



May 2017

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## 2017 CAVS/AVSD Show Award Winners Congratulations to all!!

AVSA Collection of Standards: Not Awarded

AVSA Collection of Minis or Semi Minis: 1<sup>st</sup> - Optimara Little Kunzite, Optimara Little Amethyst, Granger's Mexicali Rose - shown by Penny Wichman

AVSA Collection of Species: 1<sup>st</sup> - Saintpaulia 5c1 clone tongwensis - shown by Al Cenci



Ohio Hybridized Collection: Not Awarded

Dixie Collection of Standards: Not Awarded  
Dixie Collection of Minis or Semi Minis: 1<sup>st</sup> - Jolly Jubilee, Jolly Orchid, Jolly Ace - shown by Debbie McInnis

Best Standard: Buckeye Tea Party - shown by Debbie McInnis

Best Miniature: Mac's Kismet's Knight - shown by Vicki Ferguson

Best Semi Miniature: Allegro Watermelon

Ruffles - shown by Vicki Ferguson

Best Trailer: Rob's Boolaroo - shown by Vicki Ferguson

Best Species: Saintpaulia ionantha subsp. grotei - shown by Vicki Ferguson

Best Gesneriad: Sinningia bullata - shown by Mel Grice

Best Container Garden: Mel Grice

Best Interpretive Plant Design: Mel Grice

Best Interpretive Flower Design: Mel Grice

Best Cincinnati Project plant: None

Best Dayton Project plant: None

Best Optimara: Optimara Michigan - shown by Pat Gibson

The Sales Table workers were kept hopping busy selling club member's plants, starts, leaves and growing supplies. In the end the tables were bare!



## Dates to Remember

### NEXT MEETING

#### MAY MEETING

**Monday, May 15, 2017**

"Diseases of African Violets" by Mel Grice.

(Bring in suspect plants for diagnosis. Be sure to bag.)

Refreshments: Jan DeVeny

Plant Raffle: Mel Grice

### We always welcome:

Anything to Show and Tell  
and/or Problem Plants  
(bag if diseased)

### JUNE MEETING

#### ANNUAL PICNIC

**Monday, June 19, 2017**

Home of Andrea Herman

30 Mill Run Lane  
Springboro, OH 45066

There will be a food sign up sheet at the May meeting for the June Picnic.

**(Meetings are held 7 pm the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at the Springboro Municipal Building, 320 W. Central Ave. Springboro, Ohio 45066 unless otherwise noted.)**

## Notes from the President's Keyboard

April was such a wonderful month for our club and the Cincinnati club. I feel the annual show and sale was a huge success and many of our growers made plenty of money for their efforts. It could just be me, but I think each year is bringing in more and more visitors to see our show and purchase African Violets for themselves. I hope both clubs gain new members to share our love of these plants.

I was asked at the Cincinnati Show if I was willing to be nominated for the office of Vice President for the Ohio State African Violet Society. It is a two year commitment and I told them I would do it. After thinking about it for a day or so, I realized it was an honor to be asked and I am happy to be involved on the state level. There is not much for me to do but I can do "that" perfectly!

Shirley Jones and I were asked to judge the Columbus African Violet Show the weekend after our show in Cincinnati. I had never done an entire show before as a Student Judge. I had the best time with Shirley and Kathy Willis (she is a Columbus member) and learned so much more than the Ohio State show where I only did a few classifications at that time. This was the whole room of plants, designs and gardens. What an experience! If you really love our plants then talk to Pat Hancock about becoming a judge and gain even more knowledge than you ever thought you might learn. (Yes, Pat, I did point scoring!)

Mel Grice is taking center stage this month as he shares with us the diseases of African Violets. He more than likely has seen every disease that our precious plants are subjected to. It should be an interesting and extremely informative meeting, so don't miss it. Remember to bring any questionable plants with you in a plastic bag. There will be, hopefully, plenty of time to examine all of them. If we have the cure in our stock of supplies, then they will be available for purchase. See you this Monday the 15<sup>th</sup>.

I want to be sure to give a big shout out of thanks to Maggie Garcia who gave last month's VERY informative program! You miss a day (or in this case a meeting) - you miss a lot!

Finally, you will find the proposed bylaws at the end of this newsletter. Red colored text is suggested to be deleted. Green colored text is suggested for updating. In a place or two, the outline numbers/letters are off. They will be corrected when approved. Thanks to those who worked on updating the club bylaws: Jo Cornett, Vicki Ferguson, Maggie Garcia, Carolyn Richardson and Terri Vicenzi.

