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CALYPSO DEADLINE:

April 25 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 15th 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 March speaker is Brian Jorg who will give a presentation on the native orchids of Eastern North America. See his website for his entire Bio and examples of his photography: <http://www.brianjorg.com>

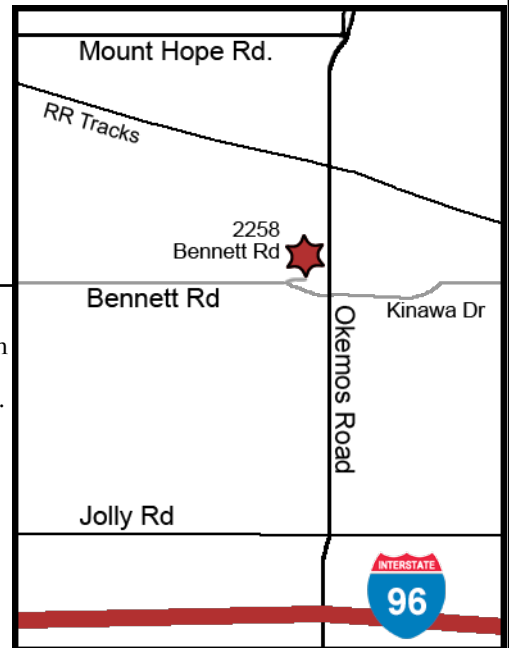
Brian F. Jorg, Manager of Native Plant Program at the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden, joined the organization in 2004. Prior to joining the Zoo, Brian was a horticulturist at Spring Grove Cemetery and Arboretum, a national historic landmark, for 15 years.

Brian's passion is outdoor photography. To date, Brian has had his photographs published in various books, magazines, field guides, calendars, advertisements and greeting cards. Numerous institutions also use Brian's images in their educational displays. Brian often travels more than 20,000 miles a year on photographic trips, including such destinations as Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Alaska, and the Yucatan. Brian has also led safaris to Kenya, East Africa, the Peruvian Amazon, the Galapagos Islands, South Africa, and Namibia, Botswana, and Victoria Falls. In 2015, Brian will lead a 14 day wildlife expedition to Argentina and Brazil including Buenos Aires and Iguazu Falls.

Brian teaches various educational seminars, workshops, and classes to the general public, as well as professional organizations. Some of these speaking engagements include the Cincinnati Flower Show, Cullowhee Native Plant Conference, The Ohio State University Nursery Short Course, The Perennial Plant Association, Southern Ohio Wildflower Pilgrimage, International Plant Propagators Society and the Grounds Industry Expo. Brian leads native wildflower workshops and tours of the Great Smoky Mountains. Brian appears regularly on both TV and radio as a regional horticulture expert.

Active in professional organizations in the greater Cincinnati community, Brian is the past president of the Cincinnati Rose Society, and is a member of the Garden Writers Association. Brian is also on the board of directors for the Cincinnati Audubon Society.

Whether he is trekking the glaciers of Alaska or the plains of East Africa, he is constantly learning, observing and documenting nature.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -- Jim Heilig

I think GLOS really has a knack for putting on a great orchid show! Lots of visitors, happy vendors, and lots of beautiful displays in the conservatory tell me we had another successful event. Of course, none of this could be accomplished without dedicated members who show up, move some tables around, haul in lots of boxes and flats of orchids, and then clean up the mess on Sunday. Most of all, I think everyone had fun!

Thanks to the efforts of Ann McConnelee, Mike Lienhart, Emily Tseng, Dot Potter Barnett, Pete Ostlund, Doris Asher, Leslie Behm, Carol Ann Stuht, Jerrie Nichols, and Valerio and Dennis (our student help), we were cleaned up and out of the show area in less than two hours! I'm sure everyone was anxious to get home and get some rest aft the long weekend. (If I left anyone off the list, I apologize-Thank you!).

I often hear from the vendors and exhibitors that GLOS is one of the most helpful societies around. As people arrive and unload display plants and sales plants, we always have a group of willing members braving the cold and wind to rush tender orchids into the warmth. This year was no different, and a special thanks to Ioana Sonea, Elaine Pearson, Mikel Lienhart, and Ann McConnelee for helping to empty vehicles. When the rush hits, there isn't an empty cart in the place.

Then, all the people setting up the displays. Mind you, many of these people aren't GLOS members, but people from other societies who drive from varying distances hauling their beautiful plants to construct flower filled displays. Without them, our show would be one display in the middle of that big conservatory. Our display would look pretty lonely. If societies didn't help each other out, none of our shows would be as nice as they are. Keep this in mind when we request volunteers to set up displays at other societies' displays. If we aren't able to set up displays at one show, that society might not be as willing to come to ours. Dot Potter Barnett and Pete Ostlund were instrumental in making the GLOS display as great as it was thanks to their eye for color flower and ability to wrap pots in black cloth and ability to moss a display-but not over moss. Thanks to them, our display was quite highly awarded, with a Show Trophy and the AOS Silver Certificate!

