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CALYPSO DEADLINE:

Oct. 28 for the November 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.

SEPTEMBER 16 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

It is almost show season, and we thought it might be a good time to talk a little bit about orchid name tags. The orchid taxonomists have been very busy the last few years examining the results of DNA testing of several orchid genera. Many plants that had been classified as a member of one genus are now placed in another, especially in the Cattleya and Oncidium families. While this has resulted in confusion and, sometimes anger, on the part of orchid growers, we must recognize these changes and accept the fact that new names and categories are a part of orchid showing and growing.

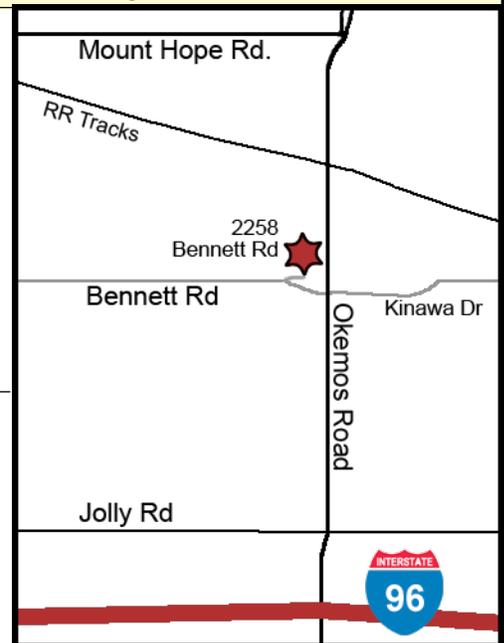
When we enter an orchid into a show, we have to assign it a class based on its name. One can therefore see the importance of knowing the correct genus, species and/or hybrid. But many tags are not correct, having the old names on them.

Is there a way to know whether the name on a tag is correct? Or if it is not, how to find the new name? Come to our September meeting and see Dot's presentation on "Unravelling Orchid Name Tags".

Dawn Kittle will also be showing some interesting driftwood and seeking feedback on members desire to purchase some.

We will also have an AOS Webinar.

At this meeting, we also need to vote on the original proposal to add three special meetings during the months of April, June and August. This year was a "trial" to see if there was enough interest for the GLOS members to sustain these extra meetings. There have been no new proposals for consideration, but these can be made and discussed before our vote. If you cannot attend the meeting but want to vote, please send your vote to Dot, who will relay them at the meeting.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -- Dawn Kittle

What a wonderful picnic! Not only did we have a gorgeous day, wonderful food, and great comradery but we broke a monetary record for the sale of orchids. A lot was due to our auctioneer, Mike Underwood. With his wit, quick tongue and sense of humor, he was able to sell all of the plants, and the funds brought in from those sales were more than from any previous picnics. Thank you, Mike, and everyone who participated.

August finally marked the appearance of our guest speaker, Kristen Uthus, whom we have been trying to have for months. Her presentation on Japanese orchids, "Small but Mighty" was outstanding. I hope all of you learned as much as I did on this subject.

In September we will be having two of our members presenting in different formats. Dot's presentation is on "Unravelling Orchid Name Tags"; and Ioana will show a Webinar. Remember we are voting on the three extra meetings at our September meeting. Do we want to continue with them? Or is there an alternative suggestion?

We have many more speakers to come and a presentation by one of our own new members, Chris Steele, sometime in the near future.

Remember, you may hand your ideas on a 3x5 card anytime to any board member. Already several ideas have been suggested and will be used.

***Congratulations, Rob Halgren!***

Rob's Paph. Macabre Contrasts 'Littlefrog Alex's Memory' HCC/AOS

Rob's plant was awarded at the regular monthly judging at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, on Saturday, July 15th. It is a cross of Love Song and Macabre Magic, registered by Lehua Orchids, Hawaii, in 2011. It received 79 points; flower measured 14.0 cm wide by 10.2 cm vertical natural spread; petals were 2.3 cm wide x 7.9 cm long.

