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President's Message

Our 16th annual MAAVS convention is just around the corner. This convention, co-sponsored with the New York State African Violet Society (NYSAVS), promises to be a first rate show in all aspects.

Our convention, "Violets Around the World", will be held on October 26th thru 28th in Owego, New York, at the Treadway Inn. The NYSAVS has put in a tremendous amount of time and effort to help make this joint venture a success, so I would encourage all to attend this memorable event.

Please note that both hotel reservations forms as well as MAAVS registration forms should be sent to Laurene Jones. Looking forward to a great convention.

Rodney

The MAAVS MEMO

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February 25th for the First Quarterly Issue
May 25th for the Second Quarterly Issue
September 10th for the Third Quarterly Issue
November 25th for the Fourth Quarterly Issue

Advertising Rates are \$35 per edition for full page ads, \$20 per edition for half page ads, and \$10 per edition for quarter page ads. A 10% discount is given for annual advertising. Please contact the Advertising Committee Chairman, Ken Barbi.

Former MAAVS Presidents:

Diane Richardson	1991 - 1995
Sue Hoffmann	1995 - 1999
Linda Abplanalp	1999 - 2001
Ken Barbi	2001 - 2005
Rodney Barnett	2005 - Present

Membership Update by Ken Barbi

As we approach the Convention, MAAVS memberships will start to expire in December 2006. Please check the expiration date of your membership which is shown on the address label. Renew your membership along with your convention registration. If you are not attending this year's convention, please send your renewal to me.

Awards Donations Request

It's that time of year to think about autumn and the excitement of the upcoming MAAVS/NYSAVS Convention and Show, "Violets Around the World". We are all proud of the generous responses in past years from members of both societies to honor the horticultural and design achievements of fellow members. We ask again that we all continue this wonderful tradition and make the

awards ceremony the most anticipated event in Owego.

Thank you to those who have already responded to be a sponsor. If you have not yet sent in your donation, we would appreciate receiving it no later than October 2.

You can e-mail us with your pledge and then mail your check. If you are donating a rosette, medallion, or other than a monetary gift, you can bring it with you to Owego, or mail it to us.

You may specify where your gift is to be used as per the show schedule or you may direct us to use it where needed. All awards will be listed and donors recognized in the Empire Violet Magazine and the MAAVS Memo.

Joe and Sylvia Svitak, Awards Chairpersons
85-51 169th Street
Jamaica, NY 11432-2629
smsvitak@earthlink.net

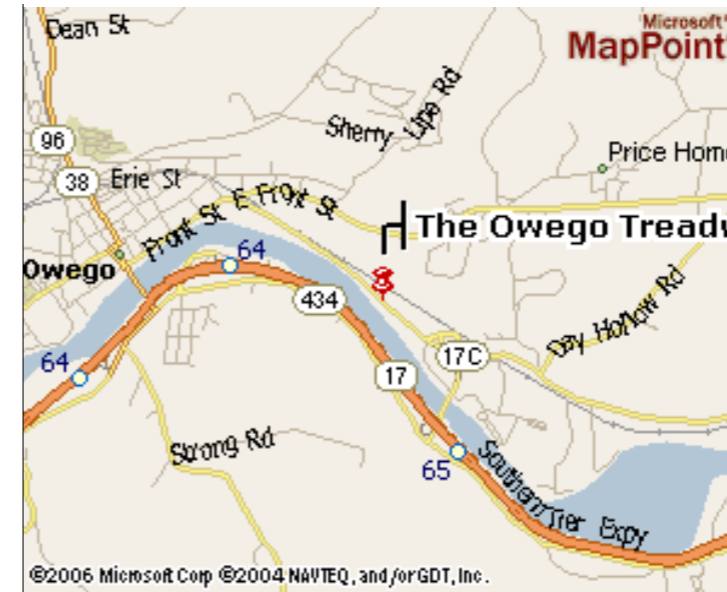
Driving Directions to the Treadway Inn and Conference Center, Owego, NY

From the South - PA, MD, VA, NC, SC, etc. through Binghamton, NY:

Take Interstate 81 north to Binghamton, then take Route 17 west to exit 65. Turn right at stop sign. Bear left at fork in the road, towards Route 17C west. At traffic light, Holiday Inn Express - Owego is straight ahead or turn right onto Route 17C west and the Owego Treadway Inn and Suites is on the left.

From the Northeast - Syracuse, NY; and Ontario, Canada:

Take Interstate 81 south to Route 17 west. Then follow above directions



through Binghamton, NY.

From the North - Ithaca, NY:

Take Route 96 south to Owego, New York. Take Route 17C east for approximately 2 miles. Owego Treadway Inn and Suites and Holiday Inn Express - Owego are on the right.

From the Northwest - Buffalo and Rochester, NY:

NY:

Take Route 390 east to Route 17 east to exit 65. Turn right at the stop sign. Bear left at the fork in the road toward Route 17C west. At the traffic light, Holiday Inn Express - Owego is straight ahead or turn right onto Route 17C and the Owego Treadway Inn and Suites is on the left.

