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Coming Events

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General Meetings 2010/2011:

August 12
October 14
December 3 - Christmas Party

Shows:

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General Meeting August 12, 2011. The speaker will be Scot Mitamura and the topic will be cattleya. The meeting will be held at the United Church of Christ in Hanapepe and will start at 6:00. Scot will also be having a cattleya 101 so if you have a cattleya plant that is not doing well or need repotting instructions, please bring it along. We have to limit it to one plant per person.

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Got Mangoes? They are needed for jams for the Spring Fantasy Show. Call Ada at 742-0333 or e-mail thekoenes@cs.com

The American Orchid Society July 2011 magazine "Orchids" is out. It features *Orchids on Kauai* and *Orchids with Aloha* and contains photos of some of our growers and their orchids. Ask our Librarian Cheryl Morris to see it.

President's Message

GIOS has developed a reputation for its Spring and Fall shows. The public is anxiously waiting to experience our "Secret Garden", the theme for our Fall show. So...dear members let us live up to their expectations and present them with a great show. We need volunteers and lots of blooming plants. Prep your plants and bring them to the show.

For your information the door prize name is: Cymb. Venessa Amorisi 'Paradise'.

See you all at the meeting on August 12.

Carol Kanna

Orchids in Paradise 2011

It is time again to get ready for our Orchids in Paradise Show at the Kauai Farm Bureau Fair 2010. It will be held from August 25 through August 28. The theme this year will be our Secret Garden.

Set-up will be Wednesday, August 24. Most of you will know the routine. Plants are to be delivered between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. We will need volunteers to come by 4:00 p.m. to help place the plants.

We will also need volunteers for security and for orchid sales so please sign up at the August General meeting. Since dinner will be provided, Makana points will not be credited for the setup.

Judging will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will last until about 12:00 noon on Thursday, August 25.

Show times are as follows:

Thursday, August 25 - 6:00 p.m. until midnight

Friday, August 26 - 6:00 p.m. until midnight

Saturday, August 27 - 12:00 noon until midnight

Sunday, August 28 - 12:00 noon until about 3:30 p.m. when we will break down. This time is subject to change. (The rides are open until 11:00 p.m.)

We will have more information by the next General Meeting. The names of the plants to be submitted for display should be in the hands of Stella Shimatsu, 3733 Elau Rd., Kalaheo, HI 96741 or skshima@hawaiiantel.net by August 10th. If you are sending by snail mail, give her a call at 651-2692. For last minute submittals, we are prepared to write the names by hand.

We will need Volunteers for:

Set-up
Plant Sales
Security

For those of you who asked for Gwen's recipe for the Bread Pudding, here it is:

Bread Pudding with Rum Sauce

9 x 13 inch cake pan, greased
1 king sized loaf of bread, cubed
1/2 cup raisins
6 cups milk
1/2 cup (4 oz) butter
1 cup sugar
1/2 tsp. salt
6 eggs beaten
cinnamon to taste

For the rum sauce:

1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup sugar
2Tbsp. rum

Cube the bread and place in the greased 9 x 13 inch pan. Sprinkle raisins over.

Mix the milk, butter, sugar, salt and eggs and pour over the bread. Sprinkle and little cinnamon over the top. Bake at 350 F for 1 hour.

Heat the butter, sugar and rum and pour over the bread pudding.

June 2011 General Meeting in Photos

Everyone who attended the June Potluck had a very good time. The food was delicious and many new members commented on how useful the discussions with the orchid growers were. We thank Al Sugano, Neill Sams, Nancy Nakama, Gwen Teragawa and Mildred Konishi for setting up at different stations for a question and answer period. Al answered questions regarding Phalaenopsis, Neill with Vanda, Cattleya, and Oncidium, Nancy covered the Dendrobium culture, Mildred showed how to mount orchids on trees and Gwen talked about honohono.

Stella Shimatsu won the first prize in our culture contest. August. Mildred Konishi was second, Karen Harlow third and Ryan Metzger was fourth, Congratulations to you all.

Someone asked Gwen what the fertilizer 15-15-15 consisted of. It is made up of equal parts of Nitrogen, Phosphorus (Phosphate) and Potash (Potassium). Nitrogen is important for leaf and stem growth and provides the rich green color in leaves. Phosphorous provides for root and flower development. Potassium helps build Orchid tissue and aids in the production of vital chlorophyll.





Volunteers are needed for Board and Chairperson Positions

The two-year term of your club officers and special committees are about to expire. Thus we will be looking for volunteers to fill these positions. All are described below. Please read carefully and step forward if you would like to participate. Several of your board members and committee chairs have been in these positions for years so please give them a break. If you can't fill the position full time, then consider a co-chair with a friend.

