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General Meetings 2008/2009:

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December 5, Christmas party
February 13
March 27 & 28 Spring Fantasy
April 17
June 12
August 14
October 9
December 4

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Christmas Party - December 5, 2008. The party starts at 6:30 and will be held at the United Church of Christ in Hanapepe. It will be a potluck. Please bring your favorite dish and a grab bag prize of about \$5.00.

You do not have to wear your GIOS tee shirts so dress for this festive occasion. We will be handing out Makana Awards so please check the list on Page 6. If you have earned points be sure to be there to accept your awards or ask someone to pick them up.

Please bring your check books or a check for \$15.00 or prepare to pay your 2009 membership dues. We will also be selling orchids for cost after the show in case you are interested.

Tour to San Diego - March 13-15, 2009. Because of the excessively high airfares, the planned trip to the San Diego Spring Orchid Show has been postponed.



President's Message

The year is coming to an end and we will be looking forward to a brighter and better new year.

It's Christmas party time on December 5, 2008 and I hope to see you all there. This year, as you may know, we have Makana rewards for those who have given their time to help out at the Spring Show, Farm Fair, and served as Chairpersons and Officers. If you're not sure how this works and need more information about Makana rewards you can ask Nancy or Gwen (see also Page 6 of this newsletter).

For myself, when I served as refreshment and membership chairs and President, plus many other committees, it gave me the opportunity to work with and have the fellowship of so many members. I will treasure their friendships forever.

I missed being on the outing to the orchid growers on the eastside. I heard you all had a good time. Allen will be organizing more of these outings in 2009.

Gwen Teragawa, President

Pat O'Day talks about on the 2008 World Orchid Conference held in Miami, Florida



Pat O'Day and his orchids.

The Garden Island Orchid Society members were happy to welcome Pat O'Day as the club's newest member and our guest speaker for our October meeting. His subject, the 19th World Orchid Conference in Miami, Florida.

Pat is a second-generation orchid grower and the owner of Hawaiian Orchid Source, a 3-acre nursery deep into the foothills of Wailua. In fact he is the youngest commercial grower in Hawaii. He is also a probationary judge in the American Orchid Society judging program.



Pat makes many of his own hybrids and has had remarkable success in being selected for awards in both the American and Honolulu Orchid Societies.

He is not only well known in Hawaii orchid circles but Pat has been asked to speak to many orchids societies around the country such as Houston Orchid Society of Texas, Port St. Lucie Orchid Society of Florida and the Malibu Orchid Society of California. His subjects are varied, from Blc. Toshie Aoki and its many Hybrids, Vanda Species and their many influences, and *Cattleya* culture and relative genera to name a few.

Pat participated as both as a vendor and exhibitor in the 19th World Orchid Conference and Show on January 23-28th. Held every three years, this was the first World Orchid Conference to be held in the United States since 1984. There were over 100 exhibits featuring orchids and orchid-related arts and crafts.

Pat's Power Point presentation included photos of him packing, shipping and assembling his display for the show, which was a remarkable feat of ingenuity and determination. When assembled the display consisted of a walk-through cave with a waterfall flowing over it as it cascaded down the open side into a pond. His display and orchids won several trophies

and ribbons. For example, his *Odontoglossum spectatissimum* won the Best in Show and Best in Class Trophies.

Pat showed some wonderful photos of other award winning plants and displays. The artificial gorge of limestone cliffs displayed by RF Orchids of Homestead, Florida and their extravagant Road to Mandalay won the Gold Medal and Grand Champion awards. The Reserve Champion and Gold Medals were won by Krull-Smith nursery of Apopaka, Florida. Theirs was an inspiring Japanese Garden. By far the most popular part of the exhibit was the life-like tree that appeared to be sprouting orchid plants. It resembled a Japanese cherry tree but instead of pastel pink cherry blossoms, the tree was made up of small pale pink *Phalaenopsis*.

Of note Carmela Orchids from the Big Island won the Best Specimen Orchid category with their *Cattleya* Hail Storm 'Coconut Orchids'. Haiku Maui Nursery was also successful in receiving a Best in Class Trophy.

by Ada Koene



Above and right: 'On the Road to Mandalay', Grand Champion exhibit and Golder Medal Winner, R.F. Orchids



Left: Part of Reserve Grand Champion exhibit, Krull Smith nursery.

2008 Orchid Tour a Big Success

The Garden Island Orchid Society would like to thank David Neifert, Neill Sams, Pat O'day and Allen Yamada for opening up their gardens and nurseries for GIOS members and their friends. We had a very good turnout and all had a wonderful day.

Then it was on to Yamada Nursery where we had a bento lunch. It was delicious and all of us were ravenous. But his flowers were so pretty that some of us had to shop before eating.



This page: David Neifert explains the growing process from seedlings in a glass scotch bottle to a beautiful hybrid, one of David's favorites.



