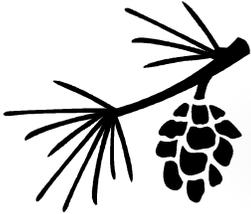


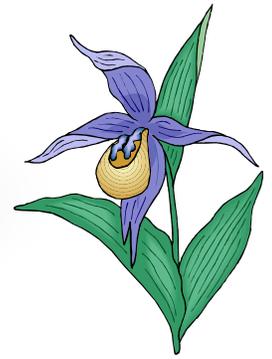
November 2008



Pinelands Orchid Society

www.pinelandsorchidsociety.org

P.O. Box 954 - Voorhees, NJ 08043



Pinelands Orchid Society meets at Medford Leas

Our society gathered at our new meeting site, Medford Leas, for the first time on October 7th. The meeting was a great success at this new location. The auditorium at Medford Leas is an ideal venue for us for many reasons: there is no set-up of tables and chairs required, there is a top notch audio-visual system already in place, and we are able to order refreshments from their food service department. All in all, there is much less prep work and “schlep” work required of the Officers and Hospitality Committee. The Hospitality Committee especially breathes a sigh of relief. . .all we need do now is to request the membership to bring in some snacks to share each month. Everyone thanks our President, Bayard Saraduke, for doing all the leg work required to facilitate our move to Medford Leas!

At our October meeting, forms were passed out to register for our Holiday Banquet on Sunday evening, December 7th. We are once again joining the members of the South Jersey Orchid Society for a gala evening of cocktails, dinner, show tables, and an entertaining speaker. For planning purposes, the registration form should be returned as soon as possible. A copy of the sign-up form is included in this newsletter issue.

It's not too early to start thinking about the 2009 Philadelphia Flower Show. The 2009 theme will celebrate a culture that has inspired artists and enchanted visitors for centuries. *Bella Italia* will take guests to the formal gardens of Rome, the fashion center of Milan, the Renaissance beauty of Florence, the lush hills of Tuscany, the canals of Venice, the villas of the Lake Region, and the romance of the Riviera. By becoming a member of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, you receive complimentary ticket(s) to the Members' Preview which allows entrance to the show the day before it opens to the public.

As you know, some of us at Pinelands are also intimately involved behind the scenes in the Orchid Classes at The Flower Show and strongly encourage our members to consider entering your flowering orchids once again or for the first time. We are here to guide you in the entry process. All you need do is ask! This year, we are excited about a new class in Orchids. . . # 5185—*Contained Environment*. Basically a terrarium class, it is described as follows: “Not to exceed 18” in any dimension, including diagonal. One or more orchids per container; orchids may be of more than one type.” Check out Page 3 of this newsletter issue for articles written by Susan Taylor of *BellaOnline*, for information and ideas on how to set up and maintain a terrarium for orchids.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at our November 4th meeting (after voting, of course)!

November's Monthly Meeting



The next meeting of Pinelands Orchid

Society will be held on
Tuesday, **November 4th, 2008**
at 7:30 p.m., at Medford Leas,
1 Medford Leas Way,
Medford, NJ 08055

If your last name begins with
the letters **F** through **L**
please bring a snack to share.

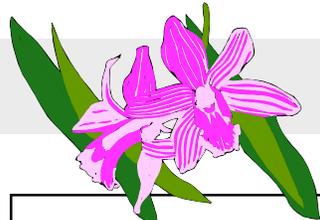
**Doors will open to accept
Show Table
Plants at 7:00 p.m.**

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 Business/Announcements
- 7:45 Refreshments/Social Time/
Culture Corner
- 8:15 Program/Speaker
- 9:00 Show Table Critique



The Orchid Events Calendar

- **Tuesday, November 4th**—Pinelands Orchid Society’s monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Medford Leas. Program to be announced.
- **Saturday, November 8th**—Southeastern Pennsylvania Orchid Society Annual Auction, 10:00 a.m. to 4: p.m. Go to www.sepos.org for more information.
- **Sunday, November 16th**—South Jersey Orchid Society’s Annual Auction at 1:00 p.m. , at the Wenonah United Methodist Church in Wenonah, NJ. Driving directions can be found on their web site: <http://www.geocities.com/sjosus/>
- **Friday—Sunday, November 28th-30th**—Parkside Orchid Nursery’s 16th Annual Anniversary Sale. The only time during the year when everything is on sale with savings from 10-50%. For more information and driving directions go to their web site: <http://www.parksideorchids.com/>

