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CALYPSO DEADLINE:

February 24 for the March 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.

JANUARY 18th MEETING: Presbyterian Church, Okemos

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for:

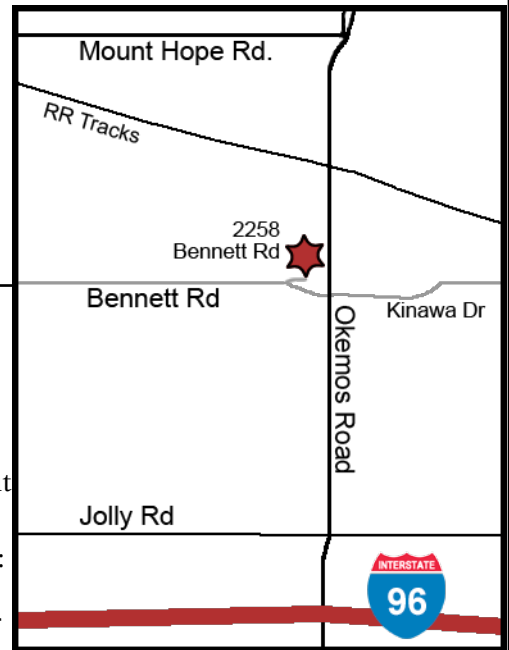
- Plant shopping
- Experienced Society members will be available to answer questions and help problem solve orchid growing issues
- Please have refreshments in place prior to start of meeting.

Meeting will start promptly at 7:00 pm

Last January, GLOS introduced a "Round Robin" session at our meeting. We rotated among 4 tables with each table addressing a specific topic relative to orchid growing. This year, we will have a similar session with three tables, each one addressing a topic about growing slipper orchids:

- o Growing Paphs and Phrags under lights: Rob Halgren
- o Culture of Paphs and Phrags: Dot Potter Barnett
- o Handling Paph compots: Jim Heilig.

We will be trying something new at this meeting, as well. Please see the column on p.2, right after the President's Message, entitled: TRYING SOMETHING NEW.



We hope everyone, and their orchids, made it safely through the ice storm and power outage.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -- Jim Heilig

We have made it past the shortest day of the year. Unfortunately, as we celebrate the Return of the Light and look to the New Year, many of us are left without power. I hope everyone is keeping warm and safe! The trees are groaning more than we are, though, as their limbs are covered in thick ice. I'm keeping an eye on a large cottonwood limb which is now touching the power line to our house, fingers crossed. As beautiful as the ice is, it is unfortunate that it causes so much damage to the trees and our power grid.

Hopefully, your orchids are keeping warm and toasty in basements, windowsills, and greenhouses. If you are waiting for the electricity to come back and have managed to find a way to keep your plants a little warmer, perhaps you could share your tips at the upcoming meeting so we can learn from each other.

We have an exciting meeting planned for January. Our focus is Slipper Orchids and we will talk about how to grow them, from seedling to bloom. Each of us will get a seedling *Paphiopedilum* hybrid to take home and grow. (Does anyone have a spike on their *Phalaenopsis* seedling from last January?) We will have 3 stations where we will discuss Paph culture, growing Paphs under lights, and raising Paphs from seedling to blooming. Come with your questions, and your own observations.

And lastly, but certainly not least, I would like to thank those people who set up and brought home displays this past fall. Our society was represented well in the fall shows by very nice displays. We expect to have displays filling our conservatory in February-but if we don't set up displays in the shows of other societies, they might not spend the time and effort to help make our show that much better! Thank you Ioana, Dot, Bill and Marilyn Porter, Carol Ann Stuht, and Rob Halgren (*Editor's note: and Jim!*). With the spring show beginning soon, there will be a lot of opportunity for you to help out. Even if you can't set a display up on Friday, bringing the plants home on Sunday is just as important-and greatly appreciated.

I hope everyone has enjoyed their holiday, and I wish everyone a happy New Year!

TRYING SOMETHING NEW:

At the 18 January 2014 meeting, we will try something new. Other societies have "members' sales" and they seem to be quite popular. We will have no vendor at this meeting.

