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

A Message from John

Hello Friends,

It's AUCTION TIME!

That's right guys and gals, It's time to start making your meatballs and brownies.

(Start peeling the shrimp, Norman)
I'm eagerly awaiting all the yummys.

Frank has ordered a wonderful selection of plants similar to the ones he secured for us for our Snug Harbor event. They will be beautiful and the prices will be great.

This will be fun, but also a **FUND RAISER** so bring your checkbooks and friends.

Thank You Colman and Ron for taking charge of the plants as they arrive.

We will be ready for the buffet at 6:30, so come early... anybody who has time to help with the set up can join us anytime after 5:30.

This has been a very sad time for us at The SIOS. We need a time to be together and have a happy evening with good friends, good food and beautiful Orchids.

Remember, NO SHOW TABLE...
6:30 pm Food, Checkbook.

So, Till then
Be Well and Be Good!
~John

The SIOS extends its
condolences to
Michael Corace
for the recent passing of
his mother.
Our thoughts and prayers
are with Michael
and his family at this time.

Show Tally Table for May

LIGHTS

Joseph Schwab—37
Olga Federico—5



Speaker Roger Cole



GREENHOUSE

Dave O'Dell - 57
Colman Rutkin - 32



WINDOWSILL

Michael Corace - 37
Howard Fischer - 13
Roy Fox - 11
Sharon Jaffee - 6
Amy Eli Trautwein - 6



LOOKING FOR ORCHIDS
close by in the city?
Silva Orchids is going to be
at the
Union Square Greenmarket
every Wednesday
AND NOW
every other Saturday!
The next date they will be there is
June 13, then June 27 etc.

JOHN STALLONE

Last week a friend gave me a copy of an out of print CD of a little known opera by Puccini “La Rondine”. My first thought when hearing it was “ Oh My God! This is beautiful...I have to make a copy for John” Then the overwhelming sadness swelled again. John is gone. As sad and tragic as any opera by Puccini or Verdi were the last months of John’s life. It was an unfair ending. Like the final notes of La Boheme.

John was my friend. Truly my Buddy. We shared a passion for many things.

The Opera, Orchids, Fine Food and joked about our differences (Politics!)



Over the years, Barbara and I had become close to the Stallones and their kids.

I loved every second we were with them.

A few years ago when their daughter became seriously ill and was undergoing excruciating therapy she was also pursuing a career move as school principle.

To help lift her spirits, whenever any of John’s orchids were in bloom, he would take them to the principle’s office to help brighten up her day. Well it not only brought Daddy’s love to his little girl, He also lifted the spirit of the whole school. Being sent to the principle’s office became a little less frightening. When the kids saw John coming

They would call him the “Orchid Man”. This tradition will continue. John’s Orchids will be with the Kids.

John died on May 20. I am heartbroken.

Helen and her children have asked that if anyone wishes to remember John, to send a contribution to the STATEN ISLAND ORCHID SOCIETY.

John, I miss you buddy. I wish we would have met sooner in my life. The time I had with you was priceless.

~John

J&L Orchids' Annual Summer Sale

June 26-July 5 9-4 each day

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Carri Raven-Riemann of the orchidPhile

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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!!