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JANUARY NEWSLETTER

January 11, 2010

Executive Board Meeting: 1st Monday of the month, 7:00 PM
General Society Meeting: 1st Tuesday of the month, 7:00 PM
All meetings are at the Kilauea District Park

PLEASE CHECK TO SEE IF YOU HAVE PAID YOUR DUES

This can be done at the membership table

Executive Board

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Refreshments
Ernest & Janice Nogawa
373-1823

Board Meeting:

Date: . . . . Monday, February 1, 2010
Time: . . . . 6:30 pm
Location: . Prince Court

General Meeting:

Date: . . . . Tuesday, February 2, 2010
Time: . . . . 7:00 pm
Place: . . . Kilauea District Park
AOS Judging Commentator: . . . TBA
Please wear your new shirts.

Speaker: . . Randy Tajima
Topic: . . . Orchid Culture – "Naturalizing" Orchid

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET YOUR NAME TAGS!!

Newsletter:

If anyone receiving their newsletter via the postal service has an email address, please send to **Grace Kobayashi,** gykobayashi@hotmail.com. If you have access to a computer, the newsletter is posted on our website at www.kaimukiorchid.org. Those without email will continue to receive their newsletters as usual.

Website:

Whenever I announce that the newsletter is up on the website, I will include the website address with it.

Where are we?

For those of you who only communicate with us via the web and would like to attend one of our meetings, a map detailing our location is in the map section of our Society's website, www.kaimukiorchid.org.

Name Tags:

Please see Phil at the admin table if you have lost your name tag. Per Board resolution, the $5.00 replacement fee will be suspended for the months of January and February. Remember, you need your name tag in order to qualify for drawings and special deals presented at the meetings. DO NOT LOOSE YOUR NAME TAGS!

Up until January 29th, Phil will accept email requests for the month of January.

KOS Shirts:

The sizes available for sale are: small, large, x-large, xx-large. There are no medium sizes. The shirts are $7.00 for the first one, and $13.00 for each additional shirt.

Pre-Meeting Activities:

- Purchase shirts.
- Register your change of address
- Temporary Name Tags are issued to those who have lost or forgotten them.
- New name tags will be made, free of charge, for January and February.
- Signup new members.
- **Pay 2010 dues.**

American Orchid Society Judging:

Please bring your blooming plants to be judged.
They need to be registered before the meeting starts.
We have four categories for culture awards for members:

- Category 1: Growing orchids for 1 – 5 years
- Category 2: Growing orchids for 6 – 10 years
- Category 3: Growing orchids for 11+ years
- Category 4: Growing orchids received at KOS Functions.
  - Bring your blooming (required) plants in by 6:45
  - Fill out a plant registration form
  - Place your plant on the appropriate table **GOOD LUCK**!!

Culture Award Winners for January: (See their pictures on the web!!)

Category 1:	Orchid	C. Blackata "Night Watch" x Milt Warscewiczii "Comfectum"
	Owner	Alan Mai'i
Category 2:	Orchid	B Fringe Benefit "Ports of Paradise"
	Owner	Deanna Hayashida
Category 3:	Orchid	Den Spider Lily
	Owner	Frank Thrall
Category 4:	Orchid	B Burdekin Wonder "Lake Land"
	Owner	George & Masako Ogawa

Thanks to Randy Tajima for his judging and commentary.

Congratulations Ernest and Janice Nogawa:

We would like to thank Ernest and Jan Nogawa for taking over the duties of refreshment chair from Jane Nishigaya. We thank Jane and her crew for all of their hard work. Welcome, Ernest and Jan!

PLEASE Kokua:

Please sign up with Jan at the refreshment table to bring a goody to share during our meeting breaks. Show off your culinary skills or just pick something up to bring. Monetary donations to assist in replenishing our paper goods supply, coffee, tea, and ice are also appreciated.

Additional Door Prizes - refreshments:

We instigated something new and different at this January meeting. All people who brought in refreshments received an additional ticket for the nightly drawing. This is your Society's way of acknowledging and saying thank you. We encourage all of you, our members, to PLEASE assist us with goodies for our monthly meetings.

Thank you for your donation to the refreshment table:

1. Christine Herring Mini Brownies
2. Ernest Nogawa Cookies
3. Jan Nogawa Cookies
4. Sharilyn Nitta Salsa w/ tortilla chips
5. Michiko Suzuki Chips and Dip

Yes, they all received an additional raffle ticket!

Additional Raffle Tickets – reading the newsletters:

Every so often, unannounced, we will insert an obvious error into the newsletter. The first half a dozen people who email me at sharps-solutions@hawaii.rr.com, with the correct answer, will receive an additional raffle ticket for the next meeting's drawing. The answer will be given out at the next meeting.

