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Pinelands Orchid Society

http://www.pinelandsorchidsociety.org

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President's Message

Welcome to Fall! It is another day that they are calling for rain, but this morning the sun is out with a light mist over the garden. Leaves are starting to turn color, and some plants need to be cut back. Salvias are in full bloom, and along with the butterfly bushes are very busy with butterflies, bees, wasps, and the hummingbirds on their way to warmer places.

And what of the orchids? In my house, I have several *Phals* that are coming into bloom early, with a lot of others that have not started to spike. A *Paph fairreanum* surprised me yesterday with two spikes coming up. The *Phragmipediums* have been out on the deck all summer; now I have to find a place for them inside! It is a good time to look very carefully at your orchids. If they have been outside, start thinking about bringing them in. I have found that this is the time of year the caterpillars and crickets start chewing on them. Also, with the cool nights, they can stay damp longer and rot is a possibility. As we go into fall, the days become shorter and cooler. This means growth will slow down. Be careful of watering, as plants will not dry out as quickly. Also, I will be backing off the fertilizer a bit. Keep an eye out for flower spikes, and keep up with staking. Then, when the monthly meeting comes around, you'll be ready to bring your plant to the show table!

Our speaker this month is Karen Zolnay of Hawk Haven Orchids. Karen will be speaking on Home Hybridizing. She will also have plants for sale. Be sure to come out for an interesting evening. I look forward to seeing you!

Valerie

Monthly Meeting-October 4th, 2011

The next meeting of Pinelands Orchid Society will be held on Tuesday, **October 4th, 2011** at Medford Leas, 1 Medford Leas Way, Medford, NJ 08055

If your last name begins with the letters **H** through **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 and Announcements
7:45	Refreshments and Social Time!
8:00	Program Presentation
8:45	Show Table Critique



The Orchid Calendar



- Tuesday, October 4th—Pinelands Orchid Society's monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Medford Leas Continuing Care Retirement Community. Tonight's program: Karen Zolnay of Hawk Haven Orchids. See page 3 of this newsletter for details!
- October 8—10—National Capital Orchid Society's 64th Orchid Show & Sale at the National Arboretum in Washington, D.C. See page 6 of this newsletter for details!
- Friday, October 21st—Sunday, October 23rd—Susquehanna Orchid Society's 28th Annual Show & Sale See page 4 of this newsletter for details!
- Tuesday, November 1st—Pinelands Orchid Society's monthly meeting at Medford Leas Continuing Care Retirement Community. Tonight's program: Tom Purvience of Parkside Orchids presents "Roots—It's all About the Roots!"

A Note from the Newsletter Editor

As we begin the new society year, it is time to pay your society dues for 2011-2012. You will be asked to update your contact information. Please be sure to inform our society Secretary/Treasurer, John DeGood, of any changes in your name, address, telephone number, or email address. Monthly newsletters are sent each month to email addresses only, so it is very important for us to have your correct email address!

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* Driving directions to Medford Leas Continuing Care Retirement Community can be found on their web site: www.MedfordLeas.org

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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.

Anita can be reached at (856)779-0643. rcm51402121@yahoo.com



Pinelands Orchid Society October 4th Meeting: Karen Zolnay of Hawk Haven Orchids

Karen Zolnay has been involved in orchid growing since 1987 when she fell in love with exotic flowers while visiting Hawaii. Shortly after her return, Karen took up the hobby of growing and blooming orchids. Over the years, her experience and collection grew and, in 2005, Karen launched Hawk Haven Orchids.

Hawk Haven Orchids focuses primarily on the propagation and culture of *Cattleya*, *Phalaenopsis*, and *Vanda* orchids. Karen's collection consists of many heirlooms and species in these genera. Her orchids have been sold through lo-

cal retail shops, garden centers, over the internet, and at local fairs and garden shows. She routinely gives workshops on various aspects of orchid culture for regional clubs and organizations. Karen is also active in several clubs and has won awards for her plants at orchid judgings.

Recently, Karen has embarked on an ambitious hybridization project to create vivid blue *Cattleya* flowers and is a cofounder of an international internet-based forum dedicated to this endeavor. This project is a collaborative effort with many of the top hybridizing experts in the field. The blue color is quite difficult to achieve; many have tried with limited success. It is the hopes that through this collaborative effort, the team will be able to succeed within the decade!

Additional information on Karen Zolnay and Hawk Haven Orchids can be found on the internet at http://mysite.verizon.net/hawkhavenorchids or by simply googling "Hawk Haven Orchids".

About the Presentation:

Overview of Orchid Propagation: Flower to Plant

This informational PowerPoint presentation will touch on the key aspects of orchid propagation from pollination and seed preparation to sterile workspaces, flasking, and community potting. This is meant to give the beginner a good foundation in the basics of sterile culture and the confidence to try this interesting aspect of orchid culture, using easily found items in their own homes. There will be time made available for questions and answers, as well as plants and supplies for purchase.





The 2011 Susquehanna Orchid Society 28th Annual Show & Sale will be held Friday, October 21 through Sunday, October 23 at Stauffers Of Kissel Hill (web site: http://www.skh.com/) on Rohrerstown Road in Lancaster, PA. This show will include a wide variety of exotic plant exhibitors, making it larger than any SOS show ever.

The show will be open from noon 'til 8pm on Friday, Saturday 9am 'til 6 pm, 9 am 'til 4pm on Sunday.

Here's a tentative schedule:

Thursday, October 20 Exhibitor and Vendor setup - 8am - 7pm Friday, October 21 9 am to noon Ribbon followed by AOS judging Friday, October 21 noon to 8 pm...... Exhibits open to the public, Sales as appropriate Saturday, October 22 9 am to 6 pm Exhibits open to the public, Sales open Sunday, October 23 9 am to 4 pm...... Exhibits open to the public, Sales open Sunday, October 23 4 pm Tear down at 4 pm.

The public is welcome to visit and enjoy the show, free of charge, as well as purchase orchids & other exotic plants from our vendors. We will have door prizes, free demonstrations & seminars.

Vendors

Fishing Creek Orchids

Little Brook Orchids

Stony Brook Orchids

First Rays Orchids

Orchid Enterprise

Just Pat Orchids

Carnivorous Plant Nursery

Bonsai Collections

Peonys Envy

SOS Member Sales



Pinelands Orchid Society Membership Form



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Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone	::
	E-mail Address:	
	Annual Dues: Septen	nber to June
	Category (check one) Single \$20.0	0 Family \$25.00

We could not function without the volunteerism of our members. We ask that you volunteer to help out on **at least one** of our committees. It is the best way to advance your orchid-growing knowledge, have fun, and make new friends who share the love of orchids!

We welcome your help on any of our committees that you are interested in. Just ask!

Monthly Meeting: Welcome Visitors/Interview New Members Assist with Raffle

Hospitality/Refreshments: Set Up (7:00-7:30) Clean Up

Speakers/Programs: Sell Supplies at Monthly Meetings:

Show Table: Set Up (7:00-7:30) Assist Judges Photography

<u>Library</u>: <u>Longwood Gardens Show</u>: <u>Holiday Banquet Planning</u>:

Please make checks out to **Pinelands Orchid Society**. You can bring this form to the meeting or mail to:

John DeGood, Membership Secretary 4 Cobblestone Court, Columbus, NJ 08022

