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Calendar

May 15th

Dr. Randall J Bayer – Dendrobiums

May 20th

GVOS Business meeting

June 19th and 20th

GLJC June Seminar – Slipper Orchids

June 12th

Summer Picnic

GVOS Board

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Bert Smith

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Paph. rothschildianum 'Jim Krull'
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June

This month there will not be a regular meeting. We are invited to participate in the Great Lakes Judging Center's Annual Seminar. The topic this year is The Cypripedium Alliance which include Armeniacum, Cypripedium, Delenatii, Emersonii, Malipoense, Mexipedium, Micranthum, Paphiopedilum, Parvisepalum, Phragmipedium and Selenipedium. These types of orchids are commonly known as slipper orchids due to the shape of their pouch. The annual business meeting was held and new board members elected. Arunas also stepped forward as host for our June picnic.

GVOS Elections

The annual GVOS business meeting was held Thursday May 20, 2021 at 7PM on zoom. In this meeting the ballot was presented as published in the previous newsletters. It was motioned and seconded that the ballot be accepted as published and the motion passed. The new board members are official as follows:

President: Bert Smith

Vice President: Joel Borst

Treasurer: Joan Shipaila

Secretary: Tara Rietberg

Members At Large: Jill Woods and Jerry Ambrose

Congratulations to the new board!

Summer Picnic

Arunas has stepped forward and has volunteered to host the summer picnic. Thank you very much for being willing to host the gathering. As host, Arunas has respectfully asked that you only attend if you are fully vaccinated. Masks are optional. The picnic is open to all society members and their families. Feel free to bring plants or divisions to trade or sell.

Date: Saturday June 12th

Time: 2PM

Location: 3420 Eastridge Ct NE, Grand Rapids, MI

Menu: Burgers, grilled chicken, potato salad, baked beans, spinach salad and cake

To Bring: Bring your own lawn chairs if you would like to sit down. It was also recommended you bring bug spray and sunscreen if you have sensitive skin.

Need: Arunas is looking for a few people to bring a couple of side dishes. What he is looking for are the following: ***One green salad, one fruit salad, one pasta salad and one non cake desert such as brownies.*** If you would like to bring one of these dishes, please email Arunas at arunasb@comcast.net.

RSVP: If you are planning to attend, please email Arunas at arunasb@comcast.net with the number of people you will be bringing no later than June 8th so he can make accurate arrangements for the burgers and chicken.

New Members

Even though we did not have our big show this year where we have a membership table set up, we did add two new members this Spring. A very warm welcome to Heather McLeod and Faith Baughman.

Heather McLeod: I've been growing orchids for 15+ years. First, I enjoyed growing angel winged begonias.. I'm only a hobbyist and need plants that will thrive in a home environment. I've been a member of the GLOS, Ann Arbor and RBG in Hamilton Ontario. I have moved back to Michigan Nov 2019 being in Ontario for almost 8 years. I love small orchids in the dendrobium genus. I love toolumnias and would like to purchase some in the near future (anyone selling?) My collection is fairly small due to the work of bringing orchids across the border. I'm looking for Iwanagaara (Jackfowlieara) appleblossom if anyone wants to make some money! :-)

Faith Baughman: I've been a long-time orchid lover, but only recently started seriously trying to grow them. I've joined a orchid fb group & this organization in hopes to learn more & networking with folks who actually know what they are doing. lol. Anyway, thanks for the welcome. Excited to be here.

Society News

It's that time again and dues are due. The prices are \$25 for an individual and \$40 for a family for the year. Please make checks payable to GVOS. You may mail payments to Joan at the following address:

2139 Chesapeake NE
Grand Rapids, MI 49505

At this time, we don't have an option for electronic payments. If this changes, an announcement will be sent out.

Some may not agree with being asked to pay dues considering we haven't been able to meet in person this past year. However, through partnering with other Michigan societies GVOS has been able to grant members access to a wide range of content including guest speakers and presenters they may not otherwise have been able to enjoy. While this partnership has been very beneficial for all participating societies and their members, the speakers and the content provided has not been free. Even though all of the societies have shared in the expenses the budget has been very tight since losing the revenue the show and other fundraisers would have provided. To allow GVOS to continue to provide engaging and educational material we ask that you please pay your dues no later than May 29, 2021 or risk being removed from the mailing list. If do you wish to be removed from the mailing list, please email maczkaal@gmail.com with your request. We thank you for your understanding.



Paph. lowii 'Miami'
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2021 Great Lakes Judging Center Orchid Webinar

The Great Lakes Judging Center is pleased to announce its annual education seminar to take place on June 19-20, 2021. The topic is “The Cyripedium Alliance”. This orchid alliance encompasses the genera of Paphiopedilum, Phragmipedium, Cyripedium, Mexipedium and Selenipedium.

Monthly AOS Judging has been moved to another location for this month only. It will be held on June 19 at 3 pm EDT. at the home of Lynn O'Shaughnessy at 1721 Peavy Rd. Howell, Michigan 48843.

