

# Sandpiper Orchid Society



DECEMBER 2011

## Sandpiper Meeting

### Location

Galloway Branch of the Atlantic County Library system located at 306 East Jimmie Leeds Road Galloway, NJ  
Phone 609-652-2352

[Map of Meeting Location.](#)

## Upcoming Meeting

Thursday  
December 8th

**(Note: Week and Date change due to the Christmas Holidays)**

Sandpiper's December Meeting will be a Covered Dish Supper supplied by all attending members. Guests are Welcome.

Doors open at 6:30 PM  
Dinner begins at 7:00 PM

**(Note: Meeting Time Change)**

December '11 Newsletter

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**MAGAZINE FORMAT**

## The Orchid Help Guys



Dr. Cary Stone



Bergie Ellingsen

Before the Meeting  
7:30 PM

Ask the Orchid Help Guys before any Sandpiper Orchid Society meeting for advice on any culture problems you may be having with your orchids.



## Holiday Covered Dish Supper

December 8th  
7:00 PM

Please join us and celebrate our final Meeting, Show Table and Social Gathering of the year in a festive Holiday style.

Please notify Lana Errickson on what you are bringing if you have not done so already.

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# Insect Pests

At Sandpiper's last meeting, **Andy Fontaine** gave a presentation on insect pests that all orchid growers must be on the look out for. How to identify and then control scale, mealybugs, thrips, mites, aphids, whiteflies, snails and slugs and ants were the heart of Andy's talk. He showed examples of each pest and the damage they caused to orchid plants. He then covered numerous methods of controlling and eradicating each of the different pests along with a proven maintenance program to follow to keep them in check. His presentation was very well received.



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## Free Orchid 2012 Membership Drive



**Join** or **Renew** now, or before Sandpiper's upcoming January Awards Banquet, and have your name placed in a drawing for your choice of 1 of 3 beautiful Blooming Orchids, drawn at the Awards Banquet.

Please mail or deliver at your next meeting, your Membership Renewal Application to **George Bollenbach, Membership Chair**.



## Sandpiper Orchid Society MEMBERSHIP FORM

To obtain **Sandpiper OS** Membership information and a printable Application Form click on the link below.



[Printable Membership Application Form](#)

## SHOW TABLE & Orchid Shows

Point Standings thru

**November 2011**

Bollenbach, G.	208
Cascioli, P.	49
Class, B.	155
Connolly, C.	21
DelGuercio, M&S	77
Ellingsen, B.	142
Errickson, B.	5
Ference, R.	98
Fontaine, A.	166
Michalenko, R.	349
Mizuno, N.	3
Myers, J.	11
Penso, M.	1
Schairer, C.	31
Stone, Dr. C.	23
Zona, G&H	5

### How the Points are Earned

Rosette Award ..... 10 pts  
1st Place ..... 5 pts  
2nd Place ..... 3 pts  
3rd Place ..... 1 pt

**Joe Myers Award** - Awarded to the member that accumulates the highest point total for the year as determined from Society Displays and the monthly Show Table results.

**Lisa O'Neal Award** - This award was established in 2006 upon the untimely death of then president Lisa O'Neal. Lisa was renowned for displaying her finest orchids on the monthly Show Table. The winner of this award is acknowledged as having grown the most outstanding orchid of the year which is chosen from those plants that received the 10 point Rosette Award.



## David's Monthly Orchid Tips

David Off is a 3rd generation member of the highly respected WALDOR ORCHIDS family.

### Where in the house can I grow my orchid?

An east or south facing window provides bright enough light for growing orchids.

Southern and eastern-facing windows work best for orchids. Western windows can be too hot in the afternoon and northern ones are usually too dark. A sheer curtain will cast light shade. Too much direct light causes leaves to sunburn - so it may be necessary to reposition plants as the seasons change. Move plants away from or toward the window to manipulate the amount of light. Make sure the leaves are not touching the glass. In winter in a cold climate, leaves touching the windowpane may freeze.

Leaf color indicates if the amount of light is adequate. The lush, rich, dark green of most houseplants is not desirable in orchid leaves. A grassy green color (light or medium green with yellowish tones) means the plant is receiving sufficient light to bloom.



.....thanks to the AOS & Waldor Orchids

## Zygolum Louisendorf

This is a cross between a **Zygosepalum fabiosum** and the famous **Zygopetalum Artur Elle**. The plant habit is much smaller than a normal Zygopetalum hybrid but the flowers are similar in size and shape, making this a good plant for the grower as it doesn't take up as much space. Wonderfully fragrant with a scent like hyacinths but a bit sweeter. There is also the very light scent of pepper. The flowers are long-lasting and the plant can bloom twice per year.

### Light

Medium light from 2,000 to 3500 foot candles. An East window is best in summer but in the dead of winter south is better. This plant will also do well under artificial light culture. Grow about 16 inches from a four bulb fluorescent tube set up or 4-5 feet away from a high pressure sodium fixture.

### Temperature

Intermediate to cool with winter nighttime lows between 55 to 62 degrees Fahrenheit. Winter day temps can be from 68 to 78 degrees. Summer temps can be several degrees warmer.

### Humidity

This plant likes a relative humidity of 50 percent or higher. The use of humidity trays or room humidifiers is beneficial.

### Water

Water as the plants potting mix approaches dryness. These plants like water so don't be afraid to apply it. Water these plants twice per week for best results. Rain distilled or reverse osmosis are best or municipal water that is low in dissolved solids

and has a PH of 7.5 or less. If the plants potting mix is allowed to dry out too much between watering black spots may begin to appear on the leaves. This is normal. Resume normal watering and no new spots will form.

