Sandpiper Orchid Society

October 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

October 25th 7:30 PM

MEMBER'S NIGHT

The activity planned for our October Meeting is a Society involved Member's Night. This is an evening where Society members have volunteered to spend 5-10 minutes, acquainting us with new activities going on in their orchid lives.

October '12 Newsletter MAGAZINE FORMAT

The Orchid Help Guys









Bergie Ellingsen

Before the Meeting 7:15 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.

Seasonal Orchid Care

Organizing orchid culture and its chores by season is a convenient way to make sure that your orchids get the proper care at the right time. Becoming in tune with your plants' growth cycles creates a connection with the natural world and makes you a better grower.



Long before there was the internet, monthly checklists of orchid care were a staple of AOS orchid information. These checklists have long been a regular feature in the AOS publications. Because plant growth and flowering is in tune with the changing seasons, these monthly checklists will remind you of what needs to be done when in your orchid collection throughout the year.

If you are an AOS member, you also receive the excellent monthly checklist written by Tom Mirenda, orchid curator at the Smithsonian Institution.

AOS Checklist

November and December

Website: http://www.SandpiperOrchidSociety.com Email: SandpiperOS@gmail.com

SHOW TABLE & Orchid Shows

Point Standings thru

September 2012

| Bollenbach, G. | 93 |
|-----------------|-----|
| Burke, N. | 3 |
| Cascioli, P. | 31 |
| Class, B. | 89 |
| Cole, B. | I |
| DelGuercio, M&S | 154 |
| Ellingsen, B. | 89 |
| Errickson | 5 |
| Ference, R. | 306 |
| Fontaine, A. | 36 |
| Gotwols, C. | 5 |
| Jankowski, L. | 19 |
| Michalenko, R. | 197 |
| Montgomery, A&B | 3 |
| Penso, M. | 30 |
| Stone, Dr. C. | 43 |
| Zona, G&H | 18 |

How the Points are Earned

| Rosette Award | 10 pts |
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| ıst 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.

Sandpiper's Previous Meeting

At Sandpiper's last meeting, the membership held it's Annual Orchid Auction. The auction was very successful with numerous guests and visitors attending. Everyone had an excellent opportunity to pick up some unusual and hard to find orchids to add to their personal collections.

A special 'Thank You' to all members who donated plants or worked on any of the many various aspects of our successful auction. THANKS!!!!!



Free Orchid 2013 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, Sandpiper's Membership Chair. Thanks everyone.

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



PARKSIDE HOLIDAY SALE

Friday Nov. 23 - Sunday Nov. 25

2503 Mountainview Drive Ottsville, PA 18942

Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10am-5pm and by appointment. 610-847-8039 Fax: 610-847-1211

Email: Parkside@ptd.net

Miltoniopsis Care

Light

We have found that Miltoniopsis grow well under a rather low amount of light (1500 - 2000 foot-candles). If grown in windowsills, we recommend an east or west exposure, or south is tolerated if shielded from the sun. Fluorescent lights are an inexpensive way to supply light to Miltoniopsis as well. These plants also enjoy being grown outside under shade if the temperature permits.

Temperature

Miltoniopsis do well in the average home or intermediate temperature greenhouse. A night temperature between 55-65 degrees F. and a daytime temperature between 70-80 degrees F. works well. They will tolerate higher or lower temperatures, but not for extended periods of time.

Humidity

If you keep your Miltoniopsis well watered, humidity is not a critical factor. However, Miltoniopsis thrive under high humidity so try to keep it above 50% if possible. Humidity trays or an ultra-sonic fogger can help increase humidity.

Water

Miltoniopsis like to be kept fairly moist with a slight drying between watering. During warm dry weather, they may need to be watered 2-3 times a week, during cool weather 1-2 times a week. A sure sign of under watering would be the formation of wrinkled accordion-like pleated leaves. If this happens, increase your watering.

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, all year round.

For tap or well water, fertilizer can be applied almost every watering during the spring and summer months. This should be reduced to once a week during fall and winter.

Flowering



Repotting

Miltoniopsis do well in a water retaining mixture. Small orchid bark mix, rock wool mix and New Zealand sphagnum moss mediums work well. It is important that the pot has adequate drainage. These plants like to be somewhat pot-bound so allow room for only one year's growth. Repot once per each year, preferably in the spring.

...thanks to the Orchid Web website.



