Eric has received over 75 awards from the American Orchid Society and has three 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 will be bringing plants to sell.



See pages 5 and 6 for the report on the October All State Orchid Societies Meeting with Fransico Miranda and George Hatfield, organized by Jack Shumaker.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -- Dawn Kittle

To all of those that attended the October All State Society meeting: Thanks for coming. To all of you who didn't, I'm sure you would have if you could have.

The talk by Francisco Miranda was fascinating and enlightening, and opened for me a whole range of thinking about Cattleyas. I never imagined them growing out of a crevice in a rock or growing next to a cactus in a desolate place. Wow!!

The geography lesson on Brazil was fascinating as well.

The second speaker was the president of the AOS, George Hatfield. With enthusiasm, he explained the inner workings of the AOS and its origins. This too proved to be interesting.

Thank you to all who helped in this endeavor, as it took a lot of planning, working and dedication. I do not know all of the names of people involved but do know that Jack Shumaker, Georgian Franczyk and Dottie Winter of our society were the key people. These three are also members of the other societies. This just goes to show everyone what we can achieve together.

I am anxiously waiting the next program in November. Eric Sauer will be presenting South American Orchids. I wonder what we will learn from him?

See you all there.

USED ORCHID BOOKS/PERIODICALS WANTED - submitted by Doris Asher, Show Chair

Do you have some orchid books or orchid periodicals that you no longer want? For several years now at our Orchid Show, we have sold numerous used books donated by various Society members. Visitors to the Show snap them up very quickly and, because the books are donated, the Society makes 100% profit. We use the orchid magazines as free giveaways to our visitors to encourage their joining our Society.



Because this service is so popular, we would like to offer inexpensive, used orchid books again at this February's Show. Since GLOS is an IRS not-for-profit 501(c) 3 organization, you may deduct the value of the books and magazines you give us. The Treasurer will be happy to provide you a receipt for your gift.

Please consider giving such items at this November meeting to Doris Asher, Christina Gregg or to Mary Henman, our Show's Information Table Co-Chairs.

→ Thank you to Pete Ostlund, Julie and Andrea Bishop, Tammy Scherer, and Dottie Winter for providing the delicious refreshments in September. Jerrie Nichols, Dawn Kittle and Carol Ann Stuht (via Dot) will provide snacks in November.

GLOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **November 18** - GLOS General Meeting - Speaker Eric Sauer, President of the Miami Valley OS
- **November 11-12** - Michiana OS Show in South Bend. Jerrie & Dot will do a basket display, Rob will set-up and bring back.
- **November 25-26** - Saginaw Valley OS Show in Pontiac. Ioana is in charge and would like help.
- **January 27-28** - Grand Valley OS Show & Sale at Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park
- **February 24-25, 2018** - **GLOS Orchid Show and Sale**
- **March 17** - GLOS General Meeting - To be determined
- **May 19** - GLOS General Meeting - Jim Heilig will be our speaker. His talk will be on Habenarias.



GLOS September 16, 2017 GENERAL MEETING - Submitted by Diane Zoellner, Secretary

President Dawn Kittle called the meeting to order at 7:00. She encouraged the 25 people present to purchase raffle tickets for the items on the raffle table and to bid on items on the two silent auction tables. Doris Asher introduced and welcomed the two visitors, Pam De Groot and Layne Kittle. She then presented the wonderful orchids on the Show and Tell Table. Thank you to Pete Ostlund, Julie and Andrea Bishop, Tammy Scherer, and Dottie Winter for providing the delicious refreshments for the evening.

Up for vote was the motion to have 3 meetings added for April, June, and August. Points made for the motion were:

- Extra meetings would encourage new members who join at the GLOS Show in February.
- Many members are not here in the winter, but are here for April, June, and August.
- More meetings keep all members engaged.

Points made against the motion were:

- It would create more work for officers and others already doing work.
- Calypso should only be the 6 times as it is now.
- June, July, and August are the time members work on their own gardens and orchids.

The June meeting conflicts with the Great Lakes Judging meetings.

Jerrie Nichols called the motion to vote. Four voted for the motion. The majority voted against the motion. The motion was defeated.

Pete Ostlund made a motion to have extra meetings, when and how many meetings to be determined by the board. Dot seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Dawn called the vote. The majority voted for the motion. The motion was passed.

