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CALYPSO DEADLINE:

December 27 for the January issue

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

NOVEMBER 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 Krum Sotirov (<http://www.ionopsis.com/index.htm>) His talk will be about orchid pests and diseases.

From their website homepage:

"The mission of [Ionopsis.com](http://www.ionopsis.com) is to preserve the orchids through education. To fulfill that mission we publish books of information about orchids: their environment and cultivation, many pictures. Furthermore, we organize educational and entertainment events – lectures and music concerts. Pages of [Ionopsis.com](http://www.ionopsis.com) are open to all orchid lovers who wish to share their experience or knowledge, but only after a critical review. If you are successful with certain species please write to us and we will publish the key elements of your technique.

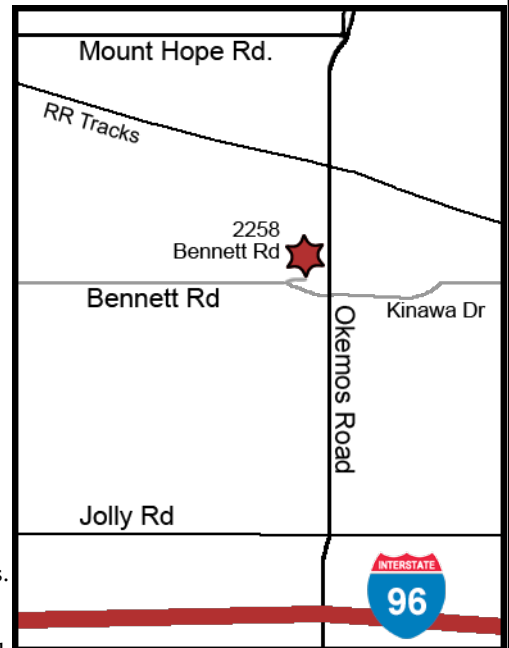
Browse the many articles about orchids and if you like what you see and wish to contribute you could donate funds through the button below or purchase some of our articles – any financial support will help with our mission – conservation of orchids. Once in a while we offer local orchids that could be purchased for re-introduction in the nature by yourself or by us. If you purchase the plant you know that none of the donated money goes for administration, you could plan the plant yourself and come and visit whenever you wish. You could do this in your back garden too. Example is *Tipularia discolor* raised in cultivation."

USED ORCHID BOOKS WANTED -- submitted by Doris Asher

Do you have some orchid books that you no longer want? 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.

Because that venture 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 to Treasurer Doris Asher.



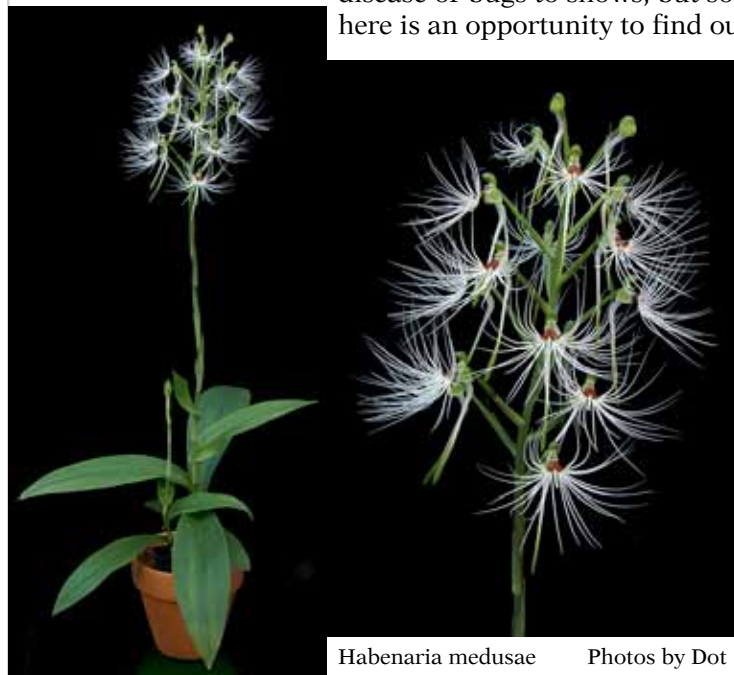
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -- Jim Heilig

Well, we made it three weeks into October without terribly cold temperatures or snow! The few orchids that spent the summer outside have been back in for a few weeks, and most of the tropicals I save are nestled safely in the basement. They spend the winter in the dark-dry and hopefully dormant.

For many of the orchids, a winter rest is setting in as root growth slows down, or stops and pseudobulbs finish plumping up. Some, like the Habenarias are losing their leaves leaving behind a tuber-somewhat reminiscent of something a cat might leave in a litter box! Holding back the water of the dormant orchids can be a challenge, but they are usually harmed more from being watered than from letting them dry out!

For other orchids, things are ramping up! The Phals are beginning to spike, most don't really ever take a distinct rest, though some of the species do. The Paphs are also blooming, or getting ready to do so, which is nice since we need something blooming for the fall orchid shows!

I think most of us belonging to GLOS grow our plants under lights or on windowsills-and often more crowded than we would like to admit. It can be tough to keep plants healthy and insect free in our homes, especially with less than perfect conditions. Just in time for things to start going wrong, we will have a speaker, Krum Sotirov (see more about him at www.ionopsis.com) will talk to us about pest control in orchids. I am always interested in what other people do to address problems in orchids-some work, some don't. Each situation is different than the next, and many variables come into play. It is the responsibility of us all to make sure we don't bring plants with disease or bugs to shows, but sometimes it is difficult to identify some problems, so here is an opportunity to find out more-so bring your questions, and photos of problems



Habenaria medusae Photos by Dot

to the meeting in November and we can try to figure out what's wrong. (If you bring plants or plant parts that you think are diseased or infested, a clear plastic bag that is sealed is useful to keep creepy crawlies contained).

Lastly, looking to the winter the snowflakes are foreshadowing, we have an exciting meeting planned for January looking at growing slipper orchids. We will have 3 stations with different themes-lights, growing from seedlings, and culture focusing on Paphs and Phrags. We will all get a Paph seedling to take home and grow up. We will also try something different as far as plant sales. We are going to have a "Member Plant Sale," any GLOS member can bring in healthy seedlings or divisions that they would like to sell to other members. There will be more details in the January Calypso, but I wanted everyone to have a chance plan ahead and pot things up for the event.

MISSING A SERVING UTENSIL?

We picked up three serving utensils after everyone else had left this July's Picnic: a very large black plastic spoon; an equally large metal spoon; and a smallish metal knife, either for butter or perhaps for cheese.

Treasurer Doris Asher has them.

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GLOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- October 26 - 27 - Windsor OS is having their first AOS judged show.
- November 2 - 3 - Three Rivers OS Show
- **November 16 - General Meeting** - Speaker: Krum Sotirov (<http://www.ionopsis.com/index.htm>) will talk about orchid pests and diseases.
- November 30 - December 1 - Saginaw Valley OS Show in Midland
- December 7 - Porter's Orchids Annual Holiday Open House
- **January 18 - General Meeting** - emphasis on slipper orchids



MINUTES OF THE GLOS BOARD MEETING 10-14-13, Submitted by Ioana Sonea

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

Rob Halgren hosted the meeting and provided an excellent meal that included lamb, and home-made tabouli and hummus.

