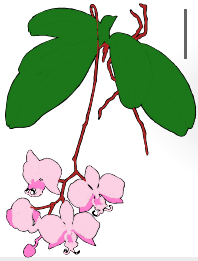


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Pinelands Orchid Society

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From the Officers & Trustees

Happy New (Society) Year!

We welcome back old and new orchid society members at our first meeting of the year on Tuesday evening, September 4th. Over the past year, your Officers, Trustees, and Committee members have been gathering your suggestions, recommendations, and ideas, some of which we will be implementing in 2007-2008.

It is clear that our show tables and their critique are a very important educational tool for our members. As our society grows and our show tables expand each month, the tasks of the Show Table Committee are daunting. The committee must organize the tables each month for the best presentation, inspect plants for category accuracy and judging eligibility, make judging decisions among many worthy plants, and keep accurate track of ribbon points.

The Show Table Committee has presented the Officers and Trustees with revised Show Table Rules that will go into effect this year. We believe that these revisions will simplify the tasks of the committee and promote fairness among our members whose growing methods vary from greenhouse, windowsill, and under lights, as well as those growers with many vs. a small number of plants. The revised rules are printed on Page 3 of this newsletter with the changes highlighted in red.

The main change in the rules is the elimination of ribbon points. Exceptional plants will still be recognized with ribbon awards, but no points will be given for the ribbons. Instead, there will be five end-of-the-year "Special Awards" given in the following categories:

- Best Greenhouse-Grown Plant
- Best Indoor/Windowsill Plant
- Tony Petralia Award for Best Plant in the *Paphiopedilum* or *Phragmepedium* categories
- Pat DiSanto Award – Best Miscellaneous Hybrid or Species
- Most Improved Grower of the Year

We are excited about the new Pat DiSanto Award given for the Best *Paphiopedilum* or *Phragmepedium*, and the new award for the Most Improved Grower of the Year.

As has been done in the past, the Show Table Committee will select candidates from the show tables each month that they feel qualify for one of the Special Awards. Photographs will be taken and a special slide presentation shown at the June meeting, followed by announcement of the winners of the Special Awards.

An additional new award—Member of the Year for Outstanding Service to the Society—may be awarded at the discretion of the Officers and Trustees.

Monthly Meeting Reminder Meeting

The next meeting of the Pinelands Orchid Society will be Tuesday, **September 4th**, 2007 at 7:30 p.m., at the Woodland Fire Co. Hall, 524 Beechwood Ave. (off Chapel Ave. and Route 38) in Cherry Hill, NJ.

If your last name begins with the letters **A** through **F**, please bring a snack to share. The society will provide beverages.

Doors will be 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 sharp** in order to be eligible for judging!



The Orchid Calendar

- **Tuesday, September 4th**—Mark your calendars for Pinelands Orchid Society’s first meeting of the 2007-2008 year! Our program for the evening will be a slide presentation by Bayard Saraduke highlighting some of the orchid species and hybrids that he has grown in his greenhouse. This first meeting of the year is the time to renew your membership in the society. Make new friends, have fun, and get involved this year by volunteering some of your time to serve on one of our several committees. Let one of our Officers, Trustees, or Committee members know you would like to help and we will find something small or great that you can do to help our society in its many activities.
- **Friday, Saturday & Sunday, September 14th—16th**—Garden Fair at Winterthur Museum. A spectacular autumn sale featuring everything from one-of-a-kind selections of unique plants to antiques, expert gardening information, celebrity lecturers, demonstrations, entertainment, and more. For more information, visit winterthur.org or call 800-448-3883.
- **Saturdays, September 15th & 23rd**—Saturday Seminars at Parkside Orchid Nursery. These are ongoing educational programs for the new as well as experienced grower. For more information about Parkside’s Saturday Seminars, see their web site: www.parksideorchids.com/upcoming_events.htm.
- **Tuesday, October 2nd**—Pinelands Orchid Society’s monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. Program to be announced.
- **Tuesday, November 13th**—Pinelands Orchid Society’s monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. This is one week later than our regular meeting date due to the hall being used for general elections on the night of November 6th.
- **Sunday, December 2nd**—Gala Holiday Banquet with members of South Jersey Orchid Society at the Wyndham Hotel, Mt. Laurel, NJ. The evening will include dinner, cash bar, show tables, and a speaker/program to be announced. Details will be announced and registration forms distributed in October. The Holiday Banquet will be our only meeting for the month of December.