Dawn brought driftwood to purchase for mounting orchids, \$20 for a large piece, \$10 for a small piece.

Jack Shumaker made the following announcements:

The October All State Orchid Societies Meeting will be held at the Presbyterian Church of Okemos on October 14 at 1:30. The two speakers are Francisco Miranda and George Hatfield, President of AOS. (The AOS library in Coral Gables, Florida, was not hit by the hurricane.)

The Second World Slipper Orchid Conference will be in Hilo, Hawaii on January 12-14, 2018. There will also be 10 open houses available to attend.

The Ann Arbor Orchid Society is sponsoring an art workshop by Carol Woodin offered June 2-3, 2018 for \$150 a person.

The SVOS Annual Show and Sale will be held Thanksgiving Weekend at Kochville Veterans Hall in Saginaw. Information for any of these events was available on the front table or can be obtained from Jack Shumaker.

The speaker for November, Eric Sauer, would like to stay with a GLOS member. Please contact Dawn if you are able to host Eric.

Doris Asher reported that the planning for the GLOS ORCHID SHOW in February is progressing well. If anyone would like to be the Hospitality Chair or would like to help in the Hospitality Room, please contact Doris.

Mike Underwood asked if anyone is interested in being a speaker for a class at the show, please contact him.

Bill Porter complimented the great advertising done for the show.

The presentation this evening was given by Dot Potter Barnett about unraveling orchid names on tags. Orchid names often change, and it is not easy to keep current with the names. Dot showed how to use the internet sites like RHS (Royal Horticultural Society) site, Blue Nanta, and Internet Orchid Encyclopedia to find current names needed to register orchids for judging.

After Dot's presentation, It was decided at 8:22 that it was too late to have the Webinar this evening. After the raffle was held and the silent auction ended, winners took home their plants. The silent auction made \$37 and the raffle made \$38 with a total of \$75.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58. Thank you to the members who stayed to put chairs and tables away and to clean the room.



Doris at Show & Tell Table Photo by Dot

GLOS BOARD MEETING MINUTES, October 2, 2017 - Submitted by Diane Zoellner, Secretary

Thank you to Pete Ostlund for inviting the board members to visit his new greenhouse before the board meeting. It was a treat to see!

The six board members who met at Dot's house were Doris Asher, Jerrie Nichols, Dawn Kittle, Carol Ann Stuht, Diane Zoellner, and Dot Potter Barnett. After visiting her wonderful greenhouse, the members enjoyed a dinner of pizza, fruit salad, apple crisp with whipped cream, and ice cream.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Doris reported that since August seventh, she has received three renewals: Sharon Alden, Roberta Kilty, and Tom Remington. We currently have 90 members in 77 households. At this time last year, we had 98 members in 86 households. Nineteen households receive paper copies of the Calypso, costing \$124.26 annually. This amount is partially offset by donations given by some of these members.

SHOW COMMITTEE:

SHOW POSTCARD- Dot shared the design for the postcard. She will order the postcards with 20% off the cost. They may be available for the upcoming shows.

HOSPITALITY- At this time, there is no chair person. Cindy Ryan will help. Volunteers will be needed to assist.

INFORMATION TABLE-Co Chairs are Mary Henman and Christina Gregg.

KIDS' CORNER- Diane Zoellner and Michael Bukala are co-chairs.

ORCHIDS-IN-USE- Jenny Bonds has been communicating with Doris.

VENDORS/EXHIBITORS-Pete Ostlund sent out invitations to last year's vendors and has received orders for 20 tables. The maximum number of tables ordered is 21. Ioana will order the tables from MSU again.

OLD BUSINESS**PROGRAMS:**

August 19, 2017 This was one of three new meetings. Kristen Uthus presented "Japanese Orchids: Small but Mighty. Dot sent an email reminding everyone of the meeting. Doris mailed a paper copy to those members without an email. Pete Ostlund transported the meeting supplies and he and Carol Ann set up the meeting room.

September 16, 2017 A motion was passed that allowed the board to determine how many and when additional meetings would be added.

October 14, 2017 Special All-State Meeting The set up will begin at noon. GLOS will supply hot beverages, and paper/plastic products for 80 people. Carol Ann will use the \$30 credit from Bake N' Cakes. Dot sent out the email to GLOS members with Jack's request for food for the refreshment table. The meeting will begin at 1:30. The speakers are Francisco Miranda "Brazilian Cattleyas" and George Hatfield "The AOS Today". Jack Shumaker is bringing the projector, laptop, and microphone system. Our cost for the program is \$125.