SEPOS AUCTION



**Saturday, November 8th, 2008
10am to 4pm**

OVER 200 Plants
to be auctioned

Martha Washington Building at Freedoms Foundation
1601 Valley Forge Road (Route 23), Phoenixville, PA 19460

Cash • Checks • Visa / MasterCard Accepted

Please visit our website for more information about our auction.

www.sepos.org

Sunday, December 7th



Save the date! Pinelands & South Jersey Orchid Societies will hold their 2nd Annual Joint Holiday Party at the Wyndham Hotel in Mt. Laurel, NJ, beginning with a cocktail hour at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner, door prizes, and our speaker for the evening: Art Wolk, gardener, author, photographer, lecturer, previous President of the Horticultural Society of South Jersey, and frequently comedian, best known for his book *Garden Lunacy: A Growing Concern*. It’s sure to be a fun night for everyone!



Annual Orchid Auction Sunday, November 16, 2008

1:00 pm

**South Jersey
Orchid Society**

**Wenonah Methodist Church
Willow & Clinton Aves
Wenonah NJ**

Information:

**Dianne: (856) 629-5610
Barbara: (856) 722-0393**



* Many plants ideal for windowsill growing
* Culture sheets available

Guests Welcome

Refreshments Provided

Driving Directions to Medford Leas:

From the Cherry Hill area, go east on Route 70 and on to the junction of Routes 70 and 541 (Medford-Mt. Holly Road). Continue past 541 and past the “Indian Chief” on Route 70. Take the next “jughandle” turn (Medford Leas Drive). After entering the property, turn right at the fork onto Woolman Haddon Way. Follow this road which will end at a parking lot behind the Community Center. Enter through the back door of the building and take the elevator up to the Main Floor. After exiting the elevator, turn right a short way to the auditorium.

Directions: Take Exit 53 on Route 55--Wenonah
Make a left at 2nd light— Mantua Avenue
Make a left at 3rd street— Marlon Avenue
Make a right at 2nd street— Willow
Church is on right.....

Pinelands Orchid Society thanks Susan Taylor, *BellaOnline's* Orchid Editor, for the following article.
For more great articles about 'all things orchids', visit: <http://www.bellaonline.com/site/Orchids>

Setting Up a Terrarium for Orchids

Many orchid growers graduate from the windowsill to a terrarium in order to better control environmental conditions, especially humidity, for their plants. An old aquarium can be used for this purpose fairly easily. If it was a fresh water tank, all it needs is a good cleaning with soap and water and an overnight soak in a bleach solution to kill any algae left in crevices. If it was a salt water tank, you will need to fill the tank with water and let it soak for several days, rinse and soak again, in order to make sure that all salt residues have been removed.

Although it is not very natural looking, most experts recommend using egg shell crate (material used for fluorescent light covering available at most hardware stores). This material is approximately ½ inch or 2 centimeters high with openings in squares of approximately ¼ inch or 1 centimeter. The effect when this is used as the substrate is then to keep all materials from the bottom of the terrarium while holding water and allowing it to evaporate up through the spaces.

You will want to choose props much like those used in a fish tank in order to make the whole thing look natural. Drift wood, rocks, cork are all good choices. Be sure that you clean and sterilize anything that you bring in from the wild. Materials purchased from pet stores are probably already sterile and will not need to be treated. Place your props, the largest in the background and smallest in the front before you put in your plants.

Plants should be chosen carefully for size and the larger plants can be placed in the back or growing up cork. Small plants such as Masdevallia, Pleurothallis and the smaller Paph species are good choices. Jewel orchids should always be considered since their foliage is always interesting when nothing else is blooming. Choose contrasting leaf colors for the best effect. Ferns make very good companion plants and will add a pleasing texture change to the scene.



Maintaining A Terrarium for Orchids

Once you have your terrarium set up for your orchids, maintaining happy and healthy plants is easy if you give them all the elements of their environment they need.

