

SVOS News and Notes
For
November 2008
Membership Meeting
Saturday, November 8th, 2008 at 7pm
Board Meeting begins at 6:30pm

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Officers

Alan Getzin _____ President (2007-8)
Linda Sule _____ Vice President (2008)
Rollie Wilson _____ Past President (2007-8)
Roberta Bouleau _____ Treasurer (2008-9)
Jim Lile _____ Secretary (2008-9)

Board of Directors (3-year term):

Marilyn Whittaker (2008-10), Joanne Hetherington (2008-10), Eleanor Baker (2006-08), Oksana Savina (2008 – to complete Linda Sule’s term), Lori Lickly (2007-09), Sue Westmoreland (2007-09)

Treasurer’s Report

As of November 2008, our account balance is \$5,061.93.

Secretary’s Report

SVOS September Board Minutes

- The society web page was discussed. There is about \$100 initial cost, then \$50 per year maintenance. It was decided to proceed with publishing a web page (<http://www.sagvalleyorchids.org/>)
- It was proposed to invest \$1000 toward advertising for the shoe this year.
- Advertising and publicity options were offered.

SVOS September Meeting Minutes

- July Minutes: approved
- Treasurer’s report: approved
- We discussed the web page and received suggestions for improvements.
- The group voted to have Oksana Savina continue as a board member for 2 more

years. Rollie Wilson will join the board for a two-year term starting in 2009.

- Members are encouraged to post the flier for the show everywhere they go (that is allowed): grocery stores, churches, barbers, flower shops, coffee shops, butcher shops, et cetera).

- The membership approved up to a \$1000 investment in advertising and publicity. We will investigate newspapers, TV/radio stations, community calendars, placemats, and other means.

- There was some discussion of orchid displays at the upcoming shows. The group talked about preparing plants – cleaning dirty leaves with milk or lemon juice, cutting off diseased leaves, and cutting off aged flowers.

SVOS Show Reports

- No shows to report.

From The President

Please come prepared to discuss our show on November 29/30. We need the following:

- Judging clerks
- Show sponsors
- Trophy sponsors
- Sign up for the potluck on Friday evening.
- Commitment for helping to set up the show Friday afternoon (and unload vendor's orchids)
- Commitment to help the vendors / societies to take down Sunday at 4 pm
- Sign up for the Hospitality table

We will review with you:

- the vendors
- the advertising we committed to
- the current sponsors
- etc.

AND don't forget to pay your dues for 2009.

Upcoming SVOS Events

- November 8th, 2008: BOD and Membership
- SVOS Show: Thanksgiving weekend (11/29 & 30)
- January
- March
- April 11: Orchid Workshop, 9:30am-3pm at Family Baptist Church in Saginaw.
- May
- July Picnic
- September
- November

Upcoming Orchid Shows and Events

- Thanksgiving Weekend (11/29-30) – SVOS Annual Show, planning is underway!

Refreshment Volunteers

- November 8th, 2008: Lori Lickly, Paul & Rich Helling, Carol and Tom Jurek
- January, 2009: Roberta Bouleau

Other Bits

- Thank you to those who brought food to the September meeting.
- Additional volunteers are welcome to help set up any or all of the show displays. Consider offering your artistic eye to this important task. Experience is not required. Participation is appreciated. You may be surprised by how creative you are.
- Call for nominations: Anyone interested in serving as an officer of SVOS? Please step forward.
- Annual dues are due to Roberta by January 1st, 2009.
- Tom Jurek has found a new supply place: www.repotme.com. This site shows examples of potting media (components), potting mix, pots, baskets, and supplies (lights, chemicals, humidity trays, et cetera).

- If you are receiving a paper copy of the newsletter and would prefer an electronic copy, please contact the SVOS secretary at lile@ufl.edu to add your name to the email list. Save a stamp.

WELCOME NEW 2008 MEMBERS!

Marilyn and Dave Camp
Sally Heinlein
Mellie Abesamis
Chuck Snyder