



Central Jersey Orchid Society Newsletter

June 2024 Issue

June 2024 President's Message

PICNIC POSTPONED DUE TO EXCESSIVE HEAT

Dear Members,

As the year winds down let me thank everyone who participated in our meetings this past year. I'm scheduling speakers now for next year, and I'm getting excited! We'll see some familiar faces, but I promise that there will be some new ones as well. I'm going to be calling on many of you to help with our various committees. We have lots to do and need many hands to get it done.

Our slate of officers for 2024/25 is:

President: Anne Skalka

Vice President: George Wallace

Treasurer: Matt Pagano

Secretary: Anna Pinelli

A big thank you to the nominating committee of Karen Kennedy, George Wallace, Ed Frankel and everyone else who participated.

Our annual auction is slated to be held September 28th at Trinity. Time to look for duplicates, divisions, and what no longer thrills you. Time to free up some space in advance of show season!

See you soon,

Anne

Orchid of the Month



Miltoniopsis Robert Jackson Wild Thing
Joe Thomas

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Meeting Location

**Trinity Church 33 Mercer St.,
Princeton, NJ 08540-6893**

No evening meeting on June 20

[Meetings and Events 2023-24](#)

Arrive at 6:30.

Meeting will start at 7:00PM

Meetings are held the **Third Thursday** of the month.

October: CJOs Auction

Nov: Kim Feddersen Fair Orchids

December: Holiday Party

January: Carrie Buchman “Orchids with tiny flowers” NJOS president and AOS judge.

February: Panel of Experts

**March 21: Jaymie Santiago- Award standards, judging display design
Bill Bodei - Transforming Outdoor Space**

April 18: John Bryan – Building a basement grow room.

May 16:

Sergey Skoropad:

Paphiopedilums and how to grow them without greenhouse, classification, culture and judging.

June 22: Picnic Postponed due to excessive heat

Officers and Committees:

President - Anne Skalka

Vice President – Jaymie Santiago

Treasurer/Membership – Matt Pagano

**Corresponding/Recording Secretary -
Tobie Parnett**

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George Wallace – Web Master

Jeff Tyron – CJOs Photographer

Details (Maps and Pictures) of Meeting Location on Pages 13-16

Additional Parking for CJOs Meeting see page 17

CJOS Members Show Table

Cattleya

1. **Cattleya Longwood Gardens**
Ed and Pam Frankel



3. **Cattleya Hsinying Pink Doll 'Hsinying'**
Ed and Pam Frankel



2. **Cattleya Longwood Gardens**
Jim Murtha



Dendrobium/Oncidium

1. **Den Sanderae**
Yuliya Brona and John Bryan



2. **Den Unicum**
Joe Thomas

3. **Den Platycaulon**
Anne Skalka



Other

1. *Zygonesia* 'Blue Birds'
Tobie Parnett



1. *Miltoniopsis* Robert Jackson Wild Thing
Joe Thomas

2. *Epi* 'Rogue'
Joe Thomas



2. *Miltoniopsis* Bertha Baker Florentine
Yuliya Brona and John Bryan

1. *Phymatidium tillandsioides*
Danielle Gorden



3. *Miltoniopsis California Plum*
Yuliya Brona and John Bryan

Paphs/Phrags

1. **Phrag Pearceii**
Joe Thomas



2. **Paph NOID**
Joe Thomas

1. **Paph Deperle**
Joe Thomas



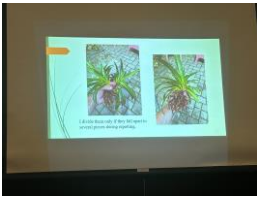
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Important Show Table information!

A document is attached to the email which sends this newsletter. Now you can fill out your show table card at home. This will save you time and you can hopefully print better (more legibly) for the judges to read and record.



