

# Saginaw Valley Orchid Society

Next meeting January 14, 2017 at 6:30

Speaker: Rob Halgran of Little Frog Farms

Will speak on Orchid Diseases

Plants for sale for pre-orders Little Frog Farms

Thomas Township Public Safety Building

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## Officers and Board of Directors

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2017-2018 .... Marilyn Whittaker, Bob Schultz  
2015-2017 .... Rollie Wilson, Jean Rose;  
2016-2018 .... Helmut Schick, Sally Heinlein

## Treasurer's Report

Edith reports our check book balance is \$5,710  
We have 36 paid up members. Don't forget to  
pay your 2017 \$20.00 membership dues.

## Secretary's Report

November was election of officers and show

planning and updates.

## **SVOS's AOS Award Winners for Nov.2015-2016**

Sue Konkle- **CCM** on Paph glaucophyllum  
@ SVOS Show.

Paul Bouleau- **AM** on Catsetum Extravaganza  
@ GVOS show.

Linda Sule- **AM** on Paph Memoria Gabriel  
@ GLOS show

Marilyn Whittaker-**AM** on Phrag Frank Smith  
@ GLJC April

Rollie Wilson- **AM** on Milt spectbilis var  
moreliana GLJC Sept

A thank you note was received from family of  
Fred Boehringer for stem of Phal orchids and  
our societys' donation to American Orchid  
Society in his memory.

## Membership January 2017 Meeting

Our guest speaker for January meeting will be

Rob Halgran owner of Little Frog Farms in Lansing. Rob will be speaking on Orchid diseases. Rob is a research assistant professor in Dept. of Animal Science at MSU. He earned his Ph.D. at Northwestern University in Cancer biology. Rob is also a Certified Judge in Great Lakes Regional Judging Center in Ann Arbor. He mainly specializes in Paphiopedilum and Phragmipedium.

## **Show Reports**

Our 2016 orchid show took place November 26-27 at the Kochville Veterans Hall in Saginaw. Our Society's display was planned by Jean Rose and set up by Jean and Joyce Potoff. The booth earned a white (3<sup>rd</sup>). Plants in our display earned 5 blue (1<sup>st</sup>), 8 red (2<sup>nd</sup>), and 5 white (3<sup>rd</sup>). **Trophy** winner in our display was Tim Hueston for his Dendrobium Nagasaki.

Carol Jurek, Linda Sule, and Sue Schiewe had their own display which earned a red ribbon (2<sup>nd</sup>). The plants earned 3 blue (1<sup>st</sup>), 5 red (2<sup>nd</sup>), and 6 white (3<sup>rd</sup>).

Rollie and Skip Wilson had their own display and earned 3 blue ribbons (1<sup>st</sup>), 2 red (2<sup>nd</sup>), and 3 white (3<sup>rd</sup>).

Sally Heinlein had her own display and tied with Marilyn/Sue K. for individual **display trophy**. The plants earned 5 blue (1<sup>st</sup>), 1 red (2<sup>nd</sup>) and 3 white (3<sup>rd</sup>). Sally received **Best of class for cym**. Sarah Jean 'Ice cascades'.

Marilyn Whittaker and Sue Konkle had their own exhibit, which tied with Sally for individual **display trophy**. The plants earned 8 blue ribbons(1<sup>st</sup>), 4 red (2<sup>nd</sup>) and 4 white (3<sup>rd</sup>). Sue earned a **Trophy Cattleya Alliance** Bic Melinda Rose Funke 'Ernie' and **The Best of Show Trophy** for the same plant.

Our Societies plants in the arrangement section earned the following:

Rollie Wilson earned 1 red (2<sup>nd</sup>), 2 white (3<sup>rd</sup>)

Joanne Hetherington earned 9 blue (1<sup>st</sup>), 5 red (2<sup>nd</sup>) and 1 white (3<sup>rd</sup>).

Eleanor Baker earned 3 blue (1<sup>st</sup>), 4 red (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Judy Enger a red (2<sup>nd</sup>) on her vanda picture.

Eleanor earned a blue ribbon and **best of class** for stained glass.

Skip Wilson earned a red (1<sup>st</sup>) on her china collection.

Rebecca Wilson earned a blue (1<sup>st</sup>) on her photo, a red (2<sup>nd</sup>) on a hand thrown vase, and a white (3<sup>rd</sup>) on a plate.

