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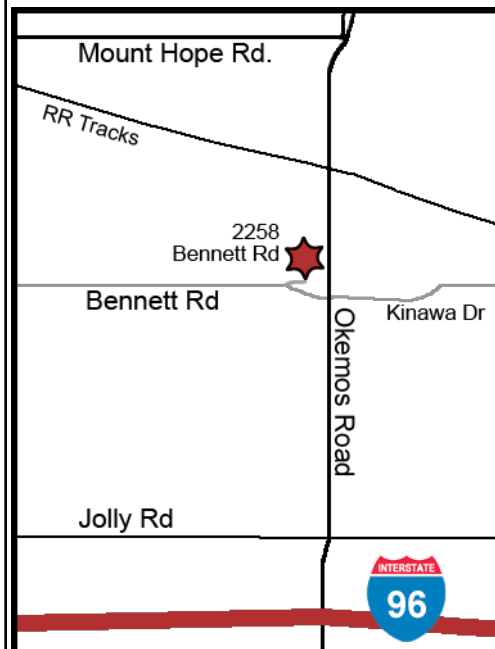
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CALYPSO DEADLINE:

April 26 for the May issue

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

March 16th 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 Mac Rivenbark from: Mac's Orchids
1400 S. W. 32nd Court
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315
Tel: 954-410-8580
e-mail: mac@macsorchids.com

His talk will be on orchids of the Philippines.

Mac and his Filipino wife Helen have had an orchid business for over a decade. After many trips to the Philippines, Mac has become an expert in that nation's orchids. With over 100 lectures and many AOS awards, Mac is sure to give an interesting and informative presentation.

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Photos by Dot

Jim Heilig on how to deflake orchids. Each attendee received one or more freshly deflaked phalaenopsis (Phal Join Yukiangel), and Jerrie Nichols promised a reward for the first one to flower.
Dot Potter Barnett on the pros and cons of different potting media for orchids
Rob Halgren on creating terrariums: the 4 terrariums he created were auctioned off at the end of the session.
Alex Challis on growing terrestrial orchids outside in Michigan." from Meeting Minutes on p.3

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -- Jerrie Nichols

Wasn't our show wonderful! I hope you were able to come and enjoy the beautiful plants. I was especially impressed with the size of many of the orchids brought in. We do not always have people who have the space to grow large plants plus who are willing to make the huge effort to haul in the mammoths. I always love to see them. So many of our orchids are simply little babies compared to what they can be given good culture and time. I want to thank all of you who worked so hard to make the show successful, from the set-up crew hauling tables on Thursday night to the clean-up crew sweeping floors on Sunday. Congratulations to our GLOS display team, chaired by Jim Heilig, who won the AOS show trophy for our display. The art and flower arrangements were wonderful. The food was excellent (I ate too many donuts). So, many thanks to Pete Ostlund and all the Committee Chairs for their hard work and attention to all the details that make the show pull together. And again many many thanks to all of you for your enthusiastic work that made the show such a fantastic event. It was a delightful place to be on a cold February day.

Please remember that it is time to recognize the hard work we have done over the past year and highlight orchid excellence. I am asking for nominations for awards to be given at our upcoming May business meeting. The Nominating Committee consists of myself, our outgoing Director Georgia Marvin, and a club member-at-large, Bill Cadman. The possible awards are Orchidist of The Year, and a Certificate Of Appreciation (from the American Orchid Society). The selection criteria include leadership, committee work, promotion of the Society, orchid research, orchid conservation, and anything you believe furthers the Society and /or orchids in general. The recognition has to be for activities over the last year. If you have any suggestions for an outstanding candidate, please let one of the Committee know.

We are planning for a few visiting opportunities this summer. Would you be interested in hosting an orchid/garden open-house? This is a chance for us to talk and get ideas about growing orchids. I am always amazed at how creative our people are at meeting the needs of some very uncommon, even difficult orchids. Here is your chance to share your expertise. Let me know if you are interested in hosting such an event and when you could do so.

We are going to auction a couple of donated items at the March meeting. This is a very generous gift from our anonymous donor. All funds raised will be used to bring in speakers. Dot has posted pictures of the painting and the apron here. These are beautiful things that will make a lovely gift for someone special. After all Mother's Day is just around the corner.

See you at the March meeting!

→ From Jim Heilig: I will be collecting plants for the GLOS display in the Michigan Orchid Societies annual show. I will plan on being home between 5 and 9 on Wednesday, 20 March 2013, to collect plants. Lynn and I will be working together to put this display together and would very much appreciate the plants you have to show off! My address is 727 West Miller Rd, Lansing, MI 48911. If you have any questions, call me at 517 256 1683, or email at heiligja@msu.edu.

**GLOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- **March 16 - General Meeting** - Mac Rivenbark, of Mac's Orchids, will speak on Philippine Orchids
- March 22-23 - Michigan Orchid Society Show. See Jim Heilig's note above left.
- April 19-21 - Mid-America Orchid Congress & Ann Arbor Orchid Festival, Kensington Court Ann Arbor Hotel (610 Hilton Blvd., 48108) & Matthaei, Ann Arbor. Jerrie Nichols is our display chair.
- **May 17 (Friday) - General Meeting** - Allen Black will speak on Brassavola intergenerics.
- May 25-26 - Northwestern Michigan Orchid Society show. Marilyn Lee is our display chair.
- **July 21 (Sunday) - Annual GLOS picnic at Granger Meadows Park**
- **September 21 - General Meeting** - Speaker: John Stubbings, Clown Alley Orchids, will talk on Oncidium intergenerics.



MINUTES OF THE JANUARY GENERAL MEETING -- Submitted by Ioana Sonea

Meeting called to order at 7pm by Jerrie Nichols.

45 members attending, as well as 2 guests: Pat White and Beth Alexander. Marilyn Porter became the newest member of GLOS.

Thank you to those who brought refreshments to this meeting: Dottie Winter, Diane Zoellner, Jerrie Nichols and Ioana Sonea.

Volunteers for the March meeting are Emily Tseng, Beth Alexander, & Ioana Sonea.

Vendor: Rob Halgren (Littlefrog farm)

Approximately 70 plants were available for purchase from the estate of Joe Vellanti's wife, Ann. Bill Porter had kindly taken the plants in, treated them with insecticide, watered and fertilized them until they could be dispersed at the meeting. All proceeds were donated to GLOS.

Business

The minutes of the previous general meeting were approved.

Report from the Judging Center: one HCC was awarded to a Paph hybrid. Please note that there will not be a judging session in February in Ann Arbor, but, for one time only, in Cleveland, OH, for a special orchid event at the Cleveland Botanical Garden.

Dot Barnett and Pete Ostlund are display chairs for the Grand Rapids show January 26-27. Plants should be brought to Dot's on Tuesday afternoon or Tuesday or Wednesday evening. Tear-down volunteers: Doris Asher and Kris Garling.

Upcoming general meetings:

March meeting speaker is Mac from Mac's Orchids (<http://www.macsorchids.com/>). Please note there will be 2 special items offered at auction, thanks to a generous anonymous donor: a drawing of *Cypripedium acaule*, and an orchid apron.

May meeting: speaker is Allen Black, breeder of extraordinarily beautiful orchids (<http://ablackorchid.com/>)

Reminder that GLOS members are offering classes at VanAtta's (<http://www.vanattas.com/index.php?id=46>)

Reminder that elections will be held at the May meeting: there are 2 open positions (President & Director). Please contact one of the members of the nominating committee (Mary Dee Sist, Christa Forrester or Mike Underwood [chair]) if you are interested in serving.

The awards committee is composed of Jerrie Nichols, Bill Cadman and Georgia Marvin. Please contact one of the members of the committee to nominate someone for an award.

Upcoming GLOS show: Pete Ostlund, show chair, said all was on track, and asked members of the show committee to give brief status reports to the general membership.

Jim Heilig is display chair and asks members to bring plants on the Wednesday evening or Friday 9am-noon before the show. Please send him the names of your plants via e-mail by Wednesday evening (particularly if dropping off plants on Friday).

Kris Garling and Leslie Behm are in charge of hospitality, and are looking for cash donations and/or volunteers to bring salads and desserts for Friday evening.

The information table at the show needs volunteers: Julie, Doris, Pete Ostlund and others have signed up but not all time slots are filled.

Doris Asher reported that 21 clerks have already volunteered, but that more are needed: please consider this fun and educational activity if you have some time on Saturday morning.

Ioana Sonea reported that parking and such are organized.

Publicity: Pete Porciello has finalized scripts for TV ads, and Doris Asher has bookmarks to distribute.

Meridian Mall Farmer's market: Mike Underwood has arranged to rent a table on the weekend before the show. The table will have a few display plants, bookmarks, flyers etc, and will be manned by Mike, Kris Garling (9am-noon) & Ioana Sonea (noon-3pm).

Show program:

Layout on Thursday, starting at about 6pm

Friday: vendors arrive and set up (volunteers needed to unload from about noon to 9pm), display set-up.

Saturday morning: judging until about noon. Sales begin at 11am.

Sunday: photographers' session 9am-11am (the only time tripods are allowed in the display area). Take-down at 4pm:

Brent Marvin is organizing, and volunteers would be greatly appreciated.

Note to members: if you see people damaging plants, please approach them and politely request that they take care. If there is a problem, please contact Jerrie Nichols, Pete Ostlund, or, if they are not available, somebody at the information table or Campus Police.

Alex Challis showcased the plants on the Show-and-Tell table (all grown under lights and brought by Jim Heilig).

At 7:35, the main program of the meeting started. This consisted of 4 rotating demonstrations:

Jim Heilig on how to de-flask orchids. Each attendee received one or more freshly de-flasked phalaenopsis (Phal Join Yukiangel), and Jerrie Nichols promised a reward for the first one to flower.

