

Orchid Offshoots

The News Letter of the

Staten Island Orchid Society

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Our next meeting:

December 16, 2003

beginning **6:00** P.M.

at

All Saints Episcopal Church
2329 Victory Blvd. (corner of Woolley Ave.)



December Holiday Dinner

and

Orchid Auction!

[No Show Table]

2003 SIOS Officers, Chairmen and Trustees

President: John Foley
Vice President: Frank Ariosta
Treasurer: Karen Woytowich
Secretary: Michael Corace
Ass't Treasurer: Carl Phillips
Hospitality: Karen Silverman
Membership: Carol Doran
Monthly Raffle: Jo Guardino
Editor: James Hannah
Show Table Judge: Dick Doran
Show Table Tally: Jo Guardino
Trustees (1 yr): Gerry Cassella, Howard Fischer, Jo Guardino
(2 yr): Olga Federico, Karen Silverman, John Stallone,
Anthony Penza
(3 yr): Angelo Arena, Frank Whitam, Trish Penza

Society Meeting Dates and Times [note: all meetings are monthly unless noted.]

Deep Cut Orchid Society: 2nd Tuesday (except July & Aug.), 7:15 PM
Delaware Orchid Society: 2nd Tuesday (except July & Aug.), 7 PM
Genesee Region Orchid Society: 1st Monday following 1st Sunday (except June,
July & Aug.), 7 PM
Greater New York Orchid Soc.: 4th Wednesday, 7 PM
Greater Westchester Orch. Soc.: 2nd Tuesday, 7 PM
Long Island Orchid Society: 2nd Thursday, 8 PM
Manhattan Orchid Society: 2nd Wednesday (except July & Aug.), 6:30 PM
Matinecock Orchid Society: 3rd Friday (except July & Aug.), 8 PM
Mid Hudson Orchid Society: 2nd Sunday, 1:30 PM
Northeast Center Judging: 3rd Saturday, 10 AM
North Jersey Orchid Society: 2nd Thursday, 8 PM
Pinelands Orchid Society: 1st Tuesday, 7:30 PM
Ramapo Orchid Society: 3rd Thursday (except July & Aug.), 7:00 PM
Southeastern Pennsylvania O.S.: 2nd Wednesday (except June, July & Aug.), 7 PM
Staten Island Orchid Society: 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 PM
Suffolk Orchid Society: 2nd Monday

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The Show Table

11 exhibitors this month, with many unusual orchids presented.
 Orchids scoring 6 points or more in November were:

<u>Orchid</u>	<u>Shown by:</u>
Colm. Wildcat 'Ocelot'	Angelo Arena
Bl. <i>markai</i> x <i>C. maxima</i>	" "
Onc. Liz Cochleanthus	Michael Corace
Sl. Tiny Titan	Olga Federico
Phal. Mary Crocket	" "
Lc. Persepolis	Diana Milatta
Brs. arcuigera 'Santa Barbara'	Anthony Penza
Masd. Confetti	" "
Pleur. <i>allanii</i>	" "
Dracula	" "
Lc. Alkers Madison	" "
Vanda Gordon Dillon	John Stallone
Cym. Summer Pearl 'Sadine'	" "
Bulb. <i>longissiona</i> x Forstinador	Ralph Wihlborg
Parracara Luke Thai x <i>V. denisonia</i>	" "
Rlla. Margaret's Jewels	" "
Zygo. <i>intermedium</i> x Titanic 'Le Mans'	" "

Points earned by class were:

<u>Windowsill</u>		<u>Greenhouse</u>	
Angelo Arena	22	Anthony Penza	74
Michael Corace	33		
James Doyle	9	<u>Lights</u>	
Jo Guardino	5	Olga Federico	25
Audrey Jacques	4	John Stallone	22
Diana Milatta	7	Ralph Wihlborg	25
Karen Woytowich	5		

A big **Thank You** to all exhibitors for providing us with the opportunity to enjoy many different and beautiful orchids at the 2003 SIOS meetings.

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Club Officers

The Annual election of SIOS officers was held at the November meeting. The 2003 officers were returned for the coming year. Page 2 of this News Letter lists all of the names and positions.

A Big Welcome

The SIOS is pleased to add **Trish Penza** to the Board of Directors. If Trish could be defined by one word [she can't, of course], that word would be 'Spunky.' Team Penza [Trish and Anthony] have been major contributors to the Show Table. The quality of the plants they bring demonstrate their abilities with orchids far better than words can tell.

Membership List

The February issue of the News Letter will carry a list of the SIOS members. The list includes names, addresses, telephone numbers and Email addresses. If you don't wish to be listed, please let me know **before** February 5th. I can also provide a partial listing [eg, no telephone number] if you prefer. JRH.

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Silva Orchids

Silva Orchids will hold the **16th Annual Open House** on January 29th and February 1st. James Rose of Cal Orchids will be there. Check the January issue of Orchid Offshoots for details.

2004 Deep Cut Orchid Show

The Deep Cut Orchid Society will hold their annual Orchid Show at the Monmouth Mall in Eatontown, NJ on February 26 through 29th. Thursday hours will be 12:30 PM - 9:00 PM. Friday through Sunday, the Show will be open during the Mall hours. Contact: Dennis Dayan, Tel: (732) 531-5058 or Email at www.Dennisdayan@comcast.net. The Deep Cut website is www.Deepcutorchids.com.

Your SIOS will be represented at the show. Drop by and say Hello.

American Orchid Society

We've received word that the AOS, like many of us, is having a bit of a struggle making ends meet. If you're not already a member, now's a good time to join. If you are a member, you might consider making a contribution to the AOS above and beyond your membership dues.

American Orchid Society. 16700 AOS Lane, Delray Beach, FL 33446-4351

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New York International Orchid Show!

The New York International Orchid Show will be held at Rockefeller Center on April 14 - 18th. The Show will now be held on dates such that the closing day will be in the 3rd weekend in April. The admission to the Show: \$5.00. More details will be available in future issues of Orchid Offshoots.

Bus Trip!

The SIOS will have a bus trip to Waldor Orchids this spring. There is a reservation form in this issue. This will be on a 'First Come - First Served' basis. As seating on the bus is limited, it would be a good idea to nail down your reservation early. The trip will start at All Saints Church 8:00 AM sharp.



AOS Event

**AMERICAN ORCHID SOCIETY ORCHID JUDGING
NORTHEAST JUDGING CENTER**

ANNUAL GROWERS AND JUDGES AUCTION

Saturday, December 20, 2003

- AGENDA:**
- 10:00 Preview, coffee and bagels
 - 10:30 Auction of very special plants
 - 12:00 Lunch - Bring a plate if you can
 - 12:30 Orchid Judging

FREE ADMISSION - - - FREE PARKING

At The Hampton Inn
Route 119, Elmsford, NY 10523
(914) 592-5680



Season's Greetings!

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all the season's best. And special thanks to Jo Guardino, who has carefully checked each issue of Orchid Offsets and spotted boo-boos for me. Jim Hannah, Ed.