The member's plant sale is an opportunity for you to pass on any divisions or seedlings you have extra of, and to purchase plants from other members. Any member may participate as a seller or a buyer. Please, inspect your plants closely for signs and symptoms of pests and disease. If something looks suspicious, leave it at home to help prevent others from taking pests home. Plants should also be as correctly labelled as possible. If the plant is an "unknown," then indicate such. Members set their own price for the plants they bring. If you are not sure what a plant is worth, ask someone at the meeting.

- GLOS will provide stickers to write the seller's name, and price on them. These stickers should be placed on the plants being sold.
- Purchases will be totaled up at a single location-a member helping the treasurer.
- The stickers will be used to tally the total sales for each selling member.
- The week following the sale, GLOS will send a check to each member who sold plants, less 20%. Proceeds from each meeting help to cover costs of bringing speakers to our meeting.
- Members selling plants have the option of placing unsold plants on the raffle table, if they so desire.
- Sales are between members, not GLOS and members.

Dot will collect plants at her home for the Grand Rapids Show. Please bring them between 6 - 9 on Jan. 22. If that isn't convenient, please call or email her for other arrangements: 517-614-0416; dotbarnett@mac.com

GLOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **January 18 - General Meeting** - emphasis on slipper orchids
- January 25, 26 - Grand Valley OS Show at Meijer Gardens
- **February 22, 23 - GLOS Show and Sale**
- **March 15 - General Meeting** - Brian Jorg will give an "Orchids of Eastern North America" presentation
- March 22, 23 - Ann Arbor OS Show at Matthaei
- April 12, 13 - Michigan OS Show
- May 24, 25 - Northwestern Michigan OS Show



MINUTES OF THE GLOS BOARD MEETING 12-9-13, Submitted by Ioana Sonea

Present: Doris Asher, Dot Barnett, Christa Forrester, Rob Halgren, Jim Heilig, Jerrie Nichols, Pete Ostlund, Ioana Sonea.

Rob Halgren generously hosted the meeting and provided excellent snacks.

Meeting called to order by Jim Heilig at 7:15pm.

- Minutes of the November 2013 GLOS meeting approved
- Treasurer's report (Doris Asher). Details are provided elsewhere in the newsletter
 - Current period (10/07-12/04/2013)
 - income = \$99 (does not include income from November general meeting)
 - expenses = \$825, including fees for Krum Sotirov and annual website hosting, and annual contributions to the Great Lakes Judging Center, the Michigan Nature Association, and the Nature Conservancy.
 - Year to date, we have had a net expense from July to December of \$603. The Board was reminded that this is normal for this time of year, due to once-yearly expenses.
- Membership report (Doris Asher).
 - One additional member renewed, to bring the membership to a total of 98 members in 84 households, a renewal rate of 88%.
 - Twenty six households receive the paper version of the Calypso: most of the cost of mailing this out is offset by donations from the same members.
- Away shows:
 - Our exhibits in the 2013 fall shows (Michiana Orchid Society Fall Orchid Show, Three Rivers Orchid Society Show and the Saginaw Valley Orchid Society Show) were successful.
 - Grand Valley Orchid Society Show (Jan 25-26, 2014): Carol Stuhlt, Christa Forrester and Dot Barnett will set up, Peter Ostlund with possibly Carol Stuhlt's help, will take down.
 - Ann Arbor Orchid Society Show (Mar 22-23, 2014): Jerrie Nichols will set up and take down.
 - Michigan Orchid Society (Apr 12-13, 2014): volunteers are sought.
 - Northwestern Michigan Orchid Society Show (May 24-25, 2014): volunteers are sought.
 - The Board discussed how to encourage other members to participate in the fun and challenges of setting up an exhibit: inviting members to join the person volunteering to set up or take down was one suggestion.
- The composition of the Nominating committee, probably chaired by Mike Underwood, was discussed. The positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and one Director are open; due to term limits, the current Treasurer and Secretary cannot run for the positions they have now held for 3 years. Possible candidates were discussed, as was the need for an Away Show Chair (Jerrie Nichols volunteered to take charge of this non-elected position).
- Next general meeting on January 18th, 2014: 3 workshops all centered around Paphiopedilums and Phragmipediums.
 - Growing Paphs and Phrags under lights: Rob Halgren
 - Culture of Paphs and Phrags: Dot Barnett
 - Handling Paph compots: Jim Heilig. Rob will purchase 3 Paph compots for the meeting.
 - The January meeting will also inaugurate members sales of orchids (please no non-orchid plants or supplies for this inaugural sale). Rob Halgren, who has experience with this format, will run it this first time. Members will write the price of the plant and their initials on the provided stickers. Buyers will bring the stickers to Rob, who will tally the sales after the meeting ends. Sellers will receive a cheque through the mail for the value of their sold plants minus a 20% donation to the GLOS.
 - There will be no silent auction at the January meeting, but there will be a raffle table as usual.
- GLOS annual show: Pete Ostlund
 - Vendors:
 - All regular vendors have reserved tables (Owlyn is out of business and will not attend).
 - Natt's and Orchids Garden Center have reserved 3 tables
 - Society invitations were sent out December 7th, 2013
 - The display chair position was discussed: Jim Heilig will take the lead in this effort.
 - The contract with MSU has been signed; MSU Dept of Horticulture will have somebody on site for the duration of the Show.
 - Pete Porciello will take care of advertising as in past years.
 - Judges have been invited to participate by Doris Asher
 - Emily Tseng will chair the information table
 - Carol Stuhlt will be in charge of the Orchids in Art section: the board discussed the possible need for lighting that area on Thursday and/or Friday evenings.
 - Ioana Sonea will order tables from A-1 (same number as last year) and will request that doors be unlocked as follows:
 - Thursday 5-7pm
 - Friday 8am-9pm
 - Saturday 7am-5pm
 - Sunday 9am-6pm
 - MSU will attempt to keep the temperature in the conservatory at about 70°F.
 - Doris Asher requested permission to purchase 2 new backdrops. This was approved by the board.
 - Diane Zoellner will organize some children's activities: volunteers are sought to help her.
 - Dot Barnett has been unable to contact the printers who have provided bookmarks in the past: contingency plans were discussed.

