

Garden Island Orchid Society Newsletter

November - December 2021



President's Message

Calling all members!!

Please join your fellow orchid club members as we celebrate life, friendships and orchids at our virtual year-end holiday party. Your Board is encouraging you to create your own party at home with pupus and a holiday beverage. Pull out that Christmas sweater, holiday glass ware, Santa hat and those antler ears if you have them. I don't have a sweater, but I know I've got some sparkly, shiny things to wear.

To increase the party atmosphere, reach out to a fellow member and invite them to join you if you are comfortable meeting the County's requirements for an indoor casual get together. We are organizing a fun night for all even though we will be meeting by Zoom and not be together. I hope you will attend.

I'm excited to announce David Sorokowsky as our December speaker. David and Stacey Sorokowsky own and operate Paph Paradise. They have 20 years of experience growing and breeding quality orchids with close to 100 AOS and CSA awards. They have an excellent website (www.paphparadise.com) and from there you can read their informative blog and sign up for their newsletter.

Your GIOS Board has been busy brainstorming for meeting ideas and remembering past Holiday parties. We are planning to continue our wacky game tradition so get ready to join in with the fabulously fun games. And with games, that means prizes! Spectacular prizes! We will continue our club tradition of giving holiday orchid door prizes to all members attending our holiday get together. Once we have the meeting count, we will obtain orchids and organize the delivery to members.

We want this to be a happy time celebrating that we are nearing the end of a difficult two years but with hearts full of hope for 2022.

Elizabeth



Upcoming Events

General Meeting ~ The next General Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, December 4, 2021 beginning at 6:00 p.m. and using Zoom as our on-line meeting platform. Log-in information will be sent a few days prior to the meeting.

2021 General Meeting Schedule: The next Zoom General Meeting is scheduled for December 4

The Garden Island Orchid Society is affiliated with the [American Orchid Society](http://www.aos.org).



2021 GIOS Holiday Party

Join us as we celebrate another year with our annual GIOS Holiday Party.

This year's party will be a virtual party held via Zoom, but don't let that stop you from joining in, having fun, and winning prizes.

GIOS Holiday Party, Saturday, December 4 at 6pm

Your family can also join in the fun!

Chaos Expected on Kauai,
GIOS Celebrates!



Are You Ready For A Scavenger Hunt?

2020 - 2021 Officers

- President:
Elizabeth Borchelt
- Vice-President:
Bob Barkevich
- Secretary:
Kimberlee Kain
- Treasurer:
Walt Weiss
- Ex-Officio:
Bobbie Agena

2022 Membership Dues

Look for information in the next Newsletter



GIOS Elves Coming to Your Holiday Party ...



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fun facts

ABOUT ORCHIDS
that will surprise you

Are You the King or Queen of Orchid Trivia?



Blooming Orchids

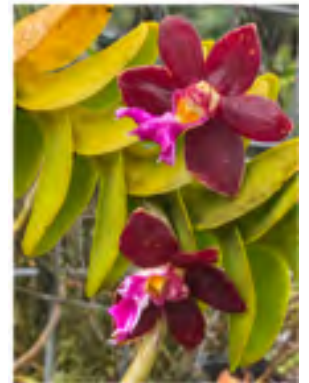
Several members have generously shared these beautiful orchids from their collections.



Rhynchosyilis Gigantea 'Spots'
owned by Mark Edlund



Ionopsis Miniature
owned by Paul Brun



owned by
Cheryl Morris



Michelle Fastenau's blooming orchids inside and outside



Please submit photos of your orchids to Newsletter@gardenislandorchidsociety.org for inclusion in future newsletters.



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Paphiopedilum Care & Feeding, learn more at:
<https://paphparadise.com/paphiopedilum-care-feeding/>



GIOS T-Shirts Still Available

Our GIOS T-shirt is still available for purchase. These are wonderful, high quality crew neck T-shirts with the GIOS logo on the front and are available in a variety of sizes.

The T-shirts are available for only \$15 and are great for members and to give as gifts. They also provide funding that supports the operation of the club.

To purchase a shirt or cookbook, please send an e-mail to President@gardenislandorchidsociety.org.

2020 GIOS Cookbook For Sale

The 2020 GIOS Cookbook is now available for sale. One of the Society's biggest fund raisers, for only \$10 you can purchase this beautiful cookbook filled with favorite recipes from many of our members and pictures of beautiful orchids. You have probably eaten some of these delicious dishes at one of our pot luck dinners.

Buy one for yourself and give others as a thoughtful gifts!