→ Thanks to August refreshment volunteers: Jerrie Nichols and Dottie Winter. Pete Ostlund, Julie and Andrea Bishop, Tammy Scherer, and Dottie Winter volunteered to bring food for our September meeting.

GLOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **September 16** - GLOS General Meeting - Unravelling Orchid Name Tags + Webinar
- **October 14** - All-State Society meeting - Francisco Miranda and George Hatfield (see p. 7)
- **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.
- **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 PICNIC 2017



Submitted by Ioana Sonea, Treasurer

The proceeds from the picnic plant and supplies sales were way over previous years!. Income breaks down as follows:

Plant and supplies (not counting the 2 plants Rob bid on): \$965

Membership dues: \$74

Donations: \$4

Total income: \$1039. Pretty impressive!!

The weather was perfect this year, which helped, and there were a lot of quality plants.



Photos by Dot



GLOS PICNIC REPORT - submitted by Diane Zoellner, Secretary

On Saturday, July 22, 2017, GLOS held the annual picnic in the pavilion at Granger Meadows Park. Of the 31 people who attended the picnic, twenty-six were members, one was the spouse of a member, and 4 were guests. Our guests were Joan and Michelle Marquette (mother and daughter), Kate Hyne, and Manila Samek. The festivities began with an abundance of plants available for purchase. Next, President Dawn Kittle welcomed everyone to the picnic. She invited GLOS members to the next board meeting at her house on Monday, August 7th. She reminded everyone that Bill Porter's orchids would be 35% off beginning the next Saturday. Next, Doris Asher asked if anyone present had dues for membership renewal.

After the announcements, everyone enjoyed the delicious selection of food provided by those present. It was a great time to converse, laugh, and relax.

Mike Underwood entertained everyone during the lively auction of wonderful plants and supplies. Six of the plants were donated by Owen Neils, a GLOS member 20 years ago who once owned a small orchid business in Haslett. Thanks to everyone who supplied plants for the sale and auction. Because of the generosity of those who brought plants and those who purchased plants, a new record of \$965 was set for plant sales at the picnic. By all accounts, this year's GLOS picnic was a great success.

GLOS BOARD MEETING MINUTES, August 7, 2017 - Submitted by Diane Zoellner, Secretary

Members arrived at Dawn Kittle's house and enjoyed a delicious meal of salads, sliders, brownies, and drinks. The nine members present were Rob Halgren, Jerrie Nichols, Ioana Sonea, Dot Potter Barnett, Diane Zoellner, Doris Asher, Abby Skinner, Chris Steele, and Dawn Kittle. The business meeting began at 7:20.

Chris Steele made a presentation about an innovative method of mounting orchids on polyester fabric. Chris will present his technique at a later meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The year end report (07/01/2016 to 06/30/2017) showed income of \$8,434.24. The year-to-date expenses were \$9,194.11. The 2016-2017 year net showed a loss of -\$759.87. The current period of 07/01/2017 to 08/01/2017 showed an income of \$1,057. The expenses were \$56.50. The net for the period was +\$1,000.50.

Ioana transferred the account to Rob Halgren. Ioana created a schedule of who and when to pay the bills.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**A. Membership**

Doris reported that since June 5th, she has received 18 renewals. Those who have not renewed will not receive the September Calypso. We currently have 87 members in 74 households. At this time last year, we had 108 members in 93 households.

B. Show Committee

Doris reported that \$60 was put on her credit card for the AOS judging application. There are enough trophies except for the Best-of Show. Doris ordered a trophy from Larry Galdes which he confirmed on July 26, 2017. It is in memory of Don and Kris Garling.

