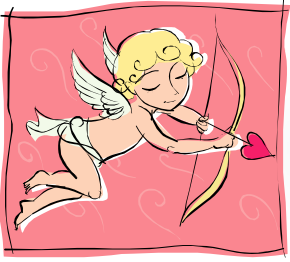


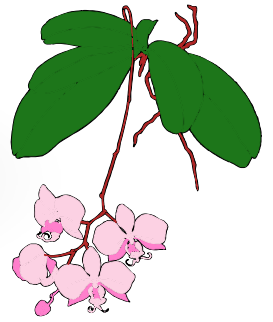
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Our February 12th Program

Two of our members, Maurice Marietti and Bayard Saraduke, attended the 19th World Orchid Conference held in Miami, Florida, on January 23-27. We are delighted that they will be on hand at our February 12th society meeting to share their experiences and photo highlights with us.

The American Orchid Society describes the World Orchid Conferences on its web site:

“Held once every three years in a different international location, the World Orchid Conference is the largest and most prestigious gathering of orchid enthusiasts, growers, hybridizers and scientists. In addition to educational and scientific seminars, the conference also features a spectacular orchid show with displays from orchid growers around the world.

Gordon Dillon, former executive secretary of the American Orchid Society, conceived the idea of an international, week-long event that would attract the best amateurs, professionals, and botanists in the orchid world. Eventually, his idea developed into the first World Orchid Conference held in October 1954 in St. Louis, Missouri. Since then, WOCs have been held in Honolulu, London, Singapore, Long Beach, Sydney, Medellin, Frankfurt, Bangkok, Durban, Miami, Tokyo, Auckland, Glasgow, Rio de Janeiro, Vancouver, Shah Alam, and Dijon.

Today, WOCs are overseen by the *World Orchid Conference Trust*, head-quartered in Bermuda, which was established in 1988. The Trust maintains guidelines for developing and staging these events, as well as evaluating presentations from potential hosts before deciding where future WOCs will be held. The Trustees are two representatives nominated by the American Orchid Society, two nominated by the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS), and one from Appleby Trust Limited, Bermuda. The Trust meets annually in Bermuda, as well as occasionally in other parts of the world as required.”

Monthly Meeting Reminder

The next meeting of the Pinelands Orchid Society will be Tuesday, **February 12th**, 2008 at 7:30 p.m., at the Woodland Fire Co. Hall, 524 Beechwood Ave. (off Chapel Ave. and Route 38) in Cherry Hill, NJ.

If your last name begins with the letters **A** through **E**, please bring a snack to share. The society will provide 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!



The Orchid Calendar

- **February 7—10**—Deep Cut Orchid Society Show at Dearborn Market, Holmdel, NJ. For more information: <http://www.deepcutorchids.googlepages.com>.
- **Tuesday, February 12**—Pinelands Orchid Society's monthly meeting. This is one week later than usual due to primary elections being held in the Woodland Ballroom. Program: Bayard Saraduke and Maurice Marietti will present highlights from the 19th World Orchid Conference held in Miami on January 23-27.
- **Thursday, January 31**—Pre-entry deadline for The Philadelphia Flower Show! Go to <http://www.theflowershow.com/attractions/exguide.html> for the 2008 Exhibitor's Guide and instructions on how to send in your entries by mail or online.
- **March 2—9**—The Philadelphia Flower Show: Jazz It Up! For hours and information, go to <http://theflowershow.com>.
- **March 28—30**—Longwood Gardens International Orchid Show & Sale. For all the beautiful details, go to <http://longwoodgardens.org>.



Aerangis lutea alba
Grown by Donna Boyle



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If you know of any member who would appreciate receiving a "get well" note or condolence card during the year, please let Anita McGann know.

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What The World Needs Now Is Love

By Betsy Sullivan



We live in a precarious world. And while it was ever thus – from caveman crises through the bubonic plague – it sometimes seems as if the stakes have never been higher.

Recently, I was struck by the parallels in the missions of Benazir Bhutto and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. – both of whom knowingly put their lives in danger in hopes of effecting positive change. Here at home, we're trying to select someone who can lead us through the complex maze of the future, although this exercise in citizenship feels more like the run up to the Super Bowl instead of to Super Tuesday.

And this brings me, not so oddly enough, to orchids.

We all have our reasons for loving the orchids we grow.

Perhaps you're in it for the mental challenge. Or the pure beauty. Or the power of fragrance. Or the duration of blossoms.

