

WEST SHORE ORCHID SOCIETY

FEBRUARY 2015

NEXT MEETING Wednesday, February 18, 2015

TIME 6:00 p.m. Conversation, Show Table plant registration.

 6:30 p.m. Edgar Stehli will talk about preparing your plants for the upcoming shows, followed up by a general questions/answer portion.

 7:00 p.m. Program: Wayne Roberts will be our speaker. Wayne owns and operates Roberts Flower Supply with his wife Nancy which has been in business for over 25 years. He has been a member of West Shore since 1984, is past president of West Shore and is currently our acting vice president. He speaks at societies around the country and has given a number of presentations to West Shore over the years. This time around he will be talking on "What is my plant saying to me?" The most asked question he gets is why does my plant look the way it does with black spots, white spots, losing its leaves, etc. As he purchased several collections this past year and he will have many examples of problems that can be encountered while growing orchids.

PLACE North Olmsted Community Cabin, 28114 Lorain Road, North Olmsted

PROGRAM

SHOW TABLE Our show table was again fabulous in December. We had 68 plants brought in for display. February's meeting is the first show table of the New Year and we are starting a new contest, so bring in your plants for judging. Again, you earn 10 points for 1st, 6 for 2nd and 4 for 3rd place winners. You also can win 8 points each for best species or best miniature. Anyone bringing in a plant receives 1 point for each plant brought to the show table and registered. So bring in your plants and let the competition begin. We will have our speaker and a second volunteer do the show table judging at this meeting.

ORCHID CALENDER

Renewal Time! Our membership year is January to December. If you joined West Shore and paid your dues in August thru December, 2014, or renewed at our December meeting, you are covered for 2015. For the rest of us, it's time to renew. To renew you can pay your dues at the February meeting or send a check made out to the West Shore Orchid Society to our treasurer, John Rini, 6490 E. Vancey Dr., Brookpark, Ohio 44142. Dues are only \$20.00 for individuals or families.

Greater Cleveland Orchid Society Show

When Saturday & Sunday February 14th & 15th

Where Cleveland Botanical Garden, 11030 East Blvd., Cleveland, OH

Description Contact: Margaret Evens, 330-656-1798 mopggymate@gmail.com

Miami Valley Orchid Society Show

When Saturday & Sunday February 14th & 15th

Where Cox Arboretum, 6733 Springboro Pike, Dayton, OH

Description Contact: Michele Little 513-423-8937 my3snakes@yahoo.com

Greater Cincinnati Orchid Show

When Saturday & Sunday February 28th & March 1st

Where Duke Energy Convention Center, 525 Elm St., Cincinnati, OH.

Description Contact: Amy Gondosch 859-394-5038 treasurer@cincinnatiorchids.org **Ann Arbor**

Greater Lansing Orchid Society Show

When Saturday & Sunday February 28th & March 1st

Where Michigan State University, Plant & Soil Science Bldg., 1066 Borgue St., East Lansing, MI

Description Contact: Pete Ostlund, 517-449-5248 p.ostlund@yahoo.com

Greater Akron Orchid Society Show

When Saturday & Sunday March 7th & 8th

Where 937 E. Waterloo Rd., Akron, OH

Description Contact: James & Maria Bell 330-664-6887 bell7427@aol.com

West Shore Orchid Society Show

When Saturday & Sunday March 14th & 15th

Where Strongsville Recreation Center, 18100 Royalton Road, Strongsville, OH

Description Contact: Chester Kieliszek 330-467-3731 kieliszekc@ferro.com For those people not able to participate in the activities taking place this weekend, we do need food items for the vendors and WSOS workers, **especially on Friday** during set up which starts at 9:30 AM.

Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania Show

When Saturday & Sunday March 21st & 22nd

Where Phipps Garden Center, 1059 Shady Ave., Pittsburgh, PA

Description Contact: Carolyn Bolton 412-714-0263 boltoncs@gmail.com

Michigan Orchid Society's 61st Annual Palm Sunday Show

When Saturday & Sunday March 28th & 29th

Where United Food & Commercial Workers Union Bldg., Horace Brown Drive, Madison Heights, MI

Description Contact: Pamela Garden, 586-786-0944 garden11883@comcast.net

Central Ohio Orchid Society Spring Show & Sale

When Saturday & Sunday April 4th & 5th

Where Franklin Park Conservatory, 1777 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH

Description Contact: Dave Markley, 614-471-537 dmarkley5868@wowway.com

WSOS Meeting

When Wednesday April 15, 2014 – 6:00 PM Conversation, 7:00 PM Main Speaker

Where North Olmsted Community Cabin, 28114 Lorain Road, North Olmsted

Description We will have as of now an un-named speaker which will be announced in our next newsletter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

It is show time again and we are looking for plants to display at the Greater Cleveland Orchid Society show setting up on Friday 2/13, the Greater Akron Orchid Society show setting up on Friday 3/6 and for our show at the Strongsville Rec Center with set up on Friday, 3/13/15. If you have something nice which you would like to show, please contact me to make arrangements to get the plants to any of the shows, 330-467-3731, or reply by email to kieliszekc@aol.com.