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 16th GENERAL MEETING -- Submitted by Ioana Sonea

There were 31 attendees, including 3 guests, Shirley, Abby and Scott; in addition, Mike Underwood and Krum Sotirov's daughters enlivened the meeting.

Meeting called to order by President Jim Heilig at 7pm. Jim thanked Dottie Winter, Pat Stoecker and Ioana Sonea for providing refreshments.

Old business

Shows

- Michiana and Three Rivers Orchid Society shows in the past month were a success.
- Saginaw Valley Orchid Society show, in Midland, is on Thanksgiving weekend. Jack Shoemaker brought flyers. Ioana Sonea will be setting up: please bring plants to her house on Wednesday November 27th, between 6 and 9pm.
- Carol Stuht will be setting up the display for the January 2014 Grand Valley Orchid Society show at Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park.
- Marilyn Lee volunteered to set up the display for the May 2014 Northwestern Michigan Orchid Society show in Traverse City.
- Pete Ostlund, show Chair, updated the members on the status of the GLOS annual show in February 2014.
 - All but one vendor have already confirmed their presence.
 - Mike Underwood will line up speakers for the event.
 - The board and the show committee will meet at Rob Halgren's home on the evening of Monday, December 9th.

There are many openings for volunteers both at the show itself and in the days leading up to it: please contact Pete Ostlund if you are interested in helping out. Jim Heilig encouraged members to come and help set up the display on the Friday before the show: it's a great experience!