Jo Cornett

## Win a Plant Stand!

Reminder: All plant raffle tickets sold at club meetings will be entered in a drawing for a light stand complete with lights! A winner will be drawn at the Holiday Dinner in December.

### 2016-2017 African Violet Society of Dayton - [www.avsdayton.com](http://www.avsdayton.com)

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## African Violet Society of Dayton

### Minutes from April 17, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 8:45 pm on Monday, April 17, 2017 by president Joan Cornett. Members present were Kasey Angeloni, Al Cenci, Karen Cenci, Joan Cornett, Vicki Ferguson, Maggie Garcia, Mel Grice, Carla Hale, Pat Hancock, Jill Henry, Shirley Jones, Linda Lloyd, Carolyn Richardson, Lynette Schluter, Jan Schroeder and her husband, Ron Williger and Susie Yu. Additionally, Maggie's two sisters and daughter were in attendance.

Jo said that the bylaws are still on hold. Karen discussed details of the upcoming show. Vicki passed out club brochures that we can distribute to interested growers.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$1498.15. \*\*note about club bank balance: Lynette said she had to deposit \$2 to keep the balance above \$1500 or the bank will start charging a monthly fee on the account. She is checking into changing banks.

Linda Lloyd, Secretary

### We now have our own domain!

The African Violet Society of Dayton's new website now has its own domain. The new web address is: [www.avofdayton.com](http://www.avofdayton.com). Please be sure to check it out.



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### Club Sales List

(Note: these affordable prices are just one of the perks for being a dues-paying club member. Some supplies will be on hand at every meeting except perlite and charcoal. If you have special needs/quantities, contact Kasey Angeloni ahead of time at: [kasey.i.bryant@gmail.com](mailto:kasey.i.bryant@gmail.com). Linda Lloyd is storing the potting mix and perlite. If you have special needs/quantities for those, contact Linda at [leelloyd@woh.rr.com](mailto:leelloyd@woh.rr.com) Thanks!)

Plastic Pots	2.5" and 3" pots	\$ .15/each
	4" pots	\$ .20/each
	5" pots	\$ .25/each
	5" pan pots (white)	\$ .30/each
	5" pan pots (green)	\$ .45/each
Potting Mix	gallon bag	\$3.50
Perlite (chunky)	gallon bag	\$2.00
Charcoal	12 cups	\$2.50
Optimara Fertilizer	(14-12-14) 8 oz.	\$4.00
Marathon	1 cup	\$5.00
Sticky Traps	pkg of 6	\$4.00
Perma-Nest Plant Tray	(22"x11"x2")	\$8.00
Egg Crate	(for wicking in the trays)	\$3.00
Felt	(for wicking in the trays)	\$1.00
Hemostat		\$1.00
Water Bottle		\$5.00
Leaf Support Rings	Small (6" fits 3" pot)	\$ .50
	Medium (9" fits 4" pot)	\$ .75
	Large (12" fits 5-6" pot)	\$1.00

## For Sale

Do you have something to list in a FOR SALE section? to the editor. Send the info and photos of items to list that you think members might be interested in to: vicksterferguson@gmail.com by the first of the month.

## Handbook Revised

The 2016 edition of the AVSA *Handbook for Growers, Exhibitors, and Judges* is now available in the AVSA Store, in both digital and print versions. Visit [www.avsa.org](http://www.avsa.org).

## Did you know

.....you can support the African Violet Society of America (AVSA) when you shop on Amazon? Just go through the portal: <https://smile.amazon.com/> and select AVSA from the charity list. Amazon Smile will donate .05% of your eligible purchases automatically to AVSA.



## JOIN           LEARN           GROW



The African Violet Society of America (AVSA) emails out a Monday Growing Tip to those who subscribe to get the weekly email. Those getting the email tips are experiencing just the tip of the iceberg of all that the African Violet Society of America provides to educate growers. Anyone is welcome to sign up for this weekly growing tip email from the African Violet Society of America. Subscribers are not required to be members of AVSA. Visit [www.avsa.org](http://www.avsa.org). Please share it with your friends!

If you would like to learn even more, and become a part of an international African violet growing community, join AVSA. As a member, you will receive the six beautiful full-color African Violet Magazines a year, be able to access the members' area of the AVSA website (including photos in the New Introduction Gallery), and to get discounts on AVSA products.