November 18, 2017 Eric Sauer, President of the Miami Valley Orchid Society will speak on "South American Species including Maxillarias and Phrags." We are sharing Eric with the Ann Arbor Orchid Society. Dot volunteered to host Eric for his stay. Volunteers for refreshments are Dawn and Jerrie. Diane will not attend the meeting, so someone is needed to take the minutes for the meeting. There is a home game that day(MSU vs MD), but we are not sure of the time.

January 20, 2018 Round Table So far there are two volunteers. Chris Steele will demonstrate mounting orchids using fabric and Carol Ann will demonstrate prepping plants for a show. It will be determined if a third speaker is needed.

March 17, 2018 This date is in conflict with the Ann Arbor Orchid Society Show. Doris is Judging Chair for the show, so someone else is needed to open and set up the church. The program is yet to be determined. It was suggested that Mike Underwood be asked to present.

April 21, 2018 The church meeting room is not available for this date. The church will be contacted to see if April 14th is available. Also, Russ Vernon could be asked to present Miltoniopsis which is on the list of topics requested by the members.

May 19, 2018 Jim Heilig will present habenarias. We are sharing Jim with the Ann Arbor Orchid Society.

June 16, 2018 It will be determined whether there is a meeting. It is in conflict with Great Lakes Judging Center Seminar in Ann Arbor. Doris, Rob, and Bill Porter cannot attend GLOS. Also, availability of the church meeting room needs to be determined.

AWAY SHOWS

November 11-12, 2017 Michiana Orchid Show Rob will take baskets for the GLOS exhibit. We need to determine if anyone else is going who could help.

November 25-26, 2017 Saginaw Valley Orchid Show The invitation to exhibit has been received. Ioana is in charge of the GLOS display.

January 27-28, 2018 Grand Valley Orchid Show Set up by a combination of Pete, Dot, and/or Carol.

March 17-18, 2018 Ann Arbor Orchid Show Jerrie is in charge.

March 24-25, 2018 Michigan Orchid Show To Be Determined

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GLOS BOARD MEETING MINUTES - Continued from p.4**AUDIT OF TREASURER'S BOOKS**

The audit committee (Chairperson Pete Ostlund, Mike Underwood, and Abby Skinner) reported that there were no anomalies from the audit. Pete emailed the audit report August 22, 2017. It was difficult to do an audit, therefore the committee recommended that a standard format be created. A standard operating procedure could be followed so that every year would be the same. Jerrie volunteered to draft the guidelines. These will be reviewed at the December board meeting.

Rob will be contacted about: making annual donations to Great Lakes Judging Center (\$150 Paid 9/19/2017), Nature Conservancy (\$100), and Michigan Nature Association (\$100); paying the church for the meeting room; and filing the tax return.

NEW BUSINESS

GLOS WEBSITE COST UPDATE- Dot paid \$16 for the domain name renewal. There has yet been no bill received for the website itself.

GLOS POST OFFICE BOX- Having a post office box for GLOS was discussed. It was determined it would be difficult to check the box, and so was deemed not necessary.

CHURCH'S CLEANING CREW- There was a complaint from the 9/16 meeting. The church has a new cleaning crew. The issue was discussed with the minister. The issue has been resolved.

RENTING A BUS FOR EVENTS- After a discussion, it was deemed not justified to have a bus for events at this time.

CALYPSO DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 28TH. Please have articles to Dot. Doris cannot do the paper mailing. Jerrie volunteered to copy and send out the paper copies for mailing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER 20-22, 2018 MID-AMERICA ORCHID CONGRESS, CINCINNATI, OHIO

JUNE 2-3, 2018 ANN ARBOR ART WORKSHOP TAUGHT BY CAROL WOODIN

(Deadline to enroll May 19, 2018; cost: \$150.00)

DECEMBER 4, 2017 DECEMBER BOARD MEETING

Members are welcomed to attend the board meeting.

Ioana Sonea, 3740 Chippendale Drive, Okemos.

phone:517-349-3792

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05.