New business

- Marilyn Lee, the AOS representative for GLOS, encouraged members to join this association. She receives an extra copy of the AOS publication "Orchids", and will bring these to GLOS meetings for members to borrow. If you are interested in reading "Orchids", please contact Marilyn Lee so she can bring the journal to the next general meeting.
 - Jim Heilig informed the members about the annual AOS essay competition: this year's topic is "Finding space for one more orchid", a subject near and dear to the heart of most members!! He encouraged members to submit their essays, the deadline is November 30, 2013.
 - Jack Shoemaker talked about the Paph Guild meeting and show in Southern California in January 2014: all Paph enthusiasts are encouraged to attend.
 - Pete Ostlund pointed out that today was Bob Guilford's birthday: everybody wished him a great one!
 - Pete Porciello sent out a call for volunteers to register with the stem cell donor registry. A friend has a recurrence of leukemia, and unfortunately nobody in her family can donate stem cells, since they have all had leukemia, so a donor match from the general public is sought. The donation procedure is similar to donating blood, and does not involve surgery: contact Pete if you would like to volunteer. Information on stem cell donation can be found at www.bethematch.org or www.deletebloodcancer.org.
 - The January general meeting will have the same format as last year's successful workshop. In 2014, the theme will be slipper orchids (Paphs and Phrags):
 - Dot Barnett will talk about culture
 - Rob Halgren will talk about lighting for Paphs and Phrags
 - Jim Heilig will show how to pot up plants from compots: participating members will receive a Paph of their own to grow!
- For the first time, this meeting will feature member sales. Members are invited to bring plants or other orchid related items to sell, with a portion of the proceeds going to GLOS. Sharon Johnson, Dottie Winter and Ioana Sonea volunteered to bring refreshments to the meeting.

Teresa Fowle showed off the plants on the "Show and Tell" table, which ranged from the ultraminiature to very large specimens.

Krum Sotirov (<http://www.ionopsis.com/index.htm>) gave a very informative and entertaining hour-long presentation on Orchid pests and diseases, emphasizing the importance of correct cultural practices to prevent and treat many problems. He also brought a wide variety of plants to sell, and invites members to contact him via email should they have any questions.

Pete Ostlund ran the Silent Auction and Raffle table in Doris Asher's and Lynn O'Shaughnessy's absence: there was spirited bidding on some of the plants!

The meeting was adjourned at about 9pm.



→ Thanks to Dottie Winter, Pat Stoecker and Ioana Sonea for the snacks at our November meeting. Sharon Johnson, Dottie Winter and Ioana Sonea volunteered to bring refreshments to the January meeting. Others are welcome.

MINUTES OF THE GLOS BOARD MEETING, continued from p. 3

- New business:
 - The next Board meeting will be Monday, February 10th, 2014, at Christa Forrester's home.
 - A speaker for the March meeting has not been identified: please contact Jim Heilig with any suggestions.
 - Jim Heilig should announce requests for nominations for award recipients at the January general meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9pm.

WILL YOU CLERK FOR US? - submitted by Doris Asher

We need help with clerking during ribbon judging at this year's February Show. Clerks assist the judging teams in finding the plants entered in the class, preparing the ribbons for the winning entries, placing the ribbons on the winners, and recording the winners in the Society's official record. Your time commitment is for Saturday morning, February 22nd, beginning at 7:30 a.m. (we provide you a light breakfast) and lasting until ribbon judging is concluded, about 11:00 a.m. The exact ending time depends on how many entries we have in this year's Show and how many judging teams we have to do the work. We need about thirty clerks. If we do not get enough AOS judges coming to our Show, Judging Chair Lynn O'Shaughnessy will use some of our more knowledgeable clerks to serve as lay judges in order to get the ribbon judging concluded in a timely fashion so we can admit the public to see the exhibits. All clerks are invited to be the Society's guests at the Judges' Luncheon held at the Show at about noon.

You do not need experience as a clerk in order to volunteer. We have written instructions for you, and will place you on a team with more experienced people. We want you to enjoy your first experience!

In addition to conventional clerking in the orchid portion of the Show, we need two people to clerk for Carol Stuhrt in the Art competition -- she appreciates any volunteers, but especially tall persons!

To volunteer or to ask questions, please contact Chair of Judging Activities Doris Asher at 332-0004 or e-mail ashedorisdoris@juno.com.

**USED ORCHID BOOKS WANTED;
USED ORCHIDS MAGAZINES WANTED**

Do you have some orchid books that you no longer want? How about current issues of Orchids magazines – those within the last twelve months or so? At last year's Orchid Show, we sold 15 books donated by Joe Vellanti and by Kris Garling. Visitors to the Show snapped them up very quickly and, because the books were donated, the Society made 100% profit. We would like to use the issues of Orchids to entice prospective members to the American Orchid Society.