We spend Friday night preparing the folders for judging the next morning-double checking entries for accuracy and taping entry tags onto sheets for judging. In years past, we've been there past 10 pm! Not this year. By 8:30 we were ready to leave and get a much needed nights rest. Those individuals staying to the very end on Friday were instrumental in getting us out of there early. A "thank you" goes to Lynda Walker, Renate deZacks, Kris Garling, Lynn O'Shaughnessy, and Doris Asher.

And what about those ribbons on the plants? Without a brigade of people waking up early-on a Saturday morning-to look at each group of plants and determine which plants are the best, there would be no ribbons. There is a bit of friendly competition, and of course pride when your plant gets a ribbon. Many people volunteered to clerk to make ribbon judging possible. Many GLOS members made up the group, but people from other societies (and even co-workers who were guilted into helping out) suffered sore feet to quickly get the judging completed so our visitors could enjoy the flowers. AOS judges from the Great Lakes Judging Center, the Cincinnati Judging Center, St. Louis Judging Center, and the Chicago Judging Center helped out on the ribbon and AOS judging teams. The six AOS awards granted are a testament to the quality of plants in our show this year.

Let's not forget about the hospitality committee who kept us hydrated and fed with lots of good food to fuel us. Leslie Behm and Kris Garling organized a great dinner, lunch, and lots of snacks to keep us from getting too hungry.

All in all, this was the best show I can recall! Thank you to everyone involved.

****Doris Asher and Lynn O'Shaughnessy will be setting up a 50-square-foot exhibit in the Palm Sunday Show of the Michigan Orchid Society on Friday, April 11th. Doris is collecting orchids and foliage plants for the exhibit at her house on Wednesday, April 9th, from 3 pm - 8 pm. It is very helpful if you can send her in advance of your bringing the plants an emailed list of the orchids you are contributing. Doris lives at 277 N Hagadorn Road in East Lansing.**

If Wednesday is not convenient, please contact her at 517-332-0004 or asherdoris@juno.com to make alternative arrangements to bring the orchids to her.

Thanks in advance for letting us use your plants.

GLOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **March 15 - General Meeting** - Brian Jorg will give an "Orchids of Eastern North America" presentation
- March 22, 23 - Ann Arbor OS Show at Matthaei - Jerrie Nichols will set-up the display.
See note* p. 3 for details
- April 12, 13 - Michigan OS Show - Doris Asher and Lynn O'Shaughnessy will set-up and take-down the display.
See note ** above for details
- **May 16 - Friday meeting** - Graham Wood from Leuhua Orchids, Hawaii, will talk about Maudiae Paphs
- May 24, 25 - Northwestern Michigan OS Show
- **July 20 - GLOS Annual Picnic**
- **October 18 -- Special Joint meeting** with Saginaw Valley OS and Ann Arbor OS, speaker: Norito Hasegawa



REPORT ON JUDGING GLOS 31st CONSECUTIVE ANNUAL SHOW - Submitted by Doris Asher

Visitors to our Show enjoyed 22 exhibits. 126 exhibitors entered 498 orchids, exhibits, flower arrangements, and pieces of art in our Show. (Last year's Show had 23 exhibits, 141 exhibitors, and 574 entries.)

Our trophy winners this year:

Open exhibit: Michel Orchid Nursery (Mooresville, IN)

Society exhibit: Greater Lansing Orchid Society

Amateur exhibit: WF Orchids (Lowell, MI)

Cattleya alliance: Cattlianthe Gold Digger (Ctt Red Gold x Ctt Warpaint) (Dennis Seffernick, Swanton, OH)

Paphiopedilum: Paphiopedilum philippinense (Dot Potter Barnett, Grand Ledge, MI)

Phragmipedium: Phragmipedium Plat Rocque Point (Nicholle Tower x Hanne Popow) (Orchid Inn, Ltd, Bloomington, IL)

Vanda, Ascocenda, and Related Genera: Angraecum Veitchii 'African Vision' AM/AOS (sesquipedale x eburneum) (New Vision Orchids, Yorktown, IN)

Phalaenopsis: Phalaenopsis Chian Xen Super Idol 'CX255' FCC/AOS (Chian Xen Mammon x Luchia Lip) (Hilltop Orchids, Cloverdale, IN)

Brassias, Miltonias: Brassia Memoria Fritz Boedeker (Rex x longissima) (Jerry Lurtz, Oakland, MI)

Oncidium Alliance: Oncidium maculatum (Dot Potter Barnett, Grand Ledge, MI)

Cymbidium Alliance: Cymbidium Via Volcano 'Flash' AM, CCM/AOS (Volcano x Via Costa) (Porter's Orchids, Grand Ledge, MI)

