

Garden Island Orchid Society Newsletter

January - February 2024

President's Message

Aloha everyone!

I had a great time at our Holiday Party and I hope you did too. The games were great, the orchid prizes were plentiful and a lot of the results of the games were hilarious.

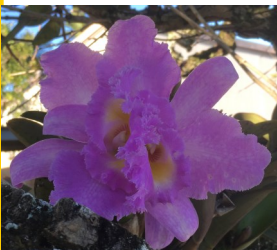


It was a pleasure to welcome long time members Carol Kanna, Gwen Teregawa, Mildred Kohishi and Lorraine Kawane to the party. These women were the backbone of the club for many years, building a strong group with all their hard work and enthusiasm.

If you haven't paid your 2024 membership dues, we will be collecting dues at the meeting. Let's start the new year off with a great meeting. Neill Sams of Orchid Alley will be the speaker and he will also have orchids for sale including bulbophyllums and dendrobiums.

This beautiful bloom above is from my garden. See you at the February meeting,

Elizabeth



Orchids on the trees outside of the [National Tropical Botanical Garden's](#) administration building

Upcoming Events

Next General Meeting: The next General Meeting is scheduled for **Friday, February 9, 2024** beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the [Hanapepe United Church of Christ](#).

2024 General Meeting Schedule: General meetings are scheduled for February 9, April 12, June 14, August 9, October 11, and December 6 at the [Hanapepe United Church of Christ](#).

2024 Events: Stay tuned!

The Garden Island Orchid Society is affiliated with the [American Orchid Society](#).

December Holiday Potluck Party

Our GIOS Holiday Party was once again a big success. There was lots of fun and games, special guests and delicious food.



Elizabeth getting the party started



People gathering for the food and fun



A table full of delicious dishes, thanks to all for bringing your favorites

Some of the many prizes for winners of the games



..... and the desert table!

2023 - 2024 Officers

President:

Elizabeth Borchelt

Vice-President:

Open Position

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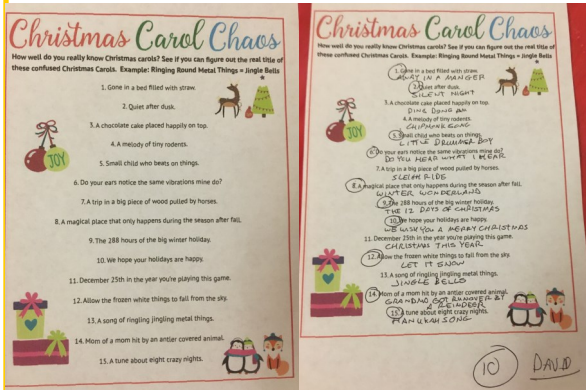
Teri Nakamoto

2024 Membership Dues

2024 membership dues of \$20 are now due and can be paid at the February 9 meeting. Be sure to be there and renew for 2024 and bring any friends who might be interested in joining us! If you cannot make it, fill out the Membership Form that is available on the home page of the GIOS website and send it in with your payment.

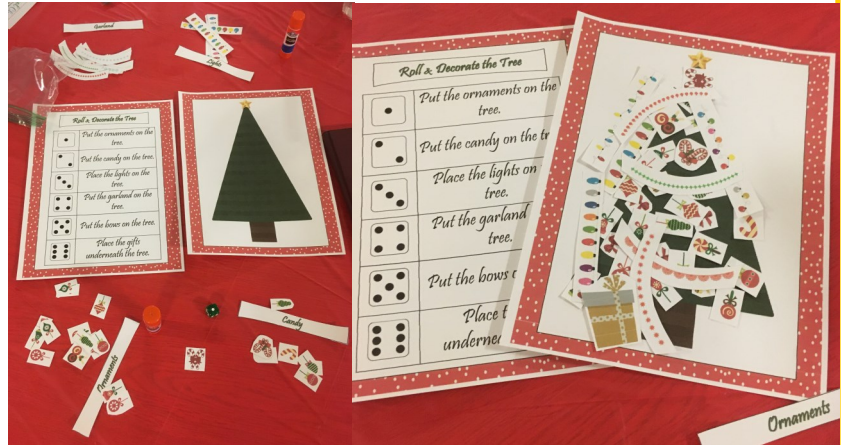
Fun and Games

Thanks to our Game Hostess Teri Nakamoto, we all joined in three exciting games, with winners getting to select from blooming orchids for their prizes.



Christmas Carol Chaos

The winner got 14 correct. I only got 10 right, but got a prize for third place.



Roll & Decorate the Tree

Roll a die and add the designated decoration to the tree. We had two minutes to put as many decorations on the tree as possible. Ready, Set, Go! Ours was not a winning tree.



Best Blind Snowman Artist

Put a paper plate on top of your head and draw a Snowman piece by piece as instructed. Not easy at all, but funny!

Here are our winners: Pearl Wollin, Sacha Winterhalder, Michelle Fastenau, and Mia Steinberger



Some tables had lots of prize winners

.... others were not so lucky,

but a good time was had by all. Thanks for joining us!



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[Growing Orchids in the Home \(aos.org\)](http://aos.org)



GIOS T-Shirts Still Available

GIOS T-shirts are still available for purchase. Available in a variety of sizes, these are high quality crew neck t-shirts with the GIOS logo on the front.

End of Year Sale Extended: Two for \$20!

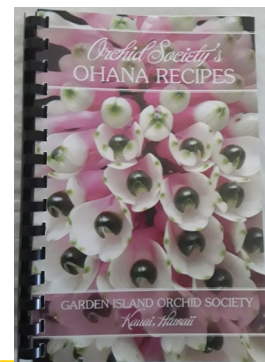
The t-shirts are normally \$15 each and are great for members to wear or to give as gifts to other orchid lovers. Funding from the shirts supports the operation of the club.



GIOS Cookbook For Sale

The GIOS Cookbook is still available for purchase. One of our Society's largest fund raisers, this cookbook is filled with favorite recipes from many of our members along with photos of beautiful orchids. You have probably eaten some of these delicious dishes at one of our pot luck dinners. Give one to a friend!

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