David's Monthly Orchid Tips

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

Artificial Lighting for this 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.

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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Bruce Montgomery

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DVOC Rep.

November 2012

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

12 Veterans Day observed22 Thanksgiving Day

Calendar of Events

8 Sandpiper Orchid Society Meeting

Change due to Thanksgiving

7:30 PM Galloway Branch of the Atlantic

County Library system

306 East Jimmie Leeds Road Galloway, N.J.

21 Mid-Atlantic Judging Center Philadelphia Horticultural Center Philadelphia, Pa. website: http://www.orchidjudging.com/

23-25 19th Annual Sale Parkside Orchid Nursery 9AM-5PM 2503 Mountainview Drive, Phone: 610-847-8039 Ottsville, Pawebsite: http://www.parksideorchids.com/

EXTENDED CALENDAR DETAILS

AOS Corner - October

What are the responsibilities of AOS Representatives? It is a requirement for affiliation with AOS that both the society and the AOS Rep be current members of the AOS. The AOS Reps are typically appointed by their society president or society board. The AOS Rep's primary responsibility is to communicate activities of the AOS to their societies. Some Reps keep up to date with the activities of AOS through the monthly magazine Orchids or by visiting the website on a regular basis and then pass this information on to the board, newsletter editor or the membership at a meeting. The Reps also can communicate any news or concerns of their society to the AOS through the Affiliated Society Committee at affiliated_societies@aos.org. We suggest they say something about the AOS to the entire membership at each meeting, and make sure there are AOS applications available to their members. If your society's Rep has changed this season, please communicate that change to the AOS.

Call for nominations. The AOS Nominating Committee is accepting applications for consideration as trustees in the American Orchid Society. If you know of someone who would be interested in being considered as Trustee on the Board of Trustees (or if you are interested), forward their information and background (and perhaps any reasons they might be an asset to the Board of Trustees) to the Chair of the Committee, George Hatfield at nominating_committee@aos.org. Contact George as well if you have any questions regarding the requirements or qualifications for a Trustee. The Nominating Committee has the responsibility of vetting and ranking nominations received and providing a slate of candidates for election at the Spring AOS Members' Meeting in the spring of 2013.

Celebrate Orchids, Celebrate Life! Portland Orchid Society AOS Members Meeting and Show will be held at the Doubletree by Hilton Portland, Oregon, November 13-18, 2012. A great line up of speakers and vendors are planned. For more information and registration, visit www.portlandorchidsociety.com. The Affiliated Societies will be having their tradition breakfast on Friday morning. This breakfast is the societies' opportunity to discuss their activities, ask questions or get advice of a number of officers and trustees of AOS as well as enjoy the company of each other and talk of our hobby of orchids.

Lynn Fuller, Chair AOS Affiliated Societies Committee

8th Annual Merritt Huntington Memorial Symposium October 26th & 27th, 2012

Cavalier Oceanfront Hotel

42nd Street & Atlantic Avenue Virginia Beach, VA Speakers

Alan Koch—Gold Country Orchids David Off—Waldor Orchids Roy Tokunaga—H & R Nurseries, Inc. Marguerite Web—J & L Orchids

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| Gold Country Orchids | s, H & R Nurserie | s Inc., J & L Orchids, Waldon | Orchids, Orchid Enterprise, Inc. |
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View from the North; the Cloudforest in the City.
Paphiopedilum of China – The Journey Continues
Paphiopedilum charlesworthii: The Hybrids
David Fairchild, Orthods and Friendship

plus...
Nee Soon Swamp Forest
Singapore's Last Cystorchis variegata var.
variegata Stronghold

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SPECIAL ROSETTE

Milt. Puna Cove x (Brazillian Rose x Candida)

Grown by L&R Jankowski

Show Table 1st Place Winners

SHOW TABLE DETAILS



Den. Hawaiian Mini Stripe x Blue TwinkleGrown by **S. DelGuercio**



V. Faye Bennet x lilacina Grown by B. Ellingsen



Phrag. lindleyanum x Grande Grown by **R. Michalenko**



Lc. Sheila Lauterbach 'Equilab' FCC/AOS Grown by R. Ference



Habenaria RegnieriGrown by **R. Ference**



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Holcolglossum wangiiGrown by **R. Ference**



Colm. Wildcat 'Bobcat' Grown by R. Ference

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