Dendrobium Alliance: Dendrobium lindleyanum) (Joe Peterson, Troy, MI)

Pleurothallid Alliance: Masdevallia princeps (Kim Weldon, Fort Wayne, IN)

Miscellaneous Genera: Coelogyne glandulosa) (Christa Forrester, Laingsburg, MI)

Specimen Plant: Cymbidium Via Volcano 'Flash' AM, CCM/AOS (Volcano x Via Costa) (Porter's Orchids, Grand Ledge, MI)

Art: Oil painting of a spray of pink Phalaenopsis (Sharon Griffes-Tarr, Williamston, MI)

Photography: Color photography of two Bulbophyllum lobbii blossoms (Katie Payeur, South Bend, IN)

Orchids in Use: Rust-copper Cymbidiums in round wooden-wicker container (Brittany Simons)

Don Garling Memorial Best of Show: Cymbidium Via Volcano 'Flash' AM, CCM/AOS (Volcano x Via Costa) (Porter's Orchids, Grand Ledge, MI)

AOS Show Trophy: Greater Lansing Orchid Society

In addition to the above trophies, the 22 judges, who judged our Show this year, selected fourteen orchids from the Show to study further and gave six American Orchid Society awards to five of them:

1. Angraecum Veitchii 'African Vision' AM/AOS 82 points (sesquipedale x eburneum) (New Vision Orchids, Yorktown, IN)
2. Cymbidium Via Volcano 'Flash' AM/AOS 83 points (Volcano x Via Costa) (Porter's Orchids, Grand Ledge, MI)
3. Cymbidium Via Volcano 'Flash' CCM/AOS 85 points
4. Mormolyca (Maxillaria) hedwigiae 'Jade's Orchid Safari' HCC/AOS 78 points (Jade Vander Velde, Grand Rapids, MI)
5. Phragmipedium Peruflorea's Spirit 'Berry Precious' (kovachii x Eric Young 'Rocket Fire') AM/AOS 80 points (Sally Heinlein, Saginaw Valley Orchid Society)
6. Rhyncattleanthe Dan O'Neil 'Jubilee' AM/AOS 80 points (Cattlianthe Chicanery x Rhyncattleanthe Orange Nuggett) (New Vision Orchids, Yorktown, IN)
7. Silver Certificate to Greater Lansing Orchid Society exhibit – scored 85 points on 100-point scale. In last year's Show, the GLOS exhibit received a Silver Certificate, too – again scoring 85 points! Kudoes to the design and setup crew!

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: Lynda Walker, Ed Cott, Renate de Zacks, Kris Garling, Jim Heilig, and Ron Payeur. In addition, we'd like to thank all of our judges and all of our clerks who came out early Saturday morning to help us with the ribbon judging as well as with the AOS judging which followed.

Thank you kindly!

Doris Asher, Chair, Judging Activities

***Ann Arbor Show** -- submitted by Jerrie Nichols

Time to start thinking about the upcoming Ann Arbor Society Show, March 22 and 23. Doris, Dot, Carol and I will be setting up a 25-square-foot exhibit at Matthaei Botanical Garden on Friday, March 21. Doris is collecting orchids and foliage plants for the exhibit at her house on Wednesday, March 19th from 3 pm - 8 pm. It is very helpful if you can send her in advance of your bringing the plants an emailed list of the orchids you are contributing. Doris lives at 277 N Hagadorn Road in East Lansing.

If Wednesday is not convenient for you to bring the plants, please contact her at 517-332-0004 or asherdoris@juno.com to make alternative arrangements to bring the orchids to her. We will be working on the display design on Thursday afternoon at Doris' if you wish to come by and help out. Or just to visit. Please let Doris or I know if you are interested.

I can be reached at nicholsjerrie@gmail.com or at 517-223-8965.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 18th GENERAL MEETING -- Submitted by Ioana Sonea

Meeting called to order by President Jim Heilig at 7pm. Thirty members attended. Jim thanked Dottie Winter, Sharon Johnson, Ioana Sonea, and all other contributors for providing refreshments tonight. Volunteers for the March meeting refreshments are Dea and Julie Bishop, Doris Asher, Sharon Alden and Ioana Sonea.

Old business

- Carol Stuht and Dot Barnett will be setting up the display for the January Grand Valley Orchid Society show at Meijer's gardens on January 25-26, 2014. Plants should be brought to Dot Barnett's home by Wednesday January 22nd. Pete Ostlund volunteered to bring plants back: extra help would be welcome.
- Pete Ostlund, show Chair, updated the members on the status of the GLOS annual show in February 2014.
 - o Volunteers are still sought to help vendors and exhibitors bring their plants in on Friday, to clerk on Saturday, and to man the information booth during the show. Kris Garling and Leslie Behm would really appreciate donations of food or money for Friday and Saturday.
 - o Jim Heilig has contacted students to help with set up and take down.
 - o All regular vendors have confirmed their presence.
 - o All societies are coming (although not all have responded officially)
 - o Mike Underwood has speakers lined up for the classes for the public.
 - o The board and the show committee will meet at Christa Forrester's home on the evening of Monday, February 10th.
- Mike Underwood is organizing a table at the Farmers' Market in Meridian Mall, Saturday, February 15th to distribute flyers and bookmarks. Volunteers to help him out include Sharon Alden, Ann McConnelee, Kris Garling and Ioana Sonea.

