

Pinelands Orchid Society

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Well, I think Spring may really be coming! My first little Snowdrops are blooming by the front door, and I can see the tops of daffodils poking up. Hooray!!

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 4, 2004 at 7:30pm at the Woodland Fire Co. in Cherry Hill. Our speaker will be Arthur Katz. Arthur is the new president of the Mid-Atlantic Region AOS Judging Center. His talk will be "Everything You Didn't Want To Know About Judging Orchids-Table, Ribbon and AOS Judging Standards."

If your last name begins with the letters O-S, please bring a snack to share. The club will provide coffee and sodas.

I hope you were all able to attend the SEPOS Show and Sale at King of Prussia. Pinelands won Second Place for our 100 square foot exhibit, with many ribbons to our members. Kathleen Harvey won an AOS award for a paph she entered in the South Jersey exhibit. The vending area had a lot of great plants, and I saw more than a few members carrying new treasures on Sunday. Thanks to all who helped with setup and teardown!

The next show will be the Deep Cut Show and Sale at the Towne Center of the Monmouth Mall in Eatontown, NJ. Setup will be Wednesday, February 25, and the show runs through Sunday, the 29th. Bayard will need your plant names for this show by Sunday the 22nd. If you can help with this show at all, please call Bayard at 856-303-1662.

The Philadelphia Flower Show is fast

approaching. It will run March 7 - 14. We need your plants!! The society does not enter an exhibit as a group, but we like to be well-represented in the Orchid Court. It is very easy to enter your plant. If you have not pre-registered, you can still enter three plants at the Post-Entry Table on Friday March 5, from 1 -3 pm, or Saturday, March 6, from 7 - 9 am. Bring your plants along with two 5 x 7 index cards for each plant. On one side of the card, print your name, address and phone number, and your orchid society name. On the other side of the card, print the name of the plant. You do not need parent names for the plant. Stop at the Post-Entry Table first, and the ladies will enter your plants in the log. Then come to the Orchid Court. Your plant will be inspected and accepted, and then you can wander about and see the show being put together. Be sure your plants are clean, bug-free, well-staked, and in a plain pot. Decorative pots are a no-no. We look forward to seeing you at the show!

Another Orchid event that is not all that far off is the 16th Annual DVOC Speaker's day.

It will be held Saturday, March 27th at the Wyndham Hotel, in Mount Laurel, NJ. Coffee and Pastries start at 8:30 am, and more importantly, the Sales Area opens at that time!

If you haven't been to the Speaker's Day, this is the year you must be there! This year's speakers will be Dennis Kao of Taiwan, ROC, *Orchid Production in Taiwan*, Darrin Norton, Mountain Orchids, *Growing Award-Winning Orchids, Cool and Intermediate*, and Dr. Yin-Tung Wang, Texas A&M, *Growing the Best Phalaenopsis*. These are all great speakers, the food is always wonderful, and the vendors are terrific. The registration form is attached.

It is good to sign up early for this event. The publicity for the Speaker's Day will be going

to many clubs in the area, and there will be a lot of people signing up. This is right in our back yard, and it would be a shame for you to miss it!!

Events

February 26 - 29, 2004 Deep Cut Orchid Society Show and Sale. Monmouth Mall, Eatontown, NJ

March 2, 2004 Pinelands Orchid Society meeting 7:30 pm Speaker: Arthur Katz

March 7-14, 2004 The 175th Philadelphia Flower Show, *Destination Paradise*.

March 27, 2004 16th Annual DVOC Speaker's Day. 8:30 am - 4:00 pm. Registration form is attached.

April 6, 2003 Pinelands Orchid Society meeting 7:30 pm. Speaker: Chris Rehmann

April 15-18, 2004 The New York International Orchid Show, Rockefeller Center, New York City.

May 4, 2004 Pinelands Orchid Society Annual Auction 7:30 pm.

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