2017 ALL STATE ORCHID SOCIETIES MEETING - OCTOBER 14, 2017 - submitted by Diane Zoellner, Secretary

Before the meeting was called to order on an afternoon with pouring rain, the approximately 70 attendees enjoyed buying orchids provided by both presenters. Jack Shumaker called the meeting to order at 1:35. This was the fourth year for the all state meeting. Jack thanked Dottie Winter for organizing the food set up and everyone else who provided refreshments. He thanked Georgian Franczyk for being his registrar and organizer. Jack is already negotiating for speakers for the next two years. He thanked the 7 societies who participated in this event. Representatives from each group were called up to receive a cd copy of last year's program. The 7 groups represented were Saginaw Valley, Michigan, Northwestern Michigan, Dunes/Kalamazoo, Ann Arbor, Grand Valley, and Greater Lansing. Ohio also had representation with Dave Miller from Akron, Ohio, and Jim France, Oakwood Orchids, from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Jack announced the following two events:

The Botanical Art Workshop (water color) taught by Carol Woodin and sponsored by the Ann Arbor Orchid Society. It will be held June 2-3 at Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor. The cost is \$150.

The Second World Slipper Orchid Conference January 12-14, 2018 in Hilo, Hawaii. Both events have more information available. Contact Jack Shumaker 810-265-8117 or jcobbler58@aol.com.

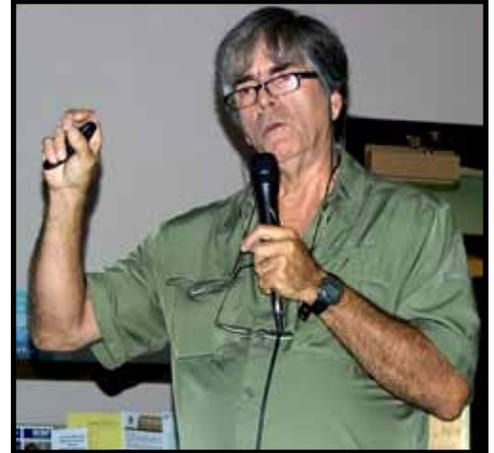


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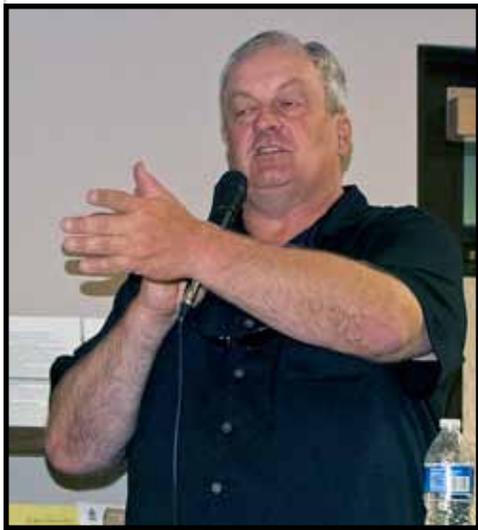
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Francisco Miranda was the first speaker. His presentation was "Cattleya in Brazil (country tour)." After viewing maps of Brazil which highlighted the various physical features of Brazil, he "toured Brazil" and discussed the contrasting regions and cattleyas found in each. From different areas in the Amazon Rain Forest to the Dry Region in Central Brazil to the Atlantic Forest, the cattleya found growing in each unique environment possess very different needs. To grow a cattleya well, knowing its origin is imperative. Also, after seeing the destruction of the swamps and portions of the rain forest, we know how important preserving the habitats in Brazil has become.



Our second speaker was George Hatfield, President of the American Orchid Society.



The organization was founded at Harvard University with 100 members on April 7, 1921. It has published its magazine since 1932. Its headquarters are now in the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden in Coral Gables, Florida. The intent of the group is to make it an even better organization. It is hoped the actions taken today will keep it going for the next 100 years. An important objective of the group is to have younger people become interested in orchids. It is trying to be social media savvy. It has developed many excellent webinars for members to use. As of 2017, it has 8,967 members with a budget operating at zero debt. Its membership is up 1000 people in 18 months.

The goals of AOS are to promote and support the passion for orchids through conservation, research, and education. Judging only affects 6% of its members. The AOS sees the need to put money on land acquisition to save native orchids and habitats. Our own Doris Asher was awarded a silver medal from the organization.