Other items

Rob Halgren presented the plants on the Show and Tell table.

Several members brought plants to sell at the first Members Sale for the GLOS.

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Photos by Dot



→ Thanks to everyone who brought the snacks to our January meeting. Dea and Julie Bishop, Doris Asher, Sharon Alden and Ioana Sonea volunteered to bring refreshments to the January meeting.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING, continued from p. 4

At 7:34, members joined one of 3 groups that rotated through 3 workshops, all focused on slipper orchids:

- Dot Barnett talked about culture
- Rob Halgren talked about lighting for Paphs and Phrags
- Jim Heilig demonstrated and coached potting-up paphs from compots: all participating members received a Paph of their own to grow!

There was no Silent Auction, but the Raffle table had some real treasures, most of which were snapped up very quickly.

The meeting was adjourned at about 9pm.

Photo by Dot



REPORT: GLOS DISPLAY at MSU - submitted by Jim Heilig

Lucky for GLOS we have members who are generous by sharing their plants with us to use in orchid displays. We had over 60 plants in our 75 square foot display at this year's show. Renate deZacks, Dot Potter Barnett, Carol Ann Stuht, Pete Ostlund, Marilyn Lee, Ioana Sonea, Bill Bergman, Mike Lienhart, Christa Forrester, and Julie Bishop (and Jim Heilig – editor's note) stepped up to make sure we had enough flowers to fill our display with color. I think the flowers were of particularly good quality this year and over half of them received ribbons. Dot took home two trophies-one for her Paphiopedilum philippinense and the other for her Oncidium maculatum. Christa Forrester's plant, Coelogyne glandulosa, was in prime condition with immaculate flowers and gorgeous golden buds just ready to burst and was recognized with a trophy as well. (Editor's note: And Jim was in charge of the display which won the AOS Silver Medal.)

Orchidist	Plant Name	Class	Ribbon
Bill Bergman	Paph sanderianum	28	2
Julie Bishop	Colmanara Massai Red	72	1
Julie Bishop	Cymbidium Pipeta 'York'	80	2
Julie Bishop	Phalaenopsis Wedding Bell	47	2
Julie Bishop	Aliceara Matthias	70	2
Renate deZacks	Dtps Hausermann's Red Bird 'Cardinal' AM/AOS	48	1
Christa Forrester	Cym Peggy Sue	80	2
Christa Forrester	Oncidium California Gold	74	2
Christa Forrester	Cologyne glandulosa	98	1-Trophy
Jim Heilig	Phalaenopsis equestris	43	1
Jim Heilig	Phalaenopsis Artemis	50	1
Jim Heilig	Phalaenopsis sanderiana	43	2
Jim Heilig	Phalaenopsis Veitchiana	50	2
Jim Heilig	Phalaenopsis Leucorrhoda	48	2
Jim Heilig	Phalaenopsis Leucorrhoda	48	2
Jim Heilig	Phalaenopsis Claudine Hocquard	50	2
Jim Heilig	Dendrobium Minnie	86	2
Jim Heilig	Aerangis hyaloides	58	2
Mike Lienhart	Cymbidium unknown	80	1
Pete Ostlund	Catt Nancy Off 'Linwood' AM/AOS	19	1
Pete Ostlund	Diacattleya Chantilly Lace 'Twinkle' HCC/AOS	17	1
Pete Ostlund	Rhynchostylis gigantea spot	65	1
Pete Ostlund	Catt Walkerinter coerulea	17	2
Pete Ostlund	Paph niveum	27	2
Pete Ostlund	Phrag Nicholle Tower	41	2
Dot Potter Barnett	Trichoglottis pusilla	68	1
Dot Potter Barnett	Paph urbanianum	27	1
Dot Potter Barnett	Maxilaria cryptobulbon x luteograndiflora	94	2
Dot Potter Barnett	Vanda Blaupunkt	67	2
Dot Potter Barnett	Oncidium maculatum	73	1-Trophy
Dot Potter Barnett	Paph philippinense Not for AOS	28	1-Trophy
Dot Potter Barnett	Phrag bessae	40	1
Carol Ann Stuht	Paph Madison River	37	2

2014 ART SECTION SHOW REPORT – by Carol Ann Stuht

Thirty-seven artists and photographers entered 55 pieces in classes 103, 104 and 105. Hazardous roads and unexpected health issues prevented several artists from entering our show this year. However, class 105, art other than drawing/painting had a record nine entries including stained glass, ceramics, clay, and fabric art.

