

SIOS

APRIL, 2009
Volume XXXII, Issue 4

NEWSLETTER

STATEN ISLAND ORCHID SOCIETY



OFFICERS

John Foley
President 718-996-1064

Frank Ariosta, M.D.
Vice President 732-564-0994

Joseph Schwab
Co-Vice President 1-646-272-9679

Colman Rutkin
Treasurer 718-816-0682

Michael V. Corace
Secretary 718-375-3177

AOS REPRESENTATIVE
Howard Fischer 718-981-4002

TRUSTEES
Ron Altman, D.D.S. 1-908-658-3055
Patrick Cammarano 718-948-6439
Gerry Cassella 718-698-3718
Dr. Olga Federico 718-987-0255
Howard Fischer 718-981-4002
Trish and Anthony Penza
718-816-4868
Karen Silverman 718-356-4482
John Stallone 718-816-8187
David O'Dell 718-966-6174

NEWSLETTER
Kathleen Ruoti, Editor
718-967-6158

CONTENTS

- Message from the President ...1
- Show Tally Table for March..2
- NYBG Orchid Show Photos and Review by Sharon Jaffee..3-4
- NJ 44th Orchid Show...5

The SIOS meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm at All Saints Episcopal Church, 2329 Victory Blvd., SI, NY 10314

Next meeting April 21st 7:00pm

A Message from John

Hello Friends!

I hope your holidays were as nice as ours I've had enough of Chocolate and Matzos to last me for another year. (well, the chocolate might pop up again once and awhile)

Let me get started:

MAY 2nd and MAY 3rd !!!!! SNUG HARBOR!!!

Is that loud enough? It's just weeks away guys. I'm so excited. Dave, Ron, Patrick, Joe and Colman are so into this, it's amazing to see the the amount of commitment and work. Something I've never seen from this society. Our Board of Directors are wonderful. Frank Ariosta, Joe and Colman have ordered plants for sale, Howie is getting the word out to the press, Kathleen is coordinating our refreshments, Speakers have been booked by Colman, A tent is ordered.

Deep Cut is joining us with plants for a display. Ribbons have been ordered. Snug Harbor is happy we are coming!

This is AWESOME!!!

I expect to see you ALL there, and will find something for you to do too. I cannot begin to thank you all enough...I'm so proud of you guys!

While I'm in the "Thanking Mode", let me thank Sharon (and our mascot " Oreo") for sharing some wonderful Photos from her trip to the NYBG's orchid show in the Bronx. This is the kind of help Kathleen needs to keep this newsletter as fantastic as it is. Thank You Sharon!

If the Board members can get to our next meeting a little early, we can have a quick status meeting.. OK? That's on the 21st.

Till then,

Be Well and Be Good!

~John

Happy Spring



**April Speaker
Tom Maranda**

RAFFLE PLANTS

We need raffle plants. If you have any plants you wish to donate, please bring them to the next meeting.

Show Tally Table for March

LIGHTS

GREENHOUSE

WINDOWSILL

Ronald Altman - 6
 Dave O'Dell - 6
 Colman Rutkin - 5

Angelo Arena - 8
 Pat Cammarano - 17
 Michael Corace - 36



Photos by Sage Reynolds

NY Botanical Garden's Orchid Show--Brazilian Modern

A Review and Photos by Sharon Jaffee

The NY Botanical Garden's Orchid Show--Brazilian Modern ran from March 28 to April 12, 2009. The show was created by Miami-based landscape architect, Raymond Jungle, who was inspired by his mentor, Roberto Burle Marx, who was an icon of Brazilian design. The show had a mixture of orchids, bromeliads and other native plants of Brazil and were placed along side fountains, pools and colorful mosaics. The orchids were selected by the manager of the Nolan Greenhouse for Living Collections at the Botanical Garden and the curator of the Orchid show, Marc Hechadourian.

This is the NY Botanical Gardens 7th year for an Orchid show, but this was the first time I have ever been to it. I arrived in the morning on March 31, 2008 at 10 am and I found myself surrounded by groups of people both young and old admiring both the orchids and other plants in the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory, where the Orchid show took place.

It was amazing to see all of the different species of Orchids, such as cattleyas, cymbidiums, phalenopsis, vandas, miltonias and other species that I have never seen before. It was amazing to see all of the orchids in bloom and in so many shades of colors: pinks, reds, oranges, greens, blues and purples. They were placed along side other native plants of Brazil and they were also in different shades of color, which made many of the orchids stand out. They even had Orchids in Boxes that made them look like they were on a mountain top and then cascading down the mountain to the bottom of it.

The most amazing display I saw, was a wall of totally white Phalenopsis (I believe they were the alba form), which looked like a waterfall. Everyone stopped to admire it. Even the young school kids were ohhing and ahhing over it. Everyone who stopped at this display were taking a lot of pictures of it.



NY Botanical Orchid Show Photos

continued from page 3





njorchids.org
RON MIDGETT
973-875-4014
KIM FEDDERSEN
973-762-8040

North Jersey Orchid Society presents its 44th Orchid Show April 17, 18 & 19, 2009

Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 East Hanover Avenue, Whippany, NJ

Show hours:
Friday - noon to 4pm
Saturday - 10am to 4pm
Sunday - 10am to 4pm

Orchids sale - Supplies sale - Orchid Art
Free Admission - Free Parking



*Display of Orchid Art in the gallery
on the lower level at the Arboretum
beginning April 1, 2009*

STATEN ISLAND ORCHID SOCIETY

SIOS Staten Island Orchid Society
1306 Arden Avenue
Staten Island, New York 10312-4901



ADDRESS LABEL

Orchid Related Websites and Information

ORCHIDS ON THE WEB

For all you web surfers here are some sites you might enjoy visiting:

orchidweb.org

This is the AOS official website. It is a wealth of information on all things ORCHID

orchidmall.com

Looking for plants to buy? Here's a resource for you. Listing vendors from all over the world.

repotme.com

Everything you need to supply your orchid collection.

That's a start. Happy surfing!!