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### Convention Committee Message

Convention time, October 11 - 13, is just around the corner, and everything is ready for you to have a grand time. Marie Burns and Susan Barbi (Show Chair and co-Chair) are working hard on getting the show pieces in order, and Carol Hamelink, our Convention Chairman, is working hard to get all the other general details ironed out. Don't forget to get those Design Class reservations to Bob Loomis, advertisements for the Convention Souvenir Book to Tom Glembocki, Show Judges and Clerk volunteers to Kitty Hedgepeth, and Ways and Means Silent Auction items to Susan Barbi. Details about these things are included on the following pages.

The Judging School will be held on Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, and will not conflict with Show Judging or other activities. Laurene Jones will be doing the school and details about that are on page 4.. You must register for the Judging School by filling out the Convention Registration Form on page 6.

There will be a \$2 entry fee for non-registered folks to see the Show this year. The Holiday Inn in York will guarantee room rates until **September 17<sup>th</sup>**! The cost of rooms is \$104 per night plus 9 % tax. **Call 800.992.0613 or local 717.846.9500 to make your reservation.**

Please get your registration forms mailed by **October 1<sup>st</sup>**. If your MAAVS Membership expires this December 2007, please renew now on the registration form.

We will not have goodies bags in an effort to conserve paper and reduce CO2 emissions. There will be a large bowl of candy at the registration desk for all to enjoy.

The Friday night dinner will be held in a Bistro Setting and be a Costume Event with prizes. The costumes should reflect the James Bond - - 007 theme with a 1<sup>st</sup> prize of \$25 and a runner-up prize of \$10.

*Carol and Marie*

## The MAAVS MEMO

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November 25<sup>th</sup> for the Fourth Quarterly Issue

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### Former MAAVS Presidents:

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

## Affiliate Events

**African Violet Society of Canada (AVSC) 39<sup>th</sup> National Convention and Show** sponsored by the Lakeshore African Violet Society of Toronto announces "Violets for All Seasons" on October 11 - 13, 2007, at the Novotel Hotel, Mississauga, Ontario. Show hours: October 12<sup>th</sup> 2 pm - 6 pm; October 13<sup>th</sup> 9 am - 4 pm. Admission \$3.00. For registration information and information, please contact Doris Brownlie 905.270.6776 or e mail [jtbrownlie@idirect.com](mailto:jtbrownlie@idirect.com).

**African Violet Society of Philadelphia** announces its Judged Show & Plant Sale on October 13<sup>th</sup> 12 pm - 5 pm, and October 14<sup>th</sup> 11 am - 4 pm. The judged show is sanctioned by the African Violet Society of America. It will feature a display of unusual specimen African violets, gesneriads (other plants in the same family) and interpretive design. Members will be available to greet the public and answer horticultural questions. The plant sale will have a wide assortment of African violets from greenhouses and member's starter plants. The show and sale will be at the Lighthouse Fellowship United Methodist Church, 137 North Easton Road, Glenside, PA 19038. For more details, contact Carol Hastings, 610.272.6961 or [SQCUT2@AOL.COM](mailto:SQCUT2@AOL.COM)

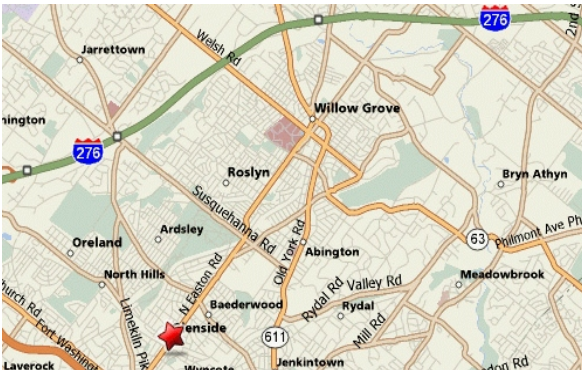
*Visit AVS of Philadelphia on the way home from the MAAVS Convention in York!  
See the map and directions on the next page.*

## Friday Night Dinner

It's a Costume Party - come dressed as himself or your favorite James Bond character, and compete for \$20 Best costume and \$10 2<sup>nd</sup> Best costume from the Baltimore African Violet Club.