### Fertilizer

Fertilize every time you water if plants are planted in bark. Be sure to flush the mix with clear water only once per month to prevent fertilizer salt build up. For plants in moss or mounted on slabs feed every third or 4th watering as the moss holds a lot of nutrients.

### Flowering

The flowers are about 2 inches in size and are waxy and fragrant. The hyacinth fragrance is not quite as



sharp as in real hyacinths and has a sweeter overtone with just a hint of pepper. The flowers take about 5 days to develop their fragrance after opening. The flowers are long lasting and can bloom for 2-3 months.

### Repotting

Repot in spring after flowering using a small bark mix or a coconut husk mix. Allow just enough room in the pot for a year to a year and a half worth of growth.

...thanks to the [Orchid Web](http://OrchidWeb.com) website.



# SANDPIPER ORCHID SOCIETY AWARDS BANQUET



Sandpiper's Annual Awards Banquet is being held on **Sunday, January 29th, 2012** at the **Crab Trap Restaurant** in **Somers Point**. Our room will be available at 4:00 PM. Dinner is scheduled to be served at 5:00 PM. Please complete the form below and mail it to **Henry Zona**, along with your check. The cost this year is still \$35.00 per person. **YES**, there will be a **Show Table**.

Thanks,  
Alice Montgomery  
609-561-5858

Henry Zona  
609-641-1986  
email: [hzona@comcast.net](mailto:hzona@comcast.net)

Please Print, Cut Out and Mail Banquet Form

## **SANDPIPER AWARDS BANQUET**

Make checks payable to the: **Sandpiper Orchid Society**  
The cost is \$35.00 each. (Includes Reserved Banquet Room, Complete Meal, Tax and Tip)  
Guests are welcome.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_  
Dinner Choice: Prime Rib \_\_\_\_\_ Crab Imperial \_\_\_\_\_

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**1013 Shelbourne Ave.**  
**Absecon, NJ 08201**



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# Calendar of Events

## January 2012

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Jan 1 New Years Day  
 Jan 16 Martin Luther King Day

- 18 Mid-Atlantic Judging Center  
 Philadelphia Horticultural Center  
 Philadelphia, Pa.  
 website: <http://www.orchidjudging.com/>
- 19-22 24th Annual Open House at Silva Orchids  
 Silva Orchids Neptune, N.J.  
 Phone: 732-922-2635  
 website: <http://www.silvaorchids.com>
- 29 Sandpiper Orchid Society Annual Awards Banquet  
 Crab Trap Restaurant Somers Point, N.J.  
**Contact: Henry Zona for Advance Reservations only**

[EXTENDED CALENDAR DETAILS](#)

## Sandpiper Orchid Society

### Officers

President	Andy Fontaine
Vice Pres.	Dr. Cary Stone
Secretary	Linda Jankowski
Treasurer	Henry Zona
AOS Rep.	Walter Off
Past Pres.	Ron Ference

### Trustees at Large - 4 Year Terms-

Trustee 2011	Alice Montgomery
Trustee 2012	Pam Cascioli
Trustee 2013	George Bollenbach
Trustee 2014	Bill Class

### Committee Chairs

Membership	George Bollenbach
Program Dir.	Dr. Cary Stone
Publicity	Gail Zona
Newsletter	Ron Ference
Show Table	Bill Class
Hospitality	Alice Montgomery
Website	Ron Ference
Show Exhibits	Andy Fontaine
Historian	Chrissy Schairer
Photography	Ron Ference
Refreshments	Svetlana Errickson
Raffle	Bruce Montgomery
Auction	Ron Ference
DVOC Rep.	Bruce Montgomery

... all numbers are within the 609 exchange area

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## The Benefits Of Membership

Whether a beginner or an expert orchid grower, you will find membership in the American Orchid Society a truly rewarding experience. You'll join 18,000 others worldwide who share a passion for orchids, as well as furthering conservation and research efforts for these wondrous plants. And you'll enjoy a wealth of membership benefits.

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## ORCHIDS January Preview



**Cischweinfia rostrata** Photo © 2001 G. Allikas

In Search of *Cattleya trianae*: A Journey to Huila  
What's In a Name? *Epidendrum stamfordianum*  
Orchid of the Month: *Cischweinfia*

plus...

**Native Orchids: *Platanthera psycodes***

...thanks to the [American Orchid Society](#)

## *Sandpiper Orchid Society*

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Mailing Label

# November 2011

## Show Table 1st Place Winners

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**Blc. James Island 'Gullian'**  
X  
**Ediston 'Dawn Garrison'**  
Grown by C. Connolly



**Epi. parkinsonianum**  
Grown by A. Fontaine



**Phrag. Sedenii**  
Grown by B. Ellingsen



**Aerides PUNCHINELLO**  
Grown by R. Michelanko



**Den. Previt White**  
Grown by G. Bollenbach



**Angem. distichum**  
Grown by **A. Fontaine**



**Lc. Hawaiian Ice**  
Grown by **G. Bollenbach**



**Cirr. Elizabeth Ann 'Buckleberry' FCC/AOS**  
Grown by **R. Michanenko**



**Paph. Raving Maniac**  
Grown by **G. Bollenbach**



**Paph. spicerianum 'Hiao Hua' x sib.**  
Grown by **C. Connolly**

***[SHOW TABLE DETAILS](#)***