We are listing the present volunteers so that you can approach them at the next meeting if you have any additional questions

Board Member Duties

Powers and Duties of the President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the club and shall see that the by-laws are enforced and shall call such meetings as are herein provided to be called by him. The President shall have general supervision over all the affairs of the club and with the Secretary, sign all authorized written contracts, or other obligations. No contract or other obligation shall be valid and binding upon the club unless this provision is complied with.

Powers and Duties of the Vice President: In the absence or disability of the President, his powers and duties shall be assumed and performed by the Vice President. The Vice President shall be the Program Coordinator, which duties include obtaining speakers for society meetings and other special functions as needed. Depending on agreement with the speaker, arrange transportation, lodging and local hospitality. Arrange for Treasurer to prepare a check to cover speaker's expenses and/or honorarium or donation. Encourage speakers to bring plants or other related items to sell. Notify Publicity chair and bulletin Editor of program details. Have the Secretary prepare a thank-you note to be given to the speaker with a complimentary club T-shirt. Arrange for alternative programs (e.g., AOS movie or slide program, round table discussion utilizing local society experts, etc.). See that all pertinent materials are ready for distribution well before the meeting. Arrange for audio-visual aids required for the program, assuring that all materials are properly returned. Arrange for purchases of plants, cultural or other handbooks, or materials to be used for society programs. Develop a resource file for potential programs and speakers. The AOS's Speakers List and Slide Program List are free to Affiliated Societies. Help arrange programs for special events and nursery tours as requested.

Powers and Duties of the Secretary: The Secretary shall keep accurate minutes and attendance of Board members at all regular and Board meetings of the Society. He shall maintain a society calendar, including all society meetings and activities, dates and places of shows and have general charge of the records, documents, committee reports and equipment of the Society. He shall conduct all correspondence of the club, including writing letters of thanks to speakers, businesses, clubs, or individuals who may be involved with society events, provide special contributions, or perform an outstanding service for the benefit of the society, and arrange for cards of sympathy or concern. He must determine if any chairperson need letters or invitations written, e.g., to judges,

photographer or speakers.

The Secretary, in accordance with the laws of the State of Hawaii, shall keep the original or a copy of the by-laws as amended or otherwise altered to date, certified by the President or other proper officer, which shall be open to inspection by the members at all reasonable times. He shall file with the Department of Regulatory Agencies of the State of Hawaii within thirty days after adoption a certified copy of its by-laws, and any amendments or changes therein, and shall also file from time to time, whenever changes occur, the names and addresses of the officers of the Corporation.

He shall notify the American Orchid Society of the President's name, address and phone number as changes occur.

Powers and Duties of the Treasurer: The Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the club. He must determine deadlines in advance and make appropriate payments prior to due dates for recurring expenses such as meeting place rent and etc. He shall disburse payment under the direction of the President or any committee empowered, to pay the obligations of the club. All checks drawn by the club, shall bear the signature of the Treasurer and/or another officer to be designated by the President. The Treasurer shall deposit the funds of the club, in the name of the club, in such depositories as may be designated from time to time by the Board. The Treasurer shall keep full and accurate financial accounts in books and records belonging to the club in such manner as directed or approved by the Board, and said books and records shall be open to inspection at all times by any officer. The Treasurer shall submit a financial report at each meeting. It may be essential to promote a budget of projected revenues and expenditures for various committees, in order to accomplish set goals for club events and if necessary, coordinate plans to direct the efforts of the society in fund-raising activities. The accounts, books and other records of the Treasurer shall be audited at least annually by a committee composed of three members appointed by the President. He shall be the AOS Representative, mainly responsible to pay AOS dues and receive correspondence.

Standing Committee Duties

Bulletin: Attend all society and Board meetings to gather information for the bulletin. Assume responsibility for the success of meetings and special functions by informing members of coming events and by making such events seem interesting and inviting. Enlist members to prepare cultural articles, greenhouse activities and other information that will help the members to grow orchids with success. A message from the President helps to make the bulletin more personal and attuned to the current administration. Obtain current mailing list from Membership chairperson. The bulletin should be mailed or emailed at least one week prior to meeting.

By-Laws: Maintaining a list of club policies and procedures as well as the by-laws of the Society. Assuring that proper procedures are taken when revisions are necessary, which includes notification to members, voting and filing of revised by-laws. Each Board member and committee chairperson shall have a copy of the by-laws including policies and procedures. Three copies will also be available to the general membership through the GIOS library.

During an election year, the chairperson will seek out candidates for each office and at the same time, solicit the membership for volunteers to fill chairperson positions for all standing committees. A complete roster of nominees will be submitted to the President by September 1, for the Board to review. Other responsibilities include, conducting the election and the installation of officers.

Librarian: Assume responsibility for the maintenance and security of the club's library. This is to include previous years minutes and treasurers reports. Maintain a file of all books, publications, copies of club's bylaws and handouts from speakers to be made available for members to borrow. Research for new items, then with the Board's approval, make purchases. Enforce policy for unreturned items.

Membership: Maintain a file of names, mailing and email addresses and phone numbers of all members. Collection of dues shall be from October to December for the upcoming year. Send a friendly reminder to unpaid members after the February meeting. Sign up new members and collect dues throughout the year. Deliver all dues to treasurer. Have a supply of club brochures for new members. Provide an updated list to each board member, especially the bulletin chairperson.

At the regular meetings, provide and issue name tags. Each member is issued a door prize plant when name tags are returned. For the orchid display table, sign in, number and arrange plants by genera. Provide a door prize seedling for all displayers (limit 2 if more than 2 plants are displayed)

Provide a poster for membership drive at the Fall Orchid Show.

Plant Name Tags: Prior to each show, provide a notice for the bulletin to remind members about preparing a list of the plants they are bringing for the show display. The laminated name tags will show the plant and owner's name. A supply of plastic name tag holders, a hole puncher and twist ties must be ready for owners to attach name tags to their plants. Stickers will alert AOS judges for plants not wanting to be judged for AOS awards. Collect name tag holders during clean up. Plant owners will keep name tags for future shows.

Publicity: Because advance notice of all-important events and meetings are so vital, inter-society communication must be of the highest order. The Publicity Chair will notify the news media to announce upcoming meetings or activities of the club. The Vice President should provide program information well in advance of the forthcoming meeting. This would include speaker's name and topic and other interesting facets of the meeting. Newspaper publicity should be in the relevant 4-7 days prior to the meeting date. Properly written press releases are brief and concise, but contain all necessary information. Shows and other special events require extra publicity, which should start far in advance of the event. Posters and banners should be placed around the island. Fliers should be mailed to hotels, businesses, other clubs, etc. Pictures are an excellent method of stimulating extra interest for special events. Deadlines for accompanying photography are usually earlier. Black and white prints are usually required and the clearer the print, the better the reproduction. For future reference, always keep a copy of all press releases. Thoroughness is a more important asset to a Publicity Chair than writing talent. Since consistency is of utmost importance, make sure that the correct number of copies of all press releases reaches the proper contact-person in plenty of time to meet deadlines. The publication list must be reviewed for currency and correctness. It should include publication name; day of week, which is best used, deadline for publication, and contact person (generally garden editor). Media contact-people should be reached to reconfirm deadlines, press release length and other special circumstances. Media coverage should be periodically re-evaluated to ensure that all interested persons are being reached. Since the establishment of the GIOS website, updates are priority to maintain continued visits to this site.

Refreshment: Normally at regular meetings, refreshment like pastries and fruits are served with coffee, tea and water. For the June and December meetings, coordinate with the Special Dinners chairperson for the beverage service. Make sure that the kitchen is left clean and orderly at the close of the meeting. Maintain an inventory of supplies, paper goods, utensils, coolers, food warmers, etc. to be used for all GIOS functions.

For the Spring and Fall shows, a buffet is offered to working members at the set-up. Coolers of drinks should also be prepared daily for members who are working during the show and checked prior to the clean-up to refresh members after the clean-up is done.

Show Chairperson: Oversee all activities related to the show. A planning meeting with all associated chairpersons shall be held after the Board meeting prior to a show to establish a show theme. A budget will be presented to the Treasurer for approval by the Board. Plans for the spring show are coordinated with the Hanapepe Alliance and with the Farm Bureau for the fall show. Contact previous plant sales vendors, craft and t-shirt chairpersons to confirm participation at the show. Solicit new vendors if needed. Make sure all vendors understand rules. Coordinate with display chairperson to determine sales area. Coordinate with vendors and makana chairperson for sufficient help in sales area. Consider inviting area dignitaries such as honored guests, writers, TV personnel, garden clubs, retirement home residents, etc. to obtain maximum publicity and attendance.

Show Display: Design the display in accordance with the show theme, taking into consideration color schemes, what orchids should be in bloom at that time and care for different orchids. Coordinate with a nursery, if trees and or ferns need to be rented. Plan out a list of props and supplies needed and assuring that everything will be available and ready to assemble at the show site on the designated set-up day. Supervise the clean up to minimize damage and assure proper return or storage of all items.

Show Judging: At least 4-6 months prior to a show, write to the AOS requesting judging, enclosing a copy of letter from AOS regional judging chair granting award judging. Indicate name of society, place and date(s) of show. Ask that the announcement be included in the AOS Bulletin in "Dates for your Calendar." Make arrangements for judges' airfare, transportation, meals and accommodations as needed. Arrange to have a professional photographer, experienced in photographing awarded plants, present at time of judging. A work area with tables and chairs must be set up for Judges and the photographer. Make sure each judging category has a winners plaque and an ample supply of award ribbons, Best in show-lavender, 1st-blue, 2nd-red, 3rd-white.

