

**Saginaw Valley Orchid Society  
News and Notes for May 2012  
Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
Board Meeting starts at 6:30p  
Membership Meeting starts at 7p  
Family Baptist Church, Saginaw  
Featured Speaker: Tim Hueston – Orchid Pests  
<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)  
Edith Sommers \_\_\_\_\_ 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), open (Edith Sommers, 2010-12)

**Treasurer's Report**

As of September 2012, our account balance is \$2,403.94.

**Secretary's Report**

*May 2012 Board Meeting Minutes*

- awards: Sally, Amy, and Marilyn looked at many options for trophies; the team came to the conclusion that an etched plate would be the most appropriate option; a salad-sized plate would be for best of class, a dinner plate for best of show; Wellington's would be able to do the etching
- Tim discussed the post cards for the Reese Garden Walk in July
- twenty-nine people attended the Orchid Workshop
- the Traverse City show will be moving to every other year

*May 2012 Membership Meeting Minutes*

- voted and approved the treasurer's report
- voted and approved the secretary's report
- the award plates were discussed
- Linda requested assistance for setting up the Ann Arbor Show
- Linda introduced the new members
- Rob Halgren from Little Frog Farm talked to the group about his new business location and his use

of LED lights. Rob discussed the light spectrum and how plants use each color differently. Fluorescent lights are inexpensive, come in a variety of forms, and are more efficient than incandescent lights. The bulbs last about two years when it comes to plant growth and flowering. LED lights are light-emitting diodes. They are literally computer chips, solid state, available in a variety of colors. LEDs are very efficient – about 10X more efficient than incandescent bulbs.

- The group discussed a road trip in September or October to Byron Center, MI where Meijer acquires many of their plants. Part of the September membership meeting will serve as a planning session.

- The Orchid Workshop was very successful with 29 people attending. Blooming-sized phaleanopsis plants were purchased from Hausermann's Orchid Nursery. The repotting exercise may be moved earlier in the program.

**Upcoming SVOS Events**

- All meetings are at the church unless otherwise noted.
- September 8<sup>th</sup>: Board and Membership Meetings  
\*\*\*CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS AND 2 BOARD POSITIONS\*\*\*
- November 10<sup>th</sup>: Board and Membership Meetings, Elections
- November 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> at Midland Resort and Conference Center
- January, March, May, September, and November 2013 meetings are on the second Saturday of the month.

**Show Reports**

- SVOS: first show of the season, November 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>

### **Upcoming Orchid Shows and Events**

- SVOS Show and Sale, November 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012

### **Refreshment Volunteers**

- September:
- November:

### **Other Bits**

- Carol Jurek and Linda Sule are bringing clean orchid pots to the meeting for sale.
- Marilyn Whittaker has some left over dishes from the potluck.
- Thank you to those who brought food to the May 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:lile@ufl.edu) to add your name to the email list. Save a stamp.

### **WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS**

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| - 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      |
| - Linda Brown         | - Linda Busch    |