

Saginaw Valley Orchid Society
News and Notes for November 2014
Saturday, January 10th, 2015
Question and Answer Meeting starts at 6:30p
Membership Meeting starts at 7p
Family Baptist Church, Saginaw
Guest Speaker: Kathy Mykolajeako speaking on Dendrobiums
There will be a raffle and show-and-tell at the meeting.

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Officers and Board of Directors

Tim Hueston _____ President (2015-16)
OPEN _____ Vice President
Edith Sommers _____ Treasurer (2014-15)
Jim Lile _____ Secretary (2014-15)
Marilyn Whittaker (2014-16), Joyce Potoff (2014-16), Rollie
Wilson (2015-17), Jean (2015-17), Helmut Schick (2013-15),
Sally Heinlein (2013-15)

Treasurer's Report

As of January, 2015, our account balance is \$5,494.00.
Paid Membership = 29. Income from the 2014 Show and Sale
was \$107.

Secretary's Report

November 2014 Board Meeting Minutes

November 2014 Membership Meeting Minutes

- voted and approved the treasurer's report
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- Jack, Rollie, Skip, and Sally discussed and demonstrated setting up a display for an orchid show. Plants are collected the Wednesday before the show. Each plant needs a plant classification tag with the class, exhibitor name, and plant name. Each plant needs an identification "name tag". Please put a return address label on the pot so that the plants are returned to you after the show. Each exhibit is assigned a number and each individual is assigned either their own number or a letter within the numbered exhibit. When assigning class numbers, choose the lower number since the plant can be moved down but won't be moved up. The most common reason for a plant being misclassified is the color of the flower. Each judging team has one head judge with two assistant judges, and one head clerk and two assistant clerks. Arrange plants for color flow, dark to light, in one direction or another. Judges in our area prefer a more "natural" setting with driftwood instead of figurines and such. The overflow (or open) table is for those plants that don't "fit" in the display for one reason or another.
- New officers were nominated and elected for 2015: President = Tim Hueston (second term), Vice President = no nominations or volunteers, Directors = Rollie Wilson (second term) and Jean Rose.
- Tim solicited volunteers for various show-related duties.
- Amy discussed collecting books and magazines for sale at the show. We will not have a silent auction this year.

President's report

- Hope everyone had a great Holiday Season and is ready for 2015. Apparently, winter was ready for the calendar to turn over!

The 49th annual show went off without a hitch. From preshow planning, to food, to setup and teardown, to display setup and registration, to clerking, to staffing the welcome table, to teaching the classes, to answering questions on the floor, we had a lot of people step up to help out. The show is not possible without all of us pitching in, so thanks to all of you. Now if we can just figure out how to get more people to come...

As many of you know, the Midland Resort and Convention Center was sold at auction the week after the show. The new owners apparently plan to keep it as lodging, but beyond that, it's up in the air. We might have it available for next year or we might not. We were advised to check back in February to see if the new owners have made any plans. At our last officers' meeting, we made a list of possible venues in our area and divvied up the calling to look at alternatives. We'll keep everyone posted on how we progress. Basically, our 50th annual show might be at a new venue! I believe that we will be having a raffle at the January meeting, so bring any extras you may have. Also, we need someone to handle the society display at the Grand Rapids show later this month, so if anyone wants to put into practice what they learned from Jack, Rollie, and Sallie at the last meeting, now's the time. I look forward to seeing everyone this Saturday. Regards,
Tim

Upcoming SVOS Events

- All meetings are at the church on the second Saturday of January, March, May, September, and November unless otherwise noted.
- 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

- SVOS: The final report for our show display will be available in the March newsletter. Congratulations to Jack for

our society display, and Sally, Marilyn, Linda, Carol, and Rollie for their individual displays.

Upcoming Orchid Shows and Events

- GVOS: January 24-25
- GLOS: February 28-March 1
- AAOS: April 18-19
- MOS: Palm Sunday Weekend, March 28-29
- NMOS: Memorial Day Weekend, May

Refreshment Volunteers

- January: Joyce Potoff,
- March
- May
- September
- November

Other Bits

- We need volunteers for set-up and take down of the remote orchid shows. Please volunteer if you are willing and able, especially for the January show in Grand Rapids.
- 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 and the Thanksgiving weekend show.
- 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 (989) 642-5351 or tfjurek@frontier.com.
- Visit Jack Shumaker's website for SVOS and other society speaker events: www.michiganorchidspeakers.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 to add your name to the email list. Save a stamp.

WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

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