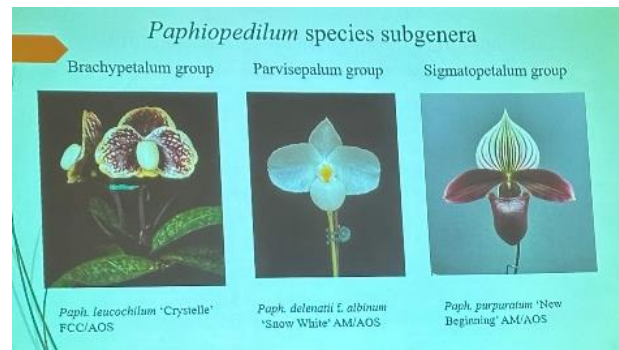
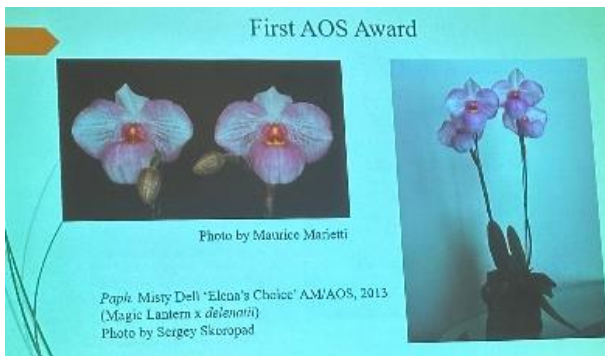
May Speaker

Sergey Skoropad:

Paphiopedilums and how to grow them without greenhouse, classification, culture and judging.



- Moved to US in 1997.
- Received first orchid from a friend in 2001.
- Started to grow orchids in 2003.
- Became a member of the American Orchid Society in 2008.
- Received the first AOS award in 2013.
- Joined the AOS judging program in 2017.
- Became an AOS accredited judge in 2023.
- AOS awards – 103 and counting...



AOS judging and judging criteria

- The purpose of judging quality is to recognize superiority and improvement in extraordinary orchid flowers rather than recognizing commonplace characteristics.
- There are specific criteria for different genera.
- The general form of the flower is toward roundness, fullness and flatness.
- The inflorescence should be mature enough to show the full potential of the flowers.

- Flower form
- Color of the flower
- Size of the flower
- Substance and texture
- Arrangement of inflorescences
- Floriferousness
- Cultural awards - plant should be clean and flowers nicely staked for best presentation.

Paphiopedilum general care

- *Paphs.* are easy to grow and don't require any special care.
- The most common media is bark mix (medium size bark with perlite).
- *Paphs.* can tolerate dry and humid conditions, but don't like to stay wet for several days. If water stays between the leaves for several days, that could result in rot of new and old growth.
- Generally, they could be watered once a week.
- *Paphs.* don't require dramatic change between day and night temperature.
- Can be repotted at any time, even when spiking or blooming.
- They prefer medium light except multiflorals which require a brighter light than other *Paphs.*

Repotting and dividing

- Paphiopedilums can be repotted at any time, even when spiking or blooming.
- Best practice is to repot them every two years.
- Paphiopedilums don't like to be divided and like to be grown as one plant with many growths to large specimen.



How we grow *Paphiopedilums* in the summer

- We grow *Paphs.* outside in the summer and under LED lights at home in the winter.
- In summer, they are placed under trees and no additional cover for rain.
- *Paphs.* don't like to stay wet for several days. If there is rain for several days, I would bring them into the garage.
- Generally, they could be watered once a week, but in a dry summer without rain, I would water them every other day.
- Fertilizing once a week is ideal using J R Peters Jacks Classic all purpose 20-20-20 fertilizer.
- *Paphs.* don't require dramatic change between day and night temperature, however they enjoyed summer camp and temperature change in the summer.
- That's why many of them start their buds in September – October and most of them bloom in the winter.

Pests and diseases

- The most common pests on *Paphiopedilums* are mealybugs and scales.
- Rot can occur in new and old growths if water stays between the leaves for several days, especially in cooler conditions.
- Normally, *Paphiopedilums* don't have viruses.



LED lights



- We use LED lights from Home Depot.
- Set on bright white 4000K.
- Using a timer (from HD) to set lights up for 14 hours.



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Upcoming Webinars



Greenhouse Chat July 2024

Ron McHatton



Tuesday, July 9th, 2024
8:30 PM - 9:20 PM EDT EST

Join Dr. Ron McHatton as he answers your questions about all things orchids. Please send your question and pictures to Sandra Svoboda at greenhousechat@aos.org by July 7, 2024.

REGISTER NOW

LEARN MORE



Repotting, Dividing and Mounting your Orchids - One of the Master Gardener Series

Jay Balchan



Tuesday, July 16th, 2024
8:30 PM EDT EST

Join Jay Balchan for a broadcast of our Master Gardener Series on learning how divide and mount, and repot your orchids. You'll come away knowing when and how to repot and divide your orchids. Jay will answer your questions live after the presentation.



