

Ann Arbor Orchid Society Newsletter

President's Message

Our meeting this month is to plan for next month's festival. It is a major undertaking, and we need "all hands on deck". At the meeting we will provide information for those who might be interested in, but might be nervous about, clerking. We will also have sign-up sheets for various jobs required over the course of the weekend. Please come to the meeting prepared to volunteer!

I recently received a very nice invitation to all our members from Pam Haxton, President of Michigan Orchid Society (MOS), to attend their monthly meeting in February, a casual meeting designed for people to simply get to know one another. Unfortunately, the meeting is on the same day and at the same time as our monthly meeting, Feb. 16. Given the importance of our planning meeting, I hope all our members will attend our meeting. However, if for some reason you cannot attend our meeting but can attend the MOS meeting, here is the information Pam sent me:

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The plan is for it to be a casual meeting, no formal program, with activities that allow us all to get to know one another. We will have a few brief presentations on prepping plants for shows and such, an informal plant swap/sale and a potluck dinner. We're planning on an afternoon of orchid talk, food and friendship.

MOS will be meeting at 2:30 pm on Sunday, February 16th at the First Baptist Church of Birmingham. Address is: 300 Willits Rd Birmingham, Michigan. Parking is around in back.



The Ghost Orchid

I'm sure that you have heard about the Ghost Orchid, which is native to Florida and Cuba. *Dendrophylax lindenii* is its Latin name. I found some articles about the plant last fall and I've been waiting to share them with you.

ENJOY!

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/search?q=ghost+orchid>

Speakers!

Denise Nash would like you to let her know what type of speaker you would like to see and hear! Please let me know! Just email me any time!

realdenisenash@att.net I would like to bring in a cymbidium hobbyist from California in November, but other than that, we have a clean slate!

2020 Great Lakes Judging Center Annual Seminar

Sat. June 20 12 noon to 8 pm and Sun. June 21 8:30 am to 12:30 pm
Washtenaw Community College Ann Arbor, Michigan

The Cypripedium Alliance: Slipper Orchids

FEATURED SPEAKERS

- Bill Goldner, Woodstream Orchids
- Hadley Cash, Marriott Orchids
- Wayne Roberts, Roberts Flower Supply
- more lectures by Judging Center members.

Sat. 1pm AOS Judging

Auctions all day on Saturday; orchid sales both days.

Location, times, costs, topics and daily schedule at www.gljc.org



Cypripedium Pixi 'MoJo' AM/AOS

AOS Calendar



February 16 2020—
Planning for the Festival
and the Beginner's class

February 22-23 Greater
Lansing Show, Plant and Soil
Science building on MSU Campus.

March 20 Festival Set up

March 21-22 AAOS Orchid Festival

March 28-29 MOS Show, Madison Hgts.

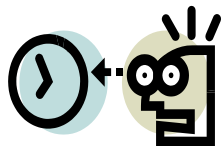
April 19, 2020 - How to Grow your new
orchid. Various stations will help you
learn how to repot, mount, and grow
your new orchid.

NOTE NEW DATE!

May 17, 2020— Bill Overton—to be de-
termined

Please email Denise with any sugges-
tions for speakers! If there is a grower
you particularly like, let me know and
we'll try to book them as speakers! My
email address is:

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Newsletter Deadline

The next Newsletter deadline is March
14, 2020. Please email submissions to
Denise Nash at realdenisenash@att.net

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AAOS meets monthly from September through
May (excluding December) at the University of
Michigan's Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800
North Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor, MI. at 2:00 p.m.,
set up at 1:30. The AAOS Newsletter is published
8-9 times throughout the year, and is sent to all
AAOS members. AAOS members and others are
invited to submit articles or other information
relating to orchids. The Ann Arbor Orchid Society
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tion, affiliated with the American Orchid Society,
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The Toledo Zoo Presents:

The Zoo's first ever Orchid Show: Stories and Species of the Victorian Era opens to the public tomorrow at 10 a.m. with displays in both the Aquarium and the ProMedica Museum of Natural History. As this is new to all of us, we asked show creator and Zoo plant ecologist, Dr. Ryan Walsh, how to best experience all the exotic beauty!

My best advice is to first visit howtoledozoo.org/orchids to check out of the activities and see what interests you. This should help in being able to pick your day to attend the show. The event runs 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. daily through Feb 23. Once you arrive, grab a map (available in the Museum) to plan your course. Be sure to check out the show graphics as you walk through the exhibits to learn more about the history of orchids, the worldwide craze they caused, their cultural significance, unique blooms and much more.

Stories and Species of the Victorian Era

Feb 7-23, 2020

Become immersed in beautiful blooms throughout the Pro Media Museum of Natural history and Aquarium during the orchid Show at the Toledo Zoo! Discover the vibrant colors, delightful scents and interesting backstories of rare and exotic orchid's species from around the world. 10-4 daily included in the zoo admission price

**TOLEDO ZOO ORCHID PLANT SALE
FEB 24 IN THE GREAT HALL
9 AM TO 3 PM**



GREATER LANSING ORCHID SOCIETY ORCHID SHOW & SALE

February 22-23, 2020
Michigan State University
Plant & Soil Science Conservatory

Hours:
Sat. Noon-5
Sun. 11-4

orchid sales
orchid displays
orchid growing classes

Free admission/parking
Donations accepted
Handicapper accessible



GVOS Show Report



The weather in Grand Rapids was almost balmy compared to last year's Polar Vortex. Dottie and Laura put up a lovely 25 square foot display. Most of the plants shown will be for sale Sunday. Denise purchased them to sell at the last meeting, which was canceled. Some are done flowering, but the ones still flowering (some with ribbons attached!) will be at the meeting on Sunday for purchase.

Dottie Winter, Paige Hartman, Laura Zimmerman, Denise Nash, Deb Heckler and Linda Battison were all at Meijer Gardens helping to set up the display, and Denise and Laura tore it down on Sunday. Michael Weber contributed plants. Thanks to everyone for a successful January Show in Grand Rapids!

Ann Arbor Orchid Society Membership Form

Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip

Phone (Home)

Phone (Work)

E-mail

_____ Individual (\$20)

_____ Senior Individual (\$15)

_____ Household (\$25)

_____ Senior Household (\$20) Senior rates apply for those 70 and over.

☐ New Membership

☐ Renewal

☐ New Address

☐ Beginner

☐ Advanced Grower

☐ Commercial Grower

What is your growing environment?

☐ Greenhouse

☐ Artificial lights

☐ Windowsill

☐ Other _____

Would you like to receive your newsletter via email only? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Member of the American Orchid Society? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Orchid Digest Corporation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please make checks payable to the Ann Arbor Orchid Society. You may bring this application to any meeting, or mail it to: AAOS Membership, P.O. Box 3006, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-3006

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