Our speakers ended at 4:05.

Thank you to all of the members who supplied food, set up the room, came to learn, and who helped put everything back in place.

Photos by Dot

UPCOMING WEBINARS

Town Hall Meeting from Ecuador with George Hatfield

Wednesday, November 8, 2017 @ 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT Open to All

Find out the exciting things happening with the AOS. Don't miss the AOS Town Hall Meeting & Board Meeting from the WOC22, in Guayaquil Ecuador with George Hatfield, AOS President.

Register now using this link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8409334692352712705>

American Orchid Society: Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton

Thursday, December 14, 2017 @ 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT Open to All

Please join Ron McHatton, American Orchid Society Director of Education and Science Officer, who will discuss a variety of topics on orchid culture based on questions submitted by attendees. Please send your questions to stillisch@cox.net by Sunday, December 10th.

Register now using this link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2847045007049760515>

Note: After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

WHAT ARE WEBINARS? Webinars are an Internet conference where you can hear the speaker and view his presentation, ask questions, and hear interactions from other members of the audience. You can join either on your computer or by phone. You can join from anywhere, via your Mac, PC or even your mobile device. Audio is included, so attendees can phone in or use VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol). You will need a microphone for your computer to use VoIP.

WANT TO LEARN, BUT CAN'T MAKE THE DATE? The live webinars will be recorded and posted on the AOS website, where you will find a link allowing you to view the webinars at your convenience

AOS CORNER

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Deadline is November 30, 2017 for Dillon/Peterson Essay Prize

Please remind your society members that the AOS is still accepting entries for the 2016 Gordon W. Dillon/Richard C. Peterson Memorial Essay Contest. They should let their imaginations run wild and the winner will receive a cash prize and certificate suitable for framing.

This year's theme is: Species or hybrids?.

Which do you prefer and why? Do you grow hybrids because of their cultural adaptability and reliable blooming (sometimes more than once a year) or do you grow species because of the challenge and diversity? This is a chance to show off some of your favorite orchids as you use them to illustrate your points!

Membership in the American Orchid Society is not necessary to enter the contest. The deadline is November 30, 2017. The winning entry, if any, will be published in the June issue of the following year.

Contest Rules:

- The essay must be an original, unpublished article.
- The contest is open to all persons except employees of the American Orchid Society and their immediate families.
- Submissions must be no more than 5,000 words in length.
- Manuscripts must be submitted in English, typewritten and double-spaced or submitted in Word or other compatible electronic format.
- Submissions will be judged without knowledge of the identity of the author. The decision of the judges is final. If no entries meet the expected criteria of excellence, the award will be withheld.
- Artwork is not necessary for entering this competition.

Non-winning entries will be returned to the contestant if requested. Such entries are eligible for resubmission in subsequent contests. These non-winning entries will also be considered for publication by the editor of Orchids and may be used in Orchids or other AOS publications including the AOS website.

Email all entries to Ron McHatton at rmchatton@aos.org. Paper submissions should be mailed to the Dillon/Peterson Memorial Essay Prize at AOS headquarters: Ron McHatton, American Orchid Society at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables, Florida 33156.

THE NOVEMBER ISSUE OF ORCHIDS MAGAZINE will feature great articles and beautiful pictures on:

- Orchids Illustrated – *Gymnadenia*
- Genus of the Month – *Trichocentrum*
- The New Refugium Botanicum - *Cattleya schilleriana*
- Dendrobium section *Spathulata* hybrids
- A Novice's Adventure in Hybridizing
- OrchidRoots.org
- Further demystifying *Fükiran* (*Vanda* [*Neofinetia*] *falcata*)

GLOS TREASURERS REPORT - Submitted by Rob Halgren, Treasurer

Current period from 9/01/2017 to 10/27/2017

Income: No funds deposited (income has been received, but is not yet recorded)

Expenses:

- State of Michigan – NPC filing fee - \$20
- Nature Conservancy – 100
- Michigan Nature Assn - 100
- Church Rental (multiple meetings through June 2017) – 400
- All State Meeting – 125
- New World Orchids – 175 (speaker fee August 2017)
- Dawn Kittle – 35.13 (reimbursement)

Net for current period -\$955.13

GLOS MEMBERS SHOW THEIR GENEROSITY - 2018 SHOW TROPHY SPONSORS -

Submitted by Doris Asher, Vice President/Show Chair

Once again, Society members have come through, underwriting all but three of the trophies for our Show this February! The trophies will be prepared by Larry Galdes and Joy Suphattra's Clay Flowers. I continue to look for someone to underwrite the trophy for these categories: Brassias/Miltonias, Orchids in Use (Amateur), and Orchids in Use (Professional). Who can help me?

