

June
2022

The Orchid Grower

Orchid Growers' Guild of Madison

www.Orchidgrowersguild.org



Meeting Dates

- June 26 Picnic
- September 18
- October 16
- November 20
- December 18

Meetings start at 1:30 pm at Olbrich Gardens unless otherwise noted

Up-Coming Events

- August 26-28, 2022, Fall MAOC with Ohio Valley Orchid Fest, in Dayton
- September 17-18, Wisconsin Orchid Society Show, Mitchell Park
- October 8-9, "Orchid Eruption", IOS Fall orchid show and sale, Chicago Botanic Garden, IL

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OGG PICNIC - A HEARTY WELCOME TO SUMMER!

Sunday June 26 starting around noon, at Nancy Thomas's home, 440 Wisconsin Highway 78, 10 miles south of Mount Horeb. Land line: 608-523-3607 (best reception) Cell phone: 608-576-0609



My husband Mike Samuel and I are happy to be able to host the OGG picnic this year at our rural home, 10 miles south of Mount Horeb. We'll be outdoors on our deck and lawn so we can socially distance (rain contingency is indoors), but because we're still dealing with Covid, please bring a mask so we can don them if needed. We'll be doing ribbon judging so bring your blooming beauties for all of us to enjoy.

It's a potluck so please bring a dish to pass, but if you prefer to just bring your own meal, that's perfectly fine too. We'll plan to have some brats and sausages on the grill, and we'll have plates, cups and utensils for you.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

HI OGG members, It looks like summer is here!

I am again late with repotting and might put some orchids outside this year. Especially the new large cymbidiums I have acquired!

We had a very productive May with a great sale of orchid plants at Olbrich where we netted about \$1,600 followed by a great member auction at the May meeting!

We had a slate of officers, President Sue Reed, Treasurer Denise Baylis and board member Nancy Thomas. A motion was made and seconded from the floor to cast a unanimous vote for the slate of officers. The motion passed. Thank you all for your confidence in the board! Several of us have been on the board for a number of years and we would like to mentor others to realize that they too could serve on the board and have a positive impact on their organization. If there is a position you have been thinking about, contact the current Board member.

The motion to allow the board to use their discretion to possibly spend

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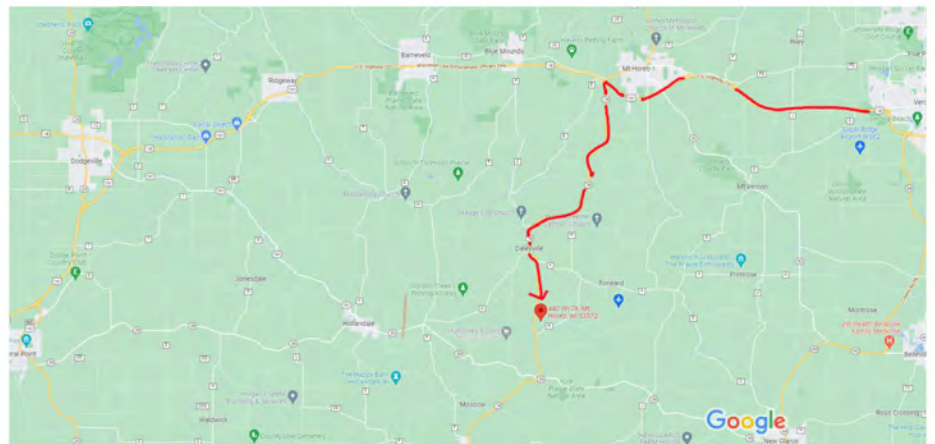
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Bring your own beverages. We have a picnic table, but it would be helpful to have an extra card table or 2 for folks who want to eat at a table (bring your own chair for that). We have a large deck with benches all around the perimeter but go ahead and bring a lawn/deck chair if that would be more comfortable or you'd like to sit out on the lawn. If you'd like to take a walk, we have mowed trails through several connecting prairies. I'll do my best to mark some blooming native orchids for you to see, if they'll cooperate this year. We look forward to seeing you all!

