

# Mid-Lakes Orchid Society



## 2011-2012 Officers & Directors



From left to right: Suzanne Farnsworth, Sheila Alsobrook, Chris Miller, Julia Allen, Mary Yatsko, Jack Batchelor, Joan Phillips

- President: Sheila Alsobrook
- Vice President: Chris Miller
- Secretary: Julia Allen
- Treasurer: Ken Carter
- 1-Year Director: Suzanne Farnsworth
- 2-Year Director: Joan Phillips
- 2-Year Director: Jack Batchelor
- 2-Year Director: Mary Yatsko
- Membership: Mary Yatsko
- Refreshments: Marion Perrott
- Newsletter: Nancy Gassler
- Webmaster: Carlene Crowley

## September Program

We will have a "Welcome Back" meeting on September 13, 2011. Please bring any orchids you would like to share.

### **In Remembrance**

Longtime MLOS member, Betty Lonsdale, recently passed away. She and her late husband, Chester, were always very active members. The two of them loved orchids and each other. We will miss Betty's charming smile and her homemade banana pudding.

Mid-Lakes Orchid Society

August, 2011

### **Next Meeting**

September 13, 2011  
7:00 p.m.  
Employee Wellness  
Center  
201 East Dixie Ave.  
Leesburg, Florida



Paphiopedilum

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## Secretary's Report

### **MLOS Monthly Meeting**

**June 14, 2011**

Our June meeting began with a Hawaiian themed dinner with our Refreshments Coordinator, Marion Perrot in charge.

After a very successful dinner, there was a short business meeting . Outgoing President, Mary Yatsko, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Suzanne Farnsworth was in charge of the induction of the following newly elected officers for the 2011-12 year:

President: Sheila Aslobrook

Vice President: Chris Miller

Treasurer: Ken Carter

Secretary: Julia Allen

2 Year Board Members: Jack Batchelor &

Mary Yatsko

1 Year Board Members: Joan Phillips &

Suzanne Farnsworth

Membership: Mary Yatsko

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Suzanne presented the preceding year's officers with a gift of a pretty orchid print on an apron to be used when working on orchids.

A motion was made to have only one auction a year; it was seconded, but the motion failed.

Liz Ward made a motion and Chris Miller seconded the motion to have two (2) auctions per year. The motion passed.

Discussion was had about using the Women's Club for future auctions since it worked out great for the spring 2011 auction. Cost for the Women's Club is \$200; Rogers Park cost is \$60. Suzanne Farnsworth is the Rogers Park contact person for MLOS.

A suggestion was made that MLOS hold the fall auction at Rogers Park on Saturday, December 3, 2011 and hold the spring auction at the Women's Club on April 28 or May 5, 2012.

Discussion was had regarding the MLOS website. Marion Perrot made a motion, seconded by Joan Phillips that MLOS have a website with 10 pages for three years at the cost of \$97.13. Motion passed.

Refreshments for the September 13, 2011 meeting will be provided by:

Snacks: Jacke Batchelor & Nancy Gassler

Drinks: Bob Mathes, Bob & Ginny Durand

Respectfully submitted,

*Julia H. Allen, Recording Secretary*

## Treasurer's Report

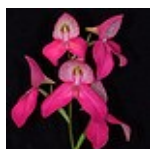
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Ken Carter, Treasurer  
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### Treasurer's Report as of 7/01/2011—7/31/2011

Balance as of July 31, 2011	\$3,780.66
<u>Monthly Transactions:</u>	
#1269 City of Leesburg	— \$30.00
	\$3,750.66
Refund from Website	+ \$2.45
	\$3,753.11
Checks Outstanding	
#1270 Women's Club of Leesburg	— \$200.00
#1271 American Orchid Society	— \$65.00
	\$3,488.11
Total Monthly Income	\$2.45
Total Expenses	\$295.00
Balance as of August 31, 2011	\$3,488.11

\*\*\* Reminder: Yearly membership dues need to be paid in September. \*\*\*



Newsletter Note: If you have anything to submit for the newsletter or if you have questions or comments about the newsletter, please contact Nancy Gassler at 352-753-6437 or na10@comcast.net



## Information for New Members



Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month from September—June at the Cultural Arts Center in Leesburg.

