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Pinelands Orchid Society

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A Feast of Orchids

By Ro Hill

A loaf of bread, a wedge of brie, berry pie. . .and a feast of orchids! Trust me, this will all make sense. Even the selective hearing of someone near and dear to me helped out on this road trip!

After enjoying the 2007 Deep Cut Orchid Society Show in its new venue, Dearborn Market in Holmdel, NJ, Christine Jacoby and I marked it on our "must do" list for 2008. This year, Heidi Knoll joined us and digitally captured some of the highlights from the show, which ran Feb. 7-10.

Once again, Deep Cut did an amazing job, taking the "less is more" theory to the max. We were treated to more quality-per-square-foot, in terms of artistry as well as plant material, than many larger shows have offered. With



Silva Orchids' Exhibit at the Deep Cut Orchid Society Show in February

Pinelands having opted out of the show due to distance and winter weather concerns, the participants from club members to vendors all were truly appreciative of our support as patrons nonetheless.



American Orchid Society President, Carlos Fighetti, and two other AOS officers, made the trip from Florida to personally present the show trophy and to support and enjoy the event as well.

Dearborn Market is an impressive venue for an orchid show, easily accessible on Route 35, a few miles from exit 117 of the Garden State Parkway. It has a produce market, gourmet grocery, a bakery/coffee shop to indulge any carb fantasy, a deli offering home-made soups, salads and sandwiches to order, fresh meats and seafood, and gourmet meals.

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Monthly Meeting Reminder



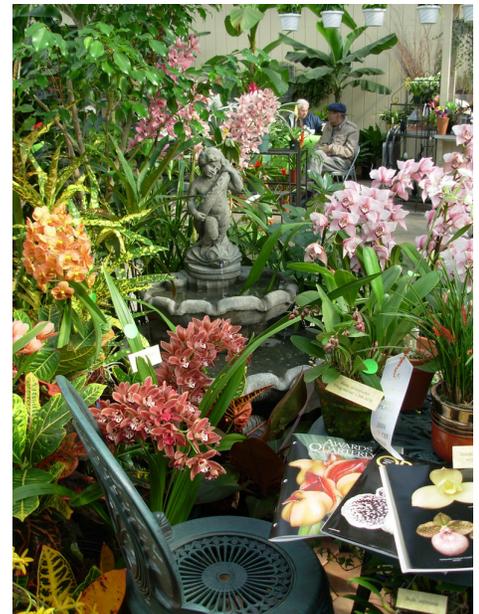
The next meeting of the Pinelands Orchid Society will be Tuesday, **March 4th**, 2008 at 7:30 p.m., at the Woodland Fire Co. Hall, 524 Beechwood Ave., Cherry Hill, NJ.

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



Best *Phalaenopsis* at the Deep Cut Show

- **Tuesday, March 4**—Pinelands Orchid Society’s monthly meeting. Program: Bayard Saraduke and Maurice Marietti will present highlights from the 19th World Orchid Conference held in Miami on January 23-27.
- **March 2—9**—The Philadelphia Flower Show: Jazz It Up! If you have not pre-registered your plants, you may post-enter up to three entries in Horticulture and up to three entries in Orchids on each entry day. Ask one of our Officers for information on how/when/where to post-enter your plants.
- **March 14—15**—Waldor Orchid Post Flower Show Sale at the nursery in Linwood, NJ. Waldor will be offering a 20% discount on all plants and supplies. This is a great opportunity to save on gifts for Mother's and Father's Day. Light refreshments, including homemade cookies, will be available to all of our guests.
- **March 28—30**—Longwood Gardens International Orchid Show & Sale. For all the beautiful details, go to <http://longwoodgardens.org>. See Mike Scott at our March 4th meeting if you would like to help with the Pinelands exhibit this year, or call him at (856) 547-0386 or email Mike at msscott48@comcast.net
- **Tuesday, April 1**—Pinelands Orchid Society’s monthly meeting. Program to be announced.

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Tables were provided, so we could enjoy meals or snacks gathering with friends among the orchids. And, of course, take out—to appease the near-and-dear-one stranded at home with hot dogs and a George Forman (which he likes, but not as much as Brooklyn bread and berry pie—which came home from the show last year).

Once refreshed, you simply walk right into the 11,000 square foot state-of-the-art greenhouse and indulge in the zero-calorie visual banquet of enticing orchid displays, brimming with the most delicious-looking blossoms, whetting your appetite for the sales area (so you could get your own to go!).

The roster of choice vendors was expanded this year, with something for everyone—at no expense to quality. They were very complimentary to the host society, the AOS representation, and to the Dearborn Market staff—who made every effort to contribute to their success. Orchid workshops were presented at no charge and were well attended.

Being a retail greenhouse, the market also offers an interesting variety of garden accents, gifts, unique accessories, and plants—including orchids. We're hoping to make a few more excursions to see what they have to offer seasonally. And I know my husband will be totally cool with that.