The trophy photo by Katie Payeur was of two Bulb. lobbii blossoms. The art trophy piece was an oil painting of a spray of Phalaenopsis by Sharon Griffes-Tarr.

Thank you to everyone in the society that helped make the hallway art exhibit possible.

Items left at MSU after the GLOS show:

1. Blue-green variegated scarf in a bowtie shape.
2. Large blue plastic serving spoon.
3. Pair aviator-style sunglasses

In addition, a visitor reported losing a woman's right hand leather-like glove. Did anyone see it or better yet take it with them for safekeeping?

People with information on any of these lost and found items, please contact Doris Asher

GLOS NOMINATING COMMITTEE PROPOSED SLATE:

Remember that elections to the GLOS Board is during our May meeting. The committee, headed by Mike Underwood, is proposing the following slate for the election:

President:	Rob Halgren
Vice-President:	Pete Ostlund
Secretary:	Doris Asher
Treasurer:	Ioana Sonea
Director:	Christa Forrester
Director:	Robert Guilford
Newsletter:	Dot Potter Barnett

If anyone would like to volunteer for a position, it is not too late to give your name to Mike Underwood, Kris Garling or Dea Bishop. If anyone would like to nominate someone else, please let Mike, Kris or Dea know.

GLOS AWARDS COMMITTEE CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

It's that time of year for us to recognize people who have gone above and beyond for GLOS over the last year. And, we need your nominations!

The Orchidist of the Year should go to someone who over the past year has contributed to the orchid community. Someone who shows up, helps out, and does what they can at meetings, the show, and at other shows.

We may also recognize someone with a Certificate of Appreciation/Silver Award. The person nominated for this award should also have contributed to GLOS and the greater orchid community.

The awards will be presented to their deserving recipients at the May meeting. Please send your nominations to one of the Awards Committee Members before the end of April.

Jim Heilig (heiligja@msu.edu)
 Christa Forrester (christa.holz@gmail.com)
 Georgian Franczyk (georgian224@aol.com)

**ORCHIDS IN CYBERSPACE**

<http://www.orchidworks.com/showguide/>
 Online Guide To Exhibiting Orchids

<https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/orchid-doctor>
 A public forum where you can ask questions about an ailing orchid.

<http://www.orchidworks.com>

Welcome to The Orchid Photo Page. Here you will find thousands of orchid photos of stunning flowers from both AOS judging and private collections.

<http://radio.cz/en/section/curraffrs/czech-botanists-discover-new-bearded-vanilla-species-in-southern-vietnam>
 Czech botanists discover new "bearded" vanilla species in southern Vietnam

<http://www.mnn.com/your-home/organic-farming-gardening/stories/the-science-of-blue-flowers>

The science of blue flowers -- You would think that blue is just another color in nature's palette, but when it comes to flowers, it's much more complicated than that.

MINUTES OF THE GLOS BOARD MEETING 2-10-13, Submitted by Ioana Sonea

Present: Doris Asher, Dot Barnett, Renate De Zacks, Christa Forrester, Kris Garling, Rob Halgren, Jim Heilig, Jerrie Nichols, Pete Ostlund, Ioana Sonea, Carol Stuht.

Christa Forrester generously hosted the meeting in her beautiful home and provided a great supper.

Meeting called to order by Jim Heilig at 7pm.