Due to continuing COVID-19 uncertainty about public gatherings, this seminar will be online as a Webinar event. The schedule for both days will be online talks from 10 am to 1 pm EDT. Details about the event and the agenda will be available on the GLJC website at (gljc.org). Registration is required and is now available using the following link: [GLJC Seminar Registration](#)

Featured speakers will be Hadley Cash, Marriott Orchids (marriottorchids.com) on “Recent Trends in Complex and Novelty Paphiopedilum Breeding”, Bill Goldner, Woodstream Orchids (woodstreamorchids.com) on “Miniature Phragmipediums and Other Lines of Breeding”, and Wayne Roberts, Roberts Flower Supply (orchidmix.com) on “Cyripediums Unmasked”. There will be additional talks by members of the Great Lakes and Toronto judging Centers.

There will be no cost to attend as the seminar is entirely online. Questions can be directed to Dave Miller, GLJC Education Coordinator at gljc.judges@gmail.com.

Topic	Zoom information
<p><i>Great Lakes Judging Center Annual Seminar: Cypripedium Alliance</i></p>	<p>Topic: Great Lakes Judging Center Annual Seminar: Cypripedium Alliance</p> <p>Time: June 19th-20th 2021</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting</p> <p>Registration for this seminar is required. Information and links for registration are located both above and will be sent out through email as well.</p>

Paphiopedilum

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Pronunciation:

[paff-ee-oh-PED-ih-lum](#) (click on the name to hear it spoken)

Tribe: Cypripedieae

Subtribe:

The generic name ***Paphiopedilum*** was derived from the Greek *Paphos* (a city with a temple dedicated to Venus) and *pedilon* (sandal). As cypripediums, phragmipediums and selenipediums are popularly known as 'lady's slippers', so too are paphs since they are all characterized by a slipper-shaped lip. Rather than growing from a pseudobulb, these mostly terrestrial, sympodial plants instead form fans of six or more leaves. The flowers of some species present warts and hairs, fascinating traits for lovers of this genus. Depending on the species, the flowers are borne either singularly or in multiples. Ernst Pfitzer separated the 60-65 known species from *Cypripedium* in 1886. The genus has been further divided into subgenera which form more or less natural groupings. These subgenera include: ***Parvisepalum*, *Brachypetalum*, *Polyantha*, *Sigmatopetalum* and *Cochlopetalum*.**

Due to their ease in adapting to cultivation, paphs are common in hobbyist collections, far more so than cyps or phrags. Many artificial hybrids have been made with paphiopedilums and the number of awards is history. Unlike other popular orchid genera, ways to meristem ***Paphiopedilum*** have yet to be found and all plants are either collected or grown from seed. Artificially created species are always better in shape and ease of cultivation due to line breeding. Buying collected plants is not recommended – and could land you in jail! Species popular in collections include: ***P. armeniacum*, *P. barbatum*, *P. callosum*, *P. charlesworthii*, *P. concolor*, *P. delenatii*, *P. farrieanum*, *P. lowii*, *P. malipoensis*, *P. micranthum*, *P. rothschildianum*, *P. sanderianum* *P. sukhakulii* and a long etc.**

Number of species:

The World Monocot Checklist currently recognizes over 100 species, including numerous varietal forms and 23 natural hybrids. (2020)

Distribution:

Tropical Asia

--- CULTURE ---

Temperature:	Requirements vary. 55F – 100F, depending on species.
Light:	1000 footcandles in the hot Summer months, 1,400 footcandles in the cooler months.
Water-Humidity:	Wait until potting medium is starting to dry out but not completely dry before watering. Water thoroughly until water runs freely through the drain holes in the pot.
Fertilizer:	Fertilize with a balanced, water-soluble formula at 150-200ppm (parts per million). Fertilizer is applied from October through May on the day after every other watering. Ensure two waterings between every fertilizer application to remove any residual salts from previous applications. Discontinue fertilizer during hot Summer months to prevent salt burns as a result of plant taking up too much fertilizer.
Potting:	A fairly porous mix is recommended, consisting of five parts medium fir bark, two parts Canadian peat and one part each charcoal, extra coarse Sponge Rok #4 and ½-inch (1.25-cm) Stalite. Combine components in these proportions to produce a mix that provides support for the roots while allowing them to breath and resist becoming water-logged.
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Author:	Frank Smith - Krull-Smith Orchids http://krullsmith.com

Culture sheets from www.AOS.org

2021 Great Lakes Judging Center Annual Seminar

ONLINE MEETING via Zoom Meetings - Registration Required

Sat. June 19 - 10 am to 1 pm EDT and Sun. June 20 - 10 am to 1 pm EDT

Cypripedium Alliance - Slipper Orchids

FEATURED SPEAKERS

- Bill Goldner, Woodstream Orchids
- Hadley Cash, Marriott Orchids
- Wayne Roberts, Roberts Flower Supply
- more lectures by Michigan and Toronto Judging Center members.
- Featured speakers order discounts

For updates on Agenda and Times check the GLJC website at gljc.org or gljc.judges@gmail.com



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Cypripedium Pixi 'MoJo' AM/AOS