Members of the Show Planning Committee are:

- AOS Judging-Lynn O'Shaughnessy
- Art Exhibits-Carol Ann Stuht
- Classes for the Public-Mike Underwood
- Publicity Postcards-Dot Potter Barnett
- GLOS Exhibit-Bill Cadman with Dot, Larry Watson, and Pete Ostlund helping
- Hospitality-needs a chair-Cindy Ryan will help.
- Information Table-needs a chair-Mary Henman will help.
- Kid's Corner-Diane Zoellner and Michael Bukala
- MSU Liaison-Ioana Sonea
- Orchids in Use-Jenny Bond, honoring Marilyn Lee
- Parking permits/signage-Ioana
- Publicity (not TV)-Ioana
- Television Publicity-Pete Porciello
- Vendor and Exhibitor Liaison-Pete Ostlund

GLOS BOARD MEETING MINUTES - Continued from p.4**OLD BUSINESS
PROGRAMS**

June 17, 2017 This was one of three new meetings. This date conflicted with GLJC Seminar, so the AOS judges from GLOS missed the meeting. (Rob, Doris, Bill Porter) Jerrie Nichols presented Murder, Mayhem, and Mystery, the Orchid's Journey from Jungle to Windowsill. The attendance was 20.

July 22, 2017 PICNIC Mike Underwood did an excellent job as auctioneer. Everyone there at the picnic who needed to renew membership renewed. There were 10 renewals. The fixed price sales and auction brought in \$965 + \$4 donation. The attendance was 31.(26 members, one spouse, and 4 guests)

August 19, 2017 One of 3 new meetings Kristen Uthus presents Japanese Orchids, Small but Mighty. Dot will send out an email reminder of the meeting and Doris will send out letters to those without email. Pete Ostlund and Carol Stuht will set up the room for the meeting.

September 16, 2017 Dot will present about deciphering orchid tags for a show and Ioana will present an AOS Webinar. There will also be the vote on the one year experiment of 3 additional meetings (April, June, August)

October 14, 2017 Special All-State Meeting at 1:30 p.m. The speakers will be Francisco Miranda "Brazilian Cattleyas" and George Hatfield "The AOS Today". The church is booked for it, and Jack Shumaker is actively advertising.

November 18,2017 Eric Sauer, President of Miami Valley Orchid Society. The topic yet to be determined. This is shared with Ann Arbor Orchid Society. There is a home football game (MSU vs Md).

January 20, 2018 yet to be determined.

March 17, 2018 yet to be determined.

April 21, 2018 Not sure we will have it. (One of 3 additional meetings.) The church meeting room is not available that date.

May 19, 2018 Jim Heilig will be our speaker. His talk will be on Habenaria orchids.

AWAY SHOWS

Michiana November 11-12 No one is able to go set up. The plan is to have Dot, Jerrie, and whoever else would like to help put together baskets. Rob can take them to be displayed and bring them back.

Saginaw Valley November 25-26 Ioana volunteered to set up the display.

OTHER OLD BUSINESS

Pete Ostlund had forwarded a donation request for a new annual AOS award for a Schomburgkia hybrid. The trophy would go to the member who owned the highest awarded Schomburgkia hybrid plus a trophy to the photographer. The goal is \$10,000. They have collected about 40%. The GLOS board discussed this request. Because Schomburgkia orchids are not grown around here and because GLOS operated at a loss this year, the request was turned down.

There will be an audit of the Treasurer's books (Bylaws p.5 & 7) by the audit committee consisting of Pete Ostlund, Mike Underwood, and Abby Skinner. The report will be presented at the October board meeting.

The Finance Committee (Bylaws p.7 & 8) Rob moved to approve the budget. Dot seconded it. The budget was passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

To honor Marilyn Lee and Alex Challis, the GLOS ORCHID SHOW will be dedicated to them. It will be written in the program. Also, the show trophy for Orchids in Use will be given in Marilyn's name, and the Trophy for Miscellaneous will be given in Alex's name. Rob will donate the trophy in Alex's name.

Carol Ann Stuht will become the AOS Representative, the role previously filled by Marilyn Lee.

Ioana has paid the MAOC 2017 dues.

Rob will pay the following annual donations: Great Lakes Judging Center(\$150); Nature Conservancy(\$100); and Michigan Nature Association (\$100).

Rob will pay for the 2017-2018 meetings at the church.

