

Saginaw Valley Orchid Society
News and Notes for January 2012
Saturday, March 10th, 2011
Board Meeting starts at 6:30p
Membership Meeting starts at 7p
Topic: Winter Orchid Care (round table discussion)
<http://www.sagvalleyorchids.org/>

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Officers and Board of Directors

Linda Sule _____ President (2011-12)
Tim Hueston _____ Vice President (2011-12)
Alan Getzin _____ Past President (2011-12)
Roberta Bouleau _____ Treasurer (2011-12)
Jim Lile _____ Secretary (2011-12)
Marilyn Whittaker (2011-13), Eleanor Baker (2011-13), Rollie
Wilson (2012-14), Amy Motter (2012-14), Lori Lickly (2010-
12), Edith Sommers (2010-12)

Treasurer's Report

As of February 2012, our account balance is \$3,735.82.

Secretary's Report

January 2012 Board Meeting Minutes

- vendors: what did they like and not like
- membership survey: Tim would like to solicit some data from the membership as to what we grow and how we grow
- show: Amy Motter found orchid plates, others offered suggestions for awards
- financial report: Roberta and Edith discussed the Society's financial status
- on Wednesday July 18th, there will be the Reece Endeavor Garden Walk in Midland; Tim would like to set up a small orchid display at the Hueston homestead from 10a-5p to advertise the society, our annual show, and the web site
- the Orchid Workshop will be on Saturday, April 14th from 9:30am to 3pm at Family Baptist Church; the fee is \$15 per person

January 2012 Membership Meeting Minutes

- voted and approved the treasurer's report
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- the Orchid Workshop will be on Saturday, April 14th from 9:30am to 3pm at Family Baptist Church; the fee is \$15 per person
- Roberta would like to step down as treasurer. Edith Sommers agreed to take up the position as co-treasurer.
- Amy Motter showed the group the new trophies for best of class and best of show. Other samples of possible trophies were distributed. A Committee on Trophies was established: Marilyn Whittaker, Amy Motter, and Sally Heinlein will lead the charge.
- the Boots Case and Edith Geiseler awards will be changed to standard awards plus a gold/yellow ribbon

- the vitamin solution SuperThrive is available from www.landscapestore.com for a very good price; they also have Hilltop Orchids fertilizer for sale and bark/potting media for a bargain
- Tim talked about the Reece Endeavor Garden Walk and the membership survey

Upcoming SVOS Events

- all meetings are at the church unless otherwise noted
- March 10th: Board and Membership meetings
- April 14th: Orchid Culture Workshop
- May 12th: Board and Membership Meetings
- September 8th: Board and Membership Meetings
- November 10th: Board and Membership Meetings
- November 24th & 25th at Midland Resort and Conference Center
- January, March, May, September, and November 2012 meetings are on the second Saturday of the month.

Show Report

- GVOS Show: We had 32 plants & received 20 ribbons, 7 first, 9 seconds, & 4 thirds. There were 10 vendors so the competition was tough. The display received a third.

Congratulations to Lori Lickly on receiving an AM/AOS on her Phrag Susan Decker. I would also like to thank Rollie Wilson (who lets us raid his greenhouse while he is in Florida), Tim Hueston, Marilyn Whittaker & Linda Sule for sending plants. Great big thank you 's to Marilyn Wittaker & Sally Heinlein for helping to set up the show & an extra big thank you to Linda Sule for helping to take the show down, set up & tear down. My son Kevin, his wife Kelli, & his friend Jim where there again this year to help with tear down. Last but not least a huge thank-you to my husband Tom – without him I would not be able to do this.
Carol

- GLOS Show: Congratulations to Sally Heinlein for her 1st on Phrag Chuck Acker and 3rd on Polystachya paniculata.

Kudos to Carol Jurek for her firsts on Phal. Malibu Tidings and Brassanthe Maidki, seconds on Laelia anceps, Phal. Mem. Thelma Ciscio, and Dendrochilium glumaceum (which was a division of mine with three flower spikes. Mine was on the same platform with four spikes and didn't get a ribbon – who has a clue why?) and on third place ribbons for SLC Hsin Buu Lady and Ascocenda Princess Mikasa.

Rollie is spending time in Florida, so all his orchids are on auto-pilot, but he still got a trophy as best specimen for a *Dendrochilum tenellum*, a second on *Vascosenda Pine River*, and five third place ribbons – *Darwinara Charm*, *BLC Liese Pigors*, *SLC Seagulls Apricot*, *Epi. ilense*, and *Aerangis citrata*.

I received two firsts on *Phrag. Wossner Super Grande* and *Galeandra minax* and a third on *Paph Prime Child*.

Thanks so much for all the help from Tom, Carol, Sally and Marilyn.

We finally got a blue ribbon on our display this year!! Thanks y'all!!
Linda Sule

From The President

- Tim can't take over soon enough.

Upcoming Orchid Shows and Events

- MOS: Palm Sunday weekend, March 31-April 1, 2012

- AAOS: April 21 & 22

- Illinois Orchid Society is pleased to announce that Tom Miranda, Orchid Collection Specialist at the Smithsonian Institution, will be keynote speaker and honored guest at the Illinois Orchid Society's 60th Anniversary Orchid Show and Sale on April 28 and 29, 2012. Held at the world renowned Chicago Botanic Gardens, we invite your orchid society to participate in this fantastic show. Please forward this message to your society president, newsletter editor, away show chair, and all other interested members.

We would love to have your society host an exhibit of 25 to 100 square feet. Registration for exhibit space takes less than a minute. Visit the spring show site at www.iosoc.com and click on Participate/Exhibit space. In addition to first, second and third place ribbons, 60th anniversary ribbons and awards will be granted in 27 Best of Class categories. Miss Illinois will be at the show to present nine special awards. This is an opportune time for your members to showcase their unusual orchids, vie for one or more of these ribbons and awards, meet Tom Miranda, and have their photograph taken with Miss Illinois!

Visitors to the show can expand their collections with the purchase of rare and unusual orchids from around the world.

Orchid vendors who have committed to attend include: Ten Shin Orchids, Ecuagenera, and Clown Alley Orchids, in addition to a number of Illinois based orchid growers. Special after-hour events on Saturday evening are being planned. Details will be posted on our website. The Chicago Botanic Garden will be in full bloom at the end of April. It is one of the most beautiful times of the year to visit these gardens (www.chicagobotanic.org).

- NMOS: Memorial Day weekend (May 26-27th) in Traverse City

Refreshment Volunteers

- January:

- March:

- May:

- September:

- November:

Other Bits

- Thank you to those who brought food to the January 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.
- If you are not receiving notices of the study group meetings in even months, please contact Carol Jurek at 642-5351 or tfjurek@frontier.com.
- Paper copies of the membership list will be available at the meeting on Saturday. If you would like me to mail a copy to (electronically or USPS), please email me at lile@ufl.edu.
- 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 & RETURNING MEMBERS

- Charlie Robinson
- Joyce Potoff
- David Meyers
- Helmut Schick
- Barb Leo
- Lynn Johnson
- Silvia Evans
- Susan Shinkel
- Suellyn Bielski
- Stacey Shinkel
- Janice Knop
- Michael Starch
- Linda Veresh
- Jeff Schrier
- Bud & Janet Stevens
- Jean Rose