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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.
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Pinelands Orchid Society Show Table Rules

At each regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Pinelands Orchid Society, there will be a Show Table on which members may display plants. The Show Table will be judged by the Show Table Committee and individuals selected from the general membership. Plants will be judged according to the following classes and rules:

Competitive Classes:

<i>Cattleya</i>	<i>Cattleya</i> -miniature	<i>Cymbidium</i>	<i>Dendrobium</i>	<i>Oncidium Alliance</i>	<i>Paphiopedilum</i>	
<i>Phalaenopsis</i>	<i>Phragmipedium</i>	<i>Vanda</i>	Novice	Arrangement	Misc. Species	Misc. Hybrids

The Arrangement class includes arrangements of orchid plants or cut orchid flowers.

The Artistic Class includes orchid-related artwork.

The Novice class is open to those members who have been growing for three years or less, or who have won less than **three** blue ribbons on the show table.

There is also a non-competitive Open class for recently purchased plants and for those who wish to exhibit their plants without competing.

Plants will be further separated by growing conditions. Blue Show Table slips indicate a windowsill grower, and white indicate a greenhouse grower.

Rules:

- All plants to be judged must be registered and on the Show Table by the start of the meeting (7:30 p.m.).
- Registration slips must be complete and legible and must be the standard form supplied by the club.
- Dues must be paid before a member can exhibit.
- Plants must be owned by the exhibitor for a minimum of three months to be entered in the competitive classes.
- Once a plant receives an award, the same plant may not be re-entered into the competitive classes unless it has a new inflorescence.
- Plants must be free of disease and pests.
- In each competitive class, judges may award any number of plants, including none, based upon individual merit.
- Classes may be combined or separated at the discretion of the judges, depending upon the quantity of available plants on any one night.

Recognition:

• Ribbon awards will be announced during the Show Table critique.

• **Special Award candidates will be selected and photographed each month. The Show Table Committee will hold a meeting in May to review the candidates for the Special Awards and will make their selection for each award. The Special Awards winners will then be announced at the June meeting along with a photo slide presentation. Special Awards winners will be presented with gift certificates for their choice of local orchid nurseries.**

Ribbon Awards:

- Special Recognition (Purple Rosette)
- First Place (Blue Ribbon)
- Second Place (Red Ribbon)
- Third Place (White Ribbon)
- Honorable Mention (Green Ribbon)

Special Awards:

- **Best Greenhouse-Grown Plant**
- **Best Indoor/Windowsill Plant**
- **Tony Petralia Award for Best *Paphiopedilum/Phragmepedium***
- **Pat DiSanto Award – Best Miscellaneous Hybrid or Species**
- **Most Improved Grower of the Year**





Pinelands Orchid Society
2007—2008
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 e-mail only

September 2007 to June 2008 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 Assist with Raffle

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

Newsletter: Articles/Writing Assembly/Mailing

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:

John DeGood, Membership Secretary
4 Cobblestone Court, Columbus, NJ 08002



Program for September 4th

Pinelands Orchid Society is starting off our new year with a presentation by Vice President, Bayard Saraduke. Many of us think *Cattleyas* when Bayard's name is mentioned, but Bayard has grown many different orchid genera in his home greenhouse. On the evening of September 4th, he will delight us with a slide presentation of some of the other orchid species and hybrids he has grown over the years.

Dendrobium lawesii
Grower: Bayard Saraduke
Photographed by Kerry Pittenger
for *South Jersey Magazine*
(www.kerrypittenger.com)

Announcement of Increase in Society Dues

There will be a small increase in society dues this year. The purpose of this increase is to offset the cost of having the fire hall facility set up and broken down for us each month by the fire hall junior members. The juniors began setting up/ breaking down the hall for our meetings last year, and it has been very convenient for us to arrive at the facility knowing that we did not have to start setting up chairs and tables in addition to preparing the hospitality and show table areas. The increase is from \$15 to \$20 for a single member and from \$20 to \$25 for two or more members at the same mailing address. Renewal forms are included in this newsletter.

Even with this small increase, our membership dues remain the lowest among orchid societies in the Mid-Atlantic area.

Please mail your membership renewal form to John DeGood at the address on the form or bring your renewal form to the September 4th meeting.



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.

Pinelands Orchid Society Monthly Meeting Time Schedule

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