



Next Meeting March 14, 2020
 Thomas Township Public Safety Building
 8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw, MI
 Speaker: Jeanne Rhinehart on Native Orchids
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Treasurer's Report

Edith reports our balance in checking account is \$7,427.00. This balance is before our hall rental of \$1,000 for our November show. Our February study group hosted by Gregg and Amy Motter brought in \$372.00. The raffle brought in \$133.00 and the silent auction \$239.00, thanks mainly to Lori Lickly (and the sister's and a couple of plants Edith brought in). WOW !

Secretary's Report from Jan. 11, 2020

Our January meeting was canceled twice due to winter storms. Tim Hueston's talk on orchids under lights will be rescheduled.

Show Reports- We didn't have a display in the Grand Rapids Show but several attended their show.

Lansing Orchid Show report

We had thirty one plants in our society display. We were awarded a second place for our display and 5 first place, 3 second place and 9 third place ribbons on our plants. Joyce Potoff's Cymbidium ' Ming Emperor' was awarded a trophy. Plants were entered by Joyce Potoff, Edith Sommers, Linda Sule, Carol Jurek, Tim Huston, Helmut Schick, and Rollie Wilson.

Thanks to all of you for submitting plants so that we could be well represented in Lansing. Edith and Joyce were so busy with the display that it was not until they were on the way home Sunday evening that they realized that they did not take a picture of the completed display. Marilyn did take a picture Edith, Linda and Joyce working on the display. Thanks Marilyn. Joyce Potoff and Edith Sommers were the display coordinators with support from Linda Sule on plant classifications.



(Lansing SVOS display)

Upcoming Orchid Shows

March 21st and 22nd AOS

Tim Hueston will be coordinating the Ann Arbor display for their show on March 21st and 22nd. Please contact him if you can help or have plants to submit.
 (thueston@chartermi.net) or 989-837-0947.

March 28th and 29th MOS orchid show

Edith and I will be coordinating that show and we could use some help. It is a big show and a lot of work to set up. An added

benefit is that if you come down on Friday you can get first chose from vendors.

President's Corner

The February study session was held at the home of Amy and Gregg Mottter in Midland. Donated plants were raffled and auctioned for a very nice profit for the society. Thanks to all, particularly Lori Lickly for donating so many nice plants and Amy and Gregg for hosting a great study session.

Coming up for the March meeting, Jeanne Rhinehart will be speaking on Native Orchid Preservation. Jeanne and Gary are former Michiganders and members of our society. They have had informational displays at several Society shows including our own. The Native Orchid Preservation Society works with nature preserves and wildlife sanctuaries in Michigan and Ohio. Their literature includes a paper by Roberta and Fred Case on building a sphagnum bog garden and a list of vendors that sell US native terrestrial orchids. Please plan on joining us for this new and interesting topic. In January you should have received a questionnaire from the board. Please bring it to the March meeting so we can plan future actives.

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The Michigan Orchid Society show will be the following weekend, March 28 and 29th. Edith and I will be coordinating that show and we could use some help. It is a big show and a lot of work to set up. An added benefit is that if you come down on Friday you can get first chose from vendors.

Since our speaker will not be bringing plants for sale, if you have plants for the raffle please bring them.

Joyce Potoff, Pres.

Refreshment Volunteer

Signup sheet available at meeting.

Other Bits

1. A thank you was received from Doris Asher for our donation of \$100.00 to the Great Lakes Judging Center.
2. Don't forget your SVOS dues are due.
3. Plants for auction.

Welcome new members

Vicki Johnson, Becky VanDenBoom, Lance Redwantz and Larry Watson.

