

JANUARY 2012

Sandpiper Meetings 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.

January 29th

Sandpiper Orchid Society AWARDS BANQUET at the CRAB TRAP RESTAURANT in Somers Point, NJ

> Doors open at 4 PM Dinner served at 5 PM

> YES, there is a Show Table

January `12 Newsletter in a <u>MAGAZINE FORMAT</u>

The Orchid Help





Before the Meeting 4:30 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.

Website: <u>http://www.SandpiperOrchidSociety.com</u>

DCOS Annual Winter Show February 9-12, 2012



Thursday, Friday & Saturday 9am-6pm Sunday 9am-4:30pm

Exhibitors

Ballantyne & Duran Bucks County Orchid Society Deep Cut Orchid Society Connecticut Orchid Society North Jersey Orchid Society Sandpiper Orchid Society Southeastern Pennsylvania Orchid Society Staten Island Orchid Society

> Dearborn Market 2170 Rt 35 south Holmdel, NJ

<u>Click here for additional DCOS Show Information</u>

Email: <u>SandpiperOS@gmail.com</u>

SHOW TABLE & Orchid Shows

Point Standings thru

November 2011



How the Points are Earned

Rosette Award	10 pts
1st Place	5 pts
2nd Place	
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.

Holíday Covered Dísh Supper

At Sandpiper's last meeting, members contributed their favorite salads, main course dishes, beverages, desserts and side dishes for all attending to enjoy, as we celebrated the Holiday Season and the end of our calendar year with Orchids, Fellowship, Good Stories and a magnificent Show Table.

Special note has to be made of the exceptional Show Table that members filled with their December blooming orchids. A special THANK YOU to all who contributed to make the evening a memorable festive Holiday Meeting.

2012 NATIONAL CAPITAL ORCHID SOCIETY Annual Orchid Auction SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2012

> Behnke's Nursery 11300 Baltimore Ave, Beltsville, MD 20705 Ph. (301) 937-1100 For more information: <u>Click Here</u>

Free Orchid 2012 Membership Drive

Join or <u>Renew</u> 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.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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

Printable Membership Application Form



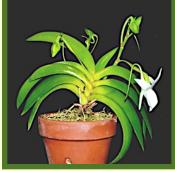
Best '6' Show Table Rule

The Board of Trustees have approved a new rule to better "level the playing field" regarding number of plants on the Show Table. Each member may place up to 6 plants of their choice on the Show Table to count towards accumulating yearly points. All other plants displayed must be placed in the 'OPEN' category and will not receive points. Please continue to display all of your plants at each meeting, but only 6 will now count towards yearly points.

Angraecum

leonis

Angraecum leonis is a small, compact orchid plant with a strong and fleshy leaf structure. This plant generally has between 3 and 6 leaves, blooming from 3 to 7 flowers at a time. It comes



from the Comoro Islands of Madagascar. For those who like the larger Angraecums but don't have the space, Angraecum leonis is a nice compact substitute and/or addition to your collection.

Light

This plant prefers medium light, from 1500 to 2000 footcandles. When growing at windowsills, eastern exposure is ideal. When growing under fluorescent lights, grow 12 to 16 inches from the tubes.

Temperature

This plant prefers intermediate to warm temperatures. Winter nighttime lows should be 60 to 64 degrees Fahrenheit. Winter daytime temps should be 70 to 75 degrees, summer temps can be a few degrees warmer.

Humidity

50% or higher is ideal.

Water

It is best to use rainwater, distilled or reverse osmosis water. Municipal water with a pH of 7.5 or lower can also be used. Water as the mix approaches dryness but do not allow it to completely dry out between waterings.

Fertilizer

We highly recommend Green Jungle Orchid Food, especially formulated to work with rain, distilled, reverse osmosis water or water low in alkalinity. Fertilize with Green Jungle every time you water. (NOTE: If using sphagnum moss, fertilize with Green Jungle every third watering.)

Or, use GrowMore 20-10-20 Ureafree for municipal or well water. Use at the rate of ½ teaspoon per gallon. If using rain, distilled, or reverse osmosis water, add back in 5 - 10% municipal or well water to supply the necessary calcium and magnesium. Fertilize every other watering

in the summer and every third watering in the winter.