Dot Potter Barnett on the pros and cons of different potting media for orchids

Rob Halgren on creating terrariums: the 4 terrariums he created were auctioned off at the end of the session.

Alex Challis on growing terrestrial orchids outside in Michigan

The format was very popular with participants.

The Silent Auction and Raffle tables were popular as usual.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:30pm.

→ Thanks to Dottie Winter, Diane Zoellner, Jerrie Nichols and Ioana Sonea for the great refreshments at our January meeting. Emily Tseng, Beth Alexander, & Ioana Sonea volunteered to bring snacks to our March meeting.

MINUTES OF THE GLOS JAN. 15th BOARD/SHOW CHAIR MEETING - submitted by Ioana Sonea

Meeting held at MSU GLOS show site.

Present: Doris Asher, Dot Barnett, Leslie Behm, Renate De Zacks, Kris Garling, Jim Heilig, Jim Leaman, Marilyn and Hans Lee, Georgia and Brent Marvin, Jerrie Nichols, Peter Ostlund, Pete Porciello, Ioana Sonea, Carol Stuht, Diane Zoellner,

Meeting called to order by Pete Ostlund at 7pm.

Pete Ostlund reported that all vendors have indicated they are coming, with the possible exception of Erich Michel, whose daughter is seriously ill. Orchid societies have been contacted, not all have responded to date.

1. Marilyn Lee and Carol Stuht. Need 8 x 8' tables + 1 round one for Orchids in Art and Orchids in Use exhibits as well as the info table etc. (C. Stuht will confirm number of tables). Clerks: I. Sonea for Orchids in Art exhibit, Ann McConnelee and a guest for Orchids in use.

2. Diane Zoellner re Childrens' corner. Diane will order some supplies, and let the show committee know what worked and what didn't for next year. She will need 4 folding chairs for that area. Ioana Sonea will verify with Dan from MSU that the plants in that area have not been sprayed with any toxic compounds recently.

3. Dot Barnett had nothing to report

4. GLOS exhibit will be set up by Jim Heilig. He is getting new staging, with the help of Sharon Johnson. The staging will be delivered Thursday Feb 21 after 5pm, and setup will happen Friday (Dot, Georgia, Pete O. and Jim H). Orchids for the GLOS exhibit should be dropped off at Jim's house on Wednesday prior to the show, or at the show site on Friday; please e-mail Jim with the names of plants for the exhibit ahead of time. Reminders will be sent out via email 3 and 1 week prior to the show, as well as at the general meeting on Saturday, January 19th.

The staging for the Orchids in Art exhibit will be transported by either Mike Underwood or Jim Leaman (Pete Ostlund will contact).

5. Kris Garling and Leslie Behm for Hospitality. For Friday, pizza from Papa John's, salads and desserts from volunteers (recruiting to be done at the General meeting on Sat Jan 19th). For Saturday, Leslie will bring the popular broccoli & cheese soup, all other items similar to last year.

6. Information table will be manned by Doris Asher (Sunday only), Pete Ostlund, Pete Porciello and Jerrie Nichols, with hopefully the help of additional volunteers (recruited Sat Jan 19th).

7. Doris reported on the status of the Judging: 19 judges and 23 clerks have committed to the show. Ideally would need 30+ clerks.. volunteers to be recruited on Sat Jan 19th.

8. Signage: Ioana Sonea will get permit from MSU once the location of the signs is determined (Note added after meeting: parking will be permitted in lot 46, west of Conservatory, and in lot 54, near Children's Garden. No parking in lot 27, at Vet Med).

9. Advertising: Pete Porciello will use the \$1500 budget for 30 second TV ads (the script is being developed). Doris will contact Channel 10 and local newspapers (LSJ etc). Additional advertising on Facebook should be done, and a YouTube video (or more) should be sought or developed, to post on Facebook.

10. Staging layout, setup: Pete Ostlund and Jim Heilig proposed a new layout for the vendors, which seems to be better use of space. If needed, we can always revert to the previous layout if implementing it proves problematic. Jerrie Nichols and Pete Porciello will mark the floors and make diagrams for vendors on Thursday evening (they will need help). Doris Asher and Jerrie Nichols will check the supply of skirting and topping for the tables, and purchase more if needed. Ioana Sonea will contact A-1 rentals (note: done, tables reserved; all tables are wood-topped and it is OK to staple skirting to them). Jim Heilig, Brent and Georgia Marvin will locate help to setup and take down etc (@ \$10/hr).

Jerrie Nichols will ask for additional help at the Jan 19th meeting, and will borrow cell phones to allow people in the Conservatory to communicate easily with those in the vendor area during setup.

Electricity for displays in hallway between conservatory and vendors area (for Orchids in Art, Orchids in Use, and Owlyn's lighting display) will be available.

11. Topics and speakers for classes are finalized (Jim Leaman).

12. Tear-down on Sunday organized by Brent Marvin.

13. Renate De Zacks will prepare 3-4 corsages for each of the 2 TV stations (Channel 6 on Thursday, Channel 10 on Friday). The flowers have been ordered by Doris Asher and will arrive Wed before the show.

