

Pinelands Orchid Society

http://www.pinelandsorchidsociety.org

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President's Message

Spring is here! Well, at least we didn't get the snow they predicted last night. In my garden, the daffodils and *chionodoxas* are blooming, the columbine and foxgloves are showing new growth, and I must get the butterfly bushes pruned <u>this weekend</u>! In the house, the *Phals* are still going strong, with a few just starting their spikes, and the *Paphs* are sending up new leaves, telling me it's time to repot.

We are through the show season, with great results. Many of you participated in the Philadelphia International Flower Show, and there were many ribbons. Some photographs from the Show are here in the newsletter. We also had two AOS award winners, Maurice Marietti, for his *Bulbophylum echinolobium*, and Bayard Saraduke for his *Phragmipediums* Jason Fischer and Don Wimber. We also had a display at the SEPOS Show at Longwood gardens (photograph below), which took first place, with Best of the Blues ribbons for two of Maurice's plants and for Ernie Masso's *Paph*. Memoria Pat DiSanto. Congratulations to all!

Our speaker this month will be Bill Smith, of Rare Find Nursery. Bill owned Rainforest Orchids for 25 years and was an AOS judge. His current passion is bog gardening in New Jersey, and he will be sharing information about the bog garden he constructed. We look forward to seeing all of you for this interesting evening!







Phalaenopsis amabilis received 1st Place Grown by Nancy Volpe



Phalaenopsis Hybrid received 2nd Place Grown by Valerie Oldham





Lycaste Abou 'First Spring' Grown by Bayard Saraduke Received a 1st Place Ribbon



Paphiopedilum Fair Yerba 'Pat DiSanto' Grown by Ernie Masso Received a 1st Place Ribbon



Paphiopedilum Hybrid Grown by Pat Eastwood Received a 2nd Place Ribbon



Sedirea japonica Grown by Donna Boyle Received an HM Ribbon

Our Program for April's Meeting: Bog Gardening Presented by Bill Smith of Rare Find Nursery



Rare Find Nursery.com 957 Patterson Road Jackson, NJ 08527

Rare Find Nursery is a retail/mail-order nursery that focuses on unusual hardy plants, rhododendrons, azaleas, native perennials, trees, shrubs, dogwoods, magnolias, conifers, Japanese maples, variegated plants, shade plants and deer-resistant plants!

"Bill" Smith's experience in the "University of Life" is very diverse, including a teaching degree in English and History from Glassboro State College. He operated Rainforest Orchids for 25 years, and was a national orchid judge. "Bogman" Bill's current plant passion is the large bog he constructed, which has become a stop for numerous tour groups. It was featured in the November 2010 issue of *Green Scene* magazine, a Pennsylvania Horticulture Society publication.

Monthly Meeting—April 5, 011

The next meeting of Pinelands Orchid Society will be held on Tuesday, **April 5th, 2011** at Medford Leas, 1 Medford Leas Way, Medford, NJ 08055

If your last name begins with the letters I thru M please bring a snack to share. The society will provide hot and cold beverages.



Doors will open to accept Show Table Plants at 7:00 p.m.

Please Remember:

Show Table plants, along with their completed
Show Table slips, must be on the Show Tables by 7:30 p.m. sharp in order to be eligible for judging!

Pinelands Orchid Society Monthly Meeting Time Schedule

7:00—7:30	Arrival of Show Table Plants
7:30—7:45	Business Meeting & Announcements
7:45—8:15	Break for Refreshments and Culture Corner
8:15—9:00	Speaker or Program Presentation
9:00—9:30	Show Table Critique
9:30—9:45	Raffle



The Orchid Calendar



• Tuesday, April 5th—Monthly meeting of the Pinelands Orchid Society at 7:30 p.m. at Medford Leas. Our speaker this evening is Bill Smith of Rare Find Nursery in Jackson, NJ. Bill's topic will be Bog Gardening.



- March 5th through April 25th—The Orchid Show: On Broadway! Experience the thrill of opening night at *The Orchid Show: On Broadway* as Tony award-winning set designer Scott Pas and image-maker Drew Hodge bring the allure, excitement, and glamour of Broadway to The New York Botanical Garden. This must-see, limited run horticultural engagement takes place in the dramatic galleries of the landmark Enid A. Haupt Conservatory. Echoing elements from some of Broadway's most iconic theaters, including the Walter Kerr Theater and the New Amsterdam Theater, *The Orchid Show: On Broadway* showcases 5,000 dazzling specimens from one of the most distinguished orchid collections in the world. Over 300 types of orchids are displayed in dramatic curtains, arcades, and chandeliers under the domes of America's largest glasshouse. Be charmed by the flowery thespian; on weekends, thrill to the sounds of some of Broadway's best-loved tunes; and immerse yourself in theater history with *Hirschfeld's Broadway Scrapbook*.
- Tuesday, May 3rd—Monthly meeting of the Pinelands Orchid Society and our Annual Orchid Auction.
- Saturday, May 7th—Workshops at Parkside Orchid Nursery: 10:00 a.m.—
 Introduction to Orchids. This class is designed for individuals who have just begun to grow orchids. It focuses on growing orchids in the home on a windowsill. 1:00 p.m.—Water and Fertilizer Workshop. Understanding how they impact your orchid growing. Bring samples of your water with and without fertilizer for evaluation. Last year, this hands-on workshop was a big success. Participants determined how they could dramatically improve the growth of their orchids.
- **Tuesday, June 7th**—Monthly meeting of the Pinelands Orchid Society and our end-of-the-year Awards Presentation!
- June 10th, 11th & 12th—Shore Orchid Festival at Silva Orchids in Neptune, NJ.
- **July 30 & 31**—2011 Native Orchid Conference at the Mt. Cuba Center in Hockessin, Delaware. See <u>page 6</u> of this newsletter for details.



The 2011 Native Orchid Conference

Wilmington, DE

Mt. Cuba Center, the mid-Atlantic's premier native plant garden, will sponsor the 2011 Native Orchid Conference. The conference takes place on July 30 & 31, 2011 at Mt. Cuba Center in Hockessin, Delaware. This is the first time the conference will be held in Delaware. Optional field trips, sponsored by the Native Orchid Conference, Inc., will take place on August 1 & 2.

The conference brings orchid enthusiasts from the United States and Canada to hear experts in their field, to share information, and to observe orchids in their native habitat. Post-conference trips will be made to locations in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware where native orchids may be found. The conference is open to the public and registration information will be available on Mt. Cuba Center's website, www.mtcubacenter.org, starting March 15.

Mt. Cuba Center is the former estate of Mr. and Mrs. Lammot DuPont Copeland. Their mission is to foster an appreciation for plants of the Appalachian Piedmont and the conservation of their environment through garden displays, educations, and research. Public garden tours are scheduled in spring, summer and fall, and education programs are offered year-round.

The Native Orchid Conference, Inc. fosters the study, conservation, and enjoyment of the native orchids of the United States and Canada. It was founded in 2002 to build a network of native orchid enthusiasts and hold annual conferences in different part of North America. In addition to its annual gathering, the NOC hosts an on-line Yahoo message board with members from around the world.

For further information about the conference, contact NOC 2011 Chair, Phil Oyerly, Greenhouse Manager at Mt. Cuba Center, 302-239-4244, X 216, poyerly@mtcubacenter.org.

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Calopogon tuberosus (grass-pink)



Miltoniopsis Up Country Puna 'Keaau Star' AM/AOS Received **2nd Best Orchid Award** at the 2011 Philadelphia International Flower Show Congratulations to Michael Dunigan!

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