It is recommended that you be present at the time of the judging to follow the judges around as they make their choices and placing the award ribbons on the winners at that time, but get approval from judges first. All 1st place winners and the Best in Show shall have ribbon streamers connecting the plant to the award plaque. A copy of the winner's list should also be given to the publicity and bulletin chairpersons and the Treasurer.

Be present at start of clean up to collect winners plaque. Follow the rules, guidelines and suggestions given in the current edition of the AOS Handbook on Judging.

Craft Sales: Plan and maintain an inventory of items, preferably with an orchid theme, to be sold at the Spring show to generate revenues for the club.

Food Booth: Plan a menu of revenue generating items to be sold at the Spring show. Coordinate with the Refreshments chairperson to utilize the club's supply inventory.

Obtain Department of Health permit and ensure proper cooking, baking and sales procedures are maintained.

Early (11:00 am) lunch service prior to show's opening at 1:00 on Friday has proven to enhance sales. Manpower will set-up a tent with tables and chairs to accommodate diners. Proper clean-up at show's end allows GIOS continued use of the church facilities.

Makana: Plan a reward program to assist the club in recruiting officers, chairpersons and workers. Conduct sign-ups for members to fill work shifts at shows.

Maintain a list of members and points earned. At the December meeting, conduct the reward program, by providing various items for members to redeem their points.

Orchids 101: At the regular meeting, provide knowledge and assistance to members in need of help growing their orchids.

Orchid Care Workday: Plan workshops outside of the regular meetings to allow more time to assist and educate members on how to better grow their orchids.

Special Dinners: For the June general meeting, a potluck dinner is scheduled, then a catered dinner for the December meeting. Coordinate with the Refreshments chairperson for beverages for both dinners and utilizing the club's inventory of supplies. Make sure that the kitchen is left clean and orderly at the close of each function.

T-Shirt: Solicit new designs for the club T-shirts as needed. Handle all details related to printing, ordering and sales with consideration to giving the members a good price.

2010-2011 Officers

President: Carol Kanna
Vice President: Gwen Teragawa
Secretary: Penny Duke
Treasurer: Lee Anderson

Chairpersons:

Bulletin: Ada Koene

By-Laws: Ryan Metzger

Librarian: Cheryl Morris

Membership: Bobbie Agena

Plant Name Tags: Stella Shimatsu

Publicity: Ada Koene

Refreshments: Gwen Teragawa (Feb. Apr), Co-Chair:

Karen Harlow, Elizabeth Borchett

Spring Show Chair: Gwen Teragawa, Co-Chair: Lorraine Kawane

Spring Show Display: Anne Notley, Co-Chair: Carol Yasutake

Fall Show Chair: Gwen Teragawa, Co-Chair: Lorraine Kawane

Fall Show Display: Pennie Duke, Co-Chair: Bobbie Agena

Show Judging: Mildred Konishi, Co-Chair Evelyn Tsubakihara

Crafts: Judy Matsumoto

Special Dinners:

Food Booth: Gwen Teragawa

Makana: Nancy Nakama

Orchids 101: Neill Sams

Orchid Care Workshop: Gwen Teragawa

Photographer: Ada Koene

*Names in **Bold** are Board Members

Remembering Mr. Nishio

Regrettably Tadao Nishio passed away on May 20th 2011. He was 95 years old and spent most of his life in excellent health, (having never been overnight in a hospital until he was 94 years old).

After Hurricane Iniki smashed up an old building in downtown Kapaa we decided to buy and repair the building and to later to



open an orchid store there. We needed more and different orchid plants for the store, and I was introduced to Mr. Nishio as a grower of Cattleyas and Vandas. We started visiting his orchid garden regularly in 1995.

It was obvious that both of us shared a common passion and joy in growing orchids. Although he was normally a quiet and reserved man, he seemed to enjoy teaching me his orchid growing techniques and sharing his knowledge of orchids. Over the many years he became to me a mentor, teacher, and a very close friend.

During the many afternoons spent on his back Lanai, and at the Regency Apartments, he would tell me of his life, starting out as a Pineapple technician.

After the Pineapple plantation closed, he tried his hand at carpentry. He didn't like carpentry so a friend of his helped him to get a County parks job of taking care of Kapaa Beach Park.

After he retired from the county job, he focused on growing fabulous orchids for years on end. He was a member of both, orchid societies. We gave him an honorary membership and plaque for the KOS when he turned 88.

He will be missed by all of us that had the pleasure of knowing him.

Neill Sams