Directions: It's simplest to take Hwy 18/151 to Mount Horeb and connect to Hwy 78 going south (take a left at the 2nd Mount Horeb exit if you're coming from Madison). Go about 10 miles south, passing through the small town of Daleyville (78 takes a left turn at the big stone church so be sure and do that), and look for the fire sign "440" and a gravel driveway going up a hill to the east (left if you're coming from Mount Horeb). I'll put a sawhorse with a sign out at the road to mark it. There's parking up by the house so drive right up and we'll see you there!

--- Nancy and Mike

Google Maps 440 WI-78



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more than \$500 to purchase a new computer for the zoom meeting, Orchid Quest speakers, Orchid Quest and other advertising for the organizations and running of the organization, was voted on and passed. Thus the board will do more research this summer for the purchase to be completed by this fall for use in Orchid Quest planning and fall meetings. Thanks again to the members for exhibiting faith in the board to make the correct choices to purchase equipment for the benefit of the organization.

We had a good turn out of members donating plants and buying plants! We were in the Commons and had some technical problems based upon that room.

Next month's meeting will be **June 26** picnic at Nancy Thomas's residence. We will follow last year's set-up with people bringing a dish to share, or bringing their own food. We will try to be outside with distancing being practiced. You might want to bring your own outside chair. More information in the article above!

If you would like to attend a board meeting the next is **June 7** at 7 PM. Just ask and I can send you the zoom link,

Happy orchid growing!

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— Sue Reed

OGG MAY RIBBON JUDGING

First Place

Sue Reed	<i>Phragmipedium caudatum</i>
Patricia Jones	<i>Guarianthe skinneri</i> var. <i>occulata-albescens</i>
Wayne King	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> (Conco-bellatulum 'SVO' x <i>thaianum</i> 'Super Cute')
Judy Williamson	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Shu Long Smile Kitty
Judy Williamson	<i>Paphiopedilum liemianum</i> x <i>Paphiopedilum liemianum</i>
Sue Reed	<i>Stenorrhychos speciosum</i>
Sue Reed	<i>Calanthe rubens</i>

Second Place

Judy Williamson	<i>Iwanagara</i> Apple Blossom 'Fantastic'
David Nevin	<i>Phragmipedium</i> Elizabeth March 'Broadwaters'
Sue Reed	<i>Miltoniopsis</i> Rene Komoda 'Pacific Clouds'
Sue Reed	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> (Conco-bellatulum 'SVO' x <i>thaianum</i> 'Super Cute')
Judy Williamson	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Pink Challenge 'Maia' x <i>Phalaenopsis equestris</i>
Judy Williamson	<i>Cattleya purpurata</i>
Sue Reed	Slc Katherine Clarkson x Slc Dendi's Gem 'SVO Best'



Sue Reed's *Calanthe rubens*; Judy Williamson's *Cattleya purpurata*, *Paphiopedilum* (*liemianum* x *liemianum*), *Phalaenopsis* Shu Long Smile Kitty, *Phalaenopsis* (Pink Challenge 'Maia' x *equestris*) and *Iwanagara* Apple Blossom 'Fantastic'; Sue Reed's *Paphiopedilum* (Conco-bellatulum 'SVO' x *thaianum* 'Super Cute') and her *Miltoniopsis* Rene Komoda 'Pacific Clouds'



“Don’t Expect to See Orchids on Panama’s Coast”NOT!

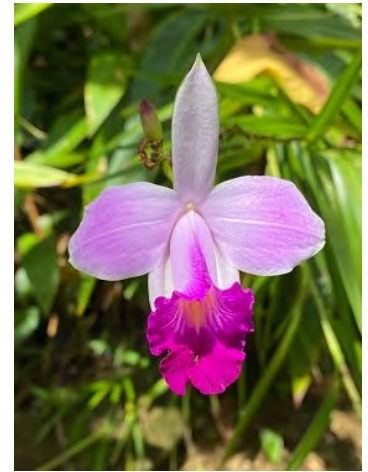
By Nancy Thomas

As we were arranging our birding trip to the Caribbean coast of Panama, our tour organizer warned me that most of Panama’s wealth of orchids are found in their mountains, particularly the wild Darien Gap. So I was elated to find, not only tantalizing orchid plants, but enough flowers to give me joy.

Mike and I took our first international trip since the pandemic started, and stayed at the Tranquilo Bay Ecologde on Bastimentos Island in the Bocas del Toro Archipelago. Panama was very cautious about Covid in enforcing strenuous restrictions to prevent overwhelming their health care system, so we felt very safe, especially because our group members were the only inhabitants at our 200 acre lodge that adjoins a national marine sanctuary.