FOR ALL: Those people bringing plants to any of our displays we will be setting up at the various shows please include a sheet of paper with your name, the plant's name and the cross if you know it. The plants name and cross should be found on its label. Orchids with no identification tags or labels can still be displayed as unknown. This information written down on paper makes it easier for the person setting up the display to fill out the registration forms and labels for all the plants in the display. Better yet, make out one of the registration tags we will have available at the February meeting for each plant similar to what we have been doing for the plants on the show table over the last several months. Also put your name on the pot. This can be an address label somewhere on the pot making it easy to get the plants back to their owners.

We are again looking for sponsors for the trophy awards at our show, we still have a few classes without a sponsor, (\$20.00 to sponsor with your name going on the class award as the sponsor). Contact me if you are interested at 330-467-3731 or kieliszekc@aol.com.

We are also looking for more of our members to fill in some of the vacancies for some of the tasks at our show in March. Any interested members not already signed up can call Chester Kieliszek @ 330 467-3731 to sign up for a task. Below is a list of the tasks along with the number of volunteers:

Friday March 13

Set-Up

9:30AM-11:00 AM About 8-10 people for this (Have 8). Put up stanchions and back drops for the exhibits and cover tables in the sales area. Lifting involved, though not heavy.

Hospitality Area ~ Two people at all times, spotted by a third whenever possible (Have 5). All day or shorter shifts as needed. Enjoy being the grand lady/gentleman hosting our guests as they refresh and snack.

Food for the Vendors, Judges on Saturday and workers all weekend especially on Friday. Ten people have already volunteered. More is better to keep our hospitality the best in the area.

Set-Up floaters

Help vendors/exhibitors unload, get settled, set up, etc. At least two people all day (Have 9). You get first choice to see what's for sale.

Saturday March 14

Clerks for Ribbon Judging

7:30AM-11:30AM. 10-12 people (Have 13). Learn the wiles and ways of judging orchids!

Judges Breakfast. At least two people. Hospitality area. 7:00-8:00AM (Have 3)

Hospitality Area. 10AM-5PM. At least one person at all times, spotted by a second whenever possible (Have 5). All day or shorter shifts as needed. Enjoy being the grand lady/ gentleman hosting our guests as they refresh and snack.

WSOS Entrance Table. 10AM-5PM. 3-6 people. At least one person at all times, all day or shorter shifts as needed (Have 3). Collect donations, answer questions, sell raffle tickets and get us some NEW MEMBERS!!! Make new friends!!

Sunday March 15

Hospitality Area. 11AM-4PM. At least one person at all times, spotted by a second whenever possible (Have 5). All day or shorter shifts as needed. Enjoy being the grand lady/ gentleman hosting our guests as they refresh and snack.

WSOS Entrance Table. 11AM-4PM. 2-4 people (Have 4). At least one person at all times, 2.5 hr shifts or shorter if more people volunteer. Collect donations, answer questions, sell raffle tickets and get us some NEW MEMBERS!!! Make new friends!!

Tear-Down. 5PM-10PM At least 2 floaters to help vendors/exhibitors tear down and get their things out of the Rec Center. Tear-down stanchions and back drops once the exhibits are removed. Lifting involved, though not heavy. About 10 people for this, and at least two decent sized pickup trucks or van to get all the supplies back to the storage shed.

I repeat -- We need EVERYONE'S help to make it all work so, please, everyone pitch in where you can and let's make this an awesome WSOS Show weekend.

