



A newsletter for members of the African Violet Society of Dayton

March 2018

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Get Ready, Groom & Show!

**African Violet Show and Sale
April 14 & 15, 2018**



African Violet Show and Sale
Sponsored by the Cincinnati African Violet Society
and the African Violet Society of Dayton
April 14-15, 2018
Eastgate Mall, (I-275 and St. Rt. 32)
4601 Eastgate Blvd., Cincinnati, OH 45245
Saturday, April 14: 10a-9p
Sunday, April 15: 12 noon-6p
Karen at kcenci@hotmail.com or 513.325.0395

The African Violet Society of Dayton and the Cincinnati African Violet Society will hold their joint Show and Sale Saturday and Sunday, April 14 & 15 at the Eastgate Mall in Cincinnati. The word has been spreading about our show/sale. We already know of people traveling over 3 hours to get there! Everyone's help is needed.

Members are encouraged to bring plants, plantlets and leaf cups to sell at the sales table. You are responsible for pricing your own plants but you can get pricing input at the club meeting or onsite. Two-piece tear off price tags will be available at this March meeting. Members will receive 75% of the sales earned and their club will get the other 25%.

We'll need a supply of boxes similar to cereal boxes and cardboard tray (like cans of soda are shipped on) to help with packaging sales table purchases. Bring boxes and snacks to share to the show or send along with someone who is going.

Entries will be accepted Friday, April 13 from 7-10 pm. (Entries will only be accepted on Saturday morning 7:30-8:30 am IF the entry committee is notified no later than 24 hours in advance.) Exhibits may not be removed until 6 pm on Sunday. The exact entrance location of the show set-up room will be announced later. Even though entries will be accepted beginning at 7 pm on Friday, we are not allowed to access the mall floor (to start with setting out the entries) until 9 pm, Friday, April 13.

A show schedule and show entry form is attached to this newsletter email.

**March Club Meeting
Monday, March 19, 2018**
"Design Concepts and Underwater Design Workshop" by Mel Grice and Vicki Ferguson

**Refreshments and Raffle
Plants:** Al and Karen Cenci

**April 14 and 15, 2018
Spring Show/Sale, Cincinnati**

**April Club Meeting
Monday, April 16, 2018**
"Wicking and Water pH" by Linda Lloyd; Form Nominating Committee
Refreshments: Carolyn Richardson & Carla Hale
Raffle: Shirley Jones

**May Club Meeting
PLEASE NOTE DATE
CHANGE!**
Wednesday, May 16, 2018
"Last Hope, Part II" bring plants to groom
Refreshments: Kasey Angeloni and Susi Yu
Raffle: Pat Hancock
Election of Officers

(Meetings are usually held at 7 pm the 3rd Monday of the month at the Springboro Municipal Building, 320 W. Central Ave. Springboro, OH 45066 unless otherwise noted.)

From the President's Keyboard

Happy Daylight's Saving Time. I am so anxious to have more daylight in the evening. I don't know about you but it makes me feel so much more invigorated. During the winter I always feel like such a slug. Love that Sunshine!

We had a great meeting last month. First of all, it was wonderful for me to see all of you again. (I don't like being away from our group for a couple of months.) But most of all it was such a beautiful meeting getting to see all the gorgeous Russian Violets projected, hundreds of times larger than they exist in nature, on our screen. Thank you to Al for pulling it all together.

We should have a lot of fun at our March meeting learning from Mel and Vicki some of the finer points to underwater design. Yep, we have the best members in our Dayton Club! Don't miss this meeting.

The show in April is fast approaching. Please bring your cereal boxes and baskets to the meeting if you are unable to be in Cincinnati on the 13th. We will also need a rough idea of how many plants you plan to show and also how many you might want to sell. Keep in mind we are always happy to accept donations of snacks for everyone who works the show. I might send around a snack sign-up sheet.

There is a May meeting date change. Due to the number of club members traveling to the joint convention of the African Violet Society of America and the African Violet Society of Canada in Buffalo, New York, we will move our **May meeting date to Wednesday, May 16**. It is a half a week before our regular meeting date but I think it will make life easier for those of us who are going up north.

See you all on Monday for a lot of fun!
Jo



You have another chance to win a Plant Stand!

Club members expressed interest in doing the Plant Stand drawing again this year - so we're doing it again! All year long, the monthly plant raffle tickets sold at the monthly club meetings will be collected and saved for that special drawing for a complete light stand! The winning ticket will again be drawn at the Holiday Dinner. Don't worry - Vicki won't be eligible this time!