14. Limiting damage to exhibits was discussed: add extra signs, post them prominently, forbid tripods other than during photographers' session 9-11am Sunday; train members to approach public appropriately; periodic announcements over the PA system. Members should wear their name tags.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30pm.

→ Our deepest sympathy again to Carol Ann Stuht and her family. Carol's Mother passed away in January of 2013. Carol has lost both parents this January, a very difficult time.

THANKS TO HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS for the 2013 Show!

Thank you to Chris Bushell. Every year she helps Leslie and I set up the Hospitality room of the show. Chris decorated the tables in the Food Room. We had positive comments about the purple flowers and ivy decor. Diane Zoellner helped us set up the Food room on Friday and Anne McConnelee helped with clean up on Saturday.

We so appreciate our members who help us out by providing delicious dishes to help feed our hungry workers on Friday night of our Show. They bring in wonderful desserts, salads, and snacks. Thanks go to: Beth Alexander, Doris Asher, Julie Bishop, Chris Bushell, Renate DeZacks, Christa Forrester, Georgia Marvin, Carol Stuht, Emily Tseng, Dottie Winters, and Diane Zoellner. Also, Jerrie Nichols and Elaine bring in wonderful Sloppy Joes for our enjoyment - Yum!

Many thanks to Doris Asher, Dot Potter Barnett, Teresa Lewis, Ann McConnellee, and Ioana Sonea for their generous monetary donations towards Food expenses at the Show.

We hope we have included everyone. We appreciate their willingness to help every year!

Leslie Behm and Kris Garling

REPORT: GLOS DISPLAY AT MSU -

submitted by Jim Heilig

Once again, members of GLOS came together and put on a great show and a great display! Without your plants, and time, we could not have done it. Our display consisted of around 50 plants in flower, and came in at just under 50 square feet. Dot Potter Barnett and Peter Ostlund very effectively helped arrange the plants-resulting in very nice flow of color while looking very natural. Carol Stuht received the Cymbidium trophy and Dot Potter's Renanthera matutina received the trophy for the Vanda group. A special "thank you" to Sharon Johnson for her masterful woodworking skills, the new wood staging is beautiful!

The effort paid off with the display receiving a blue ribbon for society displays, the trophy for best display as well as the AOS Show Trophy. A pleasant surprise was the 85 point Silver Certificate, which is awarded to a display scoring between 85 and 89 points on a point scale considering aspects of design (35 points possible), quality of flowers (35 points possible), variety (20 points possible) and labeling (10 points possible).

Thanks to everyone for all the help!



Photo by Dot

Plant	Exhibitor	Ribbon/Class
Bulbophyllum sumatranum	Carol Stuht	3
Cymbidium Red Beauty 'Evening Star'	Carol Stuht	1-Trophy
Coelogyne flaccida	Christa Forrester	2
Paphiopedilum lowii	Christa Forrester	3
Dendrobium x delicatum 'Christa'	Christa Forrester	2-84, 3-102
Dendrobium Red Emperor 'Prince'	David Muehrcke	2
Den Hamana Smile (pink)	Dot Potter Barnett	1
Den spectabile	Dot Potter Barnett	1
Vandofinetia Blaupunkt	Dot Potter Barnett	1
Pabstosepalum Ash Trees	Dot Potter Barnett	1
Den Aussie's Chip	Dot Potter Barnett	2
Phragmipedium schlimii	Dot Potter Barnett	2
Den Hamana Smile (white)	Dot Potter Barnett	3
Phal schilleriana	Dot Potter Barnett	3
Renanthera matutina	Dot Potter Barnett	1-Trophy
Phalaenopsis Equalacea	Jim Heilig	1
Phalaenopsis Chin-Lih Girl 'Picotee'	Jim Heilig	1
Phalaenopsis Leucorrhoda	Jim Heilig	1
Phalaenopsis Timothy Christopher	Jim Heilig	3
Phalaenopsis aphrodite	Jim Heilig	3
Dtps Sin-Yaun Golden Beauty	Julie Bishop	3
Paphiopedilum Ho Chi Minh	Marilyn Lee	1
Paphiopedilum Yellow Love	Marilyn Lee	3
Rhynchostylis gigantea	Pete Ostlund	1
Cymbidium Unknown	Pete Ostlund	2
Cattlianthe Trick or Treat 'Dream'	Renate deZacks	1
Paph Limidolli	Sharon Johnson	2
Paph hybrid	Sharon Johnson	2

Congratulations, Jim!

ART SECTION SHOW REPORT -
submitted by Carol Ann Stuht

The Art Section was colorfully full once again. There were 63 pieces from 49 Artist/ Photographers, 21 of whom were new to our show. There were 13 exhibitors in our class for beginning artists. Thirty ribbons were awarded.

The Art Trophy (Classes 103, 105 and 106) was awarded to Susan Fernholz for her oil painting "Orchid Still Life". A trophy for photography was not awarded this year.