Sponsors can save themselves expensive postage by paying Treasurer Rob Halgren in person at our November or January meetings. A check or cash is equally welcome – the cost is \$25.00. Checks payable to GLOS may also be mailed to Rob Halgren, Treasurer, 2100 Grovenburg, Lansing, MI 48911..

Thank you, donors, very much.

This year's sponsors are:

| Trophy | Sponsor |
|--|--|
| Exhibits, Open | Pete Ostlund |
| Exhibits, Society | Pete Porciello |
| Exhibits, Amateur | Anonymous GLOS Members |
| Cattleya Alliance | Andrea Bishop |
| Cypripedium Alliance | Dot Potter Barnett |
| Phalaenopsis | Julie Bishop |
| Vanda and Ascocenda | Diane Zoeller |
| Brassia and Miltonia | Open – Sponsor Needed |
| Oncidium Alliance | Don and Jane Farrelly |
| Cymbidium Alliance | Dawn Kittle (in memory of Sherwin Kittle; in memory of Betty Jane Harvey) |
| Dendrobium Alliance | Michael Henderson |
| Pleurothallid Alliance | Lynn O'Shaughnessy |
| Alex Challis Memorial/Miscellaneous Genera | Littlefrog Farm |
| Specimen Plant | Jerrie Nichols |
| Art (Excluding Photography) | Harry & Dottie Winter |
| Photography | Carol Ann Stuht |
| Marilyn Lee Memorial, Orchids in Use (Amateur) | Open – Sponsor Needed |
| Orchids in Use (Professional) | Open – Sponsor Needed |
| Don and Kris Garling Memorial, Best of Show | Jan Szyren |
| AOS Show Trophy – Outstanding Exhibit | Greater Lansing Orchid Society |

**GREATER LANSING ORCHID SOCIETY
ORCHID SHOW & SALE**

February 24-25, 2018
Michigan State University
Plant & Soil Science Conservatory

orchid sales
orchid displays
orchid growing classes

Hours:
Sat. Noon-5
Sun. 11-4

Free admission/parking
Donations accepted
Handicapper accessible

This is the postcard design for our 2018 Orchid Show. Members can pick some up at our November meeting. They will also be available in January.

Later, Dot will be sending out, via email, a jpeg or pdf copy in a larger size for you to print and post wherever you can.

Please read Doris' message on the Back Page of this Calypso edition.

OUR ORCHID SHOW: DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF ALEX CHALLIS AND MARILYN LEE
- AN UPDATE - submitted by Doris Asher, Show Chair

The dates for our 35th orchid show are February 24-25, 2018, less than four months from now. It will be Show time before we know it!

A work in progress, here is the Show Planning Committee as it is at this writing:

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Show Chair | Doris Asher |
| AOS Judging | Lynn O'Shaughnessy |
| Art Exhibits, Orchid-Related | Carol Ann Stuht |
| Classes for Public | Mike Underwood |
| Flyer/Handouts | Dot Potter Barnett |
| GLOS Exhibit | Bill Cadman |
| Hospitality | we need a Chairperson |
| Information Table/Membership | Christina Gregg |
| | Mary Henman |
| Judging Activities/Registration | Doris Asher |
| Kids' Corner | Diane Zoellner |
| | Michael Bukala |
| MSU Liaison | Ioana Sonea |
| Orchids-in-Use Competition | Jenny Bond |
| Parking Permits/Signage | Ioana Sonea |
| Publicity (not TV) | Ioana Sonea |
| Television Publicity | Pete Porciello |
| Vendor and Exhibitor Liaison | Pete Ostlund |

I hope that you will reserve Thursday night February 22nd through about 6:00 Sunday night February 25th to volunteer with us at the Show. If you would like information about any of the subcommittees comprising the Show Planning Committee, please contact me or the individual chairperson for that activity. All of us need help! We can talk in person about what is involved in each activity at our November meeting. My biggest need at this time is someone willing to take on the vital task of providing food and beverages for the Show. I have a list of people willing to help in the Food Room, but, so far, no one to be the "boss". Please talk to me if you think you might be willing to tackle this critical role. You know that old saying "An army marches on its stomach"? ... well, the same can be said of an orchid show!!

