

*Saginaw Valley Orchid Society
News and Notes for May 2014
Saturday, November 8th, 2014
Question and Answer Meeting starts at 6:30p
Membership Meeting starts at 7p
Family Baptist Church, Saginaw
Guest Speaker: none (show planning meeting)
There will be a raffle and show-and-tell at the meeting.
<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 November, 2014, our account balance is \$4,196.
Membership = 38

Secretary's Report

September 2014 Board Meeting Minutes

September 2014 Membership Meeting Minutes

- voted and approved the treasurer's report
- voted and approved the secretary's report
- Russ Vernon from New Vision Orchids spoke to the group
about *Cattleya* species and hybrids (C, Lc, Bc, Blc, Slc, et
cetera). There are two major types of *Cattleya*: unifoliate (a
single leaf) or bifoliate (2 or 3 leaves on a growth). *Cattleya*
species originally came from Venezuela and Columbia.
Unifoliate flower characteristics include a large flower, wide
petals, light to medium substance, and soft colors. Bifoliate
Catts are occasionally very tall with more than 20 flowers
where some are compact with fewer flowers. Substance is
usually heavy. Many are spotted with spade-shaped lips, and
most are fragrant.

President's report

- Welcome to Show Month everyone! As usual, our
November meeting will be focused on the show. Jack,
Rollie, Sally and company will start us off with a session on
how to set up a display. This applies to our show and to all
the shows we typically attend, so if you ever thought about
setting up your own display or perhaps just wanted to help set
up the society display, but wondered just how this stuff goes,
you'll know after the meeting. We'll cover some of the
logistics for the show as well, including signups for
the Friday potluck, clerking on Saturday morning, and
manning the welcome table throughout the weekend.
- The other big activity for the November meeting is electing
officers for next year. We've got several offices up for

election, including President, VP, and a few directors. If you
have any interest, please consider helping out the society by
volunteering.

- Finally, don't forget to bring plants for show and tell or the
raffle table. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Upcoming SVOS Events

- All meetings are at the church on the second Saturday of
January, March, May, September, and November unless
otherwise noted.
- November 8th: Question & Answer and Membership
- November 29-30th: 49th Annual SVOS Show and Sale
- January 10th, 2015
- March 14th, 2015
- May 9th, 2015
- September 12th, 2015
- November 14th, 2015
- November 28-29th, 2015: 50th Annual SVOS Show and Sale

Show Reports

- None – our show is the first of the season.

Upcoming Orchid Shows and Events

- SVOS: November 29-30, 2014, at the Midland Resort and
Convention Center. Saturday 11am-5pm, Sunday 11am-4pm.

Refreshment Volunteers

Other Bits

- BOOKS, MAGAZINES and ORCHID ART SALE
Donations will be very much appreciated of gently used or new
Orchid BOOKS, Orchid MAGAZINES or Orchid related ART
WORK, along with Gardening Books and Cookbooks (all in
good condition). All items are to be sold as a fundraiser at our
show, Thanksgiving weekend. We are making a few changes
and will not be doing a silent auction this year. All items
will be sold outright.

Any items can be brought to the meeting, Saturday, Nov. 8,
or to make other arrangements contact Amy Motter. 989-832-
8927 or amymotter@charter.net

THANKS SO MUCH FOR ANY DONATIONS!

- Call for sponsorships for trophies, potluck, clerking, and
other activities related to the show. Anyone willing to
approach local florists for show sponsorship is appreciated.
This will be a point of discussion at the September
membership meeting.

- We need a volunteer to place signs on Saturday morning before the show opens and then need to be removed starting at about 3pm on Sunday afternoon. The signs are about 12"x20". The signs need to go up at the exits from US10, the intersections of Eastman/Wackerly, Jefferson/Wackerly, Eastman/Saginaw, etc. There are about 20 signs. We have guidelines from the city of Midland on their placement.
 - Call for nominations: elections for two board positions, president, and vice president will be held at our November meeting. Nominations are needed for these four important leadership roles.
 - 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 September 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.
 - Visit Jack Shumaker's website: www.michiganorchidspeakers.com for SVOS and other society orchid speaker events.
 - 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 to add your name to the email list.
- Save a stamp.

WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

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| - Joyce Potoff | - West Cloyd |
| - David Meyers | - Mary Liss |
| - 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 |
| - Judy Zwerk | - Marie Ann Brissette |
| - Linda Brown | - Bev & Doug Winger |
| - Sam and Connie Maisano | - Bob Schust |
| - Karen Newberg | |