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 in a

MAGAZINE FORMAT

The Orchid Help Guys



Dr. Cary Stone

Beraie Ellinasen

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.

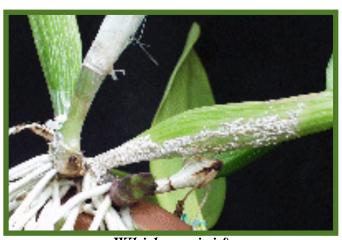
Holiday Covered Dish Supper December 8th 7:00 PM Please join us and celebrate our final Meeting, Show Table and Social Gathering of the year in a festive Holiday style. Please notify Lana Errickson on what you are bringing if you have not done so already. Phone: (856) 825-3644 Email: taran-boa01@msn.com

Website: http://www.SandpiperOrchidSociety.com

Email: SandpiperOS@gmail.com

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,



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

mealybugs,

Which pest is it?

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.

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.	I
Schairer, C.	31
Stone, Dr. C.	23
Zona, G&H	5

How the Points are Earned

Rosette Award	10 pts
ıst Place	
2nd Place	
3rd Place	I 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 shear 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 longlasting 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 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: <u>hzona@comcast.net</u>

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 Rih	Crab Imperial

Mail this form and your check to:

Henry Zona

1013 Shelbourne Ave.

Absecon, NJ 08201





HOLIDAY SALE
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> Phone: 609-927-4126 Fax: 609-926-0615

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Calendar of Events

January 2012

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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

Committee Chairs

Ron Ference

Andy Fontaine

Chrissy Schairer

President	Andy Fontaine	Membership	George Bollenbach
Vice Pres.	Dr. Cary Stone	Program Dir.	Dr. Cary Stone
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Treasurer	Henry Zona	Newsletter	Ron Ference
AOS Rep.	Walter Off	Show Table	Bill Class
-		Hospitality	Alice Montgomery
Past Pres.	Ron Ference	*****	

Trustees at Large -4 Year Terms-

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Trustee 2011	Alice Montgomery	Photography	Ron Ference
	• .	Refreshments	Svetlana Errickson
Trustee 2012	Pam Cascioli	Raffle	Bruce Montgomery
Trustee 2013	George Bollenbach	Auction	Ron Ference
Trustee 2014	Bill Class	DVOC Rep.	Bruce Montgomery

... all numbers are within the 609 exchange area

Website

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Show Exhibits

The Sandpiper OS is an Affiliated Member of the American Orchid Society

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**



Blc. James Island 'Gullian'
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Grown by C. Connolly



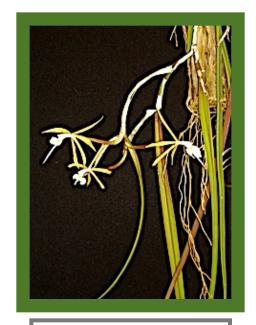
Phrag. SedeniiGrown by **B. Ellingsen**



Aerides PunchinelloGrown by **R. Michelanko**

November 2011 Show Table 1st Place Winners

SHOW TABLE DETAILS



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



Den. Previt WhiteGrown by **G. Bollenbach**



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



Paph. Raving ManiacGrown by **G. Bollenbach**

SHOW TABLE DETAILS



Lc. Hawaiian IceGrown by **G. Bollenbach**



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



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