Pete Ostlund, our Vendor and Exhibitor Liaison, has a wonderful roster of vendors selling at this February's Show: Hilltop Orchids, Littlefrog Farm, Natt's Orchids, New Vision Orchids, New World Orchids, Orchid Inn, Porter's Orchids, Raising Rarities, Roberts Flower Supply, and Windswept in Time. Almost every vendor who sold at our 2017 Show is returning!

We need your help to make our Show successful. We need new volunteers to augment those members already planning to help. Much work happens before the Show. Thursday night we start setting up by placing tables for vendors and displays, attaching skirting to the tables and covering them with tablecloths, getting ready for art, orchids-in-use and other displays, hanging backdrops. Friday we set up our GLOS display, help vendors and societies move their orchids and material into the building, and prepare for judging by registering all the orchids and exhibits in the Show. Friday night dinner is provided to all the workers, with much of the food provided by volunteers - we need help for our Hospitality Committee. On Saturday members help with judging by clerking for the judges, staff the information table, and relieve those vendors who are working alone. When the Show closes on Sunday at 4:00, we help everyone tear down and get on their way home (you will be amazed how quickly that happens with a little help). There are so many ways you can help make the Show a great show! Please contact me, the individual chairperson, or any of the Board members if you can help.

We can also use your help by providing orchids in flower for our display. You can start now training your coming flower spikes for the best display of the flowers, and by cleaning your plant leaves (use milk and cotton balls, scrub the leaf gently) before the Show. But we want your plant even if you cannot do this. Just make sure your plant is disease free and all the pests (scale, aphids, mealy bugs, etc.) are taken care of. Now is a good time to assess your plants and treat them for critters if necessary (you can spray them outside). Please do not be shy with providing orchids. Even if the orchid does not win a ribbon, you contribute to making our display beautiful. Every orchid helps. And you just may be surprised by getting a ribbon -- it happens often. If your orchid sits at home, it is sure it wins nothing! We are offering an unusual class for a third year for orchids with beautiful or unusual foliage but lacking flowers!



ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE GLJC

The Greater Cleveland Orchid Society Show and Sale will be February 17-18 this year – the third Saturday of February. The Great Lakes Judging Center is moving its regular monthly judging from Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor to the Show site in Cleveland, the Cleveland Botanical Garden, 11030 East Blvd. Please update your calendars so that you will not bring your orchids in bloom to Matthaei on February 17th to be judged.

Doris Asher, GLJC Liaison to Matthaei

COME TO AN ORCHID HOLIDAY PARTY

The personnel of the Great Lakes Judging Center invite you to join us for our annual holiday party on Saturday, December 16, 2017, at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, Ann Arbor, MI.

At 11 am the festivities will open with a presentation on recently-awarded orchids – always a feast for the eyes. Next we shall feast on a potluck lunch provided by the judges for all to enjoy. Plan to have a fun time with orchids, books, holiday items (and who knows what else) for auction! The proceeds support the Judging Center.

Regular orchid judging takes place immediately following the festivities. All visitors are welcome to sit in on the judging – and to bring an orchid to be judged.

For additional information, contact Doris Asher at 517-332-0004 or asherdoris@juno.com

GIVE A TAX-DEDUCTIBLE GIFT -submitted by Doris Asher, Vice President

The Greater Lansing Orchid Society is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. According to state and federal tax laws, this means that, if you itemize your deductions on your tax returns, you can deduct any contribution you make to the Society. As required by law, please note that you will not receive any gift or services in exchange for your contribution.

This means if you donate plants or other items to our meetings' raffles, you can deduct the value of your donated items. Please consider making an end-of-the-year monetary gift to the Society.

Thanks to everyone for contributing!

REMINDER: WEAR YOUR SOCIETY NAME TAG - submitted by Doris Asher, Membership Chair

Please remember to wear your Society name badge to our November meeting (and to every meeting).

As an incentive to wear the name tag, which is very nice for visitors and for those of us with failing memories (!), anyone who wears the badge AND purchases even one raffle ticket at \$1.00 per ticket will get a complimentary raffle ticket.