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

- Minutes of the previous Board meeting approved
- Treasurer's report (Doris Asher). Details are provided elsewhere in the newsletter
 - o Current period (08/06-10/06/2013)
 - ♣ income = \$538, from membership renewals, the September meeting and July picnic. The September meeting had one of the best Silent Auctions in recent years, yielding \$104 for the Society, thanks to many generous members
 - ♣ expenses = \$553 including speaker's expenses for John Stubbings, travel expenses for Marilyn Lee to the Traverse City show, and for fencing for Fenner.
 - o Year to date, we have had a net income from July to October of \$121, with \$168 in the conservation fund, and total assets of \$13,640.
 - o The Finance Committee, composed of Doris Asher, Kris Garling, and Jim Heilig, drafted a budget for the upcoming fiscal year. The new budget is very similar to the previous fiscal year's, and was approved unanimously by the Board.
- Membership report (Doris Asher).
 - o The households that had not yet renewed in August were sent a last reminder by U.S.P.S.: there have been 10 membership renewals since the August meeting. GLOS now has 97 members in 83 households, a renewal rate of 83%.
 - o Twenty five households still receive the paper version of the Calypso: most of the cost of mailing this out (\$159/year) is offset by donations from the same members.
 - o The new membership roster will be emailed out prior to the November meeting, with paper copies sent to the members who receive the paper version of the Calypso newsletter.
- Upcoming general meeting in November: Ioana Sonea will set up instead of Doris Asher, who will be out of town. Peter Ostlund will replace Doris Asher as Treasurer for this meeting.
- Upcoming shows:
 - o Michiana Orchid Society Fall Orchid Show (Oct 26-27): Jim Heilig will collect plants and set up the display; Ioana Sonea will pick up the plants at the end of the show.
 - o Three Rivers Orchid Society Show (Nov 2-3): although several people were mentioned as possible display chairs, there is no current chair for this show.
 - o Saginaw Valley Orchid Society Show (Nov 30-Dec 1): Ioana Sonea, perhaps helped by Sharon Johnson, will set up; Rob Halgren will bring back the display.
 - o Grand Valley Orchid Society Show (Jan 25-26, 2014): Carol Stuht and Dot Barnett will set up, Peter Ostlund or Rob Halgren will take down.
 - o Ann Arbor Orchid Society Show (Mar 22-23, 2014): Jerrie Nichols will set up and take down.
 - o Michigan Orchid Society (Apr 12-13, 2014): volunteers are sought.
 - o Northwestern Michigan Orchid Society Show (May 24-25, 2014): volunteers are sought.
- Next general meeting on January 18th will feature 3 workshops on Slipper Orchids:
 - o Growing Paphs and Phrags under lights: Rob Halgren
 - o Culture of Paphs and Phrags: Dot Barnett
 - o Handling Paph compots: Jim Heilig and Rob Halgren. Rob will purchase 3 Paph compots for the meeting.
- GLOS Annual show: Pete Ostlund
 - o Marilyn Lee has withdrawn from chairing the Orchids in Use classes: she submitted a suggestion that GLOS offer 2 classes only, with a single Trophy. Pete Ostlund will look for a volunteer to chair this Exhibit.
 - o Diane Zoellner will be running the Children's Corner as she did the last 2 years. continued on p. 5

You are receiving the Calypso either as a PDF file, a hard copy, or both, depending on what we have from you in our records. If you would like to change this, please tell either Dot or Doris Asher. *If you are not receiving emails from us, please let Dot or Doris know -- we will need to know if we have your correct email address!*

If you have not received the PDF file by at least one week before the General Meeting, please let Dot know.

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 21st GENERAL MEETING -- Submitted by Ioana Sonea

Approximately 31 members present, including one new member (Melissa Eggleston), and a guest, Judy Hollingworth.

Meeting called to order by President Jim Heilig at 7:05pm. He thanked the members who generously provided refreshments for today's meeting: Dea and Julie Bishop, Pete Ostlund, Dottie Winter and Ioana Sonea. Dottie Winter and Ioana Sonea volunteered to provide refreshments for the November 16th general meeting.

Upcoming shows: Jim Heilig said that GLOS would participate as usual in the following shows, and reminded members of the need for volunteers to set up and take down the exhibits:

- Michiana Orchid Society Fall Orchid Show at Holy Cross College, Notre Dame, Indiana, on Saturday and Sunday, October 26-27.
- Nov 2nd Three Rivers Orchid society show at Fort Wayne <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Three-Rivers-Orchid-Society/374952799184040>
- Nov 30-Dec 1 (Thanksgiving weekend) Saginaw Valley Orchid Society in Midland will hold its show: Ioana volunteered to set up <http://www.sagvalleyorchids.org/>
- Grand Valley Orchid Society show will be held January 26-27, 2014 in the Frederik Meijer gardens and sculpture park. Carol Stuht will set up the display <http://www.grandvalleyos.org/reginfo.htm>

Peter Ostlund, chair of the Annual GLOS show in February, provided a brief update:

- Volunteers are sought to help with organizing the show, and to help with setting up, judging, and taking down the displays.
- All but 1-2 vendors have stated they are coming to the show, and a couple have requested additional sales tables.
- Bookmarks advertising the show and the GLOS are available for distribution from Doris Asher.

Upcoming general meeting: Krum Sotirov will be discussing orchid pests and diseases at the next general meeting on November 16th.

Jack Shumaker spoke about the new online resource "Michigan Orchid Speakers" that he's set up: it lists all speakers for Michigan orchid societies by date, location and topic. This valuable resource is available to all at: <http://michiganorchidspeakers.com/contact.html/>

Jerrie Nichols reminded members that Carol Stuht was still looking for photographs showing how people grow their orchids outdoors during the summer. Please send her any relevant material.