## Attention All Convention Attendees

Volunteers are needed to both Judge and Clerk for the October convention. If you would like to serve in either position, please contact Kitty Hedgepeth at your earliest convenience. For new members, clerking is a great way to learn the ropes and to get an early peek at what promises to be one of our best shows ever. You may get in touch with Kitty by phone at 804.358.1879, or by email at [EEQUAT@aol.com](mailto:EEQUAT@aol.com). If you prefer the old fashioned way, you may drop her a note at 4024 Cutshaw Ave., Richmond, VA 23230-3930. We look forward to working with you.



Map from York, PA, to Philadelphia AVS Show

Directions: From the Willow Grove Exit #27/342 of the PA Turnpike I-276: Take 611 (Easton Road) east to where it curves at the Burger King in Willow Grove. Turn right (south), staying on Easton Road for about 3.5 miles. Turn left on Fairhill into the parking lot in the rear of the church.

## Ads for Convention Souvenir Book

Place an ad in our 2007 MAAVS Convention Souvenir Book for an upcoming event, to promote your club or just to say hello to someone special. Make check payable to MAAVS and send payment and copy by September 14<sup>th</sup> to:

Tom Glembocki, 103 Downing Place Apex, NC 27502 Phone: 919.362.8532

or email to [tom@maavs.org](mailto:tom@maavs.org)

- \_\_\_ Quarter page 3 ½ x 3 ½ - \$10
- \_\_\_ Half page 4 ½ x 3 ½ - \$15
- \_\_\_ Whole page 4 ½ x 7 ½ - \$25

# MAAVS Judging School

by Laurene Jones

I am providing the following advance information to those of you planning to take my class on Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, at the Mid-Atlantic African Violet Society's 17th Annual Convention and Show. **We need at least 5 people to conduct the school. SIGN-UP to take the school on the Convention Registration Form - - page 6.**

The outline that follows is a general outline of the material that will be presented in the lecture/discussion. It may or may not contain all the information in the exam. But, if you are familiar with this material, you will do very well on the exam. The lecture/discussion period will be about 4 hours and start after lunch on Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. You will take the examination that will include the point scoring of two specimen plants on Saturday at 9:00 am.

While I will cover (several times) everything that will be on the examination, your preparation prior to the exam will ensure a better score, and the AVSA Judge's Handbook will be an important source of information.

Please, do not worry about the exam. Look over the outline, refresh your memory of the Handbook and come well rested and you will not have any problems.

Don't forget to bring proof of three blue ribbons and your AVSA membership number. *If this is your 1<sup>st</sup> test as a Student Judge and you don't have any blue ribbons (1 of the 3 may be in a design or other gesneriad class), take the test anyway. Bill Foster, AVSA Judging Committee Chairman, will hold your certificate until you get the 3 blue ribbons.*

Good luck. I'm privileged to do this school for you.

## Judging School Outline

1. AVSA
  - a. Official name of the handbook
  - b. What the handbook covers (the areas)
  - c. Purposes of AVSA
  - d. The organization responsible for registering AVs
  - e. Types of memberships, definitions
2. African Violets, Culture, etc..
  - a. Culture, propagation, requirements for growing, watering, fertilizer, etc
  - b. Definitions, know the descriptions of blossoms, leaves, foliage, etc
  - c. Registrations
3. AVSA Shows and Awards
  - a. Organizing a show
  - b. AVSA collection classes
  - c. Judging of specimen plants
  - d. Tri-Color awards
  - e. Best in Show, and Second Best in Show
4. AVSA Show Committees
  - a. Required divisions in an affiliate show
  - b. Committees (10)
  - c. Committee duties
  - d. Committees responsibilities
  - e. What Judges look for
  - f. Show Chairman's responsibilities
5. Gesneriads
  - a. Categories, such as
  - b. Gesneriads-3 root systems
  - c. Form
  - d. Qualities you look for when judging
  - e. Specimens grown primarily for foliage
6. Design
  - a. Three sections of design division
  - b. Difference between interpretive plant and interpretive flower arrangements
- c. General rules
- d. Important consideration when judging interpretive arrangements, container gardens
- e. Reasons for eliminating from consideration for an award
- f. Elements and principles
- g. Types of container gardens, purposes
- h. Small arrangements
7. Other
  - a. Definition of a commercial member
  - b. Special exhibits of an affiliate show, two sections
  - c. Judging considerations for special exhibits
  - d. Judging for the SSA
8. AVSA Judges
  - a. Categories of judges
9. Horticultural Division Judging
  - a. Sucker
  - b. Variegation
  - c. Minis and semiminiatures
  - d. Trailers
  - e. New cultivar class, important consideration, qualities of a good new cultivar
  - f. Comments on entry cards