Because last year's foray into the sale of used orchid books was so very successful, 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 you give us. The Treasurer will be happy to provide you a receipt for your gift.

Please consider giving such books (and 2013 issues of Orchids) to Treasurer Doris Asher.

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Krum Sotirov talking about orchid pests and diseases.



Photo by Dot

GLOS MEMBERS SHOW THEIR GENEROSITY – 2014 SHOW TROPHY SPONSORS - submitted by Doris Asher

Once again, Society members have come through, underwriting all of the trophies for our Show this February! The cost of sponsorship is \$25.00 and can be split between or among multiple people. The trophies will be prepared by Larry Galdes and Joy Suphattra's Clay Flowers.

Checks payable to GLOS go to Doris Asher, Treasurer, 277 N Hagadorn Road, E Lansing MI 48823. You may also pay her in person at an upcoming Society meeting.

Thank you, donors, very much.

This year's sponsors are:

Trophy

Exhibits, Open
 Exhibits, Society
 Exhibits, Amateur
 Cattleya Alliance
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 Oncidium Alliance
 Cymbidium Alliance
 Dendrobium Alliance
 Pleurothallid Alliance
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 Photography
 Orchids in Use
 Don Garling Memorial Best of Show
 AOS Show Trophy – Outstanding Exhibit

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 Lynn O'Shaughnessy
 The Garling Family
 Jerrie Nichols
 Harry & Dottie Winter
 Carol Ann Stuht
 Andrea Bishop
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TROPHY SPONSORS CAN PAY AT JANUARY MEETING

A note to the eighteen Society members who have underwritten a trophy for the Show: you can save yourself a postage stamp by paying Treasurer Doris Asher in person at our January 18th meeting. A check or cash is equally welcome – the cost is \$25.00.

For those who have paid already, thank you!

Checks payable to GLOS may also be mailed to Doris Asher, Treasurer, 277 N Hagadorn Road, East Lansing MI 48823.

Thank you, donors, very much.

**ORCHIDS IN CYBERSPACE**

58 Phalaenopsis species -- photographs:

<http://www.ranwild.org/Phalaenopsis/module/flowerlist/Etopframe.html>

Similar Species and Species Complex of Phalaenopsis:

<http://www.ranwild.org/Phalaenopsis/module/introduction/intro8/Ephalshead.html>

INTRODUCTION TO ONCIDIINAE (ORCHIDACEAE)

<http://www.flmnh.ufl.edu/herbarium/oncids/home/>

MASTER GARDENER: Orchids offer 28,000 species for all to enjoy:

http://thedailynewsonline.com/lifestyles/article_7585cfc4-61ac-11e3-b1ab-0019bb2963f4.html

Pantone color of the year for 2014: Radiant Orchid

<http://www.latimes.com/home/la-lb-pantone-color-of-year-2014-radiant-orchid-20131205,0,7743418.story#axzz2mhmsZK00>

CASH FOR BEST ESSAY

Write an essay on "My problem with orchids is..." (writer fills in the blank) -- and win up to \$100.00! The essay should be no more than 500 words in length and submitted no later than September 1, 2014 to Doris Asher (asherdoris@juno.com) –

winners will be announced at the Congress' Sunday Fall Business Meeting place and date to be announced. You do not need to be present to win. First prize is \$100.00; second, \$50; third, \$25. All three prize-winning essays will appear in future issues of The Mid-American.

THE MID-AMERICA ORCHID CONGRESS

SHOW SCHEDULE COMMITTEE

When the Committee met October 18 in Dayton, they made two recommendations:

Re-order sequence of exhibit sizes and how to handle the changes in Vanda taxonomy.

The committee agreed that it would be more logical and allow judging teams to move oversize displays to another class. We recommend these changes to show schedules:

A Open Competition

1. Orchid Plants in flower, Arranged for effect – 25 square feet maximum.
2. Orchid Plants in flower, arranged for effect – 50 square feet maximum.
3. Orchid Plants in flower, arranged for effect – more than 50 square feet.
- 4 (remains the same)

B. Orchid Societies Affiliated with the American Orchid Society

5. Orchid Plants in flower, arranged for effect – 25 square feet maximum.
6. Orchid Plants in flower, arranged for effect -- 50 square feet maximum.
7. Orchid Plants in flower, arranged for effect – more than 50 square feet.

