

### **Next Meeting:**

Sunday, May 6, 2018:

Russ Vernon will be talking to us about *Odontoglossums*. Russ is an AOS judge and his 'cool' greenhouse, New Vision Orchids, is in Yorktown, Indiana (just west of Muncie). Russ will bring a variety of orchids to sell. There will not be a plant auction.

Treats will be provided by Dar Snyder and Jenny Welch.



### **About Our Meetings**

KDOS usually meets at 2:00pm on the 1st Sunday of the month, September to May, 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.

### **KDOS News**

- Picnic Site Confirmed
- September Chicago Bus Trip
- Meeting Site Confirmed for Another Year.



### **Upcoming Events**

| Date:                | Event:                               | Place:   | Program:                                  |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| May 5, 9am to 3pm    | KDOS Flower Sale                     | <a href="#">West Hills Athletic Club</a> , 2001 S 11th St, Kalamazoo, MI 49009 | Orchid Sale and Fund-raiser               |
| May 6, 2pm           | May KDOS Meeting                     | Haven Reformed Church  | Russ Vernon- <i>Odontoglossum</i> orchids |
| June/July TBC        | KDOS Summer Picnic                   | The Staunton's House   | Picnic                                    |
| September 9, 2:00pm  | September KDOS Meeting               | Haven Reformed Church  | Mounting Orchids                          |
| September 21-ish TBC | Chicagoland Orchid Festival Bus Trip |  | Bus trip to Chicago                       |
| October 6, 2pm       | October KDOS Meeting                 | Haven Reformed Church  | Rob Halgren- <i>Phragmipedium</i> Orchids |
| November 4, 2pm      | November KDOS Meeting                | Haven Reformed Church  | AOS presentation                          |
| December 2, 2pm      | December KDOS Meeting                | Haven Reformed Church  | Christmas Potluck                         |

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## *KDOS Meeting Notes*

*April 4, 2018*

- **Thanks** to Joe Kanamueller and Tonia Agin for providing refreshments
- **May Meeting-** Russ Vernon will be talking to us about *Odontoglossums*. There will not be a plant auction. Treats will be provided by Dar Snyder and Jenny Welch.
- **Mast Greenhouse Sale, April 14th**, Mast Greenhouse 2125 72nd St SW, Byron Center, MI 49315. Come early, 9am, bring friends, relatives, neighbors, you name it! to get some great deals on orchids. Our orchid society will receive incentive on each sale. Once you are done with the visit/shop, take your plants to the KDOS treasurer and pay for them. The Society will pay Mast at end of the sale event, which will be sharp on 11:00 am. Please remember Mast workers finish their day, on Saturday 12:00pm. They need to place the greenhouse back into normal operation when we leave, so we must finish our sales at 11:00am please!
- **May Plant Sale, May 5th**, 9- 5pm, West Hills Athletic Club. We need helpers to arrive at 8am that morning to help get things set up for the sale. We will be there while we still have plants to sell (5pm, if necessary). We could use donations of bagging materials for sold orchids, such as boxes, paper bags, plastic bags, etc. Planters (clean, please) are good too as we may offer to customers.
- **Chicagoland Orchid Festival, Bus Trip, September, 2018** (official date to be confirmed, but generally is around 20th ish). FRIDAY visit (1st day of the event). We need to have 30 people sign up to make this work, at \$20 per person. Sandra passed a signup list around at the meeting. We seemed to have a good interest for the event, so please send email with update if you have a family member, a colleague, a neighbor. Please send email directly to Sandra on: [orchidin@icloud.com](mailto:orchidin@icloud.com), please!
- **Picnic-** Our picnic will be at Staunton house again this year! Thank you, Kathie and Dan! Date is still to be determined.
- **Picnic Ordering for Paphs and Phrags 2018-** Sandra has been circulating a list of plants available on the KDOS mailing list. You make go back and look at the list there or contact Sandra at [orchidin@icloud.com](mailto:orchidin@icloud.com) with any questions, requests.
- **April Meeting Presentation-** Our talk to our expert's presentation this month featured our founder and expert grower, Joe Kanamueller, talking to us about summering orchids outdoors. Joe was very helpful and shared many tips, including placement, watering and dealing with pests with orchids outside. Joe even brought his 'tools' to show and tell how to prepare a 'summer provisional growing place' to our member. Very educational talk! Joe's "50's rule": in the spring, once evenings are above 50°F (at night), move orchids outside and in the fall, again, when night temps fall below 50°F, you should bring the non-cold growers in. *Cymbidiums* and some *Dendrobium* could stay a little longer, provided they don't get 'frost bite'! Thanks, Joe!
- **Thank you** to all members who have supported our society, by placing divisions or plants in our auction table!
- **Sandra and Mary Beth** do thank you all for the help in keeping our rooms nice and tidy! Haven Church was quite complementary, and we have our rental extended until 2019. Thank you all!
- **Special thank you** to Dea Bishop for providing door prizes. We had a beautiful mini *Dendrobium* covered in fat buds, just about opening. Thank you, Dea!





## Treasurer's Report March 2018

Income \* ..... \$83.00  
 Expenditure \*\* ..... \$202.50

Savings a/c. .... \$1,428.33  
 Checking a/c. .... \$8,243.22  
 CD 103. .... \$575.78  
 CD 105 ..... \$573.31

\* Income Auction .. \$74.00  
 Coffee ..... \$9.00

\*\* Expenditure Rent for Meeting room  
 ..... \$202.50



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