Greenhouse Chat September 2024

Ron McHatton



Thursday, September 5th, 2024
8:30 - 9:30 pm EST EST

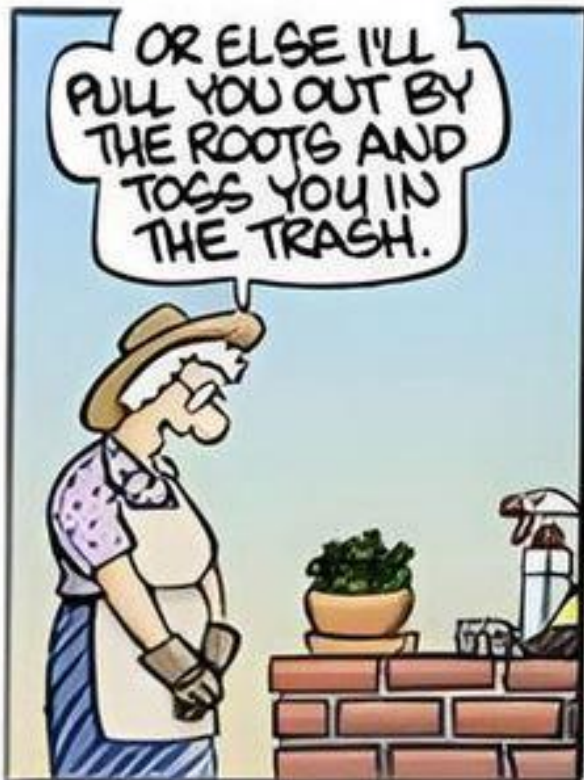
Orchid Q&A. Find answers to questions you did not even know you had.

REGISTER NOW

LEARN MORE

Go to [AOS.org](https://www.aos.org) for information on orchid culture and care.

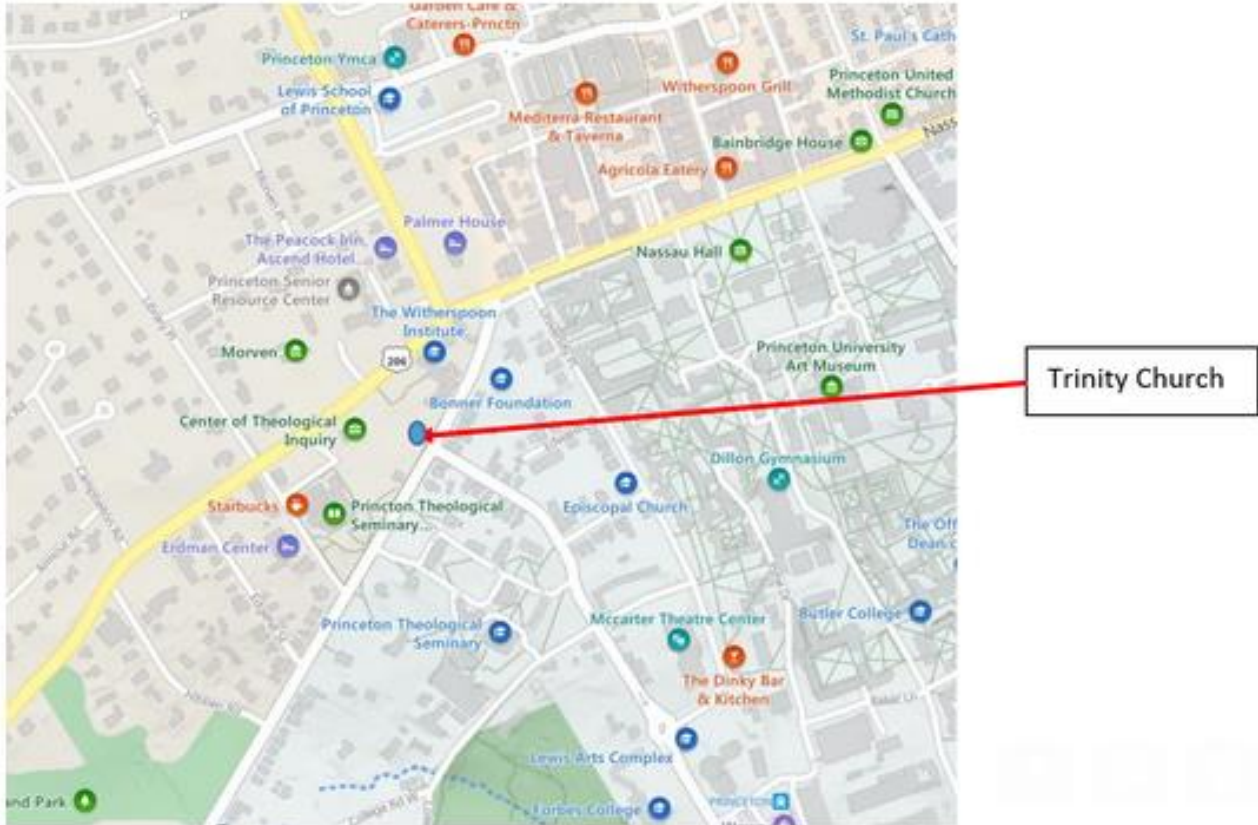
While you are visting their site, [please join AOS](https://www.aos.org). Support this worthy organization. Lots of benefits.