C. Amateur Competition

8. Orchid Plants in flower, arranged for effect – 25 square feet maximum.
9. Orchid Plants in flower, arranged for effect – more than 25 square feet.

We also determined that the changes recently made by RHS to the Vanda Alliance would not at this time be used in the MAOC Class List, nor would we make any changes to the Show Schedule in the Vanda classes individually.

We have great respect for the RHS and the work they are doing to sort and classify the many different kinds of orchids. The work they have completed and the task still before them is immense. We have welcomed the changes that have been ratified. In most instances, these changes have worked well with the functions of the Mid-America Show Schedule.

The purpose of the show schedule has always been to simplify and ease the process of ribbon judging for our member societies, and the society members who register the plants for their shows. Some of the changes made by RHS have been controversial, and some have been adjusted after further thought.

Changes to the Vanda Alliance are needed to complete the lineages of the orchid family. But at this time MAOC feels that this process is still in transition, and that there will be more definitive changes in the future.

For the purpose of ribbon judging using the MAOC show schedule, we are recommending that the societies judging their shows use the January, 2013 edition of the MAOC Class List. This will be available on the MAOC web page www.midamericanorchids.org. The classes in the Mid-America Show schedule will remain as they are for the Vanda Alliance.

We recognize that there will always be changes to the taxonomic classifications as new species are discovered and new information is discovered about the orchids. We will continue to adapt the Mid- America Show Schedule as needed to include these changes. Our goal is always to make your task of plant registration and ribbon judging as logical and as easy as we can make it for you.

More changes may be coming: On-line registration for orchid shows – a prototype so far

- o Utilizes drop downs for easy selection of various entries (duplicates the spreadsheet previously used)
- o Prints plant tags (available in about a month)
- o Resides on the internet and may be updated on site by the show chair for last minute changes if there is internet access at a show. For societies that do not have internet access at a show, may be downloaded as a spreadsheet to take to shows for last minute changes and/or local printing. When the show chair is done taking entries, just press the button to download to an Excel spreadsheet
- o Includes a feature to answer the question of whether the plant should be AOS judged or not
- o Each person who makes entries will get a unique ID e-mailed to them
- o Eventually, will print judging sheets
- o Question: can additional last minute entries be imported back to this system in order to send numbers of show entries to Mid-America?

GLOS TREASURER'S REPORT - Covering Period from 10/07/2013 – 12/04/2013, submitted by Doris Asher

Balance on hand October 11, 2013				\$13,640.68
	Checking	\$2,557.83		
	Saving	5.00		
	Subtotal CD's	11,077.85		
CD B (matures 08/30/2014) 1.40%			\$1,339.29	
CD C (matures 09/30/2014) 1.40%			\$1,399.31	
CD 1 (matures 7/31/2015) 1.90%			\$1,000.00	
CD E (matures 10/29/2015) 1.7%			\$1,321.19	
CD A (matures 7/31/2016) 2.30 %			\$1,000.00	
CD 0 (matures 06/25/2017) 1.736%			\$1,313.73	
CD 2 (matures 7/30/2017) 1.7%			\$1,235.64	
CD 3 (matures 08/28/2017) 1.638%			\$1,098.55	
CD 4 (matures 10/03/2018) 1.600%			\$1,370.14	

INCOME				\$99.36
	Show – 2014 – Donations – Trophy Sponsorships	50.00		
	Donations for Paper Calypso	41.36		
	Dues -- Renewal (1)	8.00		

EXPENSES				\$824.14
	November 2013 Meeting (K Sotirov)	439.44		
	Speaker Fee		175.00	
	Travel Expenses		125.00	
	Motel		112.44	
	Dinner		27.00	
	Contributions	350.00		
	Great Lakes Judging Center		150.00	
	Michigan Nature Association		100.00	
	The Nature Conservancy		100.00	
	Administrative Expense -- website fee	34.70		
	NET EXPENSE			\$724.78

Balance on hand December 4, 2013				\$12,915.90
	Checking	\$1,833.05		
	Saving	5.00		
	Subtotal CD's	11,077.85		
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Note: As of December 4, 2013, conservation fund is \$168.70

FROM THE EDITOR:

Anyone interested in travelling to China? The following message is from Hengduan Mountain Biotechnology. I have placed the "attached file" on our website -- there is a link on the front page under Downloads:

Dear friends and customers,

In the attachment file please find a botanical study tour information in Guangxi and Fujian provinces that we would offer in May 2014. The deadline for our tour registration is 15th March 2014.