Rob Halgren discussed the numerous blooming plants on the "show and tell" table.

Photos by Dot

John Stubbings of Clown Alley Orchids gave a very interesting presentation on *Oncidium* intergenerics from 7:35-8:45, including breeding and cultural information.

The silent auction and raffle table were well supplied with plants, which found new homes with members and visitors to the meeting.

The meeting was officially adjourned at 9:17pm.

GLOS Web Site: <http://greaterlansingorchidsociety.com>

➔ Thanks to Dea and Julie Bishop, Pete Ostlund, Dottie Winter and Ioana Sonea for the snacks at our September meeting. Dottie Winter and Ioana Sonea will provide refreshments for the November meeting. Others are welcome.

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

o Vendors:

- ♣ 3 of the regular vendors (Suphattra's Clay Flowers, Raising Rarities, and Erich Michel) have not yet called to reserve tables.
- ♣ Leo Schordje would be interested in renting a table to sell Chinese orchids.
- ♣ Natt's may be interested in 3 tables instead of 2
- ♣ The new owners of Orchids Garden Centre from Waunakee, WI would like 3 tables
- ♣ This leaves 2 tables unrented: a suggestion was made to contact Mario Ferrusi (Marsh Hollow) to see if he would be interested in selling at the show.

o Doris Asher requested permission to purchase up to \$300 worth of orchid books to sell at the show, in addition to donated used books. This was approved by the board.

o Dot Barnett will design new bookmarks with the dates for the 2014 and 2015 shows on them. This will allow GLOS to save considerably on printing costs by ordering 5000 bookmarks.

o Board members updated the 2013 bookmarks to include the 2014 show dates: these bookmarks are available from Doris for distribution.

• New business:

o Jim Heilig and Rob Halgren discussed allowing member sales of plants at GLOS general meetings at which there was no official vendor. The sellers would pay a percentage (20% is standard at other clubs) of the profit to GLOS.

o A different venue for having dinner with invited speakers before GLOS general meetings was suggested by Jim Heilig. For the past few years, these dinners have been held at the Stillwater Grill: Jim suggested that more members might attend if the dinners were held at Applebee's or similar more modestly priced restaurants. Members should be reminded in the newsletter that all are invited to attend.

o The next Board meeting will be Monday, December 9th, at Rob Halgren's home.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

ORCHID JUDGES INVITE YOU

The personnel of the Great Lakes Judging Center invite you to join us for our annual holiday party on Saturday, December 21, 2013, 11:00 am, at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, Ann Arbor, MI. Dennis Seffernick, a probationary judge from the Toledo area, will present slides of recently-awarded orchids. The judges provide everyone a potluck lunch. Plan to have a fun time with orchids, books, holiday items (and who knows what else) for auction! The proceeds support the Judging Center.

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



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

ORCHID TIP:

When you don't have OrchidWiz and want to know the current name of a genus/species, Kew has a webpage that will help:

<http://apps.kew.org/wcsp/prepareChecklist.do;jsessionid=4AF6B8DF3D4440DD2C8C09D4793F8408?checklist=monocots%40%40287141020111825425%C2%A0%C2%A0>

For instance, type in *Maxillaria tenuifolia* into the search box, and you will learn that this is now called *Maxillariella tenuifolia*.

TROPHY SPONSORS NEEDED FOR 2014 SHOW

It is time to find sponsors for the various trophies we give for the best in 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. We do not need your money at this time, just your commitment.

The list of trophies is as follows -- thank you very much to those of you who have agreed already to sponsor a trophy. I will accept trophy sponsorships on a first-come-first-served basis. (Please consider allowing me to plug your gift in as needed. I appreciate Dea Bishop, Christa Forrester and Pete Ostlund, who have selected this option.)