GLOS BOARD MEETING MINUTES - Concluded from p.5

Dawn has fresh water driftwood that she will bring to a meeting to see if anyone is interested in buying. She could get more if we wanted to use it as a fundraiser.

The Master Gardeners Club has requested an orchid for their December fundraiser. Rob volunteered to donate one.

There are cleaning issues and issues with the door lock that will be addressed with the church.

The September Calypso deadline is Friday, September 1st. Send information to Dot.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mid-America Orchid Congress will be in Cincinnati on October 20-22, 2017.

The October Board Meeting will be on October 2nd at Dot's house, 9713 Looking Glass Brook, Grand Ledge, MI 48837. Phone: 517-626-7295. All members are welcome.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15.

GLOS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES, August 19, 2017 - Submitted by Diane Zoellner, Secretary

The meeting was called to order by Dawn Kittle at 7:10. Twenty-four people were in attendance. Dawn thanked Jerrie Nichols and Dottie Winter for providing this night's refreshments. Pete Ostlund, Julie and Andrea Bishop, Tammy Scherer, and Dottie Winter volunteered to bring food for the September meeting. Dawn encouraged members to buy tickets for the raffle and to bid on items for the silent auction.

Bill Porter presented the beautiful orchids on the display table.

Jerrie Nichols offered to any member a coupon for 30% off a purchase of 100 dollars or more for certain vendors in AOS.

Carol Stuhrt will be gone for a month and asked if anyone could foster her orchids while she is away from October 21st to November 21st.

Our speaker was Kristen Uthus from New World Orchids. Her program was Japanese Orchids, The Small and Mighty. She concentrated on 4 kinds: Phaleanopsis japonica (sedirea japonica); Cymbidium species; Dendrobium moniliforme; and Vanda (Neofinetia) falcata. During her entertaining lecture, Kristen proved that these plants are not only small, but also fascinating. Before and after the program, Kristen provided many plants to purchase.



After the program, winners of the raffle were announced and high bidders on the silent auction table took home their prizes.

The meeting ended at 9:10. Some members remained to put the chairs away, clean the tables, and return the room to its original configuration.



GLOS TREASURERS REPORT - Submitted by Rob Halgren, Treasurer*Treasurer's report June 30, 2017*

Current period from 06/03/2017 to 06/30/2017.
Income: \$73

- Dues: 20
- Silent auction: 18
- Raffle: 25

Expenses: \$10

- Silent auction base price (to seller): 10

Net income for reporting period: + \$63

Treasurer's report Aug 1, 2017

Current period from 07/01/2017 to 08/01/2017
Income: \$1057

- Sales at picnic \$865
- Dues: \$88
- Donation towards paper Calypso \$2
- General donation \$2

Expenses: \$56.50

- MAOC dues for 2017

Net for current period: + \$1000.50

Treasurer's report Sept 1, 2017

Current period from 8/01/2017 to 9/01/2017

Income: \$332

- Dues \$32
- Picnic (Halgren) \$100
- Donation in memory of Marilyn Lee (Asher): \$200

Expenses: None recorded

Note: income/expenses for August member meeting not included

Net for current period +\$332.00

ABOUT OUR OCTOBER SPEAKERS**Francisco Miranda**

A taxonomist, naturalist and orchid grower, Francisco travels extensively in the U.S. and internationally speaking at orchid-related events and meetings. He has been doing this since 1988, while still living in Brazil. The subjects of these presentations reflect Francisco's extensive travels to study orchids in their natural environments.

Miranda Orchids started in 1999 and is a nursery specializing in growing mainly selected *Cattleya* alliance species. Being native Brazilians, and having had a nursery for many years, we know that there is a lot of development in *Cattleya* species being done there. This is mostly because a lot of those species are native from Brazil (including all the bifoliate *cattleyas*) and because these plants are favorites of growers there. Of course having lived and grown orchids for a long time there we know most of the growers and what is being produced and we go there several times a year to make sure we are kept up-to-date. Miranda Orchids also grows other Brazilian species so if you are looking for something in particular do not hesitate in contact us. Our goal is to be your number one source for selected Brazilian Orchids.