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Meeting Location Trinity Church 33 Mercer St, Princeton, NJ 08540-6893 (using 47 Mercer St for GPS may pinpoint the parking lot better)

Here are some map locations and pictures (next few pages) to help find the new location. Here is one of the easiest ways to pin point the new meeting location: It is almost directly opposite Alexander Rd. Since it will probably be dark, I have included a few night time pictures of the meeting location.





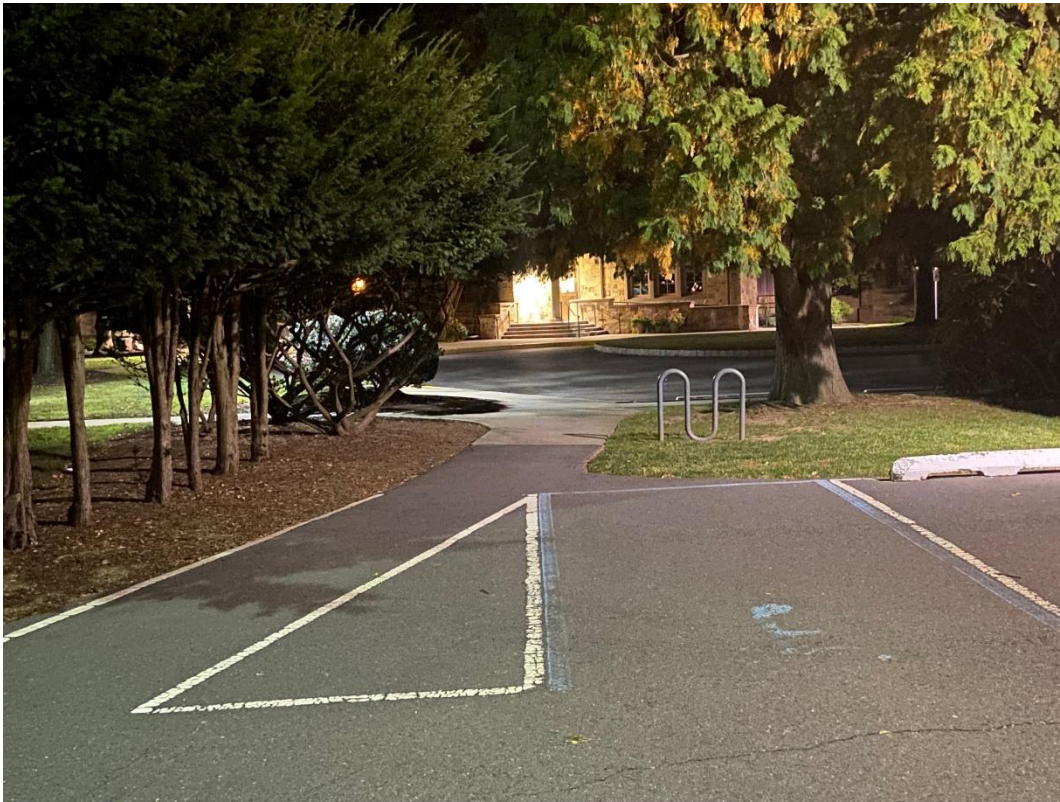
Night Time pictures of meeting location



This view is looking south on Mercer St (away from downtown Princeton) note the crosswalk just before the entrance to the Parking lot.