Trophy

Exhibits, Open
 Exhibits, Society
 Exhibits, Amateur
 Cattleya Alliance
 Cypripedium Alliance
 Phalaenopsis
 Vanda and Ascocenda
 Brassia and Miltonia
 Oncidium Alliance
 Cymbidium Alliance
 Dendrobium Alliance
 Pleurothallid Alliance
 Miscellaneous Genera
 Specimen Plant
 Art (Excluding Photography)
 Photography
 Orchids in Use
 Don Garling Memorial Best of Show
 AOS Show Trophy – Outstanding Exhibit

Sponsor

Open
 Pete Porciello
 Anonymous GLOS Members
 Littlefrog Farm
 Dot Potter Barnett
 Lynda Walker
 Open
 Open
 Don & Jane Farrelly
 Dawn & Sherwin Kittle & Betty Harvey
 Open
 Lynn O'Shaughnessy
 The Garling Family
 Jerrie Nichols
 Open
 Open
 Open
 Jan Szyren
 Greater Lansing Orchid Society



ORCHIDS IN CYBERSPACE

Welcome to the Michigan Orchid Speakers Website:
<http://michiganorchidspeakers.com/home.html>

Orchids at Kew: A Plant-hunters' Paradise
<http://gardennews.biz/?id=12368&pg=1&keys=>

Moth tongues, orchids and Darwin – the predictive power of evolution -- It took nearly 150 years to prove that a suggestion by Charles Darwin in 1862 was correct
<http://www.theguardian.com/science/lost-worlds/2013/oct/02/moth-tongues-orchids-darwin-evolution>

Longwood Gardens (PA) is a must-see attraction

http://www.timesdispatch.com/entertainment-life/home-garden/longwood-gardens-is-a-must-see-attraction/article_180a9177-894e-558a-9df9-8c094433fd42.html

DORIS ASHER BECOMES 29TH MAOC PRESIDENT

When the Mid-America Orchid Congress (MAOC) met in Dayton, OH, on October 20th, the delegates elected Doris Asher as the Congress' 29th President.

There is a tradition in the MAOC that each President wears a distinctive headpiece. Doris' is a white, furry halo called the "circle of life". Hanging from the circle are her award-winning Slc Circle of Life, a pair of walking shoes, the big M because she graduated from the University of Michigan, a banana because she eats healthy, and a replica of the judging award form because she is an American Orchid Society judge. Each time she presides, she must wear her "hat"!

When the Congress was formed in 1959, its first president was J.W. (Joe) Smith.

The 27 Subsequent Presidents and the Years They Served:

1. Dr. H. A. Hecht (1959-60)
2. Charlie Plaxico (1961-63)
3. Frank Kuper (1964-66)
4. F L Stevenson (1967-68)
5. Ken Johnston (1968-69)
6. Craig Foster (1970-72)
7. Lyle Elliott (1972-73)
8. Gus Bartenfield (1973-75)
9. David Nax (1976-77)
10. Clif Walters (1978-79)
11. Henry Holmes (1980-81) wore pink wig
12. Ray McCullough (1972-83) wore same pink wig
13. Tom Harper (1984-85) bear skin cap with orchid flowers
14. Anna Lee Boyett (1986-87) gold crown
15. Lois Holmes (1988-89) hat = ?
16. Hermann Pigors (1990-91) Tyrolean hat
17. Shirlee Gade (1992-93) beaded Cleopatra headdress
18. Lowell Jacks (1994-95) duel league baseball cap
19. Gerda Ferrington (1996-97) maple leaf crown
20. Doug Watson (1998-99) baseball cap with gold crown
21. Peter Poot (2000-02) Dutch rain cap/hat
22. Tim Brooks (2002-03) straw Halloween/pumplin/bourbon bottle hat
23. Pat Cleveland (2004-05) large southern belle hat with orchid flowers
24. Beth Martin (2006-07) prairie woman's bonnet with orchid flowers
25. Mark Vander Woerd (2008-09) jester's cap
26. Doug Martin (2010-11) college graduation cap
27. Aileen Garrison (2012-13) tricorner admiral hat

Following in such a line of orchid notables is quite an honor to Doris.

The other officers elected in Dayton:

- 1st Vice President, Dr Jim Newsome from the Alabama Orchid Society
 2d Vice President, Janice Yates from the Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society
 Secretary, Cheryl Erins from the Batavia Orchid Society
 Treasurer (incumbent), Alexa Noel from the Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society

Congratulations, Doris!