Miranda Orchids is located between Orlando and Tampa, on the I-4 Central Florida corridor. Access is done by I-27 south from I-4 or from I-4 exit 48 south. We are about 4 miles in straight line south of I-4.

George Hatfield graduated from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona with a Bachelor in Science in Plant and Soil Science. He soon thereafter received a Pest Control Advisors License from the state of California in 1985. His last 3 professional careers were Vice President of operations Calavo (CVGW) 1998 – 2003, International Business Consultant (DMFP) 2003 – 2005 and Hatfield Orchids, Owner operator 2005 – current.

Some major accomplishments in the field of orchids include:

Board Member Cymbidium Society of America 1994 - 2010
 President of the Cymbidium Society of America 1998/99
 Chairman of the CSA Cymbidium Congress from 1998-2001
 Author of Articles in Awards Quarterly, Orchid Digest and Cymbidium Society Journal
 Board member of the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show 1998 – current
 President of the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show 2002/2003 and 2015/2016
 Certified Accredited Judge – American Orchid Society and Cymbidium Society of America
 American Orchid Society Judging Chair, Pacific South Judging Center 2011 – current
 Cymbidium Society of America Judging Chair, 1998 - current
 Key note speaker at the 2009 Australian National Orchid Conference in Melbourne
 American Orchid Society, Judging Committee National Training Coordinator 2012 – current
 Chairman of the AOS Nominating Committee 2012/2013
 Hybridizer of numerous award winning Cymbidiums
 Orchid Judge Tokyo Dome Show 2003 – 2009
 Exhibitor Tokyo Dome Show 2008
 Exhibitor Santa Barbara International Orchid Show 1992 - current

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES COMMITTEE**AOS CORNER**

One of the areas many societies are focusing their efforts on is growing membership with the addition of younger members in mind. The Education Committee of the AOS is spearheading the drive to promote youthful interest in orchids, involve children in the shows more directly, provide educational opportunities and reward children in a meaningful way that encourages interest and includes an educational component in each activity. Where better to start a passion for orchids than by creating a “Kids’ Corner” at your next show? Take a look at Sandy Stubbings Kids’ Corner Recap on the AOS site to see some ideas that have been very successful. There are also links, on the left side of the page, to a series of articles with ideas that you should take the time to look through. Whether you use them at a show or as a regular component of your society meetings, let the Education Committee know about your activities at sstubbings@comcast.net and remember to post and share in the Affiliated Societies Facebook Group.



Our Instagram following continues to grow. Let your society members know that we would love to have them join us. If they have an account they can locate us by doing a search for [americanorchidsociety](#) on Instagram and follow us. In the short time our IG site has been up we have gained over 4,200 followers--and each time we post we get new followers! Amazingly, most of our followers appear to be international — which proves that orchids speak a universal language! To keep this momentum going, we need your help. Please send your photos and short videos to: americanorchidsociety@gmail.com. Award photos (with credits) from judging centers are very popular. Candid shots and videos taken with a smartphone are great for IG posts. Of particular interest to IG followers are photos that show: repotting activities, unusual mounted orchids, species found in situ, shots of your growing area, orchids under lights, large specimen orchids, illustrated orchid growing tips, greenhouse tours, or a society activity. Be sure to send a short caption explaining your photo. Also, if you are bilingual and can include your caption in English plus your other language(s)—it will help with our universal outreach.

Even if you’re not yet an Instagram user, don’t forget that we also have an Affiliated Societies of the American Orchid Society Facebook page as a closed group. Our committee member Chad Brinkerhuff created and does a great job administrating the page. There’s a lot going on in societies out there and a lot of exciting ideas. We are finding that many societies are looking for ideas to invigorate their shows and meetings. Although you probably already share your successes with other local societies, this group is a place where you can discuss what worked and what didn’t with others who are facing the same issues in a larger forum. If you haven’t joined the group yet, please do. We really want to hear from you. Search for the group on Facebook and send a request to join to Chad. He’ll be happy to have you contribute.