This view is looking north on Mercer St (toward downtown Princeton)

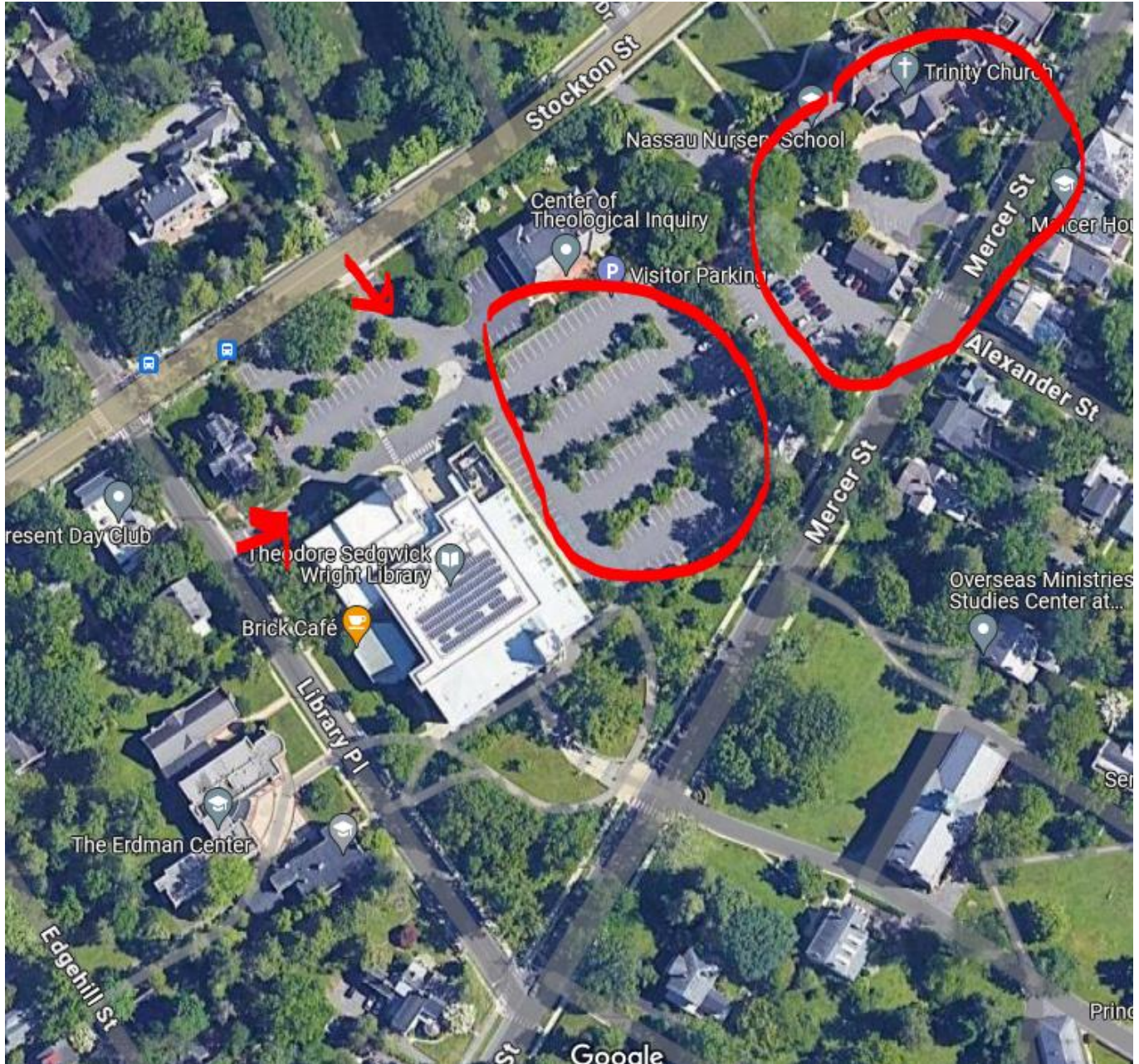


This view is in the parking lot facing toward the meeting entrance door.



This view is the door (the one that is brightly lit, straight ahead) for the meeting entrance

Additional Parking for CJOS Meeting



You can get to this additional parking (Princeton Theological Seminary Library) from Route 206 or Library Place (see map above). There is a cut through path to get to the Trinity Church meeting site from this parking lot. Facing the Trinity Church it is to the far right.