**AVSA offers a special 2-Year deal for members who join for two years at a time. You will receive one extra magazine at the end of your subscription... that's thirteen issues for the price of twelve! Even better, you don't have renew as often and you won't miss a single issue. Just choose 2 years and the additional issue will be applied automatically. Visit [www.AVSA.org](http://www.AVSA.org) to join.**

The following is the Draft Proposed Bylaws as recommended by the Bylaws Update Committee.  
Red text is to be removed, green text is to be inserted.

# African Violet Society of Dayton Bylaws

*(Amended 3/2016)*

## **ARTICLE I**

### NAME, AND AFFILIATION AND FISCAL YEAR

#### **Section 1.1 – Name**

This Society shall be known as the African Violet Society of Dayton.

#### **Section 1.2 – Affiliation**

The Society shall be and remain an affiliate of The African Violet Society of America Inc. (AVSA). The members shall be encouraged to become members of AVSA.

#### **Section 1.3 – Fiscal Year**

*The fiscal year of the Society shall begin on the first day of June 1 and end on May 31.*

## **ARTICLE II**

### OBJECT

#### **Section 2.1 – Object**

The object of this Society shall be to afford a convenient and beneficial association of persons interested in **learning and teaching** the culture and propagation of the African Violet, botanically known **as the genus Saintpaulia**, and related Gesneriads.

## **ARTICLE III**

### MEMBERSHIP, ATTENDANCE AND FEES DUES

#### **Section 3.1 – Membership**

Anyone interested in growing African Violets and other Gesneriads shall be eligible to membership in this Society. Membership shall be unlimited. **Membership shall consist of two classifications of Membership:**

**1. INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP: any one person shall be eligible for an Individual Membership**

**2. FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: all persons living at the same address shall be eligible for a Family Membership.**

#### **Section 3.2 – Attendance**

Attendance should be regular in order to get to know other Society members, acquire African Violet culture knowledge and actively participate in Society affairs.

#### **Section 3.3 – Fees Dues**

**Annual dues are \$15/single for Individual membership dues or \$20/family membership and are which is collected in June. The purpose of this club is for teaching and learning better culture of African Violets.**

## **ARTICLE IV** **MEETINGS AND QUORUM**

### **Section 4.1 – Meetings**

Regular meetings of the Society shall be held once each month. ~~with the exception of July.~~ The **suggested** Order of Business shall be: Call to Order, Welcome Visitors and Speakers, Let's Learn, Program, Refreshments, Raffle and Business Meeting (includes accepting minutes as mailed, treasurer's report, communications, Executive Board recommendations, committee reports, unfinished business, new business, announcements and adjournment). ~~Special meetings may be held upon the request of seven (7) members, at the call of the president or by direction of the Executive Board, and provided notice of such meeting shall be sent to each member at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting date. The regular meeting in May shall be known as the Annual Meeting and shall be for the purpose of electing officers and for any other business that may arise. Regular meetings can be cancelled by the Board.~~

### **Section 4.2 – Quorum**

Transaction of business shall be conducted by **a majority of members** ~~those~~ present.

### **Section 4.3 – Special Meetings**

~~Special meetings may be held upon the request of seven (7) members, at the call of the president or by direction of the Executive Board, and provided notice of such meeting shall be sent to each member at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting date. This includes the yearly program planning meeting.~~

## **ARTICLE V** **OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES**

### **Section 5.1 – *Elected* Officers**

The **elected** officers of the Society shall be: President, First Vice President, ~~Second Vice President~~, Secretary, **and** Treasurer. ~~Parliamentarian and Historian.~~ No officer shall serve longer than two (2) consecutive **years terms** in the same office with the exception of Treasurer. **Each term consisting of two (2) years.** Each year the nominating committee shall review the current Treasurer's willingness to remain in place or whether other candidates wish to be nominated.