**Mid-Atlantic African Violet Society  
October 11 - 13, 2007 Convention and Show  
Registration Form**

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:**

(Companions just attending dinner events do not have to pay registration fees, however cannot show plants or attend presentations)

MAAVS Member (by **October 1<sup>st</sup>**) \$30 \_\_\_\_\_  
After **October 1<sup>st</sup>** please add \$5 late fee \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 5 \_\_\_\_\_

**Meals:**

Friday dinner (circle one) \$29 \_\_\_\_\_  
    Chicken Cordon Blue  
    8 oz Prime Rib

Saturday Banquet (circle one) \$29 \_\_\_\_\_  
    Grilled London Broil  
    Grilled Seared Sea Bass Filet

**MAAVS Membership renewal**

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

**Awards Donation**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Judging School Registration**

\$15 \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Following receipt, you will receive a postal card confirmation. Make checks payable to MAAVS in U.S. Funds. Please send your payment to: Laurene Jones, 3430 Luttrell Road, Annandale, VA 22003, by **October 1<sup>st</sup>**. A \$ 5 service fee will be imposed on refunds made after this date unless you have extenuating circumstances. Refunds after October 10<sup>th</sup> will depend upon our ability to reallocated purchased dinners. Persons with **special dietary requirements** should make them known when submitting reservations. Special dietary needs including **vegetarian dinners** cannot be accommodated after **October 1<sup>st</sup>**:

# MAAVS Convention Awards

by Rich Follett

It's that time of year to think about autumn and the excitement of the upcoming MAAVS Convention and Show, "**007, Bond . . . James Bond.**" In 2007, we have a **007** Theme - - how about that! We are all proud of the generous responses in past years from members 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 York.

You can donate an award by adding it to your Convention Registration form on **page 6**. If you are donating a rosette, medallion, or other than a monetary gift, let me know, and bring it with you to York.

Rich Follett, Awards Chairman PO Box 583, Strasburg, VA22657, [richfoll@yahoo.com](mailto:richfoll@yahoo.com)

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## 2007 MAAVS Show and Convention

*October 11<sup>th</sup> thru 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007*

*Holiday Inn, 2000 Louchs Road, York, Pennsylvania*

Cost of rooms is \$104 per night plus 9 % tax. ***Hotel reservation deadline is September 17<sup>th</sup>. Call 800.992.0613 or local 717.846.9500 to make your reservation.***

### **From Points North:**

Take I-83 South to Exit #22. Make a right off the exit and follow the signs to Route 30 West. Make a right onto Route 30 West. Follow Route 30 West to Route 74 Exit (Carlisle Ave./ Route 74). Make a right off the exit onto Route 74 North. At the SECOND traffic light, make a right. The Holiday Inn is on the left.

### **From Points East:**

Take I-76 West (PA Turnpike) to Exit #242(18) then I-83 South to Exit #22. Make

a right off the exit and follow the signs to Route 30 West. Make a right onto Route 30 West. Follow Route 30 West to the Route 74 Exit (Carlisle Ave./ Route 74). Make a right off the exit onto Route 74 North. At the Second traffic light, make a right. The Holiday Inn is on the left.



### **From Points West:**

Take I-76 East (PA Turnpike) to Exit #242(18) then I-83 South to Exit 22. Make a right off the exit and follow signs to Route 30 West. Make a right onto Route 30 West. Follow Route 30 West to Route 74 Exit (Carlisle Ave./ Route 74). Make a right off the exit onto Route 74 North. At the SECOND traffic light, make a right. The Holiday Inn is on the left.

### **From Points South:**

Take I-83 North to Exit 21B, Route 30 West. Follow Route 30 West to Route 74 Exit (Carlisle Ave./ Route 74). Make a right off the exit onto Route 74 North. At the second traffic light, make a right. The Holiday Inn is on the left.



