

# *Pinelands Orchid Society*

P.O. Box 954, Voorhees, NJ 08043 November, 2003

The November meeting of the Pinelands Orchid Society will be held on Tuesday, November 11, 2003, at the Woodland Fire Company in Cherry Hill, NJ. This month's speaker will be our own Kathleen Harvey, and she will be speaking on Cattleya Culture. **PLEASE NOTE:** The meeting is one week later in the month due to elections, which are held at the fire hall.

**Refreshments:** If your last name begins with the letters D - G, please bring a snack to the meeting. The club will provide soda and coffee.

It is time to pay dues. Our dues are remaining the same-\$15.00 for a single member, and \$20.00 for a family. Dues pay for the newsletter postage and refreshments at the meetings. Please see Christine and Martha at the meeting to pay your dues, and be sure to let them know of any address, phone, or email changes. You can also mail your dues to the mailbox - P.O. Box 954, Voorhees, NJ 08043.

We have a volunteer to handle the library. Leslee Jacobs will be taking over for us. Many thanks-volunteers are what make the club work! Leslee informs me that some of our books are a little outdated. I would like to ask that if you have a book or two that you have "outgrown" or that you no longer use, please consider donating it to the club. Hopefully we can update our collection without too much expense to the club. We will be publishing a library list in a few weeks. The Philadelphia Flower Show may seem a long way off, but we have several volunteer opportunities, and we'd like you to mark the dates on your calendar. This year's show will run from March 7-14, 2004. Walt Off

months, so you can see what we have.

Each month, we seem to have new orchid growers visit, and many of them sign up and become members. Sometimes it is difficult for the officers to get around to all the new faces. We would like to have a person at the door handing out name tags at each meeting, and also a few people who can be available to help along visitors and new members. If you would like to help in greeting new folks and getting them started, please talk to one of the officers-Valerie, Bayard, Christine, or Martha.

**Showtime!** We have several shows and events coming up you should be thinking about. First will be the Yuletide Tours of the Fairmount Park Houses. Pinelands will be decorating the Thomas Jefferson Dining Room in Strawberry Mansion. A picture of the room we decorated last year is on the cover of this year's brochure! This is a very different event from other shows. We use 12-15 specimen plants from members in the club, and they are displayed as house plants rather than the usual large naturalistic display we often do. If you think you will have a specimen-size plant for the beginning of December, please contact Maurice, Bayard or Valerie. We will be setting up the display on December 2nd. You can tour the houses December 5-10.

and Waldor Orchids are the main exhibitors this year. They will be installing the main display that all visitors will pass through as they enter the Show. Bob Taylor is recruiting people to sell orchid lei's. Please talk to Bob

if you would like to help out. Also, the Horticultural Society has asked that people with some orchid knowledge man the information booth in the orchid court. This does not require a great deal of knowledge-questions are often basic, such as “Can I grow that in my house?” and “How long will the flowers last?” and “What kind of dirt should I use?” Volunteers would get a free pass into the show. Please see Maurice Marietti if you would like to help out.

We will also be participating in our usual shows in February, SEPOS and Deep Cut. Now is the time to groom your plants and prepare them for the season!

## Events

November 11, 2003 Pinelands Orchid Society meeting 7:30 pm at the Woodland Fire Hall in Cherry Hill, NJ. Speaker: Kathleen Harvey

November 16, 2003 South Jersey Orchid Society Annual Auction will be held at the Wenonah Methodist Church, Wenonah, NJ, at 1:00 pm. For information, please contact Pat DiSanto, 856-482-2713.

November 28-30, 2003 Parkside Orchid Nursery Anniversary Sale-10-40%! Also, International Phalaenopsis Alliance will hold a regional meeting at Parkside on Saturday, 11/29. Info:610-847-8039.

December 2, 2003 Pinelands Orchid Society Annual Holiday Covered Dish Extravaganza  
7:30 pm.

December 5-6, 2003 Waldor Orchids Annual Holiday Sale. 20% off your holiday shopping!

December 5-10, 2003 Yuletide Tours of the Fairmount Park Houses. For information, call 215-684-7509.

December 7, 2003 South Jersey Orchid Society Annual Christmas Banquet.  
Speaker: Michael Bowell. Information:856-482-2713.

## Officers

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