Wear your badge to the meeting. Let's help everyone greet everyone by name by wearing a name tag.

Wear your badge. Get an extra raffle ticket!

If you cannot locate your name tag, please let your Membership Committee (Doris or Dot) know. Dot will make you a new one.

ITEMS LEFT BEHIND AT ALL-STATE MEETING

When we were cleaning up from the recent All-State Meeting, we found three serving utensils: a heavy, clear plastic dessert server and two plastic (dark in color) tongs.

Are they yours?

I can give it/them to you at our upcoming November 18th meeting.

Doris Asher



Specializing in rare plants, Carol Woodin has been painting in watercolor for about 20 years. In 1995, she was awarded a Gold Medal by the Royal Horticultural Society of England for her watercolors of Paphiopedilums, and in 1998, she received the "Bouchier Award for Excellence in Botanical Art" from the ASBA. She was commissioned to paint the publicity image for the World Orchid Conference in Dijon, France in 2005 and received a gold medal for her paintings exhibited there. Her artwork has been widely exhibited and collected; among recent venues are the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC, the Shirley Sherwood Gallery, England, Newhouse Galleries in New York, and the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, England. Her work has been shown in the Americas, Australia, Europe, Japan, and South Africa. She is represented by Susan Frei Nathan Fine Works on Paper.

**Ann Arbor Orchid Society
Presenting
Art Workshop by:
Carol Woodin**

We are offering a two day Art workshop (water color) June 2-3,2018

At Matthaei Botanical Gardens
1800 N Dixboro Ann Arbor
Classes from 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Cost per person \$150
Lunch included (both days)

Reservations must be received by May19,2018 with payment

Contact: Jack Shumaker
jcobbler58@aol.com or 810-265-8117
Make checks payable to Jack Shumaker
And send to 3038 Courtesy Drive
Flint, MI 48506

This workshop, suitable for beginners to advanced, is devoted to quickly capturing a fascinating slipper Orchid on paper. We'll investigate orchids anatomy first, properly sizing and placing its unique parts., including details such as veins, and warts, in A graphite under-drawing. Then we'll move on to detail, light, and three-dimensional form. By the end of the workshop each student will have a substantially advanced or completed color drawing of an orchid



Examples of work by Carol woodin

Free six foot high Plumeria (FrangiPani) tree.
It has to come inside in the winter.
email wbergman14@yahoo.com.

2nd World Slipper Orchid Conference & 62th Paphiopedilum Guild Meeting

Sponsored by Orchid Digest
Saturday and Sunday Jan 13-14, 2018

Hilo, Hawaii

Speakers are: Phillip Cribb, Tokyo Orchid Nursery, In-Charm Nursery, Pepe Portilla, Alexej Popow, Dr. Holger Perner

Lectures Start at 9 AM Saturday Morning
Set up for sales and show starts at 8 AM

There will be an auction before dinner

There will be AOS judging on Saturday. Please bring your plants that you would like to be judged
Check out the Paph Guild site on The Orchid Digest website



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GETTING THE WORD OUT

The Society currently has 90 members. All 90 of us can help publicize our Orchid Show! Pete Ostlund has done a marvelous job lining up a large roster of orchid vendors, who provide the bulk of the funding of our Show with their fees for sales tables. It is essential that the Show get many visitors who may buy many orchids from our vendors. In addition to the excellent tv commercials that Pete Porciello obtains for us through the services of King Media, I urge all of you to do whatever you can to publicize our Show. So we do not duplicate each other's efforts, please let Ioana Sonea (ioanamsona@gmail.com) what you have done or are doing. Ioana has taken on the job of publicizing the Show in the free community calendars in both The Lansing State Journal and also in The Towne Courier – the weekend before the Show and the weekend of the Show. If all 90 of us invite only eight of our friends, neighbors and relatives, imagine how many visitors our Show might garner!

On page 8 of this Calypso, please see the publicity piece/postcard designed by Dot Potter Barnett for this February's Show. One suggestion: it is a simple matter to email folks with the postcard attached and invite them to the Show.

Thanks for helping.

Doris Asher, Vice President/Show Chair



From the Editor: A special thanks to Leslie Behm, Doris Asher, and now Jerrie Nichols for their much appreciated assistance in mailing out the hard copies of the Calypso.