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

President	- Rodney Barnett
Vice President	- Barbara Stewart
Secretary	- Jean Tippett
Treasurer	- George McDonald

**AFFILIATE DIRECTORS**

AVC of Burlington County NJ	- Susan Arnao
AVS of Philadelphia	- Marianne Gershon
AVS of Rochester	- Fay Wagman
AVS of Springfield	- Joan Santino
AVS of Syracuse	- Mary Ryan
Baltimore AV Club	- Nancy Ennis
Delaware AVS	- Carol Callaghan
Lake Shore AVS	- Doris Brownlie
Old Dominion AVS	- Laurene Jones
Richmond AVS	- Kitty Hedgepeth
The First Goldsboro AVS	- Lorena Bunn
Tidewater AVS	- Carol Van
Triangle AVS	- Libbie Glembocki
Southern Member-at-Large	- Gary Gordon
Northern Member-at-Large	- Doris Brownlie

**CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Advertising	- Ken Barbi
Affiliates	- Diane Richardson
Awards	- Open
Bylaws & Standing Rules	- Jack Wilson
Commercial Activities	- John Cook
Finance	- George McDonald
Future Conventions	- Open
Membership & Promotions	- Ken Barbi
Newsletter & Documentation	- Ken Barbi
Ways & Means	- Open
Immediate Past President	- Ken Barbi

**CHAIRMEN OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

Nominating	- Ken Barbi
2007 Convention in Baltimore, MD	- Carol Hamelink
2008 Convention in Fredericksburg, VA	- Rich Follett

**APPOINTED Non-Board POSITIONS**

Parliamentarian	- Mary Boland
Editor of The MAAVS MEMO	- Ken Barbi
MAAVS Collection Rosette	- Susan Barbi
Historian	- Shirley Huffman
Properties	- Ken Barbi
Convention Registrar	- Laurene Jones
Webmaster	- Tom Glembocki

# Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee proposes the following individuals for office:

President	Rich Follett
Vice President	Judi Dupont
Secretary	Jean Tippett
Treasurer	George McDonald

Submitted by: Ken Barbi, Past President and Chairman; Linda Abplanalp, Penultimate Past President; Libby Glembocki; Lauren Jones; and Diane Richardson.

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**MAAVS WEB site at:**  
**WWW.MAAVS.ORG**

**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 30<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>,  
 your membership will expire on December 31<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:Barbik@st-margarets.org)

### 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).

## Welcome New MAAVS Members

Welcome to Sandra Romine from Midland, Virginia; Sheryl King from Clear Brook, Virginia; and Linda Kilby from Lansdowne, Pennsylvania.

## 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](http://www.maavs.org). If you change your e mail address, please unsubscribe the old address and re-subscribe the new address. If you want a hard copy too, please let the MAAVS Memo Editor know so he can provide it.

Questions will be answered by Tom Glembocki at 919.362.8532. You must have Adobe Acrobat Reader installed on your computer available at no charge at [www.adobe.com/support/downloads/main.html](http://www.adobe.com/support/downloads/main.html) to be able to read the E MEMO.

### Convention Design Reservations

It's not too early to reserve your design space. Classes are limited to 4 - 6 entries. Reserve your space now with Bob Loomis, 2925 Table Rock Road, Pickens, SC 29671-8046, 864.878.6871  
[marbob76@earthlink.net](mailto:marbob76@earthlink.net)  
no later than



### Ways and Means

Susan Barbi will be collecting items to be silent auctioned at the Convention. Please let me know what you plan to bring. Call me at 410.757.5044 or e mail at [susanbarbi@verizon.net](mailto:susanbarbi@verizon.net)  
Winners will be announced at the Saturday dinner.

## MAAVS Collection Rosettes



A MAAVS Collection Rosette for an exhibit consisting of three African violets of the same type (standard, miniature, semiminature, trailer [standard, miniature, or semiminature], 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](http://www.maavs.org). For additional information, or to check on a request, call 410.757.5044, or E Mail [susanbarbi@verizon.net](mailto:susanbarbi@verizon.net)

### **The MAAVS Memo**

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