Meetings usually include a business meeting, guest speaker, refreshments, show & tell plants and a raffle. Speakers often bring plants and/or supplies for sale. Orchid books are available for check-out at each meeting. December & June meetings include a covered dish buffet with meats provided by the Society.

Each Fall & Spring a fundraiser auction is conducted. Members who contribute plants can get a share of the sale price. A potting clinic, that is held at a nearby garden center, is also a fund raiser.

The Society has many knowledgeable, experienced members who are happy to share information with newcomers.

### DUES

Singles: \$15.00

Couples: \$20.00

Families: \$25.00

*Each membership year begins in September.*

## Just for a Few Laughs



Two elderly ladies had been friends for many decades. Over the years, they had shared all kinds of activities and adventures. Lately, their activities had been limited to meeting a few times a week to play cards.

One day, they were playing cards when one looked at the other and said, "Now don't get mad at me...I know we've been friends for a long time, but I just can't think of your name! I've thought and thought, but I can't remember it! Please tell me what your name is."

Her friend glared at her for at least three minutes; she just stared and glared at her. Finally she said, "How soon do you need to know?"

## Thank You

A big thank you to our fantastic "RE-POTTING TEAM" that made the May 14, 2011 event at Simon Seed in Leesburg such a success! A special thanks to Simon Seed's owner, Blondine, who always allows us to trash her "beautiful and quaint garden center." Also a round of applause for all the workers at Simon Seed who always make our MLOS volunteers' job easier!

## Upcoming Events

- December 3, 2011—Orchid Auction at Rogers Park
- April 21, 2012—Orchid Auction at Leesburg Women's Club

### AOS Local Event's Schedule

- September 17-18—Ridge Orchid Society Show, Lake Mirror 121 S. Lake Ave., Lakeland, FL  
Contact: Charles Frensdorf at [silvercartwheel@comcast.net](mailto:silvercartwheel@comcast.net)
- October 15-16—Gainesville Orchid Society Show, Kanapaha Botanical Gardens, Gainesville, FL  
Contact: Candace Hollinger at [drahcir7@bellsouth.net](mailto:drahcir7@bellsouth.net)

## Orchid Hints

- Orchids should be watered and fertilized less frequently as the cooler weather approaches. Those blooming and/or in active growth (for example, dendrobiums, phalaenopsis, paphiopedilums) will require regular watering & fertilizing to promote attractive flowers & growth.
- Indoor orchids requiring more light can be moved to south-facing windows; those in orchid houses should be taken out of the shade.
- Check your orchids for any repotting needs. Some can be repotted in early September if needed.

# Spring Orchid Auction



Vandas for auction



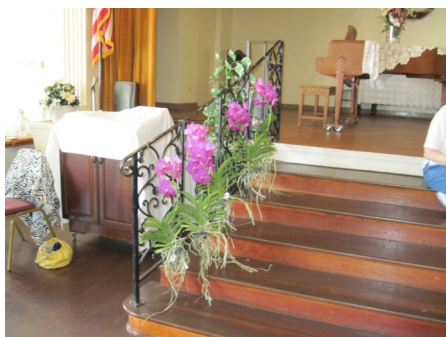
One of the orchid auction tables



Door prized donated by  
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Orchid auctioneer, Suzanne Farnsworth



Vanda display



Sue Porterfield with Vanda display


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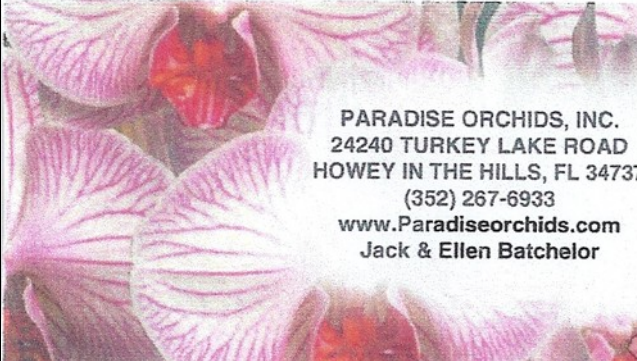
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