Please stop by Gracie's Place in Williamston to enjoy the art a second time. The exhibit will be on display until April 24th.

REPORT ON JUDGING GLOS 30th CONSECUTIVE ANNUAL SHOW - submitted by Doris Asher, Chair, Judging Activities

Visitors to our Show enjoyed 23 exhibits. 141 exhibitors entered 574 orchids, exhibits, flower arrangements, and pieces of art in our Show. (These numbers are virtually unchanged from the numbers for our Shows in 2011 and 2012.)

Our trophy winners this year:

Open exhibit: Windswept in Time Orchids, Cleveland, OH

Society exhibit: Greater Lansing Orchid Society

Amateur exhibit: WF Orchids (Lowell, MI)

Cattleya alliance: Cattlianthe Jewel Box 'Dark Waters' (Guarianthe aurantiaca x Cattleya Anzac) (Jill Toma, Dunes-Kalamazoo Orchid Society) (this Cattlianthe won this same trophy last year, too!)

Paphiopedilum: Paphiopedilum Berenice (lowii x philippinense) (Taylor Orchids, Monroe, MI; in Littlefrog Farm's exhibit)

Vanda, Ascocenda, and Related Genera: Renanthera matutina (Dot Potter Barnett, Grand Ledge, MI)

Phalaenopsis/Doritaenopsis: Doritaenopsis Yu Pin Fireworks (Dtps Sogo Dove x Phal World Class) (New Vision Orchids, Yorktown, IN)

Miltonias, Odontoglossums, etc.: Miltoniopsis Bert Field (Mulatto Queen x Woodlands) (Natt's Orchids, Napierville, IL)

Oncidium Alliance: Oncidium Flora Maxey (Actrix x Robert Dugger) (New Vision Orchids, Yorktown, IN)

Cymbidium Alliance: Cymbidium Red Beauty 'Evening Star' HCC/AOS (Vanguard x Tapestry) (Carol Ann Stuht, Laingsburg, MI)

Dendrobium Alliance: Dendrobium Roy Tokunaga (atroviolaceum x johnsoniae) (Natt's Orchids, Napierville, IL)

Pleurothallid Alliance: Masdevallia princeps (Sandy Ohlund, Rolling Prairie, IN)

Miscellaneous Genera: Calanthe Rozel 'Memoria Ferenc Nagy' CCM/AOS (Grouville x Saint Aubin) (Gyorgy Nagy, Washington Township, MI)

Specimen Plant: Calanthe Rozel 'Memoria Ferenc Nagy' CCM/AOS (Grouville x Saint Aubin) (Gyorgy Nagy, Washington Township, MI)

Art: Painting: Orchid Still Life (Susan Fernholz)

Orchids in Use (Amateur): Cymbidiums on driftwood (Jenny Bond)

Orchids in Use (Professional): Wedding bouquet; corsage; boutonniere – featuring white phalaenopsis blossoms spotted pink (Dennis Banning, Williamston, MI)

Don Garling Memorial Best of Show: Calanthe Rozel 'Memoria Ferenc Nagy' CCM/AOS (Grouville x Saint Aubin) (Gyorgy Nagy, Washington Township, MI)

AOS Show Trophy: Greater Lansing Orchid Society

In addition to the above trophies, the 20 judges, who judged our Show this year, selected eleven orchids from the Show to study further and gave American Orchid Society awards to two of them, both owned by Sam Tsui from Orchid Inn LTD, Bloomington, IL:

1. Paphiopedilum Velvet Smile 'Happy Smile' (Big Smile x Velvet Spot) AM/AOS 80 points)

2. Phragmipedium Fritz Schomburg 'Sunset Delight' (kovachii x besseae) HCC/AOS 78 points (Orchid Inn, LTD)

These two hybrids are both slippers, but despite that, they could not be more different. Fritz Schomburg, registered in 2007, is made up of just two species, while Velvet Smile, registered in 2011, is incredibly complex with many generations in its family tree and involves at least thirteen different species in its makeup!

3. Silver Certificate to Greater Lansing Orchid Society exhibit – scored 85 points on 100-point scale

Lynn O'Shaughnessy, who chaired judging on Saturday morning, and I want to thank the people who helped us register all of the entries and prepare the judging folders on Friday night: Ed Cott, Renate de Zacks, Greg Filter, Kris Garling, Jim Heilig, Joe and Joyce Peterson, Sandy Ohlund, and Katie Payeur. In addition, we'd like to thank all of our judges and all of our clerks who came out early Saturday morning despite the weather to help us with the ribbon judging as well as with the AOS judging which followed.

Thank you kindly!

THANK YOU, CLERKS - submitted by Doris Asher, Chair, Judging Activities

The Society issues a hearty "thank you" to members and other friends who volunteered to clerk at the Show. Clerks assist the judging teams in finding the plants entered in the class, preparing the ribbons for the winning entries, placing the ribbons on the winners, and recording the winners in the Society's official record. They began on Saturday morning, February 23rd, at 7:30 a.m. with a light breakfast and worked until ribbon judging was concluded, about 11:00 a.m.

