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President's Message

First, I would like to apologize for cancelling the February meeting. I was basing the decision on the local weather forecasters and it turned out the roads had dried and no ice was on the roads by Sunday afternoon. I was erring on the cautious side and not wanting anyone to go out on icy roads and take the chance with an accident. As usual our weather is quite unpredictable here and the driving conditions were fine. As it turned out, our speaker was snowed in and would not have been able to be present at our meeting anyway.

Our March meeting will be held on March 7th, not the 14th as our website states. We will be meeting in our regular room at 2:00PM in the Webb Center at ODU. Marguerite Webb from J&L Orchids in Connecticut will be speaking on miniature orchids and will be bringing an assortment of plants to sell. J & L will also be taking email or phone orders for Marguerite to bring with her at a 10% discount plus no shipping charges. This is a great opportunity to get those plants you have been wanting from J&L Orchids at a discounted price. This also insures you don't have to "fight the crowds" or arrive early to get the plants you want at the meeting. Their website



Blc. Owen Holmes 'Mendenhall'

is www.jlorchids.com and their phone numbers are: Phone: (203) 261-3772/ Fax: (203) 261-8730. Their email address: jlorchid@snet.net. Many of our

members, including me, have known Cordelia Head and Marguerite Webb for many years now and the plants they sell are always well grown and thriving. Not all the plants they sell are miniatures so look at their website and see if there is anything you want and preorder them. All orders must be received by J&L Orchids by March 5th if you wish Marguerite to bring the plants with her.

NOTE: Our meeting in April will be on April 11th due to the 4th being Easter Sunday. Please make a note of this on your calendars.

Rosters will soon be sent out as an email attachment and for those who do not have an email address one will be sent to you by regular mail.

Don't forget to bring in plants for the show table and judging.

See You Sunday!

Ken

Vendor Profile - Pine Ridge Orchids



C. Penang 'Black Caesar'

Last month I saw a picture of a beautiful Cynodes in a magazine and when I searched for a grower Pine Ridge Orchids popped up. I had not heard of them before but decided to see if they had the Cynode I was interested in available for purchase. The owner, Terry Glancy, was very helpful and knowledgeable. I ended up purchasing several plants and when they arrived I was very surprised and pleased at the high quality of the plants. They arrived very well packed and in perfect condition. I recommend that you go to his website at www.pineridgeorchids.com and give them a try. If you do purchase anything from Terry please let me know how the transaction went. I like to keep our files up-to-date on members good and bad experiences with different vendors. If you have a vendor that you'd like to comment on please let me know. Your fellow members will appreciate it!



Happy
Birthday!!

Jim Bridges

Dot Pierce

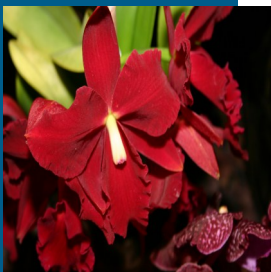
Lori Delbridge

I'm trying to get our records setup with all the members birthdays. If I miss your birthday and you'd like to be acknowledged please send me you information. (only month/day) I don't want to know your age!! :-)



6th Annual Merritt Huntington Symposium

Those of you that attended the symposium this year know what the members that didn't attend missed! (Lots of fun, orchids & information) Everyone start making plans for next years event. It will be held in conjunction with the AOS Trustee's meeting. This is an important event and we need EVERYONE to attend. More details to follow for or you can go the to symposium website www.mhsymposium.org for more information & updates.



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Last month I saw a picture of a beautiful *Cycnodes* in a magazine and when I searched for a grower Pine Ridge Orchids popped up. I had not heard of them before but decided to see if they had the *Cycnodes* I was interested in available for purchase. The owner, Terry Glancy was very helpful and knowledgeable. I ended up purchasing several plants and when they arrived I was very surprised and pleased at the high quality of the plants. They arrived very well packed and in perfect condition.

This Month's Meeting

Our featured speaker will be Marguerite Webb of J&L Orchids in Easton, Connecticut. She will focus on the world of miniature orchids. Marguerite, along with her partners Cordelia Head and Lucinda Winn, have built J&L's reputation internationally over the past twenty six years as an exceptional orchid species nursery for unusual, hard to find orchids, with a passion for miniatures. Marguerite has contributed numerous articles to the American Orchid Society magazine *Orchids*.

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