. . .Because when I talk about orchids at Dearborn Market, he hears “crusty bread, berry pie (and now, grilled shrimp and chowder, bounty from this last visit, which he proclaims “best on earth”). Just have to get him to like mushrooms in time for the Longwood Gardens Show.

. . .*Ro Hill*



Limited Time Special on AOS Membership! Now is the Time to Join!

We are trying to get the word out regarding the new AOS membership special. From now through March 31st, new members can join for only \$49.95 per year or \$99.95 for two years. Current members may extend their membership at the \$99.95/2-year rate. The two-year extensions or sign-ups still receive the \$30 coupon towards an orchid plant at several mail-order nurseries. The AOS web site has been updated to reflect these prices, so you can sign up through the secure web site, call membership at AOS (561-404-2060), or one of the current membership brochures can be used. Just cross out the \$60 and enter the special price. Brochures are always available at our Pinelands meetings.

In addition to the obvious benefits of membership, like *Orchids* magazine each month, membership in AOS gives members privileges at over 200 American Horticultural Society member gardens and arboreta. This turns out to be a rather well-kept secret. For example, here in the Delaware Valley, your AOS membership gives you free admission to the Winterthur Museum's gardens and galleries, the Delaware Center for Horticulture, the Camden Children's Garden, the Rutgers Garden in New Brunswick, the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, the New York Botanical Garden, the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, the Hershey Gardens, and library circulation privileges at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. For a complete list of this reciprocal admissions program, go to http://www.ahs.org/pdfs/07/0708_RAP_Brochure.pdf





Longwood Gardens,
International Orchid
SHOW & SALE

March 28–30, 2008

Immerse yourself in a spectacular world of Orchids

Dazzling flowers showcased
in creative displays

Sale featuring popular
and rare orchids from
International vendors

Talks, tours and special
exhibits throughout
the weekend

AOS Judged Show

Dinner and Dancing
among the Orchids
March 29
(reservations required)

For all the beautiful details
call 610-388-1000 or visit
www.longwoodgardens.org

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VENDORS

Andy's Orchids, CA • Cal-Orchid, CA
Celebrate Orchids, VA • Create-A-Scene, PA
Ecuagenera, Ecuador • H & R, HI • Hoosier, IN
Just Pat, PA • Kelley's Korner, ME • Krull Smith, FL
Lois Duffin, PA • Miranda, Brazil • Parkside, PA
Piping Rock, NY • Seagrove, NC
Stony Brook, NJ • Waldor, NJ • Woodland, NC
(Bold entries are new this year)



**Nominating Committee
For 2008-2009
Officers & Trustees**

The Nominating Committee for the 2008-2009 society year will be appointed at our March meeting. If you can serve on this committee, please contact Christine Jacoby at roji@comcast.net or call 609-220-3210.

For those members bringing homemade baked goods to our monthly meetings, we ask that you kindly label your item with your name so that our members with food allergies may inquire about the item's ingredients. Thank you!



Don't forget to bring your orchid questions to **Kathleen's Korner** during the refreshment break. Please cover your ailing plant in plastic before bringing it for diagnosis.

**Looking Ahead
In 2008**

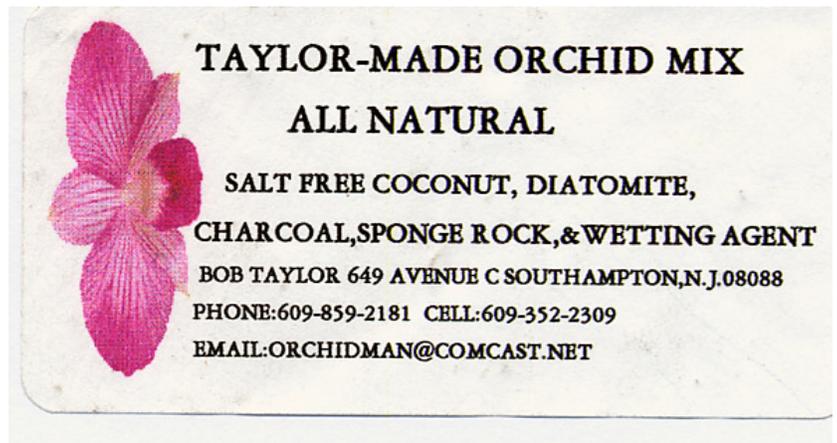


Pinelands Orchid Society's Annual Orchid Auction
Tuesday, May 6th

Delaware Valley Orchid Society Speakers' Day,
Wyndham Hotel, Mt. Laurel, NJ—May 10th
Register by April 12 to be eligible for the Early Bird Raffle!

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



**Pinelands Orchid Society
Monthly Meeting Time Schedule**

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| 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 |