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REPORT: GLOS DISPLAY AT THREE RIVERS

- submitted by Rob & Dot

Dot put together the display and Rob transported it to Ft. Wayne, set it up, photographed it and also brought it home. Thanks to all who submitted plants, and especially to Rob for doing the heavy work, and to Bill Porter, who lended us some baskets.

Pete Ostlund	Tolumnia Pink Panther	2nd	
Ioana Sonea	Dendrobium Betty Nagada	3rd	
Marilyn Lee	Dendrobium Burana Greenway	1st	
	Platystele vellota	1st	
Rob Halgren	Paphiopedilum wardii	1st	AOS
	Scaphosepalum breve:	2nd	
Dot P Barnett	Tolumnia Genting Sunshine	3rd	
	Vandachostylis Lou Sneary	1st	
	Paphiopedilum Ma Belle	1st	
	Paphiopedilum In Charm Topaz	2nd	
	Vanda Candace's Sunshine	3rd	

Photo courtesy of Rob Halgren



REPORT: GLOS DISPLAY AT SAGINAW VALLEY - submitted by Ioana Sonea



Photo by Dot

On Friday, November 22nd, 2013, I set up the display at the Saginaw Valley Orchid show in Midland, MI. This was my first time, and everything went very smoothly thanks to the numerous volunteers from the SVOS who helped unload plants and particularly thanks to Harry and Dottie Winter, who were invaluable. I enjoyed the challenge of displaying the different plants to their best advantage, and the gorgeous plants that Dot, Julie and Jim provided really made it easy!

Dot Barnett, Carol Stuht, Marilyn Lee, Christa Forrester and I took down the exhibit on Sunday: many hands made the work go by very fast, the entire process taking about an hour.

To all of you who haven't tried this before, it was a lot of fun, and didn't take more than a few hours.. I'd highly recommend it!

Display		5	2
Dot P Barnett	Phragmipedium Cardinale 'Wacousta'	42; 101	1, Trophy; 1, Trophy
	Renanthera philippinensis	66	1
	Tuberolabium quisumbingii	69	1
	Darwinara Charm 'Blue Star'	63	2
	Ascocenda Princess Mikasa	63	1
	Paphiopedilum insigne v. sanderianum	27	3
Jim Heilig	Tolumnia variegata	75; 100	2; 1
	Phalaenopsis Ossirah	52	1
	Aerangis Rob's Angry Birds	58; 100	1; 2
	Ancistrochilus rothschildianus	98; 101	3; 2
	Acampe papillosa	68	1
Julie Bishop	Phalaenopsis Elegant Deborah	55	1
	Was Doritaenopsis Taida Pearl		
	Epidendrum echinatum	10	1
	Doritaenopsis Kenneth Schubert 'FANGtastic Violet'	54	2
Julie Bishop	Cymbidium La Costa Elf	80	3
Ioana Sonea	Cymbidium ensifolium munronianum	81	3
	Dendrobium C.K.Ai Oka x Den cannaliculatum	86	2

Note: Marilyn Lee received a blue ribbon for her floral arrangement.



