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President's Message

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Greetings to all of you! So much has happened in the past month, I can hardly remember it all! I hope you were with us at our Holiday Dinner at the beginning of the month – it was a lovely time of fun and food and fellowship.

Of course there was all the hustle and bustle of the holidays and relatives and friends, and then our first snow of the season! But even though we have snow, we have passed the Winter Solstice. Believe it or not, this means that the days are already getting longer, and the angle of the sun is changing. If you have your plants in an east or southeast window like I do, you will really notice the changes week to week. Keep an eye on those plants. More sun means warmer temps, and plants can dry out, especially with the heat running all the time!

Our speaker this month will be our own Maurice Marietti, and his topic will be “Beauties and the Beasts”. If you have been a Pinelands member for very long, you will know that Maurice has a greenhouse and grows wonderful cattleyas, phrags, phals, and of course that marvelous dendrobium he brought to the Holiday party! Maurice is also the photographer for the Mid-Atlantic Region AOS Judging Center. Come out and see his gorgeous pictures and learn how to deal with the beasts in your own collection!

If your name begins with N through T, please bring a snack to share. We hope everyone will bring their blooming plants to share on the Show Table – please have them ready by 7:30. I look forward to seeing you all

*Valerie*