MONTHLY CLUB MEETING MINUTES
March 7, 2024

The meeting was held in Moss Hall at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Sue Roehl supervised the table of donated snacks that were enjoyed by over 70 members!

Marilyn Moser, Diane and John Ervin sold raffle tickets. Stu Rubin sold NOS shirts and hats.

Orchid Doctor was Rae Jean Walker who welcomed questions and offered tips and tricks for growing great orchids.

Orchid plants were registered by members. Carolyn Booker, Lanelle Bishop and Karen Davenport tallied the votes for 91 plants! A new record!

The meeting was called to order by President Richard Davenport at 7:30 p.m. He reviewed emergency exits for Moss Hall.

Marie Harris and Deb Goldman welcomed, registered and renewed members. We currently have 233 members with an impressive 43 new members this year! New members were asked to stand so they could be recognized!

David Orr reported our current checking account balance is $26,503.67 and our CD's total $36,635.00. He also discussed our Show proceeds from the Garden.

Jim Rawson, Stu Rubin and Richard Davenport reported Show results. All vendors were very happy with their sales even though they were rained out on Sunday, making it actually a two-day Show for them. We had a record 230 entries including tabletop exhibits, container exhibits, plant entries, cut flower entries and educational exhibits. It was quite a Show! Work is already underway to make next year's Show even better!

Stu introduced Jose Esposito from Soroa Orchids as our guest speaker. Jose was quite entertaining and shared his experience growing orchids in south Florida. He also brought some unusual orchid plants for sale to members.

Raffle tickets were pulled for Food Donation Table, Green Tag Plant, and Raffle Table winners.

John Ervin announced ribbon winners including Gold Ribbons for the Best Hybrid and Best Species.

Sue Roehl and Marilyn Moser photographed winning plants.

The next monthly meeting will be April 4, 2024.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Davenport, Secretary