### **Section 5.2 – Duties**

1. President: The President shall have general superintendence of the affairs of the Society, shall preside over meetings, and appoint an auditor at the end of each term (November). The President shall sign checks in the absence of the Treasurer and his/her ability to perform this duty.
2. ~~First~~ Vice President: The ~~First~~ Vice President shall preside at meetings in the absence of the President, or when called upon by the President to serve as Program Chair and shall perform other duties as assigned.
3. ~~Second Vice President: The Second Vice President shall serve as Yearbook Chair and perform other duties as assigned.~~
4. Secretary: The Secretary shall be responsible for keeping accurate records of the regular and executive meetings of the Society. The Secretary shall call the roll and be responsible for all changes in the bylaws and standing rules. The Secretary sends a copy of the minutes to the President within ten (10) days of the meeting. Original notes should be kept in a permanent record book.
5. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be responsible for the safekeeping of the Society funds and retain records thereof, pay all bills and issue an annual report which will serve as a budget for the next year. ***In the event of an extended absence, the Treasurer shall make the checkbook available to a previous or current board member for emergency disbursements. The Treasurer will give a copy of the Treasurer's report to the President and Secretary at the end of the fiscal year for audit.***
6. ~~Parliamentarian: The Parliamentarian shall be ready at all times to assist the President in any matter~~

~~pertaining to Parliamentary law and procedures contained in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.~~

7. ~~Historian: The Historian shall keep a scrapbook and enter all dates therein pertaining to the history of the club from its date of origin. He/she shall post all activities, projects and anything of interest to the club history.~~

## **ARTICLE VI** **NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS AND VACANCIES**

### **Section 6.1 – Nominations**

A Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) members shall be appointed at the April meeting and nominees presented and officers elected at the May meeting. The President shall appoint one of the three to serve as chair. The chair shall install the officers at the ~~January~~ **June** meeting.

### **Section 6.2 - Elections**

The election of officers shall be held at the May meeting, at which time nominations may be made from the floor to the ballot with the exception when there is but one nominee for the office. If no nominee receives a majority of the votes cast, a runoff will be held between the two nominees receiving the most votes.

### **Section 6.3 – Vacancies**

*If any elected officer resigns, moves, is incapacitated due to health or does not perform his/her duties as outlined in these bylaws, A vacancy in an elective office shall be filled a replacement will be appointed by the Executive Board until such time as a regular election is held and a new officer is elected, with the exception of the office of President, which shall be filled by the First Vice President.*

## **ARTICLE VII** **STANDING COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES**

### **Section 7.1 – Standing Committees**

The Standing Committee Chairs of this Society shall be: Hospitality, **Membership**, Librarian/**Archives Manager**, ~~Publicity~~, **Communications**, AVSA and Ohio State AVS Representative, Properties **Manager**, ~~Membership, Programs, Yearbook~~ and Show Chair.

### **Section 7.2 – Duties**

1. Hospitality: Greets and introduces visitors, informs visitors of requirements and dues for membership **and is responsible for managing the monthly plant raffle.**
2. Membership: Keeps current list of members' addresses, phone numbers and brings name tags to meetings
3. Librarian/**Archives Manager**: Keeps library properties and checks out books to members. Visitors are not eligible to check out books. **Maintains the club's Archives.**
4. ~~Publicity: Sends monthly notices of meetings and special events to newspapers, etc.~~
5. Communications: Notifies members and visitors of meetings and special events **using the club newsletter, Facebook page, website and production of the club Yearbook.**
6. ~~AVSA and Ohio State AVS Representative to Affiliates~~: Reports on affiliate news and events.
7. Properties **Manager**: ~~Keeper of all club properties~~. Custodian of physical assets associated with the club. **Examples: Tablecloths, potting mix and sales inventory.**
8. ~~Yearbook: Prepares yearbook and schedules hostesses for the year.~~
9. Show Chair: Responsible for planning yearly show.

(The whole of Article VIII will be moved up one whole section and will precede the Standing committee Article. Everything following will be renumbered.)

## **ARTICLE VIII** **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

### **Section 8.1 – Executive Board**

The Executive Board shall consist of elected officers and the *standing* committee chairs. The Executive Board shall meet whenever necessary with a majority of the Board *present* constituting a quorum.

## **ARTICLE IX** **PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

### **Section 9.1 – Parliamentary Authority**

*Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall be the parliamentary authority on all questions not covered by these bylaws.

## **ARTICLE X** **AMENDMENTS**

### **Section 10.1 – Amendments**

These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the ~~votes~~ *cast voting body present* providing that written notice has been given at the previous meeting.

## **ARTICLE XI** **STATEMENT OF DISSOLUTION**

### ***Section 11.1 – Statement of Dissolution***

*In the event of dissolution of the Society, the Executive Board shall, after paying and making provisions for payment of all liabilities, distribute all the assets of the Society over to (an) organization(s) whose purpose is similar to that of the African Violet Society of Dayton. No director or officer or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any Society assets upon dissolution of the Society.*