Flowering

The leonis generally blooms in the winter to spring months. The flowers are



fragrant, waxy and long lasting. They are an ivory white color.

Repotting

Repot this plant in the spring or fall (when it is not blooming) into a bark mix or straight sphagnum moss using a clay pot.

...thanks to the <u>Orchid Web</u> website.



David's Monthly Orchid Tips

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

Artificial Lighting for Winter

If you do not have a window that provides sufficient natural sunlight, consider supplementing with grow lights or completely going to artificial lighting. One advantage of growing under lights is that you are able to grow in any room in your house. Complete light carts are available and come equipped with lighting and humidity trays.



To receive the proper intensity, orchids will need to be within 3-6 inches of regular florescent lights. When using high intensity lights carefully follow the manufacturer's instructions regarding the proper distance from your plants to prevent burning the foliage. Most lights will also produce a certain amount of heat so be sure to have good ventilation and air movement.

In order for your orchid plants to flower consistently, you will need to adjust your light timers to replicate natural daylight. We suggest increasing one hour each month from January (11 hrs) until June (16 hrs) then decreasing one hour starting in July (15 hrs) until December (10 hrs).

The basement is an excellent choice for a growing area because it will stay at a uniform temperature and will have sufficient humidity. Heavy duty plastic or reflective aluminum can be used to insulate ceiling joists and curtain off an area. By hanging florescent light fixtures over plant tables and adding an oscillating fan for air movement, you will have your very own subterranean greenhouse.

BANQUET SANDPIPER ORCHID SOCIETY **AWARDS BANQUET**

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR THE 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 remains at \$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

Please Print, Cut Out and Mail Banquet Form

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

Name Number Attending ____

Dinner Choice: Prime Rib _____ Crab Imperial_____

Mail this form and your check to: Henry Zona 1013 Shelbourne Ave. Absecon. NJ 08201

Photo of the Week



Photo by Susie Knudsen

Paphiopedilum primulinum

Photo taken at Hans Christiansen Orchidegartneriet in Fredensborg, Denmark using a Canon EOS 7D and 100mm macro lens. In 1969 the nursery established the first greenhouse with orchids in Fredensborg, the nursery has now grown to have 3000 sg. meters of greenhouses with orchids. The greenhouses are heated with natural gas and geothermal energy.

Click here to see larger photo Learn how to submit your own photos here!

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Calendar of Events

- 9-12 Deep Cut Orchid Society 15th Annual Show Dearborn Market 9 AM – 6 PM Route 35 (South) Holmdel, N.J. website: <u>http://deepcutorchids.googlepages.com/</u>
 - 5 Mid-Atlantic Judging Center Philadelphia Horticultural Center website: <u>http://www.orchidjudging.com/</u>
- 16-19 New Jersey Flower & Garden Show New Jersey Convention Center Edison, N.J. website: <u>http://macevents.com/show.cfm/eventID/121</u>
 - NCOS Annual Orchid Auction Behnke's Nursery 11300 Baltimore Ave, Beltsville, MD 20705 Ph. (301) 937-1100 website: <u>http://behnkes.com/website/</u>
 - Sandpiper Orchid Society Meeting 7:30 PM Galloway Branch of the Atlantic County Library system

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Orchids February Preview



Master grower and breeder **Theresa Hil** shares her secrets for success. Photo © 2006 Scott Ware.

Orchids in Hawaii

Highlights of the 20th World Orchid Conference In the Greenhouse with Theresa Hill – An Interview plus... Cattleya jongheana

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December 2011 Show Table 1st Place Winners

SHOW TABLE DETAILS



B. Little Stars Grown by **G. Bollenbach**



Phrag. Sorcerer's Apprentice Grown by R. Michalenko



Den. Ooh's Blue Grown by R. Ference



Blc. Amy Wakasugi 'Yamanashi' Grown by B. Class



Paph. malipoense Grown by A. Fontaine



V. Sansai Blue Grown by R. Michelanko



Paph. Avalon Love Stone Grown by B. Class



Dgmra. Winter Wonderland 'White Fairy' Grown by **R. Ference**



Phal. Hybrid Grown by **S. DelGuerico**



Cym. Hybrid Grown by **P. Cascioli**

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Max. coccinea Grown by **R. Michelanko**