DECEMBER SHOW TABLE WINNERS

GREENHOUSE Professional	First	Phrag Jason Fisher	Edgar Stehli
	Second	Brassavola Grand Stars	Edgar Stehli
	Third	Epidendrum nanum	Edgar Stehli
GREENHOUSE Amateur	First	Jumella Gracillipes	Bill Cruce
	First	Lyc Hybrid	Bill Cruce
	Second	Odcdm Dark Charmer	Bill Cruce
	Third	C. venmannii	Bill Cruce
WINDOWSILL & UNDER LIGHTS	First	Onc maculatum x chemthe	Jerry Echols
	First	Lc C.G. Roebling Coerulea	Chester Kieliszek
	First	Den Oriental Smile 'Fantasy'	Debbie Gotsch
	Second	Den Spring Bird 'Kurashiki'	Debbie Gotsch
	Second	Colmanara Masai Red	Patty Conrad
	Second	Paph delentii	Patty Conrad
	Third	Paph In-Charm x Niveum	Bob Galaska
	Third	Monn Millenium Magic 'Witchcraft'	Bob Galaska
	Third	Lc Mem Robert Strait	Bob Lum-King
	Third	Den Hybrid	Regina Stopper
FEWER THAN 20 PLANTS	First	Phal Hybrid	Bob Heidehman
	Second	Phal Hybrid	Bob Heidehman
	Second	Onc Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'	Terri Hudak
	Third	Paph 'Dorothy Allyn'	Bob Heidehman
	Third	Onc Twinkle	Rene Doubrava
BEST SPECIES		Laelia anceps	Wayne Roberts
		Masd. ova-aris	Allan Lund
BEST MINATURE		Den Mini Snowflake	Patty Conrad

FINAL SHOW TABLE STANDINGS FOR 2014

STANDINGS FOR 2014	Greenhouse: Pro	Points
	Edgar Stehli	163
	Wayne Roberts	125
	Greenhouse: Am	
	Bill Cruce	171
	John Rini	120
	Under Lights/Windows:	
	Patty Conrad	140
	Katherine Binder	106
	Allan Lund	85
	Bob Galaska	78
	Bob Lum King	65
	Darryl & Pam Everett	50
	Chester Kieliszek	43
	Debbie Gotsch	39
	Mary Beth Mansour	32
	Jerry Echols	24
	Pat Corbett	9
	Larry Schroll	7
	Regina Stopper	5
	Marolyn Smith	4
	Dave Miller	2
	Charlene Kiehl	1
	Less Than 20 Plants:	
	Joyce Shramo	50
	Bob Heidelman	46
	Terri Hudak	15
	Irene Diritsky	12
	Megan Murphy	12
	Anita Vergilii	9
	Fred Hetzel	8
	Rene Doubrava	6
	Wilma Kelch	2
	Keith Alexander	2
	Gloria Wilder	1

First, second and third place finishers in each division won \$25, \$15 and \$10 gift certificates respectively to be used at Our Show, Robert's Flower Supply or Windswept in Time Orchids. These were handed out at the end of our December meeting. In my haste to get the tabulating done, I missed the second 'Best Species' belonging to Allan Lund. Therefore a third place certificate was also given to Allan as one was already given to Bob Galaska. Thank you to all who brought in their blooming plants for our members to enjoy on the show table and good luck with this years contest.

I would like to welcome the following new members to West Shore since the last newsletter went out: Daryle Cooke, Devilla Moncrief, Gail Petroff and Don Rivera all joined at our December meeting. Remember, if you have a friend or friends that like growing things bring them to one of our meetings and introduce them to the wonderful world of orchids. This will keep our society growing.

Those people at the December meeting that picked the angraecum as there gift plant can label their plant **Angraecum sesquipedale**.

Anyone not receiving a newsletter email and wanting one can request it by emailing Chester Kieliszek at kieliszekc@aol.com and I will put you on the email list.

Current Officers for 2015 – 2016 Contact Information

President:	Elaine Galaska	emgalaska@hotmail.com	330-562-2943
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Show Chairs:	Wayne Roberts & Chester Kieliszek		
Immediate Past President	Teressa Nemeth	gardenguru@centurytel.net	440-233-8757

From the President's Desk,

I would like to thank everyone who voted for me and to wish everyone a promising New Year with some changes and excitement.

With our show coming up in March, we will be in need of volunteers with set ups, tear downs, in the kitchen area and with donated dishes. I know we have a great number of members with special talents and we would appreciate any and all help. Please be gracious and sign up, or call one of your board members to volunteer. See you at the February meeting.

Elaine Galaska

Meeting dates in 2015:

- Weds. February 18th Speaker Wayne Roberts
- Fri. March 13th – 15th WSOS show at the Strongsville Rec Center
- Weds. April 15th Speaker Leon Glicenstein
- Weds. May 20th Club Question Panel
- Weds. June 17th Speaker Tom Miranda
- Sun. August 16th Annual picnic
- Weds. October 21st
- Weds. November 11th
- Weds. December 16th Christmas dinner and gift plants