From the East - VT, NH, MA, CT, RI, etc. through Albany, NY:

Take Interstate 88 from Albany, NY, west to Binghamton to Route 17 west and then follow the directions from Binghamton (above).

OWEGO TREADWAY INN & CONFERENCE CENTER

1100 State Route 17C . Owego, New York 13827

Phone: 607.687.4500 Fax: 607.687.2456

Web Site: www.owegotreadway.com

E-Mail: treadwaysales@aol.com

HOTEL REGISTRATION FOR CONVENTION

Because of NYS AVS tax exempt status, we are able to offer a room rate for the Convention of \$95, single or double occupancy. There's no risk involved. Regular hotel cancellation policy is in effect, the same as a regular guaranteed reservation. DO NOT send prepayment to hotel. Mail this form along with your registration form to:

Laurene Jones
3430 Luttrell Road
Annandale, VA 22003.

Reservations must be RECEIVED by October 1, 2006 to get this convention rate.

Please reserve (check one) :

Single: _____ Double: _____
Smoking: _____ Nonsmoking: _____

Date of Arrival: _____ Time: _____

Date of Departure: _____ Time: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____

Number of nights _____ @ \$95 = _____

Make checks payable to MAAVS in U. S. funds.
Following receipt you will receive confirmation.
The Treadway Inn and Conference Center
110 State Route 17C
Owego, NY 13827
607.687.4500
Fax: 607.687.2456

**Joint NEW YORK STATE /MID-ATLANTIC AFRICAN VIOLET SOCIETIES
CONVENTION AND SHOW**

October 26- 28, 2006 REGISTRATION FORM

Please check all that apply (one form per person) :

Exhibitor _____ Individual Member _____ Life Member _____ Board Member _____
Commercial Member _____ Hon. Life Member _____ Past Pres _____ Judge _____

Please Print:

Name _____ Phone () _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip _____

E-mail address _____

Name to go on Badge _____

In case of emergency, who should be notified:

Name _____ Relationship _____ Phone# _____

Registration Fees:

NYS/MAAVS Member (by deadline) \$10 _____
Non member (by deadline) \$15 _____
After **October 10th deadline**, add \$10⁰⁰ late fee \$10 _____

Meals:

Friday dinner (circle one of three) \$23 _____
 Broiled Pork Chops
 Salmon with Horseradish Crust
 Vegetarian Entree
Commercial Breakfast (Commercial members) \$10 _____
Saturday Luncheon (circle one of two) \$14 _____
 Penne & Grilled Chicken
 Vegetarian
Saturday Banquet (circle one of three) \$25 _____
 Prime Rib
 Champagne Chicken
 Vegetarian Entree

MAAVS Membership renewal

Individual \$15 _____
Joint (2 members, same address) \$20 _____
Affiliate/Commercial \$20 _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Following receipt, you will receive confirmation. Make checks payable to MAAVS in U.S. Funds. Send this form (or a photocopy) with payment to: Laurene Jones, 3430 Luttrell Road, Annandale, VA 22003.

Deadline: October 10, 2006. Registrations must be postmarked by the deadline date to receive the lower registration fee. A \$10 service fee will be imposed on refunds after this date. No refunds after October 22, 2006. Persons with special dietary requirements should make them known when submitting reservations. Special dietary needs cannot be accommodated after October 15th.

Convention Ways and Means Needs YOUR HELP!

Again this year Ways & Means is reaching out to all MAAVS members, individual and commercial, to help with making this year's joint Convention a very successful one.

We will be having the basket contest so each affiliate club is being asked to donate a theme basket. The grab bag is always fun so we need to have individuals contribute a one dollar item that is wrapped for this. These items need not be plant related but should be new. There will be a silent auction and a Saturday night raffle. For these we are asking for donations of any kind: plant cuttings, rhizomes, hand crafted items, money envelopes, gift certificates, plant supplies, or whatever you have that others might want. On Saturday evening at the Banquet, there will also be a plant auction, so if you wish to donate your prize-winning violet or gesneriad, we will be happy to take it for this sale. If you prefer, you may send cash and we will purchase something for your club's donation or your personal donation. If your donation is received by September 30th, we will list it in the donations program. If your donation is something you will be bringing to the Convention, just let us know ahead of time, so you will be included.

Hope to see you all at our fall joint Convention with MAAVS in Owego. I'm sure it will be a Convention you will not want to miss.

Thank you for helping us make this a very successful year.

Linda Rowe, Ways & Means Chairman
Mary Ryan, Co-Chair

MAAVS Collection Rosettes



A MAAVS Collection Rosette for an exhibit consisting of three African violets of the same type (standard, miniature, semiminiature, trailer [standard, miniature, or semiminiature], or species) is available to affiliate clubs.

These plants must be entered by a MAAVS member and need not be AVSA-registered varieties. Each plant will be point scored in accordance with The African Violet Society of America Handbook For Growers, Exhibitors, and Judges and awarded a ribbon as merited. Exhibitor **must** be a MAAVS member.

