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Calendar

May 18th

Orchid Auction

June 17th

Annual picnic

July 20th

Open

August 17th

Tiny Slippers

GVOS Board

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Joel Borst

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Justin Krenselewski

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Jerry Ambrose

Jill Wood



May

This month's meeting will be one of our society auctions. Please bring plants and divisions you are looking to rehome. All proceeds will go to the GVOS budget. Please note, orchids only. We will not be allowing any house plants this time. We will also have a plant table as usual.

GVOS News

It is hard to believe how quickly time is flying. It is almost time for our annual picnic. If you are interested and willing to host, please let me know at your earliest convenience. Whoever volunteers to host also chooses the date. This picnic is a potluck, so once the date and location are set, a sign-up list will go out with the needed types of dishes.

Please keep an eye on your email and our Facebook page and group for information and updates on the summer meetings. Meeting dates may change to avoid conflicts with concerts in the amphitheater. This seems to have been the best way to solve the parking issues for our summer meetings. Please read all newsletters and announcements carefully for any changes that may need to be made.



GVOS Dues

It is that time of the year again when our annual dues are due. You can pay either by writing a check made payable to GVOS and sending it to the address below, handing it to Joan at a meeting, paying with cash at a meeting or pay electronically by scanning the QR code below.

Dues are \$25 for an individual and \$40 for a family.

As you can see from the show breakdown Joan provided, while the shows are a lot of fun and do bring in some money, there are also some expenses involved. Also, much of the programming that we arrange and provide are additional expenses. Speakers such as Fred Clark, Kelly McCracken, Neill Sams, Rob Halgren and more do not do their presentations for free. Paying your dues on time helps to provide the funds we need to bring these speakers and other programming to you.

Thank you.



Check Payments may be mailed to:

Grand Valley Orchid Society
2139 Chesapeake NE
Grand Rapids, MI. 49505

Upcoming AOS Events and Webinars

May – June Webinars

Webinars - Coming Attractions!

REGISTRATION IS EASY <https://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx>

Cannot make it on the scheduled date and time? No need to worry.

Register now and view on your time schedule.

Send Your Greenhouse Chat Questions and Photos to: greenhousechat@aos.org
Greenhouse Chat webinars are recorded and indexed by topic for future viewing.

When	May 11, 2023 8:30 pm EDT Thursday	May 16, 2023 8:30 pm EDT Tuesday	June 08, 2023 8:30 pm EDT Thursday	June 15, 2023 8:30 pm EDT Thursday
Topic	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos and Questions by May 09</i>	He Came from the Land Down-Under Orchids Australia	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos and Questions by June 06</i>	Dendrobiums of New Guinea Colorful Clusters for your Collection
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Tom Mirenda AOS <i>Orchids</i> Monthly Columnist, Professional Grower	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Carol Klonowski AOS Editorial Board Member and AOS Judge

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and in the AOS Corner of your Affiliated Society's newsletter.

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March Plant Table

Will be updated when information is available

Alliance	Place	Name	Owner
Cattleya - lg Classes 11-27	1	BC Florida Stars	Joes Borst
	2	BLC Wainae Leopard 'Ching Hua'	Joes Borst
	3	Eipdendrum (red)	Tara Rietberg
Paphiopedilum	1	Paph rothschildianum x sib	Paul Ondarko
	2	Paph Satchels Legend 'Haky Suzam' x arg	Kathy Miller
	3	Paph Jade Dragon	Tara Rietberg
Phragmipedium	1	Phrag Jason Fisher	Jade Vandavelde
	2	Phrag Cardinal	Jill Wood
	3	Phrag Mountain Maid	Jade Vandavelde
Phalaenopsis - large Classes 48-62	1	NOID white/pink lip	Paul Ondarko
	2	NOID white/pink markings	Gordon Griffin
	3	NOID white	Justin Krenselewski
Phalaenopsis - novelty Classed 48-62	1	Richard Ho 'Cranberry Sauce'	Kenesha Verbeek
Vanda Classes 63-78	1	Schoenorchis micrantha	Jill Wood
	2	Schoenorchis pachacris	Jill Wood
Oncidium Classes 79-86	1	Blira Snowblind 'Sweet Spots'	Paul Ondarko
	2	Blira Tahoma	Tara Rietberg
	3	Onc cheiophorm x sib	Justin Krenselewski
Cymbidium Classes 87-89	1	Dorthy Stockstill 'Forgotten Fruits'	Tara Rietberg
	1	Love Memory 'Fizz'	Jen Myaard

Dendrobium Classes 90-96	2	Chocolate Antelope	Tara Rietberg
	3	anosmum	Jade Vandavelde
Miscellaneous - large Classes 97-110	1	Zygonia Cynosure 'Blue Birds'	Justin Krenselewski
	2	Coelogyne cristata	Jade Vandavelde
	3	Zygo Debbie Demello 'Honolulu Baby' x Aganisia cyanea	Justin Krenselewski
Miscellaneous - small Classes 97-110	1	Chytroglossa marileoniae	Jill Wood
	2	Bulbophyllum lindleyanum	Jill Wood
	3	Pleurothallis ornata	Jill Wood
Plant of the Month		Dendrobium aggregatum	Bert Smith