The following 23 members had a entry in our show : Rollie, Skip, Sally, Carol, Linda, Sue Schiewe, Marilyn, Jean, Robert, Jack, Jim, Roberta, Joyce, Tim, Edith, Eleanor, Bill, Lori, Sue K., Judy E., Eleanor and Joanne.

**THANK YOU EVERYONE THAT MADE OUR 2016 SHOW A SUCCESS !**

## **Past Presidents Corner**

Hi everyone and welcome to 2017. As your new Past President (welcome to Joyce as our new President), I'd like to thank everyone for the great efforts toward another successful show this year. Special thanks to the advertizing (led by Edith and Joyce) with lots of help from Bob, Carol and Amy. Thanks also for the set up committee (led by Rollie & Jack) with lots of help from Helmut and other. Also thanks to the committees of food organizers Eleanor & Joanne for Friday evening meal, Karen for Saturday Breakfast, and Jack who fed the judges and clerks. Thanks to MEMBERS who volunteered their time throughout the week to bring in food, help set-up and tear down, bring plants to display, judge or clerk, man the welcome table, plan the society display, organize and run the raffle, etc. It is a big effort to put on a show and without everyone's

help, we wouldn't be able to pull it off as well as we do !! I look forward to another great year in 2017 with interesting programs set up by Jack, our fun study groups organized by Carol, our April workshop, summer picnic and whatever else strikes our fancy. Hope to see you all at the January meeting. Regards, Tim.

## **Upcoming Shows and Events**

Grand Valley- January 28- 29, 2017 at Meijer

Gardens in Grand Rapids

Ann Arbor- March 25-26, 2017

**Refreshment Volunteers** THANKS !

January 2017- Joyce P, Eleanor, Linda, Sue

March 2017- Carol, Eleanor, Helmut, Linda

May 2017 –Jan , Skip, Eleanor, Jean, Edith

Sept. 2017-Skip, Eleanor, Joanne, Marilyn

November 2017- Sue Schiewe, Eleanor ,

Joanne , Jack S.

**Welcome new members:**

Kathy Eickhoff , Mary Bohn, Annette Gellise,  
Ruth Swarthout, and Donna Harig.

**Member Profiled** Jack Shumaker.

**Jack L. Shumaker**  
**Born 4-16,1945 in Flint, MI**  
**Moved to St. and then**  
**From 1957 to 1963 went to Garrish-Higgins**  
**School in Roscommon,MI**  
**Retired GM in 2002, after 38 ½ years**



Before that I worked at my parents gas station/grocery store in St. Helen when I was 7 years old until I left in 1963.

I was active in the Boy Scouts of America, first in St. Helen and then in Roscommon. I stayed active in the BSA for 35 Years. I was a local/national leader in the Order of the Arrow And was on the National Jamboree staff from 1964 to 1989. I loved to camp and do any thing in the woods.

Once I moved to Flint, I worked at two jobs and went to School. I enlisted in the US Air Force in May 1966. In Sept of that year, I was married and then later two daughters. We lived in Holland for three years

The marriage lasted until 1982. After that I was looking for something to do with my life.. I finished college in 1992 and Then went to the Chicago School of Transportation and then to International Logistics school at the World Trade Center, in New York City

It took a while to find something I really liked to. So in 1993 I was introduced to Orchids. I started by going on a orchid collecting trip to Belize and then to Jamaica. After these trips I was had an interest in small species. After a year or so I had this one Paphipedilum that had been sitting in the greenhouse. After it bloomed,, that is all it wrote After that, I opened Mid-Michigan Orchids and entered the AOS Judging Program, I was also an active member of the Saginaw Vallley OS. After an other journey of life, I had to sell the business and leave the judging program. I started traveling for work and was able to spend more of time with Koopowitz and Hasegawa, owners of Paphanatics, and Terry Root of Orchid Zone. They taught me a lot about slipper orchids, and still there do that. I have been in many countries looking for and doing resource about slipper orchids

I on a couple committees of the Mid-America Orchid Congress  
I am a board member of the Paph Guild and a member of two other slipper groups.

I have two married daughters, and four grand children. I love to travel, have a greenhouse with lots of Paphs and Phrags, plus other types  
I am the chair and founder of the All State Orchid Society meeting