To order a rosette, please contact Susan Barbi at 1809 View Top Court, Annapolis, MD 21409-5873, and remit \$5.00 with each request. If you have unused rosettes from previous years, you may request new score sheets at no cost, use the score sheets from the AVSA Entries Program, or download score sheets from www.maavs.org. For additional information, or to check on a request, call 410.757.5044, or E Mail susanbarbi@verizon.net

MAAVS Memo Available On-Line

The MAAVS Memo is now available on-line. If you have already subscribed, you will be getting this copy electronically. You can still subscribe for automatic reception of future editions by providing your E Mail address at www.maavs.org. You won't be bothered with any junk E Mail - - just important MAAVS business - - and we will save on postage by not sending you a hard copy. If you want both, we will provide them if you ask.

Questions about this new service will be answered by Tom Glembocki at 919.362.8532. To be able to read the on-line MAAVS Memo, you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader installed on your computer available at no charge from www.adobe.com/support/downloads/main.html .

**Application for Membership
Mid-Atlantic African Violet Society**

Date _____ New _____ Renewal _____

Individual _____ \$15.00
Joint (2 members, same address) _____ \$20.00
Affiliate/Commercial _____ \$20.00
MAAVS Pin _____ \$ 5.00

(If new member dues are paid between June 30th and December 31st, your membership will expire on December 31st of the following year)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____

E Mail _____

Local Affiliate _____

Member of AVSA _____

(Please make checks payable to MAAVS)

Send membership application to:

Ken Barbi
1809 View Top Court
Annapolis, MD 21409-5973
410.757.5044

E Mail questions to: Barbik@st-margarets.org

Honorary Life Members

Diane Richardson (2003 Induction)
Sue Hoffmann (2003 Induction)
Linda Abplanalp (2004 Induction)
Gary Gordon (2004 Induction)
Jack and Pat Wilson (2005 Induction)
Mary Boland (2005 Induction)
John and Barbara Cook (2006 Induction)
Laurene Jones (2006 Induction)

We need Judges and Clerks!

If you are interested in judging or clerking for the show, do not wait to the last minute. Volunteer today! Send your name and contact information to the Judges & Clerks Chairman: Kitty Hedgepeth, 4024 Cutshaw Avenue, Richmond, VA 23230. (804) 358-1879 or email: EEQUAT@aol.com

**Latest Official NYSAVS/MAAVS
Convention Information is on the
MAAVS WEB site at:
WWW.MAAVS.ORG**

Convention Design Reservations

It's not too early to reserve your design space. With a combined show, most classes are limited to six entries. Reserve your space now with Bob Loomis, 2925 Table Rock Road, Pickens, SC 29671-8046, 864.878.6871 bomars2@bellsouth.net, no later than Friday, October 20th, 2006.

**Welcome New
MAAVS Members**

We welcome two new MAAVS Members: David Tooker of Red Bank, NJ; and Peggy Mooney of Secane, PA.

Show Award Donations

It's not too late to donate an award for the MAAVS/NYSAVS Convention and Show, where our growers always treat us to a dazzling display of beautiful plants -- a place where our designers inspire us with creative displays. We are proud of our members' generous responses in past years to honor plant and design achievements by fellow members, and we ask that you continue this wonderful tradition. As in previous years, you may specify where your gift is to be used or you may direct us to use it where needed. Your donations make the difference. Checks should be made payable to: NYSAVS, attach the following form, and be mailed to:

Sylvia Svitak, Awards Chair
85-51 169th Street
Jamaica, NY 11432-2629
516.225.1741
smsvitak@earthlink.net

Name _____
Address _____
E-Mail _____
Membership: ___MAAVS___NYSAVS
Donation _____
Where to be used _____

BOARD OF DIRECTORS**ELECTED OFFICERS (Executive Committee)**

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Nominating	- Ken Barbi
2006 Convention in Owego, NY	- Fay Wagman

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MAAVS Collection Rosette	- Susan Barbi
Historian	- Shirley Huffman
Properties	- Ken Barbi
Convention Registrar	- Laurene Jones
Webmaster	- Tom Glembocki

Affiliate Rosettes

The African Violet Society of Philadelphia Species Rosette is available to MAAVS Affiliates for best Saintpaulia species or natural hybrid in your show. Mail your request to: Judith A. Smith, Species Chairman, 7808 Conwell Road, Laverock, PA 19038-7205 at least one month before your show. Please include a check for \$2.00 (made out to Judith A. Smith), to cover the cost of postage and handling.

The Baltimore African Violet Club Best Fantasy Rosette is available to MAAVS Affiliates for best fantasy in your show. Mail your request to: Joanne Baker-Pruner, 125 Dales Way Drive, Pasadena, MD 21122-0144. Please include a check for \$5.00 (made out to BAVC).

**The MAAVS Memo**

Kenneth W. Barbi - Membership Chairman
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