If you have an upcoming show, remember to check out the “Guide to a Successful Orchid Show” which can aid even the most experienced to stay organized and on-track while planning a show. Also, remember we have an updated List of Speakers to help you plan society meeting programs. You will now find the Affiliated Societies link on the home page under the “About Us” heading.

Here’s the link: AOS.org

UPCOMING WEBINARS

American Orchid Society: Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton
Tuesday, August 8, 2017@ 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT Everyone invited

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 question submitted by attendees. Please send your questions to tostillisch@cox.net by Sunday, August 6th.

Register now using this link:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/7707356990214464771>

Judging Webinars

Inheritance and Genetics in Orchids with Rob Griesbach

Thursday, August 17, 2017@ 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT Members Only

Join us for an American Orchid Society judging webinar with Rob Griesbach, Accredited Judge from the National Capital Judging Center, on Inheritance and Genetics in Orchids.

Register now using this link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5539845738505511681>

International Phalaenopsis Alliance Meeting

Saturday, Sept 9
10 AM – 3 PM



At the Rinard Orchid Greenhouse, Ball State University

IPA Region 10 is planning a seminar to be held on **September 9th, starting at 10 AM**, Saturday, at the Dr. Joe and Alice Rinard Orchid Greenhouse and Wheeler-Thanhauser Orchid Collection and Species Bank, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana. **All interested can attend.**

Activities to include two speakers, a tour of the species bank by the collection curator Cheryl LeBlanc, a repotting session and culture discussion, presentations by Tom Harper of Franklin, TN and Eric Sauer of Dayton, OH, an orchid auction and time for discussion of orchid culture. An optional visit is possible to a local commercial orchid greenhouse. Fine BBQ and Mexican restaurants nearby. Advanced registrations are \$15 and \$25 at the door. Contact Russ Vernon at newvisionorchids@aol.com or 765-749-5809.

Orchid Seminar Schedule:

- 1000 -1030: Welcome with pastry, coffee or water
- 1030-1100: Tour of the orchid collection
- 1100-1145: Eric Sauer of Dayton, OH "Maxillaria: There is More Than Just Tenuifolia"
- 1145-1215: Auction (bring divisions if you wish-benefits IPA color fund and the Wheeler collection)
- 1215-130: Lunch on your own (nearby Mexican restaurant or assorted fast food)
- 130-215: Tom Harper of Franklin, TN "Multiflora Phalaenopsis"
- 215-300: Culture Panel Discussion and additional Q&A of the speakers.

Cost- \$15.00 in advance (to New Vision Orchids, 12661 W SR 32, Yorktown, IN 47396 or \$20 at the door.

Free parking in front of the greenhouse. Greenhouse is handicap accessible. Please advise in advance if mobility assistance needed; we will be going as a group from the greenhouse to adjacent classroom building for rest of meeting. Restrooms available in greenhouse and classroom building.

OUR ORCHID SHOW – AN UPDATE - submitted by Doris Asher, Show Chair

The dates for our 35th orchid show are February 24-25, 2018. Now, you may think that is a very long time away, but planning is already under way for it! The dates will be here before we know it! The Society Board voted at its August 7th Board meeting to dedicate this Show to the memory of Marilyn Lee and Alex Challis. In addition, we will be designating our Miscellaneous Orchids trophy as the Alex Challis Memorial Trophy, and the trophy for Orchids-in-Use, the Marilyn Lee Memorial Trophy. Rob Halgren has volunteered to sponsor the Alex trophy. If you would like to sponsor the trophy in Marilyn's memory, you may certainly do so -- \$25.00 – just let me know of your interest in doing that.

The Show Planning Committee is coming together nicely. This is the Committee so far:

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	Open
Information Table/Membership	Open
Judging Activities/Registration	Doris Asher
Kids' Corner	Diane Zoellner
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 September meeting.

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

Your Society's Membership Committee urges you to wear your 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 – just a little incentive to remember to wear the badge.

