

Next Meeting:

Our Christmas Potluck- bring a dish to pass and any serving utensils, marked with your name. Nothing red that might stain the carpet. We will provide coffee; please feel free to bring any other hot drink to share! (except alcoholic beverage).

There is no official program at this meeting, just a chance to meet and chat. But we will have an auction and a show and tell, so please bring plants.

Let's celebrate our new members! KDOS has offered free plant to any paid member who joined our society in 2017! We have ordered a plant for you, new member, in BUD! We want to see you enjoying blooming an orchid this Christmas, enjoy it and be able to bring it, in bloom, to the next meeting. Sandra has offered to 'coach' you on its culture, so you will not be on your own. Please come to the meeting to get your plant! Only at this meeting!

January Meeting:

For the January meeting (Sunday, Jan 07-2018): Let's celebrate our first meeting in 2018. Food providers are Kathy Staunton and Luba Schram. Speaker is Edgar Stehli, from Windswept in Time Orchids; topic will be announced at our December meeting. This should be an excellent presentation, don't miss it! Edgar also will be bringing plants.

Grand Rapids Orchid Show:

The Grand Rapids Show is going to be January 27-28, 2018. We have a display at the show. Please volunteer to help with set-up and tear down plus let us exhibit your blooming orchids. Please remember this is an amateur exhibit! All blooming orchids are welcome to participate! Let's show the 'experts' how we do it! Participate!!



Kalamazoo Dunes Orchid Society November 2017 Newsletter

Contact Us

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About Our Meetings

KDOS usually meets at 2:00pm on the 1st Sunday of the month, September to April, at the Haven Reformed Church, 5350 N Sprinkle Rd, Kalamazoo, MI 49004

Meetings are open to the public and visitors are always welcome. The meeting times may vary by a week around holidays.

Upcoming Events

Date:	Event:	Place:	Program:
December 3, 2017, 2:00 pm	December KDOS Meeting	Haven Reformed Church 5350 N Sprinkle Rd Kalamazoo, MI	Pot-luck
January 7, 2017, 2:00 pm	January KDOS Meeting	Haven Reformed Church 5350 N Sprinkle Rd Kalamazoo, MI	Speaker: Edgar Stehli, from Windswept in Time Orchids
January 27, 2017	Grand Valley Orchid Soci- ety Show	Meijer Gardens, Grand Rapids Michigan	Orchid Show and Sale

**2017 Michiana Orchid Society Show
2nd Kalamazoo Dunes display**

Dea Bishop

- 2nd *Lc.* Acker's Madison 'Kyle'
- 1st *Vanda lamaliata*
- 1st *Phal.* Everspring Prince
- 2nd *Phal.* Diamond King
- 1st *Phal.* Younghome Little Snow 'Ya 730'
- 3rd *Phrag.* Cape Gold Nugget
- 2nd *Phrag.* Rosalie Dixler
- 2nd *Dtps.* Sin Yuan Golden Beauty 'Fairy Tale'

Larry Galdes

- 1st *Vanda* (Boonchoo x Robert's Delight)
- 2nd *Paph.* Temptation
- 3rd *Ctsm.* Louise Clark
- 2nd *Ctsm.* Frilly Doris '500'
- 3rd *Ctna.* Why Not

Deb Allwine

- 2nd *Ottara* Island Flare
- 3rd *Lysudamuloa* Red Jewel 'Sweet Baby'

Sandra Dixon

- 1st and Trophy *Clowesia* Black Jade
- 1st *Lyc. tricolor*
- 1st and Trophy *Phal.* Star's Handlebar 'Mustache' AM/AOS
- 2nd *C. dormaniana*
- 3rd *Paph. farrieianum*
- 1st *Paph* Faire-Mand



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Jenny Welch

- 1st *Paph.* Yellow Fantasy

Julie Renner

- 1st *Paph. spicerianum*
- 3rd *Otaara* Hidden Gold

Jill Toma

- 2nd *Phal* unknown (harlequin)
 - 1st *Onc. ornithorhynchum*
 - 1st *Lc.* C.G. Roebing 'Sentinel'
- HCC/AOS
- 2nd *Paph.* Norito Hasegawa

***KDOS Meeting Notes
November 1, 2017***

In our last meeting we had a nice presentation on orchid growing materials and hands-on in how to do it! A shared talk, by Sandra and Larry, on potting orchids. Here the main ‘take home’ ideas:



- Selection of bark or potting material has to take in account the ‘thickness’ of the roots, porosity to allow some air in, water retention, and many other factors. Please think through fully before you do it! Use of other materials such: perlite (improve aeration and water retaining) or charcoal (helps to ‘neutralize’ unwanted chemicals and degrading organic matter) can be beneficial too. Larry says to soak plants for 5 minutes or so to make the roots more pliable. In some cases, leave a little longer until they can be managed without breaking.
- When Larry was repotting our mini Phals (anonymous gift to the society), he advised to remove lower leaves to make new roots grow into the soil, not above it. Leaves can be split longitudinally to the stem and then each half can be easily removed.
- Some old roots may be left on to supply support for plants that don’t have many roots.
- Look for new and old growth when repotting and give the new growth room to grow. That means to place the old growth closed to the edge and leave ‘space’ in front of the new growth, enough for the plant to grow an extra year or two.
- Plastic pots are good because roots don’t stick to them for repotting, but clay offers weight so the pot doesn’t fall over. Putting a plastic pot in a clay one is a good idea too.

Treasurer’s Report November 2017

Income*(since 1st Oct)	\$182.75
Expenditure**(since 1st Oct)	\$125
Savings A/C.	\$1,426.72
Chequing A/C.	\$7,338.26
CD 103.	\$ 572.54
CD 105	\$ 570.58
* Income:..... Subs	\$40.00
Coffee	\$5.00
Auction	\$137.75
**Expenditure:	All State Meeting \$125.00

Officers

- President:** Sandra Dixon
Vice-president: Mary Beth Montague
Secretary: Vince Whitmore
Treasurer: Keith Dixon
Trustees: 3 year- Larry Galdes, 2 year- Kathie Staunton, 1 year- Deb Allwine

Activity Committees

- AOS Related Subjects:** Greg Filter and Deb Allwine
Shows: Larry Galdes and Deb Allwine
Programs: Mary Beth Montague and Sandra Dixon
Refreshments: Ginnie Hessler
Website: Julie Renner and Vince Whitmore

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