

*Saginaw Valley Orchid Society  
News and Notes for November 2013  
Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014*

*Board Meeting starts at 6:30p  
Membership Meeting starts at 7p  
Speaker: Leo Schordje*

*Lycaste – The Beautiful Sister of Helen of Troy  
The speaker will take pre-orders and bring plants for purchase.  
leosorchids@sbcglobal.net*

*www.schordje.com*

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*Family Baptist Church, Saginaw  
http://www.sagvalleyorchids.org/*

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**Officers and Board of Directors**

Linda Sule \_\_\_\_\_ Past President (2013-14)  
Tim Hueston \_\_\_\_\_ President (2013-14)  
OPEN \_\_\_\_\_ Vice President  
Edith Sommers \_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer (2014-15)  
Jim Lile \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary (2014-15)  
Marilyn Whittaker (2014-16), Joyce Potoff (2014-16),  
Rollie Wilson (2012-14), Amy Motter (2012-14),  
Helmut Schick (2013-15), Sally Heinlein (2013-15)

**Treasurer's Report**

As of January, 2014, our account balance is \$5824.  
Membership = 55

**Secretary's Report**

*A moment of quiet reflection...*

The Society received word that Bernie Klein, SVOS member since 1965, passed away on September 23, 2013 after an unexpected illness. He is survived by his loving wife Barbara.

*November 2013 Board Meeting Minutes*

- Tim discussed signage for the show, replacing or covering the sandwich board, purchasing tall flag-like (feather) banners.
- Edith discussed advertising in various newspapers.
- Amy discussed the silent auction table.

*November 2013 Membership Meeting Minutes*

- voted and approved the treasurer's report
- voted and approved the secretary's report
- old business: There were two classes scheduled to be taught by society members, only one was completed (OLLI).
- new business: Alice Emmrich has a number of orchids 20 months out of flask that she is looking to sell. Carol announced that the study groups will be the second Monday of the even months. Carol will be in charge of

the GVOS Show. Rollie announced that there will be a picnic at Marilyn and Ken Whittaker's house on Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 1pm. The address is 373 West Anderson, Linwood, MI (989.697.5377).

- Edith mentioned a possible fundraiser for through Chipotle in Saginaw. Date and time for the dinner will be announced.
- Tim modeled the SVOS tee shirt.
- Sally talked about the Dayton MAOS and passed around photographs of different displays.
- MAOS/AOS will hold a meeting in Minneapolis in May 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> near the Mall of America.
- Volunteer lists (clerks, trophy sponsors, and potluck) for the show were passed around.
- Officer elections: Edith, Marilyn, and Jim were reelected to their current roles. Joyce Potoff was elected to replace Eleanor as a Director.
- Tim discussed the show: schedule of events (handout)

**Upcoming SVOS Events**

- All meetings are at the church on the second Saturday of January, March, May, September, and November unless otherwise noted.
- January 11<sup>th</sup>: Board of Directors and Membership meetings
- March 8<sup>th</sup>: Board of Directors and Membership meetings
- April TBA: Orchid Workshop
- May 10<sup>th</sup>: Board of Directors and Membership meetings
- September 13<sup>th</sup>: Board of Directors and Membership meetings
- November 8<sup>th</sup>: Board of Directors and Membership meetings
- November 29-30<sup>th</sup>: SVOS Show and Sale

**Silent Auction Report**

THANK YOU SO MUCH!!! I would like to say thank you to everyone who helped with the Silent Auction and

Book Sale during our show in November!!! We had many wonderful items donated, which made for another successful auction and sale. Gift certificates and everything orchid related were very popular this year, along with handmade items, gifts and books from personal collections. Thank you specifically to Skip for setting up the book sale, and to Edith for taking care of all the financial aspects. Thanks again and Happy New Year, Amy Motter

### **Show Reports**

- SVOS (11/30, 12/1): The Saginaw Valley Orchid Society Show and Sale was a success. The Society's display had 23 plants and earned a red ribbon. The plants earned 6 ribbons (3 red and 3 white). Sally Heinlein's display received a second place ribbon and had six ribbons on 13 plants. Rollie Wilson received the American Orchid Society trophy and Best of Class for his display with 10 ribbons on 9 plants. Marilyn Whittaker had a blue ribbon for her display and 11 ribbons on 12 plants. Carol Jurek and Linda Sule had a blue for their display with 17 ribbons.

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

- Grand Valley Orchid Society (January 25-26) at Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids
- Greater Lansing Orchid Society (February 22-23) at the Plant & Soil Science Building on the campus of Michigan State University
- Ann Arbor Orchid Society (March 22-23) at Matthei Botanical Gardens
- Michigan Orchid Society (April 12-13)
- Northwest Michigan Orchid Society (May 24-25)

### **Refreshment Volunteers**

- January:
- March:
- May:
- September:
- November:

### **Other Bits**

- Dues were due on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013. Please pay Edith Sommers.
- Copies of the Mid-American Orchid Congress are available from the secretary. The documents are thirty-one pages of print.
- The society has some orchid-related supplies for sale: fertilizer, bark, et cetera. Please contact one of the officers for details.
- Thank you to those who brought food to the November meeting.
- Additional volunteers are welcome to help set up any or all of the upcoming show displays. Consider offering your artistic eye to this important task. Experience or expertise is not required. Participation is appreciated.
- 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).
- If you are receiving a paper copy of the newsletter and would prefer an electronic copy, please contact the SVOS secretary at [boilerjimlile@gmail.com](mailto:boilerjimlile@gmail.com) to add your name to the email list. Save a stamp.

- Joyce Potoff
- David Meyers
- Barb Leo
- Silvia Evans
- Suellen Bielski Shinkel
- Janice Knop
- Linda Veresh
- Bud & Janet Stevens
- Judy Zwerk
- Linda Brown
- Sam and Connie Maisano
- Bev & Doug Winger
- West Cloyd
- Mary Liss
- Lynn Johnson
- Susan Shinkel
- Stacey
- Michael Starch
- Jeff Schrier
- Jean Rose
- Marie Ann Brissette
- Linda Busch
- Bob Schust

**WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS**