

# The Calypso

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### CALYPSO DEADLINE:

Feb 28 for the March '23 issue

*The purposes for which the Society is organized are to create an awareness of orchid culture; to foster the preservation of native species of orchids; to support research and development of orchid culture; and to hold meetings, lectures, and exhibitions.*

## JANUARY 14 MEETING: In-Person

2/42 Community Center at 2630 Bennett Rd, Okemos



Doors open at 1:30 p.m. for:

- Plant shopping
- Experienced Society members will be available to answer questions and help problem solve orchid growing issues
  - Please have refreshments in place prior to start of meeting.

Meeting will start promptly at 2:00

For the time being, and according to the CDC Guidelines for Covid 19, we are making masks optional for our meetings.



Lois Snover-Hanson will demonstrate flower arranging with orchids: in anticipation of our February Orchid Show and Sale.

## RAFFLE FOR JANUARY MEETING

Jack Brechtelsbauer formed the Greater Lansing Orchid Society in May of 1977, more than 45 years ago. We have used raffles at our meetings as one of our dependable fundraisers each meeting since that time. None of us can remember a similar event to what transpired at our November meeting – we had nothing on the raffle table to win!!

We asked people who had bought raffle tickets to hold onto them and bring them to our January meeting. I still have the tickets in our fish bowl. We'll use them in addition to any new ones members may buy at the January meeting.

While we really appreciate your bringing plants and other items for our silent auction, and we hope you will bring silent auction items in January, please set aside a couple or several items to donate to our raffle, too.

Thank you in advance!

In addition, please remember to wear your GLOS name badge. Anyone who buys a raffle ticket and is wearing his or her name badge, gets a complimentary raffle ticket in addition to however many he or she has purchased at \$1.00 apiece.

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE --** Pete Ostlund

I hope you all had happy holidays. Winter has set in, and so it seems has the bloom season for many of my orchids. There are 4 orchid shows coming up in the next 3 months (one in Grand Rapids at the end of January, of course our show at MSU at the end of February, and 2 more later on). If you haven't contributed an orchid to our display, please consider doing so if you have something in bloom. You may think it is not worthy of entering, but you'd be surprised how much others will appreciate it, and how it contributes to the overall quality of the display. We also need volunteers to help at the shows, especially ours! Please keep yourself available to help out the last weekend in February, and the 2 days prior, if you can. More details about our show will be coming out later (and throughout this newsletter).

The one thing I've learn, and learned again recently, is to have some patience when it comes to getting orchids to bloom. I remember rescuing an orchid from a friend some time ago. I had it for 7 years before it bloomed (Paph. St. Swithin), but then it bloomed regularly after that. Recently I have a number of dendrobiums that have bloomed on older canes (they haven't bloomed for me before). I was beginning to wonder if I had the right conditions for them to bloom. But I just needed to get a few years of growth on them so I would have mature, older canes.

If you're having troubles getting one of your orchids to bloom, please ask someone at our meeting, or email one of the board members. A few of us have access to OrchidWiz and other orchid programs and can provide information on proper culture for the orchid, especially species.

I wish you all a Happy New Year, and a year of successful orchid growing.

**→ OUR JANUARY MEETING IS IN-PERSON, BUT IT WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE VIA OUR NORMAL ZOOM LINK FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT ATTEND IN-PERSON:**

Greater Lansing Orchid Society is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Flower Arranging with orchids

Time: 02:00 Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/701683513?pwd=REQzYnpxaTZjb3p6dDNZNWxCOS8xUT09>

Meeting ID: 701 683 513

Password: 20-Orchids

One tap mobile

+19292056099,,701683513# US (New York)

Meeting ID: 701 683 513

**GLOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- January 14 at 2:00 – in person demonstration - orchid arrangements
- January 28 - 29 GVOS Show at Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids. Collect plants at Dot's Jan. 25 between 10 - 6, Set up and take down: Pete, Carol, Dot & ???
- February 25 - 26 – GLOS SHOW AND SALE - Bill Cadman is in charge of our display
- March 11 @ 2:00 - Russ Vernon on Lycaste
- March 18 - 19 AAOS Show at Matthaei
- April 1 - 2 MOS Show
- April 8 @ 6:00 - Bill Overton: mounting orchids demo
- May 13 @ 6:00 - Rob Halgren: TBD
- June - TBD
- July 29 GLOS ANNUAL PICNIC & PLANT SALE - tentative
- August 12 @ 6:00 - Thanh Nguyen of Springwater Orchids - TBD
- September 9 @ 6:00 - Kristen Uthus - TBD
- October 14 @ 6:00 - TBD
- November 11 @ 2:00 - Peter Lin of Diamond Orchids - TBD



**GLOS SHOW INFORMATION PAGE:****WILL YOU CLERK FOR US?**

We need clerks for ribbon judging at this year's February Show. Clerks assist the judging teams in finding the plants entered in the class, preparing the ribbons for the winning entries, placing the ribbons on the winners, and recording the winners in the Society's official record. Your time commitment is for Saturday morning, February 25th, beginning at 7:30 a.m. (we provide a light breakfast), lasting until ribbon judging is concluded, about 11:00 a.m. We need thirty clerks. Some of our more knowledgeable clerks may be asked to serve as lay judges in order to get the ribbon judging concluded in a timely fashion. In addition, Carol Ann Stuht is looking for a (tall) person willing to clerk for the art/photography competition. Please let me know if you are willing to clerk in that area. All clerks are invited to be the Society's guests at the Judges' Luncheon held at the Show at noon.

You do not need experience as a clerk in order to volunteer. We have written instructions for you, and will place you on a team with more experienced people. We want you to enjoy your first experience! This is a terrific opportunity to learn what American Orchid Society judges are looking for in a prize-winning orchid.

To date (12/12/2022) Doris has commitments from the following twelve people to clerk: Leslie Behm, Dea Bishop, Michele Bridges, Michael Bukala, Janis Erins, Shane Ginnard, Dawn Kittle, Vivian Lin, Pete Ostlund, Tammy Scherer, Ioana Sonea, and Jill Wood.

Won't you join them?

To volunteer or to ask questions about what is involved in clerking, please contact Chair of Judging Activities Doris Asher at 517-332-0004 or email [asherdoris44@gmail.com](mailto:asherdoris44@gmail.com)

**GLOS MEMBER,**

I know you have a creative streak . Let it shine at our 2023 show. If you have an artistic hobby, photography for example, please plan to create an entry for our show. Let me know by email if you are interested and I will add you to my list of artists and will send you all information as it becomes available.



*Thanks, and think outside the box!*

Carol Stuht: [castuht@gmail.com](mailto:castuht@gmail.com)

**USED ORCHID BOOKS/PERIODICALS WANTED**

Do you have some orchid books or orchid periodicals that you no longer want? For several years now at our Orchid Show, we have sold numerous used books donated by various Society members. Visitors to the Show snap them up very quickly and, because the items are donated, the Society makes 100% profit. We use the orchid magazines as free giveaways to Show visitors to encourage their joining our Society.



Because this service is so popular, we would like to offer inexpensive, used orchid books again at this February's Show. Since GLOS is an IRS not-for-profit 501(c) 3 organization, you may deduct the value of the books and magazines you give us. The Treasurer will be happy to provide you a receipt for your gift.

Please consider giving such items at this January meeting to Doris Asher for our Show's Information Table.

In addition, Show Chair Ioana Sonea will be "recruiting" at the January 14 meeting for volunteers to work the Information Table during the Show. Please look at your calendar for February 25 and 26 and see when you could devote two or three hours to staff that Table. No experience required! You do not need vast knowledge about orchids! Doris or Ioana can tell you everything that you need to know!

Doris Asher  
[asherdoris44@gmail.com](mailto:asherdoris44@gmail.com)  
 517-332-0004

Thank you to Ioana Sonea, Candace Miller, Pete Ostlund and the person that brought the wonderful lavender bars (I apologize, I don't know who brought them) for bringing refreshments. Marilyn Porter, Jolanta Piecuch, Mary Henman and Carol Ann Stuht volunteered to bring refreshments for the January meeting.

**NOVEMBER 12, 2022 MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES** - Becky Thayer, Secretary

Pete called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM. This was an in-person hybrid meeting with 29 members present and 6 attending on Zoom.

**Announcements:**

The show postcards are available; please pick some up for promoting our show. For those on Zoom please contact Doris to arrange for pick up.

Grand Valley has invited us to attend their Zoom meeting with Fred Clarke of SVO on November 17. Check your email for updates.

AAOS has invited us to attend a Zoom meeting with Kim Feddersen on cool growing orchids on Sunday Nov. 13, 2022. Check your email for details

Saginaw Valley will not be having a show this year.

The Great Lakes Judging Center will not be having a December presentation. There will be judging at Matthaei (room 125) on Saturday, November 19th, and on Saturday, December 17 (room 125). Judging begins at 1 PM. -- please be sure to have your plants there by about 12:45 PM.

Our next meeting will be in-person hybrid on January the 14th at 2:00 PM. It will be about creating orchid flower arrangements, just in time for our show.

The Grand Valley show will be the end of January. Dot, Pete and Carol will be setting up the display. Anyone who would like to learn how a display is set up is encouraged to help.

This year we will have 2 new vendors at our show (we lost 2 vendors due to retirement):

GrowGeneration, a local grow store on West Saginaw Hwy., will be selling some supplies. They currently focus on cannabis growers but wish to branch out to include all indoor plant growers.

Ecuagenera is a plant grower from Ecuador. Check your email for more information about them.

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Doris welcomed 2 visitors: Jessica Wallace and Ed Corey.

Doris reported that we need sponsors for the last 2 show trophies. Bill Cadman and Becky Thayer said that they would sponsor these trophies. All of the show trophies are now sponsored.

Bill Cadman asked for help setting up the display for our show. Anyone who would like to learn how to set up a display or already knows and wants to help please contact Bill.

Bill announced that the Mid-Michigan Bonsai Club will be setting up a small display of members' trees at Foster Community Center on November 19, check your email for details.

**Show report:**

Ioana reported that 42PointSEVEN (a MSU organization of senior marketing students and faculty) has been commissioned to advertise our show using social media. Starting January 7, 2023 there will be weekly ads on Facebook, Instagram and Pinterist. They have created a manual to teach us how to maintain the sites. We need volunteers to manage the ad campaign. Anyone who is interested or willing to help please contact Ioana.

Also they will be creating an advertising video for use on social media, if anyone has pictures of plants or video that can be used please contact Ioana.

There is a great need for help before, during and after the show. Please volunteer to help. Again, contact Ioana.

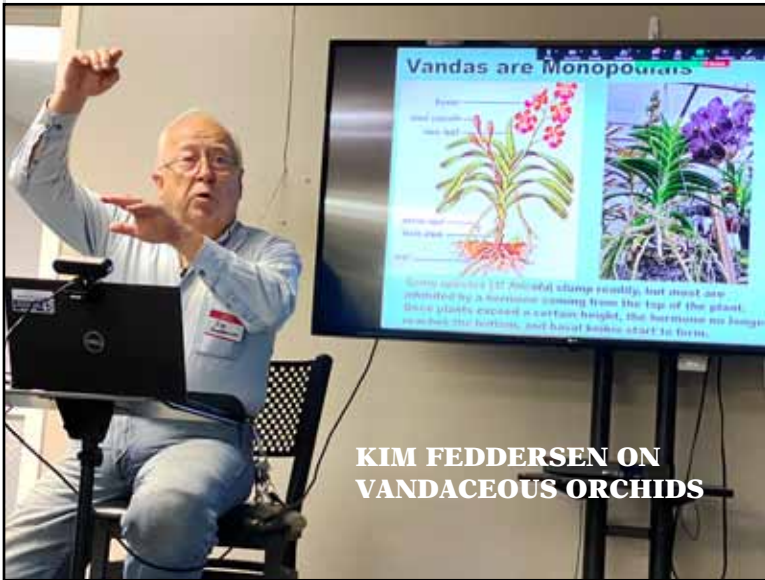
The plant table was filled with beautiful plants brought in by 8 members! Thank you everyone for sharing your lovely plants with us.

Our speaker was Kim Feddersen of Fair Orchids, speaking on "Yes, You Can Grow Vandaceous Orchids". He was an interesting and entertaining speaker who presented very useful information.

The silent auction table was well stocked. However the raffle table was bare. All raffle tickets sold will be held over for the next meeting.

There was income of \$125.00 and expenses of \$779.72.

Meeting ended at 4:15 PM.



**KIM FEDDERSEN ON VANDACEOUS ORCHIDS**

**Vanda species:**

- V. ampullaceum*
- V. christensonianum*
- V. curvifolium*
- V. garayi*
- V. miniatum*

The species formerly known as Ascocentrum are all relatively easy to grow & bloom under Intermediate conditions.

- V. coerulea*
- V. falcata*
- V. cristata*
- V. tricolor*

Cool/intermediate

- V. denisoniana*
- V. luzonica*
- V. sanderiana*

Intermediate/Warm

**PLANT TABLE**



Clockwise from upper left:  
Carol Ann Stuht  
Candace Miller  
David Madison  
Bill Cadman  
Steve Kemp  
Molly Bacon  
Pete Ostlund



**BOARD MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 6, 2022** - Becky Thayer, Secretary

This meeting was held by Zoom and there were 8 people in attendance: Pete Ostlund, Abby Skinner, Doris Asher, Dot Barnett, Becky Thayer, Jerrie Nichols, Bill Cadman and Ioana Sonea

Pete called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm

**Treasurer's Report:** Doris reported that from September 26, 2022 – December 2, 2022 there was income of \$349, expense of \$2,685 for a net expense of \$2,336. Total assets of \$19,840. A more detailed report can be found elsewhere in the Calypso.

**Membership Report:** Doris reported that there was no change from the last report; we currently have 96 members in 89 households. At this same time last year, we had 87 members in 77 households.

**Old Business**

Everyone agreed that Wenqing Perner and Kim Feddersen were very good speakers.

There was 1 item on the to do list that is not totally completed, the frames for the new show signs have been purchased but the printing of the signs will be rolled over to the new list.

**New Business:**

## Future meetings:

January 14, 2023 2:00 PM in-person hybrid Lois Snover-Hanson on floral design with orchids.

March 11, 2023 2:00 PM In-person hybrid with Russ Vernon speaking on Lycaste

April 8, 2023 6:00 PM In-person hybrid Bill Overton with a mounting orchids demonstration

May 13, 2023 6:00 PM In-person hybrid Rob Halgren topic to be determined

August 12, 2023 6:00 PM In-person hybrid Thanh Nguyen from Springwater orchids, topic to be determined

September 9, 2023 6:00 PM In-person hybrid Kristen Uthus topic to be determined.

October 14, 2023 6:00 PM In-person hybrid to be determined

November 11, 2023 2:00 PM In-person hybrid Peter T. Lin from Diamond Orchids, topic to be determined.

## Future shows set up and take down:

GVOS January 28 & 29, 2023: Pete, Dot and Carol have agreed to set up and take down. Pete would like one more person to help; he will try to recruit someone.

AAOS March 18 and 19 2023

MOS April 1 & 2, 2023

## Show committee report:

Ioana reported that MSU is on track to begin social media ads starting 6 weeks before the show. The social media manual is nearly done. They are working on videos that will be ready for review soon. Ioana will contact the advertising committee to get them involved.

Pete reported that he saw a TV10 News team at an event he attended and asked them how you get them to an event. They gave him the contact information and he will email that to Ioana. Pete said he saw the video on the news that night. Ioana will contact TV10 News Tips about our show.

After some discussion it was decided that the information table could be moved to the old position just inside the conservatory. There was discussion about table needs; Pete said he would contact the vendors and societies to ask about their needs. Doris asked about tables and chairs for the judging room, Ioana will check with MSU to ascertain if there will be tables and chairs or if we need to ask for them.

There was some discussion about the need for a social media committee to maintain the sites throughout the year. No decision was made at this time; we need to see what direction we want to take as we learn more about social media.

There was an issue around an Equagenera post, after seeing that post someone other than GLOS was soliciting for vendors and payment. It was a scam and Pete dealt with it. It was not Equagenera or GLOS responsible for the solicitation.

We discussed vendor payments; we except cash and checks at the show or preferably by the end of January.

**Board Elections:** We decided to ask Mike Underwood if he would chair the nomination committee again this year. The President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary all are term limited this year.

**Awards Committee** this year will be Pete (as president) and Abby (as director that is at the end of their term) and a member not on the board. Pete will ask a member to fill the post.

**Picnic:** It was decided that we would have the picnic on July 29 with July 22 as a second choice. Most people preferred the old location. Dot will contact the township to secure a spot. Dot has to be at the township hall 8:00 AM on January 2, 2023 in hopes of reserving a pavilion. Thank you Dot for your efforts.

**Speaker Hosting:** Pete asked if anyone was willing to host speakers in the future; there were no volunteers.

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**BOARD MEETING MINUTES, Concluded**

The board decided to send a sympathy card to Wayne Roberts family from GLOS. Ioana volunteered to take care of that for us.

We discussed a request for help from a member who was having a big pest problem. Dot sent them some websites and information but our attempt to find a person to make an in home visit fell through. Dot said she would contact them and see if the issue is resolving or if we need to find a way to help further.

Kim Feddersen sent Pete an email about some virus kits, Ioana said she would buy a package to see what they are like, and if it is something the society might be interested in.

Doris asked about the November raffle that wasn't. It was decided that Doris would write an article for the Calypso about what happened (there were no raffle items donated) and how we handled the never before experienced situation.

*To do list:*

1. Ioana will reconnect with the show chairpersons to insure everything is on track for the show.
2. Doris will write an article for the Calypso about the show food and donations.
3. Dot will re-send the 8.5 x 11 show flyer PDF to the board members.
4. Pete will contact Lois Snover-Hanson about a gift to her for speaking at the January meeting.
5. Pete will canvas for another person to help with the GVOS show display set up and take down.
6. Ioana will contact volunteers and create an ad committee.
7. Pete will send Ioana email address for TV 10 News Tips.
8. Ioana will ask MSU about tables and chairs for the judging room for the show.
9. Pete will contact vendors and societies about table needs.
10. Pete will ask Mike Underwood if he will chair the nomination committee again.
11. Pete will ask a member to help on the awards committee.
12. Ioana will send a sympathy card to Wayne Roberts' family from GLOS.
13. Dot will reconnect with the member that asked for help with her orchids and check on how they are doing.
14. Doris will write an article for the Calypso about the November raffle.
15. Dot will arrange for the picnic pavilion with the township.
16. Pete will contact Mikel Lienhart to ask if he will donate cymbidium flowers for the "orchids in use" at the show
17. Doris will contact Denis Seffernick to ask if he will have any flowers to donate to "orchids in use" at the show.

Next board meeting is on Monday, February 6, 2023 7:00 PM via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned 8:25 PM

**GLOS MEMBERSHIP**

Our GLOS numbers stand now as follows: as of December 12th -- 96 members in 89 households. At this same time last year, we had 91 members in 82 households.

We have 47 people who are Life Members (49.0% of the membership.) These numbers are included in the current membership numbers detailed above. Life Memberships are still available – Life Membership dues are \$80 for individuals, \$120 for two living in the same household.

Total Households (including Life Members): 89

Households getting paper copies: 14 (15.7%).

Households getting Calypso electronically: 75 (84.3%)

Calypso costs us:

Copying: \$.60 each x 6 issues = \$3.60/year

Copying plus postage: + \$.60 stamp = \$1.20 each x 6 issues = \$7.20/household/year

Fourteen households get paper copies: \$100.80 annually. This annual amount is often completely covered by donations that some "paper members" contribute (requested on dues form). For the fiscal year just completed, we received \$63.00 to help with the expenses of providing paper copies. Thank you very much to these donors.

Doris Asher, Membership Committee

**NOTES FOR TREASURER'S REPORT GLOS DECEMBER 6th** - Doris Asher, Treasurer

Note: This report is the second of our new fiscal year – 2022-2023 – less than a month until we reach the half-way mark

Current period – September 26, 2022 – December 2, 2022

- a. Net expense of \$2,336
- b. Income -- \$349
  - i. November Meeting -- \$175
  - ii. Show Trophy Sponsorships -- \$100
  - iii. Bank Interest -- \$74
- c. Expenses -- \$2,685
  - i. 2023 Show -- \$1,672 (advertising deposit -- \$1,170; publicity cards -- \$377; site rental deposit -- \$125)
  - ii. Meetings -- \$980 (October -- \$200; November -- \$780)
  - iii. Administrative Expenses -- \$34 (checks -- \$22; postage for newsletter \$12)
- d. Total Assets = \$19,840, of which \$13,941 is in 9 CD's with varying maturity dates; checking account has \$5,893

Note: Because of the number of large checks that I needed during this period, the checking account balance fell too low. I reduced our three CD's with the lowest interest rates (about 1% or less) to the minimum required and put the recovered funds into the checking account. New CD's are earning 4% interest. As soon as we have some "excess" money, I'll buy a new one with the 4% rate.

**Year-to-Date Report** – July 1, 2022 – December 2, 2022

- b. Net expense of \$1,924
- c. Income -- \$2,561
  - i. Picnic -- \$1,631
  - ii. Dues -- \$324
  - iii. Meetings -- \$287 (September -- \$112; November -- \$175)
  - iv. Bank Interest -- \$158
  - v. Show Trophy Sponsorships -- \$100
  - vi. Donations -- \$59
- d. Expenses -- \$4,486
  - i. 2023 Show -- \$2,398 (Advertising Deposit -- \$1,170; Ribbons \$596; Publicity Cards -- \$377; AOS Judging \$130; site rental deposit -- \$125)
  - ii. Meetings -- \$1,657 (August -- \$200; September -- \$478; October -- \$200; November -- \$780)
  - iii. Donations -- \$350 (Great Lakes Judging Center \$150; Michigan Nature Association \$100; Nature Conservancy \$100)
  - iv. Administrative Expenses -- \$81 (postage newsletters -- \$24; Checks -- \$22; Michigan Nonprofit Report \$20; website \$15)

**Budget Reconciliation Year-to-Date July 1, 2022 – December 2, 2022**

- a. Actual income = \$2,561 (compared with budgeted amount of \$8,020)
- b. Actual expenses = \$4,486 (compared with budgeted amount of \$11,250)
- c. Over budget = \$1,925

You are receiving the Calypso either as a PDF file, a hard copy, or both, depending on what we have from you in our records. If you would like to change this, please tell Dot or Doris Asher. *If you are not receiving emails from us, please let Dot or Doris know -- we will need to know if we have your correct email address!*

If you have not received the PDF file by at least one week before the General Meeting, please let Dot know.



## GLOS MEMBERS SHOW THEIR GENEROSITY – 2023 SHOW TROPHY SPONSORS

Once again, Society members have come through, underwriting ALL of the trophies for our Show this February! The trophies will be prepared by Larry Galdes and Mei Ling Clemens.

Many of these wonderful sponsors have already paid the Society for their sponsorships. If you have not yet had the opportunity to do so, you can save yourself expensive postage by paying Treasurer Doris Asher in person at our January 14th meeting. A check or cash is equally welcome – the cost is \$25.00. Checks payable to GLOS may also be mailed to Doris at 277 N. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing, MI 48823.

Thank you, donors, very much. This is a wonderful way to help our Show!

This year's sponsors are:

TROPHY	SPONSOR
Exhibits, Open	Pete Ostlund
Exhibits, Society	Pete Porciello
Exhibits, Amateur	Anonymous GLOS Members
Julie Bishop Memorial (Cattleya Alliance)	Andrea Bishop
Paphiopedilum Species	Tammy Scherer & Jim Churn
Paphiopedilum Hybrids	Sally Heinlein
Phragmipedium, Cypripedium	Dot Potter Barnett
Phalaenopsis	Andrea Bishop
Vanda	Diane Zoellner
Brassia and Miltonia	Mary Henman
Oncidium Alliance	Don & Jane Farrelly
Cymbidium Alliance	Dawn Kittle (In Memory of Sherwin Kittle; in Memory of Betty Jane Harvey)
Dendrobium Alliance	Michael Henderson
Pleurothallid Alliance	Lynn O'Shaughnessy
Alex Challis Memorial (Miscellaneous Genera)	Littlefrog Farm
Specimen Plant	Jerrie Nichols
Art (Excluding Photography)	Dottie Winter
Photography	Carol Ann Stuht
Orchids in Use (Professional)	Bill Cadman
Marilyn Lee Memorial (Orchids in Use (Amateur))	Becky Thayer
Don and Kris Garling Memorial	
Best of Show	New World Orchids
AOS Show Trophy – Outstanding Exhibit	Greater Lansing Orchid Society

## AOS VIDEO LIBRARY

Have you taken advantage of the AOS Video Library? The library contains many useful, how-to-video clips on all aspects of orchid and culture. These videos are self-contained and do not require any player or other software. You may distribute them or link to them freely but opening and closing titles and acknowledgement may not be removed.

<https://www.aos.org/orchids/aos-video-library.aspx>



## AOS CORNER

On behalf of the American Orchid Society, we would like to thank you, our Affiliates, for your continued support throughout the past year. Twenty Twenty-Two allowed us to start making our way back to our pre-pandemic lives. Although not fully rid of Covid, we were able to have in person judging, meetings, shows and all the other events that made us feel whole as orchid enthusiasts. We were able to share with you: Webinars; the Orchid Marketplace; OrchidPro; Virtual Speaker Days; Fall and Spring Members Meeting; literature such as the Book on Aerangis; initiatives such as Stuck on Orchids, a children's book; Grants; our spectacular ORCHIDS Magazine and its Supplements among other initiatives and our crowning jewel, our Centennial. We look forward to providing you with more resources and opportunities in 2023.

**ORCHID FLOWERS NEEDED**

Jolanta Piecuch is chairing our orchids-in-use portion of the February Show. If you would like to participate in this part of the Show, please pre-register, preferably by December 31, 2022. All pre-registered participants will get free orchid flowers to use in their designs. Contact Jolanta Piecuch 517-655-9869, jolantapiecuch@yahoo.com. Please contact her if you need orchid flowers for your design or have questions.

Jolanta needs orchid flowers for arrangers to use, if they do not have access to any. We are asking all members for help – if you will have orchid flowers that you are willing to cut, please contact Jolanta to make arrangements to get the flowers to her. She needs to hear from you by Monday, February 20, please. Many genera of orchids hold up well as cut flowers: cymbidiums, phalaenopsis, sprays of oncidiums, sprays of dendrobiums, to name just a few.

Here are this year's rules for the Orchids-in-Use section:

1. Each exhibitor needs to pre-register with Jolanta.
2. There are no specific rules or requirements for the type of designs entered in this Show, except the width cannot exceed 20 inches. The exhibitor may choose a floral arrangement or item of personal adornment to enter.
3. Fresh orchid(s) must be used in every design.
4. All design work must be the work of the exhibitor. Plant material need not be grown by the exhibitor.
5. Each exhibitor's design will have a label stating their name and club or society affiliation.
6. No artificial flowers, fruit, or foliage are permitted. Lace leaves and ribbon buds are permitted only in corsages, bridal bouquets, hair pieces, botanical jewelry, and other personal adornment designs.
7. Leaf shine, dye, paint, etc., may be used ONLY on dried plant material.
8. An underlay is permitted with all designs. Designs are staged on black skirted tables 28" above the floor with a black background.
9. No entry may be removed from the Show before 4:00 p.m. Sunday, February 26, 2023.

The "Orchids in Use" part of the Show will not be judged.

There will be space available for exhibitors to finish their designs at the show site on Friday from 3:00-4:30 p.m.

### **NOMINATIONS FOR MAY ELECTIONS:**

Nominations are now being accepted for the May elections. Carol Stucht (castuht@gmail.com) is the chair of the Nominating Committee. If you are interested in serving on the Nominations Committee, please contact Carol prior to March 1. If you would like to be nominated for a board position, please contact Carol and let her know of your interest before April 1. The Nominating Committee will present its slate of candidates at the April membership meeting.

PLEASE NOTE: the president, vice president, treasurer and secretary positions must all be filled with different people as these current board members have reached their term limits in these positions.

### **ANNUAL AWARDS:**

In May of each year we set aside time at our meeting to recognize individuals for their special service to GLOS over the past year. This may include special recognition at the highest level (Orchidist of the Year). If you feel someone deserves special recognition, please send your nomination to someone on the Awards Committee (Abby Skinner, Pete Ostlund, a person to be named later). Please include a short write-up of why you feel this individual is worthy of such recognition. Candidacy for the Orchidist of the Year award may be based on, but not limited to, the following:

- Leadership
- Promotion of the Society or of orchids
- Committee activity
- Society organizational efforts
- Botanical development
- Research Authorship of orchidaceous articles
- Taxonomy of orchids





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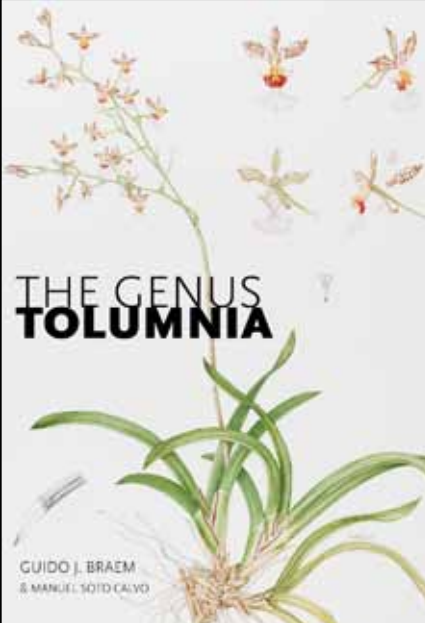
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**FOOD HELP NEEDED FOR THE SHOW!**

Just like last year, we may not bring any food to the Show that we have prepared at home – all food items must be prepared by a commercial firm or a caterer. Last January I told you this was a pandemic-related restriction that the University had implemented. That turns out to have been incorrect – actually, this has been MSU policy all along – our liaison simply has not enforced their policy. However, now they are. This is obviously a much more expensive way to provide the food and refreshments that we offer all weekend for the Show!

Consequently, we humbly request cash gifts again. We are not asking anyone to bring any food this year – food will be purchased with your monetary donations.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone no. \_\_\_\_\_

Donation for food and drink for the entire Show weekend \$ \_\_\_\_\_

You may email this form to our Treasurer Doris Asher (asherdoris44@gmail.com), or mail it to her at 277 N Hagadorn Road, East Lansing, MI 48823.

*Our Hospitality group chaired by Teresa Fowle, needs helpers for food service for Friday afternoon/evening setup, Saturday morning/noon/ afternoon, and Sunday all day/cleanup.* Contact Teresa if you can volunteer a couple hours providing food services. Email is great (tdlewis9@yahoo.com); or phone her at 517-879-1930.

You may also give Doris your cash gifts and let her know of your availability to volunteer in the food room when we meet on January 14th. Cash or checks are equally welcome – please make your check payable simply to “GLOS”.

Thank you in advance. As much as we all love orchids, we also really love to eat!

Thanks to everyone for contributing!  
Doris Asher, Treasurer