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February Minutes

The February 19, 2018 meeting was called to order at 8:45 pm by President Joan Cornett. Members present were Kasey Angeloni, Al Cenci, Karen Cenci, Joan Cornett, Vicki Ferguson, Maggie Garcia, Oksana Gray, Mel Grice, Carla Hale, Pat Hancock, Shirley Jones, Linda Lloyd, Olga Nesterenko, Kathy Nguyen, Brian Pence, Carolyn Richardson, Chris Riehle, Lynette Schluter, Jan Schroeder, Ron Williger, and Susie Yu.

Karen reminded us to save boxes for the April show.

Club voted to give \$100 for best Buckeye Nostalgia at the National AVSA Show in Buffalo in May.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$1492.48.

— Linda Lloyd, secretary

Get ready for the show sales table!

Members from the African Violet Society of Dayton as well as the Cincinnati African Violet Society are beginning to prepare for the joint club Spring Show and Sale which will be held at the Eastgate Mall in Cincinnati on April 14 and 15. We need your help in stocking our sales table with great violets.

Please let me know how many plants and leaflets you will put in the sale. That will give us time to supplement if necessary.

Please contact Carolyn Richardson at carolynrichardson46@yahoo.com.

— Thank you from Cathy Willis, Jan Schroeder and Carolyn Richardson.

LOOKING FOR . . .

Have you lost a favorite violet and would love to get it back in your collection? Why not put out an APB to club members; perhaps they will share a leaf or plantlet if they have it in their collection.

President Jo is looking for two classic favorites: Annabelle (hybridized by Kent Stork) and Mary Craig (hybridized by Nadeau).

PLEASE SHARE.....

We would love to hear from the club members! Please share any photos of plants in bloom, growing tips, repotting tips or helpful information on the growing of your collection. Photos always make it more interesting.



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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. Linda Lloyd is storing the potting mix and perlite. If you have special needs/quantities for those, contact Linda at lelloyd@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 (\$6/bag to the public)	gallon bag	\$4.00
	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

It's Show Time!

Getting ready for the show

1. Remember, the show schedule is the law of the land.
2. You may enter any number of plants in a class, but only one plant of each variety. A variety may be entered in multiple classes. **EXCEPTION:** You may enter only one collection in each collection class and only one violet in each decorative container class.
3. All plants must be slip potted.
4. All plants in the horticulture division must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least 3 months. (This does not include plants in the design division.)
5. All plants entered in the show must go through registration and be brought to the registration/classification table before being entered.

Classifying plants for the show

1. Each violet's description should be found in the Master Variety List/First Class. If it is not listed in either resource, it will be entered in the class that best fits its description.
2. First determine category: standard, miniature, semiminature.
3. Next determine leaf type: non-variegated or variegated.
4. Determine bloom color. Read each description carefully.
 - a. Edges take precedence.
 - b. A color used to describe a color does not make the flower 'multicolor.' (example: 'purple-red' goes into the 'red' class).
 - c. 'Multicolor' is two or more colors, not shades of a color.
 - d. If a description includes the word 'variable,' the plant will be placed in the class that matches how it is currently blooming.
5. **Collection Classes:**
 - a. You **MUST** be a member of AVSA to enter any AVSA Collection Classes, a member of Ohio State AVS to enter the Ohio State Collection Class and a member

- of Dixie to enter the Dixie Collection Class.
 - b. In order to be entered into an AVSA Collection class, a violet must be registered and have a registration number.
 - c. In order to be entered into the Ohio State Class, a violet must have been hybridized in Ohio (Buckeye, Newtown, Green Circle Growers, etc.)
 - d. In order to be entered into the Dixie Class, a violet must have been registered with Dixie AVS and have a DAVS number.
6. **Other Gesneriads:** Please be sure to write out the entire name, such as Episcia 'Silver Skies', not just Silver Skies or E. Silver Skies. Gesneriads may be in any type or color of pot.



"African Violets CAN Link US Together"
May 20 – 27, 2018

AVSA - the African Violet Society of America and
 AVSC - the African Violet Society of Canada

Adam's Mark Buffalo Hotel and Event Centre
120 Church Street
Buffalo, New York 14202

**Visit www.avsa.org to
 download the convention
 information packet!**