- Pete Ostlund updated the Board and the show committee members present on the status of the February GLOS show.
 - o Briefly reviewed status of vendors and societies. No problems noted.
 - o Carol discussed the art displays: seem to be OK, but turnout may be lower, will not be displaying at Gracie's this year, asked if we contact societies prior to the show to ask if they would like to display art at our show.
 - o Renate discussed the orchid corsages that she makes. Doris will get Cymbidiums on Wednesday, channel 6 will get their corsages on Thursday, channel 10 will get theirs on Friday.
 - o Jerrie related that Pete P. and she are finishing up the staging, we have 3 students to help on Thursday for set up, and 2 on Sunday for teardown.
 - o Jim briefly discussed the GLOS display, planning is going well. Members can drop off orchids at his house on Wednesday night before the show, or at the show site on Friday before noon. Please send him the names of the plants you are bringing by Wednesday.
 - o Doris said 21 judges and 21 clerks are lined up, so we're in good shape.
 - o Kris discussed that Saturday lunch will be provided by a new food vendor, Friday night is pizza as usual, and there will be no lunch provided on Sunday but there will likely be leftovers available. Saturday morning breakfast will be provided prior to judging as usual. We discussed taking an order Friday afternoon from Jimmy Johns (this will be done informally, Ioana volunteered to see if anyone was interested).
 - o Dot is all set with the fliers, etc.
 - o Ioana stated parking was OK (people should say they are there for the orchid show, and they will be allowed into the Children's Garden parking). Vendors will be able to park there on Friday. Signs will be ready to put up. We have a contact (Monica Blaze, Event Coordinator will be onsite or available by phone) for MSU during the show. Phone numbers will be provided (kept at the information table).
 - o Mike Underwood would like some orchids in bloom to grace the information booth at the Meridian Farmers' market on February 15th.
- Treasurer's report (Doris Asher). Details are provided elsewhere in the newsletter
 - o Current period (12/05/13-01/31/14)
 - Total income was \$4,593, the bulk from show vendors paying for table rental.
 - Total expenses = \$1,309, predominantly show-related.
 - o Year to date, we have had a net income from July 2013 to January 2014 of \$2,680. We have \$168 in the conservation fund and total assets of \$16,199, \$11,000 of which is in nine CD's with differing maturity dates
- Membership report (Doris Asher).
 - o One new member and six renewals brought the membership up to 104 members in 89 households.
 - o 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.
- The previous general meeting on January 18th, 2014 was a success: many members attended the 3 workshops all centered around Paphiopedilums and Phragmipediums. The first members' sales of orchids was also a success: this format should be repeated next year.
- Van Atta's classes have started: the first one was Friday, February 7th (Jerrie Nichols), and had 16 attendees. Future classes are:
 - o Sunday Feb 16 (Jerrie Nichols)
 - o Sunday Mar 2nd (Carol Stuht, Pete Ostlund)
 - o Sunday Mar 9th (TBA)
- Away shows:
 - o Grand Valley Orchid Society Show (Jan 25-26, 2014): thanks to the efforts of several members including new member Mike Bukala, the show was a success despite the horrendous weather.
 - o Ann Arbor Orchid Society Show (Mar 22-23, 2014): Jerrie Nichols will set up and take down. Plants will be collected at Doris Asher's home.
 - o Michigan Orchid Society (Apr 12-13, 2014): Doris Asher and Lynn O'Shaughnessy are responsible for the exhibit.
 - o Northwestern Michigan Orchid Society Show (May 24-25, 2014): volunteers are sought.
- Upcoming general meetings
 - o March speaker: Brian Jorg
 - o May speaker: possibly Graham Wood
 - o September speaker TBA
 - o October special meeting, GLOS hosting for several societies: Norito Hasagawa.
 - o November speaker: Mario Ferrusi
- The Nominating committee, chaired by Mike Underwood, will include Ann McConnelee; the third member remains to be determined.
- The Awards committee is chaired by the President (Jim Heilig), the outgoing Director (Christa Forrester) and a member at large (to be identified). Nominations are sought for the following:
 - o Award of appreciation (\$25 prize)
 - o Orchidist of the year (\$50 prize).
- The possibility of purchasing enough backdrops to cover the conservatory walls was discussed. The board concluded that although this was an excellent idea, it would have to be postponed to next year, due to lack of time.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

GLOS TREASURER'S REPORT - Covering Period from 12/05/2013 – 01/31/2014, submitted by Doris Asher

Balance on hand December 4, 2013					\$12,915.90
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INCOME					\$4,593
Show – 2014					4145
Table Fees					3570
Donations - Food					325
Trophy Sponsorships					250
Meeting (K. Sotirov)					66
Silent Auction					43
Raffle					23
Meeting (Round Robin)					306
Silent Members' Sales					252
Raffle					54
Dues -- Renewal (1)					76
New					8
Renewals					68

EXPENSES					\$1,309.17
Show – 2014					966.29
Rent - Facility					875175
Publicity - Bookmarks					91.29
2014 Meeting (Round Robin) - Member					201.6
Administrative Expense					141.28
Publicity - Bookmarks					91.28
Rent - Added Meeting					50

Balance on hand February 6, 2014					\$16,199.73
		Checking	\$5,116.88		
		Saving	5.00		
		Subtotal CD's	11077.85		
CD B (matures 08/30/2014) 1.40%					\$1339.29
CD C (matures 09/30/2014) 1.40%					\$1399.31
CD 1 (matures 7/31/2015) 1.90%					\$1000.00
CD E (matures 10/29/2015) 1.7%					\$1321.19
CD A (matures 7/31/2016) 2.30 %					\$1000.00
CD 0 (matures 06/25/2017) 1.736%					\$1313.73
CD 2 (matures 7/30/2017) 1.7%					\$1235.64
CD 3 (matures 08/28/2017) 1.638%					\$1098.55
CD 4 (matures 10/03/2018) 1.600%					\$1370.14

Note: As of December 4, 2013, conservation fund is \$168.70

THANK YOU, CLERKS ! From Doris Asher, Chair of 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 22d, 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 eight 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 31st consecutive orchid show:

Ellen Armitage, Leslie Behm, Kathleen Bennett, Andrea Bishop, Janis Erins, Christa Forrester, Bob Guilford, Kris Garling, Norm Goebel, Dawn Kittle, Carl Manning, Judi Manning, Ann McConnelee, Pete Ostlund, Joe Rathbun, Linda Rigas, Brenda Sayles, Sue Schweizer, Jack Shumaker, Ioana Sonea, Becky Thayer, Emily Tseng, Mike Underwood, Joan Witter, Jill Wood

REPORT: GLOS DISPLAY at GRAND VALLEY OS AT MEIJER - submitted by Carol Ann Stuht



GLOS display before and after judging

Above Photo by Dot

Photo at right courtesy of Carol Ann Stuht

Yes, the POLAR VORTEX was hovering over Grand Rapids for the GVOS show January 25th and 26th. In spite of a few weather related cancellations the show was filled with beautiful displays and quality plants for sale.

Many of our GLOS members endured extended power outages in December. That, and the severe wind chills for the show set up understandably reduced the number of plants available for the GLOS display.

Plants were collected at Dot Barnett's and Dot prepared the registration slips and the plant tags. Dot and I set up the display. We arranged a 50 square foot display with 19 orchids and six foliage plants. We used a three height design with our old staging, black cloth, pots and a little moss. It was a simple design with continuous flow allowing each orchid to be seen and enjoyed. Several of the plants were quite tall and the quality of all the orchids was excellent. The nineteen orchids received 14 ribbons and two trophies. The display earned a 1st in Class 6, the Trophy for Classes 5-7, and the AOS Trophy for Most Outstanding Orchid Display. Hurray!

A big "thank you" to Michael Bukala for cheerfully helping take down the exhibit, and load it into my car. Thanks also, to Bill Porter who took Dot's plants back to Lansing.

Contributing members included: Dot Barnett, Christa Forrester, Ioana Sonea, Julie Bishop, Bill Porter, Marilyn Lee, and Carol Stuht. The awards are as follows:

Orchidist	Genus	Name	Class	Ribbon/Award
Dot Potter Barnett	Phragmipedium	Cardinale 'Wacousta'	42	1st
	Phragmipedium	Hanne Popow	41	1st
	Paphiopedilum	moquettianum x anitum	32	1st
	Paphiopedilum	philippinense 'Wacousta'	28	1st
	Renanthera	matutina	66	1st
	Tuberolabium	quisumbingii (mounted)	69	1st
	Angraecum	sesquipedale	59	1st
	Dendrobium	Compactum Goldii x Udom Blue	86	1st
	Julie Bishop	Phragmipedium	Cahaba Fire	41
Christa Forrester	Cattlianthe	Tutankamen 'Pop'	23	3rd
Bill Porter	Maxillaria	trifloris	94	1st
	Dendrochilum	convallariforme	98	3rd
Ioana Sonea	Cattleya	Cosmo-Roebling	24	2nd

Marilyn Lee received a first place, and the Orchids in Use Trophy for her unusual, eye catching table centerpiece featuring Paphiopedilum in winter greenery.



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

ORCHID PHOTO OF THE WEEK

All orchid hobbyists and photographers are invited to submit digital images for consideration as the "Photo of the Week" to be featured on the homepage of the AOS website. You do not need to be an AOS member, although we encourage you to join. The following guidelines must be followed in order to make the process smooth and efficient. **DO NOT** mail or email photos to the AOS! They will be discarded and will not be considered for publication.

- Photos must be in digital format.
- High resolution image files of at least 2000x3000 pixels must be available for possible print publication.
- Submit only photos taken by you. Do not submit someone else's photograph unless they have assigned legal copyright for you to do so and you have written documentation to prove so.
- Photos should be submitted to the Flickr group Orchid Photo of the Week. If you do not have a Flickr account, you will need to open one here (they are free).
- Photos must be tagged - POTW (tags are added in the column to the right of your photo after it has been uploaded). Tags will allow moderators to search photos for consideration as the AOS Photo of the Week. Photos not tagged POTW will not be found.

NOTE: adding the POTW tag to images submitted the Flickr group Orchid Photo of the Week constitutes permission for the AOS to publish tagged images on its website and link to these images in the group pool. Photo credit and copyright will accompany publication but no further remuneration is offered or implied.

- Photos should be accompanied by a short descriptive text. Fifty words is ideal. The text may be about the orchid: where you photographed it; where you got it if it is yours; how you grow it; interesting characteristics such as fragrance or lasting qualities. Or tell us about your photographic or post processing techniques. Photos with inspired text will be given preference.
- For now, we don't care when you took the photo, but this is subject to revision.

Depending on the quantity and quality of images submitted, a magazine feature may be considered in the future featuring "best-of-the-month" selections.