On the trunks of the mangroves that lined the boardwalk between the lodge and our boat dock, we found one of my Central American favorites, blooming *Trigonidium egertonianum*, as well as

Specklina grobii and *Epidendrum parkinsonianum*. On a cacao tree in the Green Acres Organic Chocolate Farm was this beautiful *Maxillaria sanguinea* plant covered in flowers. Based on my inexperienced recognition of orchid genera, it looked like *Maxillaria* were pretty common in the area, but only the *sanguinea* was in bloom. We also found a couple of exotic, though nevertheless lovely, bloomers in planted gardens where they were flourishing: this *Renanthera storei* (ID based on my web searching) which is a native of the Philippines, and several *Arundina graminifolium* (plants taller than me!), a native of Asia which apparently has become widespread in Central America. We are now planning another trip in the future to see the highlands and I cannot wait.



Arundina graminifolia
(Asia)



Clockwise from top left: *Specklina grobii*, *Trigonidium egertonianum*, *Epidendrum parkinsonianum* (garden plant) and *Maxillaria sanguinea*

MAOC Scholarship to Attend Orchid Fest 2022

Orchid Fest is an event held on August 27-28, 2022, in Dayton, OH. There will be a wide range of vendors, a live auction of orchid plants and silent auction of orchid decorative items, workshops, programs on culture and other subjects.

Submit an entry for your society by email to MAOC at info@midamericanorchids.org to express interest by June 30, 2022. If your society is one of three drawn you will receive a \$500 prize (minus the registration fee which will be paid for) that one member or a group of your members could share to cover travel expenses, motel expenses, registration cost, food at the numerous food trucks, or orchid purchases from the vendors. Your society must be a dues paid in full MAOC member. Winners will be chosen by July 10 and contacted immediately by email. They have until July 20 to accept.

At that time, we need registration forms. We will pay the registration fee from the \$500 prize. A check will be given to the society for the remainder of the prize at the event.

The chosen representatives will be able to return to their societies with new knowledge about orchids and how MAOC functions.

Once a society wins a scholarship, they will be ineligible to win for 5 years.

Check out Ohio Valley Orchid Fest on the web for details.

Deadline for entry is June 30 and the three winning societies will be announced July 30 on the MAOC and OVOF web sites.

GOOD LUCK!



Sue Reed's photo of her *Stenorrhychos speciosum*

MAOC UP-DATE

There was an MAOC zoom meeting in May that I attended along with about 40 people. The MAOC will happily come and speak with any group to provide information on what their function is and how they can help Orchid organizations.

A couple of things of note:

Great Lakes Judging center will have a free series of seminars on the Phalaenopsis orchids, June 18 & 19. There will be two days with separate seminars which require separate registration for each day. Go to website gljc.org to find the registration, etc.

The Great Lakes Judging Center is pleased to announce its annual education seminar to take place on Saturday, June 18, from 10AM to noon EDT and Sunday, June 19 from noon to 3:15pm EDT. The topic is "The Phalaenopsis Alliance".

This seminar will be on-line as a Webinar event. The schedule for both days will be on-line talks. Registration is required and is now available using the following link: [GLJC Seminar Registration](#).

Featured speakers will be Drew Goddard of This Side of Paradise on "Rare and Misidentified Species and Primary Hybrids", Norman Fang of Norman's Orchids on "New Color Forms of Phalaenopsis Species", and Bryan Goddard, hobbyist on "Perspective from an Exclusively Phalaenopsis Hobbyist". There will be additional talks by members of the Toronto judging Center.

There will be no cost to attend as the seminar is entirely online. Questions can be directed to Dave Miller, GLJC Education Coordinator at gljc.judges@gmail.com.

The MAOC would like to help societies put on shows that could be held in conjunction with a MAOC meeting. Again there is an August 26-28 MAOC orchid show at Ohio Valley Orchid Fest at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Kettering OH. There will be vendors, speakers, individual orchid plant judging, how-to-do demonstrations and many happy orchid growers. Food trucks with show outside under tents <https://cincinnatusa.com/events/ohio-valley-orchid-fest>. — Sue Reed