First stop was David Neifert and Hanalei Orchids where David gave an interesting talk on how he gets his seedlings in used scotch bottles from Thailand and the steps he takes in growing them until they are ready for delivery to WalMart and Home Depot. Luckily he had lots of plants that he had set aside for delivery on the following Tuesday.

Next stop was Neil Sams' hillside nursery. While most of his blooming orchids were in his shop at Orchid Alley, we all had a fun time looking for those with spikes that we could add to our collections.

Pat O'Day's was the last stop. Also located in Kapaa, we wound along country roads that most of us didn't know existed. Pat, of course, had many stories to add to the talk he presented the previous meeting. Most of his blooming plants were already distributed to buyers.

Again, thank growers for receiving us and making it a very special day. A special thanks to Allen Yamada for making all of the arrangements for the tour.

by Ada Koene



Hanalei Orchids

Below Cattleyas from the Yamada Nursery



The Yamadas - at home in their nursery.



One of Pat O'Day's nursery areas.



Photos of GIOS Spring Tour to the Big Island

Fifteen members of the Garden Island Orchid Society traveled together to the Big Island from 15 to 17 April. Led by Allen Yamada, they claim they visited so many Orchid Nurseries that they lost count. There were at least ten. Some of these they recalled were Carmela, Winning, Puna Orchids, Akasuka's Orchids, Hilo Orchid Farms, Paradise Orchid Plants and Asia Pacific. It just happened that they were there in time for the set-up of the Hilo Orchid Show. Here are a few photos they wanted to share earlier but there was no space. Allen promises to lead another tour next year. Where to? Maui—perhaps.



From left to right: Gwen Teragawa, Mildred Konishi, Flora Bukoski, Evelyn Tsubakihara, and Carol Kanna.



Hilo Orchid Show.



Gwen Teragawa and Evelyn Tsubakihara.

Makana Program

The purpose of this program is to promote a strong and healthy existence of GIOS by rewarding our volunteers who step forward to guide and support our club. Currently, 1 point = \$1. Officers = 25, Board members = 20, one work shift = 10, committee chairpersons = 20, and committee helpers = 10.

For all members, there will be lots of extra prizes to purchase at wholesale prices. Hopefully, this program will also serve as an incentive for others to get involved in the future. Please double check this list. If you have questions or want to assign someone else to select your prizes for you, call Nancy at 3381423.

Member	Total	Office/ Committee	Points	Member	Total	Office/ Committee	Points
Bob King	90	Ex-Officio	25	Morgan Lopez	30	Powerpoint	20
	0	Treas / Board	45		0	T-shirt sales	10
	0	Show judging	20	Sylvia Zeevat	70	Crafts	50
Gwen Teragawa	75	President / Board	45		0	Craft sales	20
	0	Makana	20	Steph. Buckingham	10	Crafts	10
	0	Nursery tour	10	Elizabeth Scanahorn	10	Craft sales	10
Allen Yamada	65	VP / Board	45	Natalie Craig	10	T-shirt sales	10
	0	Nursery tour	20	Connie Swyers	20	Security	20
Carol Kanna	45	Secretary/ Board	45	M. Domingcil	60	Security	20
Midred Konishi	50	Awards co-chair	10		0	Show greeter	40
	0	Plant name tag	10	Flora Bukoski	20	Security	20
	0	Board Member	20	Roberta Agena	20	Security	20
	0	Food booth	10	Margaret Makishi	10	Security	10
Evelyn Tsubakihara	30	Awards co-chair	10	Takako Decker	10	Security	10
	0	Plant name tag	10	Monroe Richman	10	Security	10
	0	Food booth	10	Michele Williams	20	Security	20
Ada Koene	80	Bulletin	20	Yoneko Honjo	10	Food booth	10
	0	Publicity	20	Neill Sams	10	Security	10
	0	Crafts	20	David Neifert	30	Plant donations	30
	0	Board Member	20	Miyoko Mukai	20	Security	10
Arie Koene	20	Bulletin	10		0	T-shirt sales	10
	0	Crafts	10	Dollie Brierley	10	Food booth	10
Lorraine Kawane	40	Display table	20				
	0	Security	10				
	0	Food booth	10				
Judy Matsumoto	160	Door prize	20				
	0	Membership	20				
	0	Makana	10				
	0	Crafts	50				
	0	T-shirt sales	40				
	0	Board Member	20				
Anne Notley	60	Librarian	20				
	0	Shows	20				
	0	Show display	20				
Carol Yasutake	60	Plant sale	20				
	0	Shows	20				
	0	Show display	20				
Susie Kaohi	50	Refreshments	20				
	0	Security	30				
F. Honjo Rapozo	20	Refreshments	20				
Gayle O'Donnell	40	T-shirts co-chair	10				
	0	T-shirt sales	30				
Bette O'Donnell	20	T-shirts co-chair	10				
	0	T-shirt sales	10				
Harold Shimono	30	Technician	20				
	0	Security	10				
Al Sugano	20	Orchids 101	20				

Total Makana - 2008 1,335



**Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year**



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