Maybe it's the incongruous juxtaposition of raising plants from tropical climates in a place that isn't (well, except in July and August).

Or all of the above.

Recently, though, I've decided that I also grow orchids for another reason: It makes me a better person.

In fact, I sometimes think that if everyone was required to bring an orchid to bloom at least once, many of the world's pressing problems – poverty, intolerance, the emphasis on differences we allow to divide us -- might be diminished. You could say that everything I know about world peace I've learned from orchids.

Let me elaborate:

If you want something to blossom, it helps to know where it comes from. In orchid growing, this global awareness translates to replicating as much as possible of the plant's natural environment. The larger lesson, though, may be that we can't expect living things – including members of the *Homo sapiens* species – to achieve their full potential without first understanding something about the climate in which they have been nurtured. This is especially true when the habitat is different from one's own.

It is the orchid grower who must adapt, not the orchid. Nice as it might be to see an orchid blooming in a snow drift, that's just not going to happen. To raise orchids, one must be realistic about just how far from its natural environment the plant can stray. Fortunately, many orchids are willing to meet us part-way, accepting humidity trays and artificial lighting. We humans, too, are flexible creatures within certain natural boundaries. If we meet each other part-way and provide enough warmth and light, we can grow together.

Over time, orchids can thrive in conditions that defy our wildest expectations. The state flower of Minnesota is an orchid – the *Cypripedium reginae*, which can grow up to four feet tall. It takes 16 years to produce its first flower. This should not only give hope to any parents waiting for their teenagers to blossom, but should teach us that patience is an essential component of many cross-cultural success stories.

Diversity is beautiful -- and necessary. As a novice grower, I've been astonished at the variety and complexity of orchids. I've learned that what we're able to enjoy today of this vast array has come in part through the careful blending of species. Just as with our own children, the offspring takes something from each parent and then provides something surprising of its own. It wouldn't be the same if we only had oncidiums, cattleyas, phals or phrags. We need to remember that before we try to remake any part of the world exclusively in our own image.

No one is born knowing how to grow orchids. Granted, some of us have more of a natural horticultural gift than others, but we all have to be taught what works and what doesn't. Moreover, the knowledge that we do have is the result of international sharing. It takes a generous exchange of information, a lot of clear communication and plenty of careful listening to raise an orchid. The same could be said of promoting peace in cities and among countries.

We now are in the season in which we honor love, from the hothouse of passion through the full-bodied and sometimes oppressive humidity of marriage and family life to the season of cool, quiet rest.

What the world needs now is love. May we find the wisdom, patience and selflessness to nurture fragile beauty in all its forms.

All the flowers of all the tomorrows are in our hands.



Paph. Hybrid (Eric Meng x Hampshire Raven)
Grown by Pat Eastwood



Cattleya Swan Lake Grown by Delores & George Benson



Cattleya Mae Hawkins Grown by Delores & George Benson

Highlights
From
The January
Show Tables



Paph. Fair Yerba 'Pat DiSanto'
Grown by Ernie Masso



Oncidium Twinkle Grown by Ernie Masso



Vanda Nancy Brown
Grown by Leslee & Mike Jacobs



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Looking Ahead In 2008



Pinelands Orchid Society's Annual Orchid Auction
Tuesday, May 6th

Delaware Valley Orchid Society Speakers' Day,
Wyndham Hotel, Mt. Laurel, NJ—May 10th

Pinelands Orchid Society will be a Guest Exhibitor at the
Moorestown Garden Club's Standard Home & Garden Show
at the Community House in Moorestown
on Wednesday, May 14th

Pinelands Orchid Society's Last Meeting of the Year—June 10th
Show Table Awards Presentation



Volunteer Needed


We have an old scrapbook contain-
ing clippings, photographs, and mis-
cellaneous items that members of
POS

have saved over the years.

We would like to update the scrap-
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If you are interested in taking on this
project, please contact Christine
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during the refreshment break. Please
cover your ailing plant in plastic be-
fore bringing it for
diagnosis.

Pinelands Orchid Society Monthly Meeting Time Schedule

6:30 p.m.	Doors open for meeting set up
7:00—7:30	Arrival of Show Table Plants
7:30—7:45	Business Meeting/Announcements
7:45—8:15	Break for Refreshments and "Kathleen's Korner"
8:15—9:00	Speaker or Program Presentation
9:00—9:30	Show Table Critique
9:30—9:45	Raffle