Orchid Society of Middle Tennessee Newsletter February 2014

#### Alice's Excursion for Orchids and more botany of the Mediterranean Island of Sicily

### Alice Jensen to present her photography and speak at OSMT Meeting Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at Cheekwood Botanical Gardens

Our next Orchid Society meeting is 7 pm February 18 at Cheekwood Botanical Garden. Alice's interest in orchids was initiated while working as a volunteer in the Berlin Botanical Garden in 1952 when she chose orchids over cacti. After studies and a degree in plant pathology in Germany, she traveled to the U.S. She and her husband built greenhouses on Horse Mountain in Shelbyville for orchids starting August 1961. A member of OSMT since 1962, Alice has participated in numerous activities of OSMT and the world of orchids. She has traveled and studied orchids and botany in numerous locations around the world. It has been very exciting to see orchids in the wild in Sicily. Those orchid species are rarely seen in cultivation... *Refreshments at 6:30 with the Program at 7 pm.* Cheekwood is located at 1200 Forrest Park Drive, Nashville, TN.



Lawn and Garden Show Thursday, February 27 -Sunday, March 2 "Wine and Roses"



The Annual exhibit and society booth at the Lawn and Garden Show was a success last year and we're needing **volunteers to help make this a great year -- Wed. night is the display setup.** 

Thanks to all of you that will donate plants, help set up and tear down the exhibit or work the table. Money raised helps get great speakers to our OSMT meetings and enhances our presentations.

Den Nora Takunaga Photo by Jeanne Kahan



## **OSMT** Programs and Events

March 18	Panel of Members: Like what's wrong with my Orchid?		
April 15	<b>Stephen Benjamin</b> of Oak Knob Orchids "Growing Orchids the Way We Do" includes tips for beginners		
Мау	Picnic Date TBA at Ed Merkle's		
June 17	Sam Tsui of Orchid Inn, Ltd., Topic TBA		
July 15	Charles Wilson, "Orchids of Borneo" Memphis Orchid Society		
August 19	Mark Reinke		
September 16	Geraldine Powell of Orchid Gallery, Topic TBA		
Join or Renew: \$25.00 in dues to Treasurer Angela Dycus. Thank you!			

## **Events Calendar**

Feb 28 Deep South Orchid Show, Savannah Mall, Savannah, GA "An Orchid Jungle"

**March 7-9** The Atlanta Orchid Show Day Hall, Atlanta Botanical Gardens

March 19-30 Heart of Dixie Orchid Society Show, DoubleTree Suites, Huntsville, AL

**April 5** Perennial Plant Sale, Tennessee State Fairgrounds, Nashville, TN. For details visit www.ppsmt.org

May 17-19 Memphis Orchid Society Show and Sale "Orchids Around the World"

# \* refreshment list

2014 - Be sur	e to pick a month!
February	Dandekhar
March	Dycus
April	Makrandi
May	Picnic
June	– Open
July	Jensen
August	Jeanne
September	Lawrence
October	– Open
November	Business Mtg
December	Party

## Support the Local Orchid Shows

Looking for volunteers for either the Huntsville Show March 29 - 30 or Memphis Orchid Show in May 17 - 19. We would love to have OSMT represented at either show.



#### BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014

	YEAR TO DATE 12/31/2013	Budget for 2014
Beginning Cash and Invested Assets Balance As of November 1, 2013	29,546.52	
Receipts	740.50	
Dues	712.50	700
Lawn & Garden Booth Proceeds, Net of Member Reimbursements	202.00 921.25	200 920
Lawn & Garden Display - Gate Reimbursement by NLGS Lawn & Garden Booth -February Cash Advance for Change/Box was Redeposited	921.25	920
Proceeds from the OSMT Annual Picnic/Auction	1,840.00	1759
Proceeds from sales at monthly meetings of donated plants	78.00	85
Interest Income from Regions MMA Account for September, 2013	10.82	8
TOTAL RECEIPTS	3,764.57	3,672.00
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR USE	33,311.09	
Disbursements		
Tennessee Secretary of State - Annual Report	40.00	20
Mid America Orchid Congress Annual Dues for 2013	17.50	17.5
Cheekwood Gardens & Museum - Meeting Room Rental for All of 2013	450.00	450
Domain renewal		20
American Orchid Society Dues 2 years		125
Pizza, Picnic and Christmas Party	221.00	250
Speaker Fees and Speaker Costs for Monthly Meetings (Deb Dalmas in Sept.)	1,345.97	1550
Costs for OSMT Exhibits at Out of Town Shows (Including Members' Travel Costs)	280.89	500
Annual OSMT Picnic/Auction Costs	88.28	80.5
Fairgrounds Storage Rent (October, November, and December last quarter paid)	564.00	624
Lawn & Garden Show/Horticulture Association of Tennessee (5% Gross Sales)	36.20	35
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	3,043.84	3,672.00
Ending Cash and Invested Assets Balance As of December 31, 2013	30,267.25	