Judging Chair Lynn O'Shaughnessy assigned the 21 judges into seven teams. We were very pleased to have judges from the Mid-America (St. Louis), Cincinnati, and Chicago Judging Centers working with us this year. All judges and clerks were invited to be the Society's guests at the Judges' Luncheon held at the Show.

The following individuals clerked at our 30th consecutive orchid show:

Leslie Behm, Andrea Bishop, Michael Bukala, Patti DeMaire, Janis Erins, Christa Forrester, Teresa Lewis Fowle, Kris Garling, Dawn Kittle, Jim Leaman, Ann McConnelee, Carrie Monosmith, Pete Ostlund, Pete Porciello, Joe Rathbun, Brenda Sayles, Jack Shumaker, Ioana Sonea, Becky Thayer, Suzie Trobec, Emily Tseng, Mike Underwood, Joan Witter, and Jill Wood

GLOS FINANCIAL REPORT - February 9, 2013

Covering Period from 10/1/2012 – 2/8/2013, submitted by Doris Asher

INCOME					\$4,951.00
	Show – 2013			4,380.00	
	Table Fees	3,780.00			
	Donations – Trophy Sponsorships	400.00			
	Donations – Food	200.00			
	January 2013 Meeting (mini-workshops)			313.00	
	Sales Joe Vellanti's plants	174.00			
	Auction Rob Halgren's terrariums	60.00			
	Raffle	55.00			
	Silent Auction	24.00			
	November 2012 Meeting (D Schlote)			229.00	
	Silent Auction	115.00			
	Bobbi Kilty's plants	69.00			
	Ed Barber's supplies	2.00			
	Raffle	43.00			
	Donation for Calypso			25.00	
	Dues – Renewal			4.00	

EXPENSES					\$3,623.19
	Show – 2013			2,546.03	
	Publicity – TV, etc.	1,595.00			
	TV, etc.	1,500.00			
	Bookmarks	95.00			
	Rent – MSU Facility	850.00			
	GLOS Exhibit -- Staging	101.03			
	Contributions			350.00	
	Great Lakes Judging Center	150.00			
	Michigan Nature Association	100.00			
	The Nature Conservancy	100.00			
	Administrative Expense			310.00	
	Affiliation – American Orchid Society – 2 years (2013 and 2014)	125.00			
	Publicity -- Bookmarks	95.00			
	2013 Picnic – Rent of Pavilion	55.00			
	Website	35.00			
	Exhibiting in Other Shows			287.16	
	Travel Expenses – Michiana Show – J Heilig	100.00			
	Travel Expenses – Saginaw Valley Show – M Lee	100.00			
	Motel – Three Rivers Show – C Stuht	87.16			
	November 2012 Meeting (D Schlote)			130.00	
	Travel Expenses	100.00			
	GLOS Share of Motel	30.00			

NET INCOME					\$1,327.81
	Balance on hand February 8, 2013		Checking	\$4,148.01	
			Saving	5.00	
			Subtotal CD's	11,048.16	
	CD D (matures 10/03/2013) 1.10%				\$1,340.45
	CD B (matures 08/30/2014) 1.40%				\$1,339.29
	CD C (matures 09/30/2014) 1.40%				\$1,399.31
	CD I (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
			Subtotal CD's	\$11,048.16	

Note: As of February 8, 2013, conservation fund is \$221.82

→ **In Sympathy:** Marge and Ed Laski of Sterling Heights, MI, have been GLOS members since 2007. We are very sad to report that Marge passed away at home on January 13, 2013. Long active in the Michigan Orchid Society, Marge served as its President, among other offices. We extend our sincere condolences to her husband Ed in his time of loss.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12TH, 2013 GLOS BOARD/SHOW MEETING - submitted by Ioana Sonea

Present: Doris Asher, Dot Barnett, Kris Garling, Jim Heilig, Jerrie Nichols, Peter Ostlund, Pete Porciello, Ioana Sonea. Absent: Georgia Marvin

The meeting was held at Dot Barnett's house: her vegan black chili + wonderful apricot bars were to die for!

Meeting called to order at 7:15pm by Jerrie Nichols

Show chair's report (Pete Ostlund) The show is coming up in 2 weeks, no pressing issues have surfaced. All but one of the societies that were invited are coming. Members were reminded that help would be greatly appreciated during setup (from Thursday, Feb 21st evening to Friday evening) and take-down (Sunday Feb 24th at 4pm). More clerks on Saturday morning are needed: all volunteers welcome!

Treasurer's report (Doris Asher) covered the period of October 1st, 2012 to February 8th, 2013. The major income for that period arose from show-related income (\$4,380), and the sale or raffle of plants at the November and January general GLOS meetings (\$542). The major expenditures for the same period were also show-related (\$3,494). The net income for the period was \$1,328. Year-to-date, the budget is in positive balance, but the cost of food and table rental for the show has not yet been deducted.