If your name tag is lost, please let Doris or Dot know so that Dot can make you a new one.

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 Show 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 September meeting to Doris Asher or to Mary Henman, one of our Show's Information Table volunteers.

Dear Orchid Friends,

Most of you know that Porter's Orchids will be closing soon. We've had our 25% off sale; we've done a 35% off sale and even a 45% off sale, and we still have about 1800 orchids. They are a mix: some seedlings, some mature plants. We have Zygots, Intergenerics, Phals, Cats, both standard and mini, Dendrobiums and others, too many to list. The only genera gone are equitant Oncidiums, Bulbos, Draculas, and nearly all Masdevallias. We still have multifloral Paphs and a few Phrags. We have about one hundred multifloral Phals which we had been selling retail in bloom at \$20, or 2 for \$35. These plants are to bloom next year, and must be sold. Given a brief cold treatment, 70% should double spike. So, to encourage sales before the large sucking sound returns to the gas meter, we are announcing our grand finale: a sale at either \$10.00 or \$5.00. Most seedlings, many Phal multi's, and other small and esoteric orchids will be at \$5.00. No orchid plants will be priced over \$10. All must be sold.



Orchid supplies will also be available: large bags of bark, charcoal, perlite, vermiculate, and coconut chips. Trays, wood baskets, hangers, and even show staging materials such as baskets, and stands, black rug squares, and other orchid paraphernalia will all be for sale.

This grand finale sale will start on Wed. September 13, from 10-5, continuing on the succeeding days of Thursday and Friday, and end on Saturday at 5 P.M.

We thank you for your patronage over these last 21 years, and we've enjoyed sharing our love of orchids with you. We hope to see you at the sale.

Cheers, Bill & Marilyn

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

2017 All State Orchid Societies Meeting

Hosted by the following Orchid Societies:
Ann Arbor, Dunes/Kamalazoo, Grand Valley,
Greater Lansing, Michigan, Northwestern Michigan,
Saginaw Valley

Oct 14th, 2017 at 1:30 PM

Francisco Miranda
Manaus, Brazil (FL)

Will talk on
"Cattleya in Brazil (country tour)"

George Hatfield

President of the AOS

Will talk on
"American Orchid Society Today"

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GLOS Advertising Policy

Commercial members may advertise their orchid businesses in the Calypso at no extra charge. Ads will appear as space is available and in the order they are received. Advertisers are responsible for preparing their ads. Standing Ads size should normally be 2" x 3" but exceptions may be made for special events. Submissions will be considered a one-time-only unless designated as standing ads. Please check the stated deadline for submission to any Calypso issue. Submissions may be made via email or regular mail.

Non-commercial members may also advertise orchid related items in the Calypso under the above conditions.

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GLOS MEMBERSHIP - submitted by Doris Asher, Membership Committee Chair

Our GLOS numbers stand now as follows: as of August 11th – 74 households comprising 87 individuals. We have an 80.6% renewal rate so far. During the 2016-2017 membership year (last year on this date), we had 93 households representing 108 individuals.

We have 37 people who are Life Members. These numbers are included in the current membership numbers detailed above. Life Memberships are still available – Life membership dues are \$80 for individuals, \$120 for two living in the same household.

By our Bylaws, members from last year who have failed to renew by September 1st will not receive the September issue of The Calypso.

Members in arrears are welcome to renew at any time and will be reinstated immediately!

Households getting Calypso electronically: 55 (74.3%)

Households needing paper copies: 19 (25.7%)

The paper Calypso costs us:

Copying: \$.60 each x 6 issues = \$3.60/year

Copying plus postage: + \$.49 stamp = \$1.09 each x 6 issues = \$6.54/household/year

19 households get paper copies: \$124.26 annually. This expense is partially offset by donations that some paper members contribute – now requested on dues form.

At its largest, the 2016-2017 membership was 108 people in 93 households.

Please note: we are now now in our 2017-2018 membership year, which began July 1, 2017.

