



Our May meeting will be held Sunday May 17 at **1:30** at the **Jeff Davis Community College** located at the corner of Switzer Rd and Debuys; just north of Pass Rd. We will meet in the meeting room behind the cafeteria. There will be no **Show and Tell.**

PROGRAM: This will be a covered dish luncheon and orchid auction. The Society will provide the meat, drinks, and paper products. Members are encouraged to bring a side dish or dessert. Guests are welcome. We will offer for auction many beautiful plants (many will be in bloom or bud) some donated by members others purchased from commercial growers. In the past years members have gotten some good bargains. Call Glen at 228-392-0919 if you have plants to donate. Please bring a box to carry your purchases home.

SHOW REPORT: Glen and Marilyn Ladnier did a great job on the Terrebonne Exhibit. One plant was awarded, while five plants were pulled for AOS judging. We won three trophies, 15 first place ribbons, 12 second place ribbons and 10 third place ribbons. The members who entered plants were Glen, Marilyn, Janice Fabo, Earl Young, Janet Olier, Andra Mladinich, Dorothy Hobby and Jo Ann Vaz.



GCOS Display Terrebonne Orchid Show May 2, 2009

Our next show will be the New Orleans Orchid Society Show, May 29 – May 31 at Lakeside shopping Center, Metairie, LA. Glen has reserved a 50' space. He needs plant lists by Tuesday, May 26th and plants the following day.

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Blc. Hummingbird "Jo Ann's Legacy" AM/AOS 81 pts.

The Baton Rouge Show will be July 10-12 and the Jefferson Orchid Society Show will be October 30 to November 1.

EDGEWATER EVENT: The sale at the Mall was a success; we got some new members and sold more than enough plants to break even. Eleven members volunteered their time to build the exhibit and talk orchid. Thanks to all those who worked and sent plants for the exhibit.

ILLNESSES: John and Janet Bridges missed the April meeting because he became ill and was taken to North Shore Hospital in Slidell, La. As of this writing Janet Bridges reports that John is still in intensive care but is recovering.

LOST ITEMS: Marilyn still has several unclaimed items from our January show, three cups and a rectangular metal baking pan. If they are yours call 228-392-0919.

BYLAWS: At the April meeting an updated set of bylaws was passed out to those present. We will vote to ratify the changes at the May meeting. If you didn't get a copy of the proposed new Bylaws and want one, please contact Jo Ann at 601-947-8777 for a copy.

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We have quite a few internet specials this month.

Oak Hill Gardens www.oakhillgardens.com, Their May Special is on aerangis species. These are neat little plants from Africa or Madagascar. Six different species for \$75.00 plus shipping and handling. Email them and sign up for Oak Hill's newsletter. It always has some timely tips.

Sunset Valley Orchids, Fred Clark has released his new cattleya list with some great photos.
http://www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com/htm/offerings_cattleya1.html.

Owens Orchids, WWW.Owensorchids.com has a paph special; near blooming size (should bloom next year) multifloral paphs with twisted petals. Five for \$150.00 plus shipping. They also have 4" pots of Cattleyas. Five plants for \$100.00 plus shipping. They are also offering a 25% discount on all orders made now until May 18. Again they have a great website just go there and check out the photos.

Glen Barfield at the OrchidWorks glen@theorchidworks.com Has a new list of Rayna's real deals. That the little Oncidium seedlings many of you got last month for only \$1.75 each. I bet some of you have a few blooms developing on some of those babies. So if you want a few more, there is a new list available. All you have to do is order 10 of each type you get and a total of 100 plants.

R.F. Orchids, Inc. is offering their yearly vandaceous special. In years past it was 10 seedlings bare root for \$50.00 but you had no choice in what you got. This year there is a list but the plants are \$6.00 plus shipping. If you order 6 plants, they reduce the price down to \$5.00 each. Shipping is 10% of the total order plus a \$15.00 boxing charge. This is one of the better deals. These plants grow fast in our heat. Don't forget to put a tea bag on them when you pot them up. They also have a wonderful culture sheet that they include with orders. Call 877-4vandas email sales@rforchids.com visit their website www.rforchids.com.

Don't forget to check out the links on our website WWW.gcorchids.org. If you know of any orchid 'deals' that you'd like to share; please email me at joannvaz@bellsouth.net.