1st VP Jim Newsome; 2d VP Janice Yates;
 Treasurer Alexa Noel; Pres. Doris Asher



Photos courtesy of Lynn O'Shaughnessy

GLOS TREASURER'S REPORT - Covering Period from 08/06/2013 – 10/06/2013, submitted by Doris Asher

Balance on hand August 6, 2013			\$13,654.82
	Checking		\$2,601.66
	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 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	
INCOME			\$538.41
	Dues -- Renewals (10)	160.00	
	September 2013 Meeting (J Stubbings)	173.00	
	Silent Auction	104.00	
	Raffle	69.00	
	Picnic	110.00	
	Fundraising – Cash Donation	70.00	
	Rent Pavilion -- Refund	40.00	
	Interest – C U – CD D cashed 10/3/2013	29.69	
	Donations for Paper Calypso	26.72	
	Donation	24.00	
	Miscellaneous Sales – Books	15.00	
EXPENSES			\$552.55
	September 2013 Meeting (J Stubbings)	357.43	
	Travel Expenses (1/3 share with GLJC & AAOS)	303.43	
	Dinner	54.00	
	Exhibiting in Other Shows -Travel Expenses NW MI	100.00	
	Conservation Committee - Fenner Fencing	53.12	
	Administrative Expense	42.00	
	Checks	22.00	
	File Michigan Nonprofit Report	20.00	
NET EXPENSE			\$14.14
Balance on hand October 11, 2013			\$13,640.68
	Checking		\$2,557.83
	Saving		5.00
	Subtotal CD's		11,077.85
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CD 3 (matures 08/28/2017) 1.638%		\$1,098.55	
CD 4 (matures 10/03/2018) 1.600%		\$1,370.14	
Note: As of October 11, 2013, conservation fund is \$168.70			

THE WINNERS OF THIS YEAR'S MID-AMERICA ESSAY CONTEST ARE:

Third place: Kim Livingston, Orchid Society of Minnesota "The Bus Trip"

Second place: Cheryl Erins, Batavia Orchid Society "Travels with Orchids"

First place: Lynn O'Shaughnessy, Greater Lansing Orchid Society "Annette's First Orchid Show".

For the 2014 contest, the topic is: "My problem with orchids is (writer fills in the blank)". The rules and prizes remain the same as this year.

Congratulations, Lynn!

REPORT: GLOS DISPLAY AT THE MICHIANA OS SHOW - submitted by Jim Heilig

Orchidist	Plant Name	Ribbon/Award
Jerrie Nichols	Phal Sogo Tris	1
Jim Heilig	Paph Papa Rohl	2
Jim Heilig	Paph Black Diamond	2
Jim Heilig	Paph Barbi Doll	2 and HCC/AOS
Pete Ostlund	Rlc Rubescence X Catt Tropical Sunset	2-101,
Pete Ostlund	Rlc. Velvet Rubies	1
Bill Bergman	Phalaenopsis hybrid	2
Ioana Sonea	Dendrobium Betty Nakada	1, Trophy
Dot P Barnett	Paphiopedilum Spider Man	Class -1, Seedling -3
Dot P Barnett	Paphiopedilum charlesworthii	2
Dot P Barnett	Paphiopedilum Fair Fred	1
Dot P Barnett	Paphiopedilum sanderianum	28-2
Dot P Barnett	Paphiopedilum sanderianum	Class -1, Seedling -1 + Trophy
Dot P Barnett	Habenaria medusae	2
Dot P Barnett	Vandachostylis Charm X Vanda falcata	2
Dot P Barnett	Rlc Hawaiian Thrill 'Paradise'	3
Dot P Barnett	Phalaenopsis Kiska	1
Dot P Barnett	Aerides Punchinello	2



Paph. sanderianum x 2

Congratulations, Jim, Ioana & Dot!

The following from Dot P Barnett:

With Plants from Jerrie Nichols, Pete Ostlund, Bill Bergman, Ioana Sonea, Dot Potter Barnett and himself, Jim Heilig arranged the display shown here. When I took my plants to Jim's house, his kitchen was already brimming with beautiful, well-grown orchids, and I wondered how he would fit them all on this specially-made for our displays table.

He was especially challenged by 3 of my plants: 3 Paphiopedilums with very long petals. Two in particular -- sanderianums whose petals measured 29 and 25 inches, a challenge for display as well as transport.

In an email to me, Jim expressed his gratitude for all the plants: "Thank you for letting us use them. I kind of enjoyed having the Sharry Baby around, the smell is nice in an airy room." (Sharry Baby is Bill Bergman's plant.)

A big thank-you to Ioana, who, by herself, traveled to South Bend to take down the display and bring the plants safely home. Also to Bill Porter, who helped by bringing home the display table.



