

SE Michigan Bromeliad Society Newsletter
July- September 2020



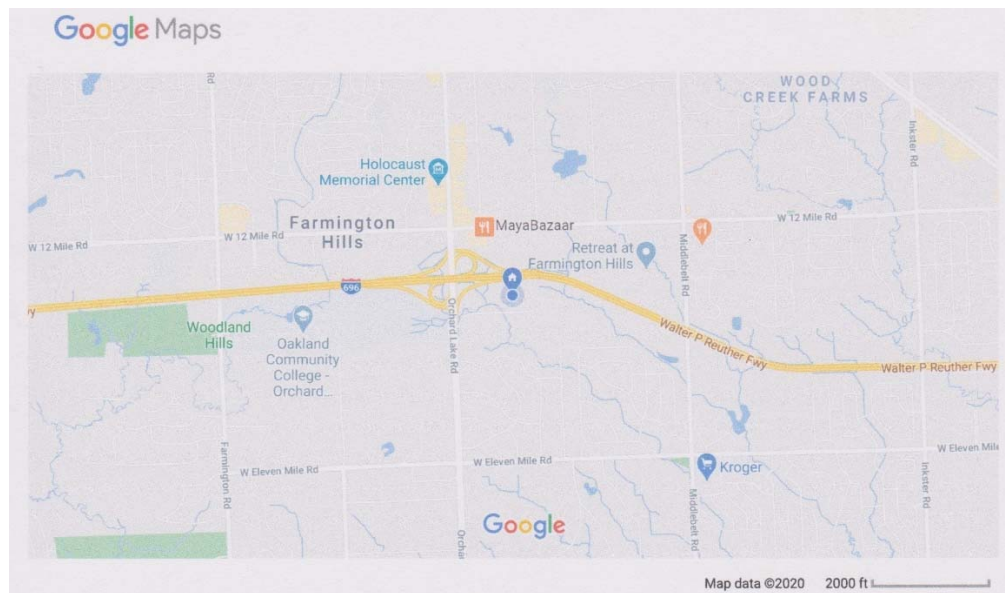
Vriesea ('Sunset' x 'Eva') x 'Hotspot'

Updated SEMBS calendar for July-September 2020:

July- No meeting was scheduled. Unusually hot weather last month was not conducive to holding a meeting outdoors!

August- Meeting scheduled for Saturday, August 15, at 2:00 P.M. Paul Wingert will host the meeting at his home- 27276 Edgemoor, Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (map below). The meeting will be held outdoors, and the large yard offers plenty of space for proper "social distancing". Kindly bring a mask to wear. The bromeliads in the shade house are currently in spectacular color, and that will continue throughout the summer. Nearly every day there are new plants coming into bloom!

Plan to bring along 1 or 2, or a few, or several of your favorite plants! We will quickly set up an impromptu display, and for this year, we will have an informal, members only society show! One item for discussion will be the possibility of scheduling one more outdoors meeting for October, weather permitting, or scheduling a time and date for a "virtual" meeting using the Zoom app or Google Meet?



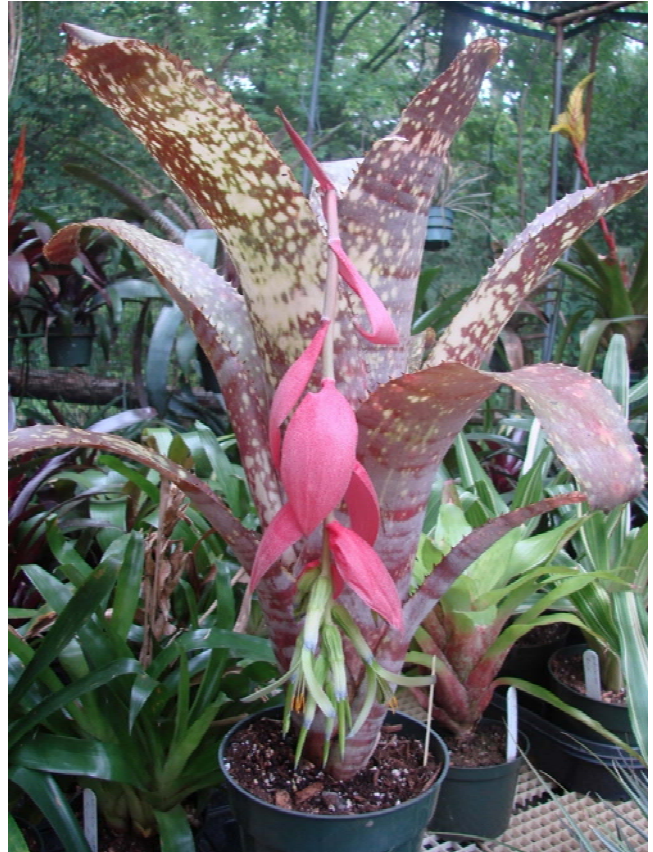
September- In lieu of our scheduled show at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, we will keep the date and hold our meeting on Saturday, September 12, at 2:00 P.M. Paul Wingert will host the meeting outdoors at his home. The agenda for the meeting will be a "swap session". This is an activity that the society has not done recently, so there is the potential to have a lot of fun with this! Do you have any bromeliads that have pupped prolifically? Do you have an excess number of seedlings or pups that won't fit in your winter growing area? Bring your extras to trade or sell! Are you new to bromeliads, and/or looking to acquire some really cool new plants for your collection? Plan to come and see what your fellow society members have to offer!

October meeting- Time and place TBD.

Here are just a few photos of plants that have bloomed during the Summer of 2020-

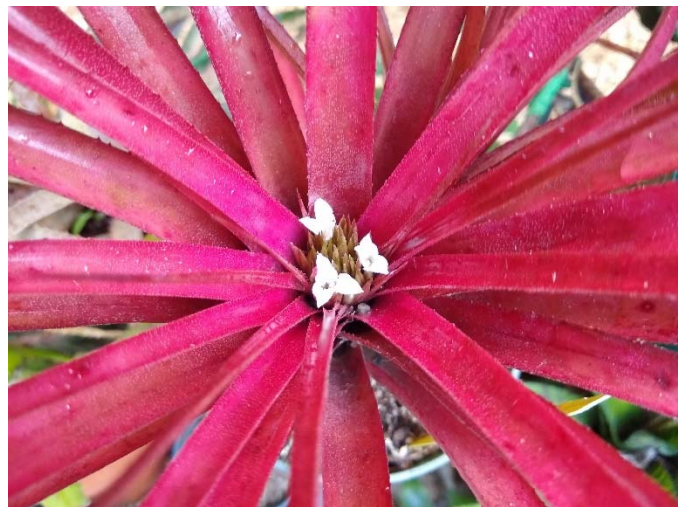


Orthophytum (lemei x gurkenii) x harleyi



Billbergia 'Bruddah Iz'

Neoregelia 'Tune Up' x 'Jem'



x *Sincoregelia* 'Plum Crazy'



Neoregelia smithii hybrids- Family portrait!



Aechmea fasciata var. *variegata*