ORCHID HYBRID TRIVIA

The total number of grex names in the register is currently 154,660 (as of now). This figure increases daily. Each year The International Orchid Register adds between 3000-4000 new hybrids. The most popular genera for hybrids are:

Phalaenopsis — 31,382
 Paphiopedilum — 23,871
 Cymbidium — 14,688
 Dendrobium — 11,910

So far there are about 2349 hybrid generic names, but not all of these are in use.

There are about 5,600 species involved in hybridization.

FROM THE AOS WEBSITE (<http://aos.org/default.aspx?id=1>): This is a tribute that the AOS President gave Gregory Filter at the AOS Members' Meetings at the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden November 13-17, 2013:

"As one of the perks of being President of the American Orchid Society, I am allowed to give the Presidential Award to someone whom I think has made an outstanding contribution to the AOS. It was very easy to choose to give this award to Greg Filter, the chair of the AOS IT committee. Greg has exhibited dedication above and beyond what anyone could expect of a volunteer. The President's Award was given to Greg for his unstinting commitment and dedication to volunteerism in overseeing and developing the IT needs of the AOS.

Sandra Svoboda, President "

Congratulations, Greg!



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

ORCHIDS A GROWING OBSESSION

April 30th – May 4th, 2014

The Orchid Society of Minnesota is very pleased to host the Spring 2014 American Orchid Society Members' Meeting and Show April 30th through May 4th, 2014. This event will be held in conjunction with meetings and events of the Mid-America Orchid Congress, Slipper Orchid Alliance, International Phalaenopsis Alliance, Pleurothallid Alliance and Angraecoid Alliance. The website is up with full information at www.orchidsagrowingobsession.com.

The event headquarters is the Doubletree by Hilton located at I-494 and Hwy 100 in Bloomington, Minnesota. They offer complimentary airport shuttle service to and from the Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport (MSP Terminals 1 and 2). All events are located in this hotel which has free guest parking. Guest rooms will be available at a reduced rate of \$99 while they last in the reserved room block prior to the cutoff date of April 8, 2014. This rate is available for three days before and three days after the show dates for those who wish to extend their stay. There are numerous restaurants near the hotel including TGIFridays (in the same parking lot). The hotel is located on the "494 Strip" of Bloomington with restaurants and shopping nearby... including the Mall of America. The hotel does offer complimentary shuttle service to the Mall of America for its registered guests. Following is the hotel reservation link. No password or code is needed: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/OSM2014> If you prefer to call, their number is 952-835-7800.

The keynote address will be given by Chris Purver of the Eric Young Orchid Foundation. The speaker line-up includes Jerry Fischer, Alan Koch, Carlos Fighetti, Jason Fischer, Russ Vernon, Cordelia Head, Harry Phillips and Kathy Creger. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to hear the top names in orchids share their knowledge.

Our Exhibition Chair is Joe Acebo. Exhibitor setup will begin Wednesday morning at 7:00 a.m., April 30th. Plant and Exhibit Registration will be open on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Space is limited. Please contact Joe directly at joeacebo@charter.net.

Our Vendor Sales Chair is Ross Hella. Sales will open Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. with the Preview Party. As of January 2014, our vendor spaces are full; however you may contact Ross at hellapad@dishmail.net with inquiries. Vendors include Andy's, Deerwood, Cal-Orchids, Gold Country, Ingram's Better Books, J&L, Krull-Smith, Natt's, New Vision, Orchids Ltd, Orchidabilia, RK Gems, and art work by Jacque Rosenau & Kathy Creger.

This will be an AOS judged show with Ribbon Judging on Thursday morning, May 1st, followed by the AOS Judges' Luncheon at noon and AOS Judging at 1:00 pm. The Preview Party will be Thursday evening beginning at 7:00 p.m. This year's theme is "tropical casual"... so wear your favorite Hawaiian orchid shirt and relax!

The Show & Sales area will be open to the public Friday, Saturday and Sunday (May 2-4) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. We are offering the public a \$1 off general admission coupon at numerous locations and on our web site. Beginners' Lectures will be offered on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Full Participant Registration includes the Preview Party, AOS & MAOC Auctions and access to all lectures and meetings as well as the show and sales areas. There will be a Banquet following the Auction on Saturday evening at the hotel. This promises to be a pleasurable & entertaining evening and we certainly hope you will join in the fun.

For show registration, go to www.orchidsagrowingobsession.com and click on the Registration tab. Please be sure to read the instructions/hints before you begin your registration process.

Come join us at this don't miss event!

Kim Livingston, Show Chair

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MEMBERSHIP YEAR DRAWS TO A CLOSE -- submitted by Doris Asher, Membership Committee Chair

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-one 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, 35 households (40 individuals) have already paid their dues for the coming year; we need to hear from 54 households (64 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 \$1.09 to provide in hard copy for a total cost per year of \$6.54. 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.)

➔ Editor's note: Dues form is available on our website:
<http://greaterlansingorchidsociety.com/Documents/GLOS%20membership%20form%202011-12.pdf>