AOS CORNER - submitted by Lynn Fuller, Chair AOS Affiliated Societies Committee

The Trustees and Members meeting was held in Coral Gables with most of the meetings being held at Fairchild Botanic Gardens (the new home of the AOS). It was a great opportunity to get to know Fairchild and for Fairchild to see what the AOS is about. A nice show was arranged by the Coral Gables Orchid Society and at the AOS judging, awards were given to many local orchidists. In conjunction with the meetings, a number of AOS awards were presented. The Distinguished Affiliated Society Award (DSSA) was given to the Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania for their volunteer commitment to Phipps Conservatory in Pittsburgh. An article will be forthcoming in *Orchids* about their joint project whereby they will be assisting in the establishment of an historic slipper orchid collection. An AOS Gold Medal was given to Harold Koopowitz for his dedication to orchids in conservation, biology, hybridizing and publishing; Two AOS Silver Medals were bestowed upon Aileen Garrison and Jose Izquierdo in recognition of their service to the AOS judging system. Leon Glicenstein was recognized with an AOS Fellow for his outstanding scientific, horticultural and hybridizing in addition, Leonid Averyanov was recognized with an AOS Fellow for his work on Vietnam orchids. Two Hybridizing awards were presented to Milton Carpenter for his work with Oncidiinae and warmth-tolerant cymbidiums and to Gene Crocker of Carter and Holmes for his art-shade cattleyas. Anyone wishing to be considered for judging at the 21st WOC in South Africa, must submit their application to do so by December 31, 2013. There will be no late registrations considered. In addition, discounted registration ends on December 31, 2013. For more information or to register, go to www.woc21.org.

Save the date for the Spring Members and Trustees meeting to be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 30 through May 4, 2014 in conjunction with their show – *Orchids – A Growing Obsession*. This event will be held in conjunction with meetings of the Mid-America Orchid Congress, the Slipper Orchid Alliance, the International Phalaenopsis Alliance, Pleurothallid Alliance and Angraecoid Alliance.

Wishing you all the best during this holiday season and for a happy 2014.

Lynn Fuller, Chair
AOS Affiliated Societies Committee

DORIS ASHER BECOMES JUDGE EMERITUS

When the American Orchid Society (AOS) met at the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden in Coral Gables, FL, on November 15th, the Trustees named Doris Asher as a judge emeritus. This status is the highest honor the AOS can bestow on a judge and may not be requested by the person in question. At the semiannual meeting of the Great Lakes Judging Center in Ann Arbor on June 15, 2013, the personnel there stunned Doris by announcing their intention of requesting this status for her.

Quoting from a letter from Chief Operating Officer Ron McHatton, “An Emeritus Judge is awarded to judges who have served the American Orchid Society judging system for 20 or more years. Who have taken an active role significantly beyond normal judging activities. Thank you for being a leader in our judging system”.

Emeritus judges may continue to judge as before, and that is Doris’ intention. She became a fully accredited judge at the San Antonio meeting of the Society on March 19, 1993. In 2013 she has judged at fourteen orchid shows in six states and one Canadian province.

Editor’s note: Doris judged at the World Orchid Conferences in Glasgow, Scotland (1993), at the AOS-sanctioned show in Coban, Guatemala (1996), in Dijon, France (2005), in Singapore (2011), and is planning on judging in Johannesburg, South Africa in 2014.

In addition to all this, Doris was recently in the Matthaei Gardens Newsletter. In the section “Volunteer Spotlight” Doris was commended for, among other things: “As an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society, which meets regularly at Matthaei, Doris learned that Matthaei could no longer provide space for the Society’s extensive collection of orchid books. So Doris volunteered to work with Curator David Michener, to integrate 171 orchid books into Matthaei’s library.”

Congratulations, Doris!



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FOOD HELP NEEDED FOR THE 2014 GLOS SHOW!

Please sign up to bring food for the workers at the 2014 Greater Lansing Orchid Society Show at MSU. Write what type of food you plan to bring. Please bring it to the MSU Horticulture Display Greenhouses on Friday evening, February 21st before 5:30 pm to accompany our main course, pizza. Tell the parking attendant you are with the Orchid Show. We feed about 80 workers between 6 – 7 pm. If you can't donate food, please consider a donation of money for the purchase of food and drink.

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Please give this form to Leslie Behm or Kris Garling at the January meeting or mail to Kris at 3899 New Salem Ave, Okemos, MI 48864 or email Leslie at behm@mail.lib.msu.edu or Kris at krisgarling@gmail.com.

Helpers for food service are needed for Friday evening setup and Saturday morning/noon. Contact Leslie or Kris. Our phone numbers are: Leslie 655-2972 or Kris 349-5431.

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