Membership report (Doris Asher): 1 new member since October 2012. Renewals are at 84% of previous membership: GLOS currently has 106 members, distributed in 85 households. Most households (73%) receive the Calypso electronically; the remaining households have contributed towards defraying the cost of mailing the paper copies.

Upcoming shows

- Jim Heilig and Lynn O'Shaugnessy are the display chairs for the Michigan Orchid Society show March 23-24th, 2013. Plants should be brought to Jim Heilig's home the prior Wednesday (March 20th).
- Jerrie Nichols is the display chair for the Ann Arbor Orchid Society show April 20-21, 2013 – this Show is in conjunction with the spring meeting of the Mid-America Orchid Congress
- Marilyn Lee has volunteered to chair the display for the Northwestern Michigan Orchid Society (Traverse City) show May 25-26th, 2013.

Upcoming meetings

- March 16th, 2013: Mac Rivenbark from Mac's Orchids will talk about Philippine orchids
- May 17th, 2013 (Friday): Allen Black will speak on Brassavola intergenerics
- July 21st, 2013 (Sunday): Annual GLOS picnic at Granger Meadows Park.
- September 21st, 2013 John Stubbings, of Clown Alley Orchids

Miscellaneous business

- The general consensus was that the format of the January 2013 general meeting was very successful.
- Annual audit of the Society's finances is in progress, under Jim Leaman's leadership.
- The awards committee requests nominations.
- Items to be offered at auction at the March GLOS general meeting have arrived: Dot Barnett will photograph for the March Calypso issue.
- The February 16th Meridian Farmer's Market GLOS information table will be manned by Mike Underwood, Kris Garling and Ioana Sonea.
- The possibility of holding open houses at GLOS members' homes (perhaps one in June, one in August) was discussed. Dot Barnett, Jim Heilig, Pete Ostlund and Ioana Sonea have each offered to host a half-day open house: more discussion (and possible volunteers) is needed.
- The possibility of another visit to Rakers Acres was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16pm.

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REPORT: GLOS DISPLAY AT THE GRAND VALLEY OS SHOW - submitted by Dot Potter Barnett



Photo by Dot

A special thanks to Pete Ostlund, who stepped in to take Carol's place when she need to go to be with her family. Pete is largely responsible for the design of the display, as well as pulling together and bringing the staging.

Thank you, also to the GLOS orchidists who gave us all the lovely plants to include in the display. 5 people contributed 27 orchid plants, with a nice variety of genus, color and sizes.

And finally, thank-you to Doris Asher, Kris Garling and Carol Stuht who braved probably the worst storm we've had so far this year, to go take down the display, pack their cars with it and bring everything back safely to their homes, including, especially, themselves.

To those GLOS members who have not ever seen this show: You really should make it a point to go next year. It is always an excellent show, being held at the Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park -- a place of destination in itself. This show, and the Michigan Orchid Society Show, are the two biggest orchid shows in Michigan: Lots of vendors with lots of interesting orchids. You will find many that will want to go home with you.

But even if you don't take home a plant, you will take with you memories of beautiful orchids and displays.

Thank you to Claire Wolfington who donated 7 lovely Phals to GLOS for auction or raffle.

Thank you, also, to the person who donated the beautifully crafted orchid apron and the lovely print of *Cypripedium acaule*. Please be sure to see them pictured on p.2 of this newsletter.

NAME	Plant	RIBBON
Display		1
Marilyn Lee	Phal. Takato Shimazu	1
Julie Bishop	Phal. Margarita	3
	Cymbidium Pipeta 'York'	1
Pete Ostlund	Phal. <i>amabilis</i>	3
	Ascocentrum Mona Church	1
	Cattleya <i>walkeriana</i> , <i>alba</i> 'Limrick' HCC/AOS	2
	Cymbidium Peggy Sue	2
Dot Potter Barnett	Den. Big Alex x bigibbum	1
	Ascocenda Candace's Sunshine	1
	Dendrochilum <i>convallariaeforme</i>	3
	Aeridocentrum Fuchs Gem	1
	Angraecum <i>sesquipedale</i>	2
	Paph. <i>philippinense</i> , <i>album</i>	3
Jim Heilig	Phal. Scarlet in Snow 'Brilliant'	2
	Phal. Yaphon Lobspis	3
	Oeoniella <i>polystachys</i>	2

MEMBERSHIP YEAR DRAWS TO A CLOSE - Submitted by Doris Asher

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

Please make checks payable to GLOS and send them to Treasurer Doris Asher, 277 N Hagadorn Road, East Lansing, MI 48823.

Thank you for sending in your dues prior to the deadline. We do not want you to miss even one issue of The Calypso. So far, 26 households (30 individuals) have already paid their dues for the coming year; we need to hear from 59 households (76 individuals) who have not yet renewed. Please consider receiving your newsletter electronically at no cost to the Society. Or, perhaps you could make a special donation to help offset the expense of photocopying and mailing – each issue costs GLOS \$1.06 to provide in hard copy for a total cost per year of \$6.36. Help the Society keep its dues low!

