



THE WINDSOR ORCHID SOCIETY

La Société des Orchidophiles de Windsor

Congratulations WOS/SOW on your 30th year of service to orchid enthusiasts in Windsor and Essex County.

Visit us on the web at: www.windsororchidsociety.ca

No.1 2015/2016

Next Meeting: Sunday, Sept 27 2015 Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: St. Clair College, Room 192A (Horticultural Building)

Topic: Orchid Conservation, presented by Mary Caspers

The Windsor Orchid Society continues to meet from September to May (excluding December) on the last Sunday of each month. Occasionally meetings are re-scheduled when we are participating at Orchid Shows that are scheduled for the same weekend as the General meeting or if the regular meeting date falls on a holiday. Watch the Newsletter and website announcements for these changes.

Dues are Due!!! See Betty Levar at the meeting.

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Committee Appointments

Archives:	Eunice Bragg
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Conservation:	Mary Caspers

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Fund-raising:	Mary Caspers - Ed Cott- Jackie Hay
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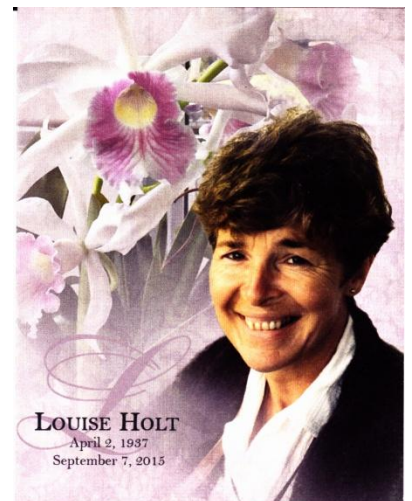
A special thank you for contributing food and raffle items at the May meeting: Thanks so much to everyone who brought in snacks for the refreshment table and raffle items. Please remember to sign the sheets to be recognized for your contributions.

Orchid Supplies: Potting mix, Phyan, sphagnum, pots, fertilizer, totes, etc., are available at the meeting. Special request? See our Special Orders and Supplies Committee Chair – Ed Cott. Supplies can also be ordered through the website.

Parking: Members can park in Lot "L" behind the greenhouse building & walk to the meeting room. (Vehicles enter through the exit gate - it will be open). Although the spaces indicate it is for Handicap Parking, this is not enforced on Sunday. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE DRIVEWAY ADJACENT TO THE BUILDING**

In Memorium (Louise Holt)

It is with tremendous sadness that we announce that Louise Holt passed away early evening on September 7th, after suffering a heart attack earlier in the day. She was a tremendous person and a great friend to all of us at the WOS. Louise had been a member of the society for most of its 30 year history and was active in organizing the meetings, working on the annual Orchid Show, assisting with exhibit set-up, maintaining our library and a host of other tasks. We cannot express adequately the sadness we are all feeling at this time and our thoughts and prayers go out to her family and friends. We will miss her enthusiasm, her commitment and her constant smile.





Toronto Botanical gardens - The SOOS Summerfest



On July 5, members of the WOS travelled to the Toronto Botanical Gardens to attend the Southern Ontario Orchid Society (SOOS) sponsored Summerfest. The guest speaker was Glen Decker of Piping Rock Orchids. Glen spoke on *Phragmipedium kovachii* and also about general *Paphiopedilum* culture.

Two informative slides from Glen's Paph presentation is given below with his permission. The WOS wishes to thank the members of SOOS for their generous invitation to this fantastic summer event.

Cultural Info by *Paphiopedilum* sub group and Glenn's Paph mix formula:

CHART OF GENERAL CULTURAL NEEDS FOR EACH GROUP

	Light		Water		Temperature	
	1200 foot candles similar to a Phal	1800 to 2500+ foot candles	moist all the time drier when cooler	let dry out between waterings	can be grown cooler down to 45 F	min night temps 50 F prefers to be grown at the min even better 62 F
Parvisepalum Group most are mottled leaf with heavy substance singled flower, some can be bi-floral	X		X		X	
Complex Group solid green leaves singled flower, rarely bi-floral	X		X		X	
Maudiae Group all have mottled foliage, some more than others singled flower, some can be bi-floral	X can take less light		X			X even better 62 F
Single Flowering Group solid green leaves singled flower, rarely bi-floral	X		X		X	
Sequential Flowering Group foliage can be either mottled or solid produces many flowers, one at a time	X		X			X
Brachypetalum Group for the most part, mottled and succulent foliage singled flower, some can be bi-floral	X			X		X
Multi-floral Group solid green leaves that tend to be large three or more flowers opened at same time		X	X			X

(optional, but recommended)

Cracked
Oyster Shell



- 6 parts medium grade fir bark
- 12 parts seedling or fine grade fir bark
- 3 parts horticultural charcoal
- 4 parts sponge rock or large perlite
- 1-1/2 parts cracked oyster shell



Fundraising BBQ at Sobeys (Amherstburg)



A huge thank you to all the WOS members who came out to work at the BBQ! Your hard work and dedication is much appreciated! Also a big thanks those who came out to visit and have lunch with us. We had a great day with great people.

The group was able to raise \$300.00 selling hot dogs that were generously donated by Amherstburg Sobeys, as well as all the drinks, buns and condiments. We also sold every orchid we had on the plant sale table, 16 orchids sold!!

Ed and Deb were able to answer lots of questions to new growers. We handed out lots of information about WOS and coupons for our upcoming show.


Summer Field Trips to Cloud's, Marsh Hollow and Crystal Star

Many of us took the opportunity over the summer to go to the field trips being offered by the Society. Great days and lots of discussion with expert growers. So Glad to see Mario doing well after his first couple of chemo treatments. The BBQ at Conni and Mario's was a highlight.





Windsor Orchid Society 2015-2016 Programming Guide! - mark your calendar

Date	Speaker / Event	Topic	Plants for Sale?
Sept 27	WOS –General Meeting	Orchid Conservation – Mary Caspers	Yes
Sept 26 & 27	Central Ontario Orchid Society Show	Cambridge Hespeler Arena, 640 Ellis Road, Cambridge, On. https://personal.uwaterloo.ca/jerry/coos/#show	Yes
Oct 18	WOS –General Meeting	John Marcotte – Orchid Culture	Yes
Oct 24-25	WOS Show and Sale <u>NEW LOCATION!</u>	Columbus Center 2401 Columbus Dr (off Northwood) Windsor, ON	Yes
Nov29	WOS –General Meeting	TBD	Yes
Dec TBD	Winter Social	TBD	
Jan 31	<u>WOS –General Meeting</u>	John Curtin – Michigan Orchid Society TBD	Yes
Feb 28	<u>WOS –General Meeting</u>	TBD	Yes
Mar 27	<u>WOS –General Meeting</u>	TBD	Yes
Apr 24	<u>WOS –General Meeting</u>	TBD	Yes
May 29	<u>WOS –General Meeting and Auction</u>		Yes

Membership – Dues are Now Due!

Send your contact information along with payment to:

The Windsor Orchid Society, C/O Betty Levar, 1822 Chilver Road, Windsor, Ontario. N8W 2T8 (or see Betty at the meeting)

Annual Dues are \$20.00 single and \$25.00 family/joint membership.