Current Point Standings

Will be updated when information is available

Last Name	First Name	Total Points - Winter/Spring
Wood	Jill	155
Rietberg	Tara	132
Borst	Joel	93
Smith	Bert & Teresa	78
Krenselewski	Justin	75
Glover	Tom	72
Ondarko	Paul	62
Longschied	Thomas	61
DeLano	Dan	49
Maczka	Alison	47
Molchan	Jim	38
Ambrose	Jerry	34
Smith	Debbie	33
VanderVelde	Jade	32
Shipaila	Joan	32
Miller	Kathy	28
Niemeier	Matthew	25
Martinez	Christie	24
Martin	Olivia	24
Griffin	Gordon	23
Clemens	Mei Ling	23
Albin	Brittany	18
Verbeek	Kenesha	15
Warner	Archie	13
Loeper	Matt	13
Myaard	Jen	10
Olson	Denise	5
Wallace	Lauren	4
Madison	David	2
McCormack	Betty	1
Vanderwell	Kyleigh	1

GVOS Rewards

There have been some adjustments to the point system we used in previous years for participation. The new points system is as follows:

Plant table

- Bring a blooming orchid - 1 point
- Plant of the month – 5 points
- 1st place – 5 points
- 2nd place – 3 points
- 3rd place – 2 points

Participation In Meetings

- Attend GVOS meeting – 1 point
- Attend another society Meeting -2 points
- Attend an away show or other society meeting – 2 points
- Give a presentation – 10 points
- Bring treats to meeting – 1 point

Participation In Shows

- GVOS show participation – 5 points per day
- GVOS Bring food – 3 points
- Plants in any show – 5 points
- Clerking in any show – 5 points
- Set up or Tear down away show – 10 Points
- Attend an away show – 2 points
- Plant pulled for AOS judging – 10 points
- Plant awarded by AOS – 10 points
- Awarded a trophy – 10 points

If you are interested in leading a talk or doing a presentation for one of the meetings, please email the newsletter editor at maczkaal@gmail.com with your topic and the date you would like to do it. She will make sure the information is passed to Joel Borst and added to the meeting schedule. If you would like to write a small article for an upcoming newsletter, please submit those to the same email address

Orchid Show/Festival Schedule

The show schedule will be updated as shows are registered for the 2023-2024 show season

Show	Location	Date	Status
Grand Valley Orchids Society Show and Sale	Frederick Meijer Gardens 1000 East Beltline Ave NE Grand Rapids,		
Greater Lansing Orchid Show and Sale	Michigan State Soil and Science Building 1066 Bogue St, East Lansing, MI 48824		
Ann Arbor Orchid Society	Matthaei Botanical Gardens 1800 N Dixboro Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48105		
Michigan Orchid Society Show and Sale	United Plumber Union Hall, 555 Horace Brown Dr, Madison Heights, MI 48071		
Saginaw Valley Orchid Show and Sale	Kochville Veterans Hall, 3265 Kochville Rd, Saginaw, MI 48604		



Phaius

Loureiro 1790

Pronunciation:

FAY-us

Tribe: Arethuseae

Subtribe: Bletiinae

Phaius tankervilleae was introduced into England in 1778 by John Fothergill, who brought the plant from China. The genus was identified by Juan Loureiro, who also named it using the Greek word *phaios* (swarthy), probably because of the yellow–brown flower color that dominates the genus. ***Phaius tankervilleae*** is commonly called the nun's orchid, possibly due to the lateral view of the column, which resembles a Madonna.

The genus contains around 50 pseudobulbous, sympodial, robust species with very short rhizomes. There are both terrestrial and epiphytic species, with the terrestrials most widely known.

The thickened, stocky pseudobulbs are hidden by the ensheathing leaf bases. Each pseudobulb is enclosed by 2 to 8 large, thin, deeply grooved leaves, up to 4 feet (120 cm) long and 10 inches (25 cm) wide. Many flowers are borne on the 3 to 4 foot (90 -120 cm) tall inflorescences. The 4 inch (10 cm) wide flowers are very showy and distinctive.

Several different species native to Madagascar are encountered in the trade under the name ***Phaius***. While very closely related, there are sufficient differences between these species and true *Phaius* to warrant their segregation under a distinct genus. These eight species are now known as *Gastrorchis* (for instance *G. pulchra*).

Phaius and the related *Gastrorchis* can be propagated in an unusual way. Once the flowers are spent, the flower stem can be cut above the base and just below where the first flower was attached. The remaining section is from 1 to several feet (30+ cm) long. Below each bract on the stem is a bud capable of producing a new plant. The stems are laid horizontally in a flat of moist sphagnum moss. Both ends are covered with moss to prevent drying out.

The flat containing many stems is then placed under the bench and kept moist. As soon as the young plants have 2 or 3 roots, they can be snapped off the parent stem and placed in individual pots. Plantlets will require 2 to 3 years to attain flowering size.

Number of species:

The WCSP currently recognizes 43 species, 2 subspecies and 13 varieties. (2/2020)

Distribution:

India, Bhutan, Burma, Thailand, S. China, Laos, Vietnam, Taiwan and adjacent islands and the Philippines

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Temperature:	60 degrees F (15 C) minimum
Light:	2400-3600 footcandles; moderate to bright filtered light
Water-Humidity:	40-70% humidity; ample water during periods of growth, once growth is completed, keep the plant much drier in slightly cooler conditions.
Fertilizer:	Medium 1) Monthly with a 1-1-1 ratio as recommended on the container; Medium 2) When the inflorescence appears, with a 1-1-1 ratio.
Potting:	1) A mixture of 1 part peat : 1 part soil or 2) A mixture of 1 part loam : 1 part rotted cow manure : 1 part peat
References:	Sheehan, Tom & Marion, An Illustrated Survey of Orchid Genera, Timber Press, Portland OR, 1994.
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