# Garden Island Orchid Society Newsletter May-June 2022

## President's Message

Mahalo to all the members who turned out for the first in-person meeting in like forever! Well not forever but it sure seemed like it. Thank you all for continuing to protect our community and yourselves by staying masked while you were there. We had a very productive re-potting session with lots of chatter and members helping members.

We also had some surprise sales as Nancy Nakama and Paul Brun brought plants to sell. Paul donated all funds to the club, and we really appreciate his generosity. We also sold T-shirts, cookbooks and cloth pots. Be sure to bring your check book or cash to the next meeting. Who knows what surprises will be available?

I hope you will be able to attend our upcoming meeting on Friday June 10th at 6:00 pm. We will be meeting inside at our normal location and the Board is asking that all who attend wear masks. We did not make this decision easily however, with Kaua'i and Hawaii leading the numbers in new Covid cases, we felt it was the smart thing to do. If the numbers get worse and the county implements new rules, we will send an updated e-mail if our meeting is affected.

I'm happy to announce that Al Sugano will be providing a Learning Center talk at our June meeting. He will do a follow up and reinforce re-potting for those that may have questions or want to contribute practices of their own. As a reminder we will not be giving out door prizes until the club is fully functioning with shows or special meetings like the Holiday Party. We will announce when this changes. But please bring your

blooming orchids for display that you'd like to share with other members. We will set up a table so that all can enjoy.

See you soon, take care and stay healthy! Elizabeth

## **Upcoming Events**

**General Meeting** ~ The next General Meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 10, 2022 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the United Church of Christ in Hanapepe. Bring your orchids for re-potting.

**2022 General Meeting Schedule:** General meetings are scheduled for June 10, August 12, October 14, and December 3 at the United Church of Christ in Hanapepe.

2022 Events: Spring Fantasy Show ~ cancelled, or maybe just postponed
Orchids In Paradise Show at the Farm Bureau Fair ~ to be determined by the
County of Kauai

# Welcome Back to In-Person Meetings!

GIOS was very excited to resume our in-person General Meetings last April. We had a good turnout for our first live event in two years and enjoyed re-potting some orchids that were very much in need of the attention.

President Elizabeth called the meeting to order a few minutes after 6 pm and provided a brief State of the Society update of the organization. Then it was time for re-potting!

#### 2022 - 2023 Officers

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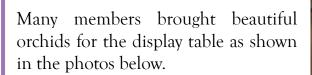
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### 2022 Membership Dues

2022 dues are \$10 and are payable now, please see Bobbie.













# Successful Re-potting Session

A re-potting session was the focus of our April meeting. Many members brought orchids for repotting and several experts were on hand to lend advice and assistance. Feedback from members said we had a successful session. See the photos below from the re-potting activities.



Cheryl Morris cleaning old potting medium from the roots



Kelly and Stella Shimatsu removing dead roots from orchids

Clayton Sakahashi and Sarah Paiste cleaning the old medium from the orchid's roots



Mark Edlund helping Michelle Fastenau select a new pot while Peggy Price looks on



Paul Brun showing Liedeke Bulder how to trim off dead roots



A beautiful flowering orchid being separated

Mervin and Fay Rapozo inspecting the orchid before placing in its new pot



Pearl Wollin and Lynda Montgomery focused on their repotting efforts





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## GIOS T-Shirts Still Available

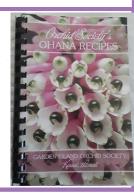
Our GIOS T-shirt is still available for purchase. These are wonderful, high quality crew neck T-shirts with the GIOS logo on the front and are available in a variety of sizes.

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, please send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:President@gardenislandorchidsociety.org">President@gardenislandorchidsociety.org</a>.

## 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!