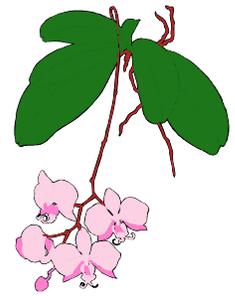
Depending upon the type of plants you have chosen for your terrarium, you will need to provide adequate light. It is important when you set it up to choose plants which require like temperatures and light for best growth. In addition, it is good to try to group your plants by their light requirements throughout the year. Many epiphytes come from equatorial areas which receive equal amounts of light year round with little change from summer to winter. Your lighting requirements are fairly straightforward in this case: 11 to 12 hours of light. If, however, you have plants such as Cattleyas or other light sensitive plants, you will have to follow a spring, summer, fall and winter schedule. In general, spring and fall should require approximately 12-13 hours of light; summer approximately 15-16 hours and winter approximately 10-11 hours.

Air circulation is a critical factor in maintaining a terrarium. If you do not keep the air moving, you run the risk of encouraging pathogens such as molds which will quickly kill your plants. If you have set up your own aquarium, small computer fans will provide enough circulation to keep your plants happy. If you're lucky enough to have invested in a professional Wardian case or terrarium, then the fans should already be included. You should also have a vent of some sort to allow warmer air to be moved out of the environment and fresh air in.

Temperature is another area which requires control in a terrarium. Artificial lighting causes heat which can quickly rise in the enclosed environment. A minimum/maximum thermometer which also records humidity is an ideal instrument. You will want to keep the temperature in the 75 degree Fahrenheit, or ___ Centigrade, range for cool growers and 85 degrees Fahrenheit, or __ Centigrade, for intermediate growers. One great challenge for you will be to lower temperatures enough at night to get the diurnal drop that many orchids need at night. Turning off the lights will provide a relief from the heat they produce, but venting out that heat is the only way to really make a difference. Ideally, you will want a 10 degree Fahrenheit, or __ Centigrade, drop at night. In reality, this is very difficult to achieve. I've even heard of people who put ice cubes in their terrariums at night in order to force this to happen, with mixed results from their efforts.



Pinelands Orchid Society
2008—2009
Membership/Renewal Form



Names(s) _____
Last Name(s) First Name(s)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Please send my newsletter by USPS

September 2008 to June 2009 Membership Dues:

Category (check one) **Single \$20.00** **Family \$25.00** (2 + members at same mailing address)

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**
- Speakers/Programs:** **Sell Supplies at Monthly Meetings:**
- Show Table:** **Set Up (7:00-7:30)** **Assist Judges** **Photography**
- Library:** **Longwood Gardens Show:** **Holiday Banquet Planning:**

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

Betsy Sullivan, Membership Secretary
122 W. Maple Ave., Moorestown, NJ 08057



The South Jersey & Pinelands Orchid Societies' 2008 Joint Holiday Banquet

Place: Wyndham Mount Laurel
1111 Route 73 North
Mt. Laurel, NJ 08053

Date: Sunday, December 7th, 2008
Time: 5:30—6:30 p.m.—Cocktails/Cash Bar
6:30 p.m.—Dinner /Program to follow

Menu: Choice of Horseradish Encrusted Prime Rib of Beef, Tilapia Provencale, or Stuffed Breast of Chicken

Cost: \$30.00 for members of either orchid society/\$40.00 for guests and non-members of either society

Please bring plants for our show table!

Fill out the information below—detach coupon and return with payment as soon as possible or by November 20th.

* South Jersey members make checks payable to: SJOS

* Pinelands members make checks payable to: Pinelands Orchid Society

Both societies mail forms & checks to:

Christine Jacoby
118 Muirfield Court
Moorestown, NJ 08057
Questions? Call: 856-273-6547



Member: Select Entrée:
 Prime Rib Chicken Tilapia

Guest: Select Entrée:
 Prime Rib Chicken Tilapia

Name: _____
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Member: Select Entrée:
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October Show Table Highlights



Photos by Mike Scott

Left:
Miltassia Charles M. Fitch
'Izumi' grown by Maya Kang

Top right:
Paphiopedilum Hybrid
(In-Charm White x *belatulum*
v. *alba*) grown by Ty Triplett

Bottom right:
Phragmipedium La Vingtaine
(Mem. Dick Clements x
kovachii) grown by Kathleen
Harvey

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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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