

MHOS is an Affiliated Organization of the American Orchid Society September 2024

#### Meetings

The Mid-Hudson Orchid Society meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at 1:30 pm at the Union Presbyterian Church, 44 Balmville Road (corner of Balmville Road and Beech Street) in Newburgh, NY 12550.

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Presidents' Message

Hi Gang,

I hope Everyone had an enjoyable Summer and as we head into Autumn are enjoying many of your Orchids bursting into color. Thank you Barry and Kathy Friedman for hosting our MHOS picnic in July. It was a very enjoyable time for everyone.Such a great turnout and time for members to get to know each other. Dennis did an excellent talk on different Orchid Media and shared information for choosing the right mixes for different plants. Barry, your Orchid collection and displays are inspiring. Make sure you check out the Member's Orchid Vacation section. I will have this continued in the next newsletter to have room for other members that want to participate. Our next meeting is September 8th. Looking forward to seeing all the blooming beauties on the show table.

> Brenda L. Decker MHOS President



Look My Orchid Bloomed!



Phalaenopsis NOID



Miltassia Shelob "Okika"



Dendrobium Samaria



Phal. Bellina

-----Susan Hall------



Phal Taida 'Passion Ruby'



Phrag Dellaina



NOID



Phal NOID

------Denise Giardullo-------

-----Amy Reville-----





Encyclia fragrans

Catt purpurata

--Dennis Sandberg------



Phrag longifolium



Miltonia spectabilis ' moreliana'

-Andrew Sinno-



Dendrobium Ceraula



Dend. green Lantern



NOID



Neofinetia

-----Pat Kent------



Vanda Tangerine



Phal Bohemian Matisse



Phal NOID



Bilra. Tahoma Glacier 'Sweet Sugar'

-----Ruth Nattras----

--Brenda Decker-



Phal Lindenii



Enc tampensis

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Gomesa Jiaho Queen 'Jiaho'



Erycina pusilla

----Dave Taft—-----



Dend uniflora



Bulbophyllum bolsterii

-----Dave Taft-------



Epidendrum pseudepidendrum



# September 8th Meeting

**TOPIC** - A Look At Cymbidium - An overview of the more important species, hybrid types and cultural requirements. Kim will have Orchids for sale from Fair Orchids.

#### Kim Feddersen



I am a third generation orchidholic; I am a member of the AOS, and several local Orchid Societies. My grandfather spent 8 years in Malaysia, where he indulged his botanical interests. My dad had a retail orchid nursery (Orkidé Kultur) in Denmark; I started working in his nursery after school when I was 15, and continued till I left for the US 9 years later. My dad's first love was Paphiopedilums (Cypripediums to him), and that bug turned out to be infectious. Those were the days of wild collected plants, but my dad did some hybridizing also, including in Vandas, which kindled my second orchid passion. I have grown Orchids as a hobby grower for about 25 years, starting in windows, moving to lights in the basement, and finally into a shared greenhouse, where my collection numbered some 1500+ plants, mostly Paphiopedilum and

Vandaceous, but also ranging into Cattleyas, Aussie Dendrobiums, pendulous Cymbidiums & amp; Lycastes. I have done a little breeding in Paphs, miniature Vandaceous and more recently Cymbidium & amp; Cattleyas. A December 2017 a freeze at the old Tewkesbury Orchids wiped out my entire intermediate/warm collection. Due to space constraints, I had moved my cool growing plants to a different location, so my Cymbidiums, Laelia anceps & amp; Aussie Dendrobiums were not affected. I now have a full 2500 sq ft greenhouse at my disposal at Flemington Orchids, so my collection has somehow grown accordingly – with heavy emphasis on Cattleyas (especially L. anceps and B. nodosa hybrids). In addition to the orchids, I am also dabbling in Hoyas, Clivia, and assorted succulents.

I started to exhibit at NJ shows in 2013. Following the end of my corporate career, I have expanded my orchid activities significantly. I am now participating in regional shows in NJ, PA, NY, CT, MA, MD & amp; NH under the Fair Orchids identity, and I have so far collected 19 AOS awards (mix of flower quality & amp; cultural).

In 2022 Carolyn and I moved from Maplewood to North Plainfield, NJ. We are now working on the design & amp; planting of a property that is more than twice as large as our old one. Considering that we left a perpetually flowering yard, and there are only 3 Peonies in our new garden, we have some work cut out for us..

I continue to do speaking engagements for garden clubs, master gardeners and orchid societies on a variety of subjects related to orchids.



## June Meeting Showtable:







# **Member's Orchid Summer Vacation Spots**



Denise's Orchids vacation on her back deck where she can sit and enjoy their company.







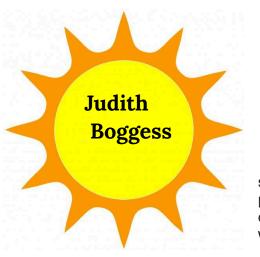
#### Pat Kent

My plants live on a deck under a shade cloth for the summer. Because they are in a corner I have a fan circulating the air 24/7. I have an analog thermometer on the shelving. If it gets to 90+ I have a misting fan that I use to bring the temperature down. The plants usually are dry by nightfall. This seems to have worked well for me. Very little pests seem to invade this area due to being 4 feet off the ground. In case you are wondering about the fence ..... I have two German Shepherds. They are not destructive but their tails can do some unintended damage.









My porch is on the south side of my house. So I installed curtains to filter the sun. I am brutal with my plants. They get cold watered from the hose on my porch. And bug sprayed en mass. Periodically they get inspected for scale, etc. especially the Cattleya and the dendrobium! If anything gets a bug, they will. And, phal's are a runner-up in the bug department.





