

*Saginaw Valley Orchid Society  
News and Notes for May 2015  
Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
Speaker program starts at 7pm  
Dennis Olivas - Speaking on Cymbidiums  
No Raffle but there will be "show-and-tell"  
Membership Meeting starts immediately following  
<http://www.sagvalleyorchids.org/>*

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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 Rose (2015-17), Helmut Schick  
(2013-15), Sally Heinlein (2013-15)

#### **Treasurer's Report**

As of May 2015, our account balance is \$3478.  
Membership = 42

#### **April 25th Workshop**

Income \$585.00 - \$140 workshop dues (8 paid) , \$425 orchid  
sales, \$20 supplies  
Expenses \$588.50 - \$513.50 Hausermans (orchids) - \$75  
church rental  
There are about 13 large orchids left at \$20 each and 5-6 small  
orchids at \$10 each (see page 2).

#### **Secretary's Report**

##### *March 2015 Board Meeting Minutes*

##### *March 2015 Membership Meeting Minutes*

- voted and approved the treasurer's report  
- voted and approved the secretary's report  
- Dr. Robert-Jan Quene', who is the Laboratory Supervisor for  
Orchids Limited in Minneapolis. Robert talked about  
Phaleanopsis orchids: Phaleanopsis orchids are the most  
common genus sold in the world. There are 50-60 species of  
Phals and hundreds of crosses, bred for their color, flower size  
and number, and fragrance. Many large breeders use mericlone  
reproduction. A mericlone is a cloned copy of the parent  
plant. It's made by taking pieces of the parent orchid and  
growing new plants from the taken tissue.  
- Tim talked about a new venue for the SVOS 50<sup>th</sup> Show and  
Sale in November. Sally and Jack found the Kochville  
Veterans' Hall north of Saginaw. The fee, facility, and size of  
the hall meet our needs. Money saved on the hall will need to  
go toward advertising for the show and the new venue. The  
Country Inn and Suites offered a block of rooms for \$63 per  
night.  
The Orchid Culture Workshop is Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> starting  
at 9:30am and finish by 3:30pm. The fee is \$20 for a plant,  
all materials, breakfast and lunch.

Marilyn Whitaker will set up the MOS display on March 28-  
29.

AAOS is April 18-19, volunteer for set-up, Jim Lile will  
bring plants and display home.

Jack Shumaker: state-wide orchid meeting, Chris Purver from  
the Eric Young Foundation. Saturday, October 10, 2015,  
2-4:30pm at the Presbyterian Church of Okemos 2258  
Bennett Road.

#### **Upcoming SVOS Events**

- May: membership  
- September: membership  
- November: membership and show  
- January, March, May, September, and November 2015  
meetings are on the second Saturday of the month.

#### **Show Reports**

- MOS: We entered 34 plants and took 19 ribbons as well as  
the first for the display. Thanks go to Jack, and Sally and  
Jean Rose and for setting up and Joyce Schultz, Jack, and  
Helmut and Cheri for helping to take it back down and get the  
orchids back to their owners. We got a first place on the  
display and many ribbons. Jack won two trophies and the  
harlequin Phaleanopsis I had at the last meeting also won a  
trophy. We all found new treasures from the vendors to take  
home and add to our collections. We need to get a team effort  
like that going on all the shows!

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Whittaker

- Ann Arbor: This year's show was quite delightful. There  
some really nice plants on display and for sale. I would like to  
thank the following members who supplied plants to this  
year's exhibit: Sally Heinlein, Jean Rose, Helmut Schick,  
Marylyn Whittaker, and myself. We had 18 plants entered and  
received 8 ribbons: 1 first, 5 seconds, and 2 thirds, plus a first  
place ribbon on the exhibit.

The set up on Friday was a breeze, with help from Sally,  
Marilyn, and Jean. The exhibit went up fast, looked great, and  
then there was lots of time to shop.

All in all, it was a nice show. Thanks to all that helped make  
a nice exhibit on behalf of the Saginaw Valley OS.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Shumaker

#### **From The President**

Hello everyone. Hope you're enjoying this summer preview as much as I am. Tempting as it is to put some orchids out to enjoy the great outdoors, it's probably just a wee bit early yet!

Our workshop day on April 25th was fun and I think the people who came out enjoyed it. Thanks to all the people who helped out – my speakers (Jack, Carol, Linda, Rollie, Jim), money handler (Edith), and special thanks to the food organizer (Karen) and to those who brought something to share. We'll try to get the flyers out a little more than two weeks in advance next time – perhaps that will help get a few more people out. Also, if there are topics that you would like to see covered, let me know. Perhaps we can change up the agenda for next time.

Finally, I believe our speaker will have plants for sale, so there will be no raffle this meeting. However, definitely bring anything you have in bloom for show and tell. Hope to see everyone on Saturday for our last meeting before summer.

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.
  - May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015
  - September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015
  - November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015
  - November 28-29<sup>th</sup>, 2015: 50<sup>th</sup> Annual SVOS Show and Sale
- Judy Enger submitted this note: Last June we received a publication from the Midland Daily News called "Spectrum, The Answer Book." You may have seen it. The book, all 78 pages, lists attractions, entertainment, community organizations, community agencies, health care, council on aging, religion, education, government, and retail organizations. The SVOS was not included in the book.

I think SVOS should be included under community organizations. Send the following information to: Victoria Ritter at the Midland Daily News by June 1. Her phone number is [989 835-7171 Ext. 365](tel:9898357171) or send it by e-mail to: [vritter@mdn.net](mailto:vritter@mdn.net)

Information to include: Name, address, phone number and/or e-mail of the organization and a brief description of the organization, when and where meetings are held.

I have a copy of the book from June 15, 2014. If you'd like to see it, let me know and I will arrange to get it to you.

### Upcoming Orchid Shows and Events

- NMOS: Memorial Day weekend, 2015

### Refreshment Volunteers

- May: Skip, Sue Sanderson, Helmut Schick

- September: Jean R., Joyce S.
- November: Lori, Carol

### Other Bits

- Thank you to those who brought food to the March 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.
- The society has some orchid-related supplies for sale: fertilizer, bark, et cetera. Please contact one of the officers for details.
- 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](mailto:tfjurek@frontier.com).
- Visit Jack Shumaker's website for SVOS and other society speaker events: [www.michiganorchidspeakers.com](http://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](mailto:boilerjimlile@gmail.com) to add your name to the email list. Save a stamp.

### WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

#### Plants still available from Orchid Workshop

- Phal. OX Happy Girl '1592'
- Phal. SOGO Vivian 'Tall' (miniature purple with two spikes – second flower just opening)
- Phal. Fullers Sunset x Phal. Brother Girls 'FU438'
- Phal. Ganlin Fairy 'New Orchids'
- Epicyclia Serena O'Neill (in bloom)
- Epi. pseudepidendrum x self
- Den. Love Memory 'Fizz'
- Onc. Sweet Sugar 'K'
- Onc. Sharry Baby
- Wils. Aloha Sparks 'Halloween'
- Cat. Unknown (buds showing purple at the tips)

#### Phals out of spike:

- Phal. Lioulin Pretty
- Dtps. KS Maple
- Dtps. Pony's Q Girl (Pong's Bony x Taida Pearl)
- Phal. OX Lucky Boy
- Phal. Unknown