Photo by Jim Heilig

And now a plea:

GLOS appears to have a difficult time finding members who will volunteer to help with putting together and taking down our shows. The same people always respond to this task. It would be so helpful if more of us were involved. Going to shows away from Lansing is a great way to meet fellow orchidists, see many different kinds of orchids, and of course, there is the opportunity to pick up some new treasures from the vendors. Orchids bloom at different times of the year, so there will always be different orchids for show and for sale at any show we attend. Please consider volunteering -- we need you.

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

Plans are complete for the AOS Members and Trustees meeting being held in Coral Gables, Florida, November 14-16, 2013. Registration is open for the show and sale at www.aos.org. Reservations for the hotel may be made directly through the Courtyard Miami Coconut Grove hotel site (CourtyardMiamiCoconutGrove.com). Be sure to mention American Orchid Society to get the special rates (if still available). Speakers will be Dr. Kait W. Tan, CEO, Gardens by the Bay Singapore; Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids and Mr. Munekazu Ejiri, Director & Judge of Japan Orchid Growers Association (JOGA). All of the lectures, the show and most of the meetings will be held on the premises of Fairchild Tropical Botanic Gardens. Entrance to the Gardens will be part of the registration cost.

Fall Show season is gearing up. Just a reminder that AOS offers liability insurance to affiliated societies which on an annual basis can cover multiple shows a society may have during the course of the year. For more information, contact AOS headquarters at TheAOS.org and an application form can be sent to you. In addition, there are AOS documents available on the website for use at the shows: cultural information, uniform show schedule, judging request form and AOS membership forms (in color or black and white). These documents are available to download and print out to use at your shows and meetings. The members' only section of the website has more detailed cultural information as well. AOS also provides a free listing on their calendar of all AOS society events if you provide the information with enough lead time.

Call for Nominations: Board of Trustees of the American Orchid Society. AOS is seeking nominations for members of the Board of Trustees. Members may nominate any member in good standing, including themselves. All nominations will be evaluated by the Nominating Committee and a slate will be mailed, in accordance with the by-laws, prior to the election at the Members' Meeting in the spring of 2013. If you are interested in pursuing a nomination, see the website for more information regarding qualifications, expertise they are looking for and requirements and forward the nomination (with biography) to Nominating_Committee@aos.org. You may also mail it into headquarters.

AOS Affiliated Societies. As a member of the American Orchid Society, you have the opportunity and ability to interact with orchid societies throughout the world. AOS recognizes that their affiliated societies are the backbone of the American Orchid Society. At the local level members can discover more detailed regional information about growing a variety of orchids. What works in Florida does not necessarily work in Canada or Australia. Affiliated societies receive a copy of Orchids magazine monthly, are listed in the Orchid Source Directory at no cost to the society and the promotion of any shows in AOS Calendar of Events. Affiliated societies have the benefit of low cost show insurance and on site AOS judging as well as the privilege of presenting the prestigious AOS Show Trophy at their AOS sanctioned shows. These are just some of the advantages of being an AOS affiliated society. More exist and they are described in more detail on the AOS website under the Affiliated Societies tab. The Affiliated Societies Committee is always looking for suggestions from AOS members on how AOS can be more responsive and connected to its affiliated societies. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please send them along to me at affiliated_societies@aos.org. All of your ideas or suggestions will be discussed at our biannual meetings.

AOS Affiliated Societies Representative. AOS membership for the AOS Representative -- in addition to a society membership -- is one of the basic requirements to be an AOS affiliated society. The AOS Representative is responsible for keeping the society up to date on activities of AOS. They should also be the spokesperson and ambassador for AOS at meetings and shows of the society. They should keep the AOS current on the leadership of their society, notifying headquarters of changes of meeting dates, locations, etc. as they happen. AOS Reps, and any AOS member, can attend the biannual Affiliated Societies Breakfast at the AOS Members' and Trustees' meetings. These breakfasts provide an excellent opportunity to exchange ideas among the societies.

AOS Committees. The business of AOS is conducted through committees. Some of the committees -- mainly Research, Conservation, Membership, Affiliated Societies, Education -- may be looking for some new members. Being a part of an AOS Committee can be a rewarding experience and give you the opportunity to participate more in the mission of AOS. If you have an interest in joining a committee, communicate your interest to the chair (their email address is provided in Orchids).

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