(Members who have already paid for the coming year have their names highlighted in yellow on the mailing label on this issue. Such members do not need to pay at this time. If you get your Calypso electronically, Dot Potter Barnett will let you know if you have already paid or if you still need to do so when she sends the newsletter to you.)

NEWS FROM THE MID-AMERICA ORCHID CONGRESS -- Submitted by Doris Asher**CASH FOR BEST ESSAY**

The Mid-America Orchid Congress invites you to enter their essay contest. Write an essay on "Travels with Orchids" -- and win up to \$100.00! The essay should be no more than 500 words in length and submitted no later than October 1st to Doris Asher (asherdoris@juno.com) – winners will be announced at the Congress' Sunday Business Meeting in Dayton, OH, October 20, 2013. You do not need to be present to win. First prize wins \$100.00; second, \$50; third, \$25. All three prize-winning essays will appear in future issues of the Congress's newsletter, The Mid-American.

For more information or if you have questions, contact Doris Asher via email or by phone (517-332-0004).

**AOS CORNER**

AOS has gone digital. Starting with the January issue, Orchids is available for download to your computer, smart phone, pad or tablet. All you need is a valid email address connected to your membership and your personal login. If you have explored the members only section of the AOS website, you are all set! If not, there are instructions on the site how to set up your own account.

The Spring Trustees and members' meeting (including the annual elections) will be held in tandem with the San Diego Orchid Show in San Diego, California, March 21-23 at the Scottish Rite Temple. Meeting will be held between the Sheraton Mission Valley Hotel and the Show. More information and registration will be available on the AOS website soon.

The AOS proxy card for the annual elections was included in the January issue of Orchids. If you are not planning to attend the meeting in San Diego in March, please return your vote to AOS Headquarters at your earliest convenience so your vote may be counted at that meeting. An important part of membership is the privilege of voting.

The Affiliated Societies Committee would like your tips, suggestions and/or ideas on how you grow your societies' membership and methods you have to keep your society's members active and engaged. Please send them to the affiliated_societies@aos.org email address and we will organize and catalogue them on the Affiliated Societies section of the AOS website so we can all share your successes.

AOS Orchids online! As (mentioned above), the magazine Orchids is now available online. All AOS members are able to access the digital magazine by logging on to the AOS website using their current user name and password; then click on the link to view the magazine. It is portable; it may be download each month and available to read offline. It may be printed – as many pages as needed. No more waiting on the mail to see the new magazine each month. Each month will be readily available before the print copy is mailed.

If you are not a member of AOS, we invite you to join us. For the cost of a domestic membership (\$65 per year) in the AOS you will receive the digital version no matter where you are. Remember, one years' membership includes the twelve magazines per year, access to the members' only section of the website, free or discounted admission to more than 200 botanical gardens and arboreta, the annual Orchid Source Directory, discounts at select orchid vendors and back issues of AOS publications as well as being part of a worldwide orchid community who share your passion for orchids. For exact cost of digital and print memberships, check the website at www.aos.org. Non US delivery of magazines may be part of your subscription basically for the additional cost of mailing.

\$50,000 for Orchid Research

The AOS is soliciting its members and the general public for practical or applied orchid research ideas that could be immediately used by hobbyists and commercial growers. The ideas will be reviewed and the winners will become proposals to be sent to various universities or institutions of higher learning. The AOS has received this generous donation that will be used to fund the research at the institution(s) submitting the proposal(s). Send your ideas to ideas@aos.org. No idea is too "far out." Please note, however, that submitting the idea to the AOS does not qualify for any of the research grant. The grants will be disbursed only to established research institutions.

AOS in San Diego – March 21-23, 2013

The Spring Members' and Trustees' meetings will be held in conjunction with the San Diego County Orchid Show being held March 21-23, 2013 at the Scottish Rite Temple in San Diego, California. Join the AOS to attend the meetings, its traditional banquet, auction, elections and reorganization meeting by registering at www.aos.org. The registration fee for AOS attendees includes admission into the show for the weekend. Speaker and vendor information may be found on the society website at www.sdorchids.com.

Best wishes and happy growing for 2013.

Lynn Fuller, Chair
AOS Affiliated Societies Committee



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Whatever the reason, the Raffle and the Silent Auction Tables are great places to share your no-longer wanted orchids with fellow society members.

Please keep in mind, however, that shared plants should be healthy, free of diseases and insects, and be generally well-cared for. Just as you wouldn't want to take home a sick plant, neither should you expect others to accept one. Such plants are better off becoming a part of a compost pile than potentially passing on it's ailment(s) to another's collection.

The Society does have a responsibility to not allow diseased or insect-infested plants to be distributed at our meetings.

However, we all take great pleasure in finding, growing and blooming treasures from the Raffle and Silent Auction Tables.

USED GREENHOUSE FOR SALE

Janco double-pane glass 2001 greenhouse for sale – "Chesapeake 18", straight-eave, 18" x 21", freestanding model. Have original assembly/installation instructions. \$5,000 or best offer.

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