Orchid Plant Sale:

Anyone can sell their plants at our monthly meetings. However, sellers are required to enter at least one blooming plant for judging. The only exception is the month of June when we have our annual silent auction. Please note that the Society does not collect anything for providing this opportunity. A donation of a plant to be raffled would also be greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to Joanie Fujishiro:

Thank you to Joanie for stepping up to fill the role of recording secretary. She replaced Jane Kageura who had to step down for personal reasons. Jane, you will be missed. Welcome Joanie.

Car Pooling:

We have found that there are Society members that do not drive at night or have other reasons that prevent them from attending meetings. Since they cannot attend, they feel that perhaps they should no longer be members. Your Society would like to initiate a system of rides for anyone who needs a ride to our meetings. Newly elected director, Judy Nakamura, also our social director, will be coordinating this effort. She will be doing two things. First, she will get together a list of those who need rides. Second, she will request other members who live close to someone to pick them up and bring them to the meetings. Please kokua and give Judy a call

2010 Banquet:

Date: Sunday, January 24th
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Place: Ft. Shafter, Hale Ikena room. (You need to check in)
Cost: $30 per person 13 years and older
$15 children 5 to 12
$00 children under 4

Call Grace Kobayashi at 737-1882 or email her, gykobayashi@hotmail.com, for last minute sign up.
The head count must be given to Hale Ikena on Friday, January 15th.
You must be a member in good standing (paid your 2010 dues) in order to attend the banquet.
Bring your family and friends!

Membership Drive:

In reviewing the list of people who have not paid their dues, your board finds that a great many of you have just forgotten to renew. Please check with me or Grace or Ralph on your status.

HOWEVER, this is not enough. No club/society/organization can continue to exist without the influx of new members. This rotation of old members phasing out needs to be countered by an influx of new members. **ALL** of us need to think of our society in terms recruitment of new members. We need to of brag about it to our friends and associates, spreading the word about the activities that we have and the camaraderie that we share. We need to boast about our Proclamation Day (GREAT article and pictures with the Mayor, Gayle), the zoo hui, our banquet, our orchid show, weeding assistance, FREE ORCHIDS!

With this in mind, tell us what you would like to see at the meetings. I like the hands on demonstrations of potting and those concerning watering and fertilizing. They have been interesting, and informative. What would YOU like to see that will keep your interest in the club up and, more importantly, WHAT YOU FEEL YOU COULD BRAG ABOUT TO OTHERS TO MAKE THEM JOIN US. Email or call anyone of the board members – we are all listed at the top of this newsletter, with your comments and suggestions.

- Phil Sharp

Guests:

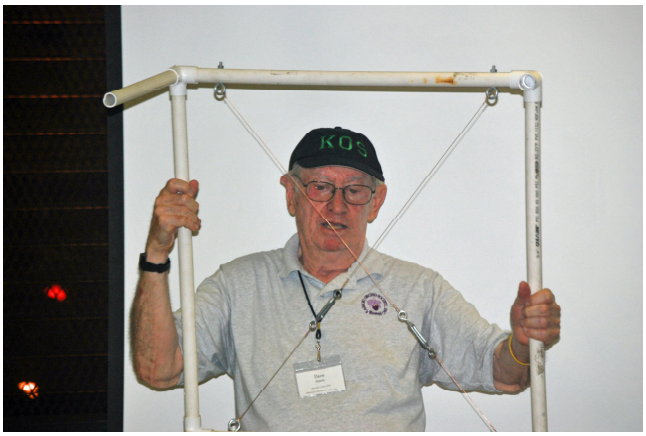
Aloha and welcome to our guests at the January 5th meeting: Bomi Unebasami

New Members:

Aloha and welcome to our new member at the January 5th meeting: Joan Okino

How to Make a Shade House – Dave Steel's presentation:

Ahhh. This picture of Dave, caged, is perfect! Actually he is explaining the intricacies of reinforcing the PVC framing of the side of a shade house. Thanks to his able assistant Arttie for his help with the presentation.



Dave got most of his supplies at Hawaii Hardware, Home Depot, and City Mill. The shade cloth and the Duroc are a best buy at City Mill.

Dave uses PVC to construct the framework of his shade house with connectors, other supplies, and tools needed to handle the task. There are other methods and styles using wood, concrete and pipe, if you so desire or have the skills to work in these media.

However, no matter what your druthers, Dave stressed making a plan based on what type of plants you are going to house, the amount of shade you will need for them, watering, fertilizing and other factors. PLANNING is the key!

Some planning must also be given to the foundation on which your house is going to rest. 3 mil weed blocking Mylar, rolls of asphalt paper used for roofing, a bed of cinder placed over weeded ground, are options that are available. The combinations of all of the above or something else is up to your ingenuity, skill level, and physical location.

Dave had a slide presentation that he will try and get to me so I can place it on the website.

Dave is a most gracious host and has offered to have you come over to see his creation.

Dave Steele
Phone: 373-4910
Address: 1618 Ihiloa Loop.

Call and make arrangements for a visitation.

GREAT job Dave!

Alzheimer's Test

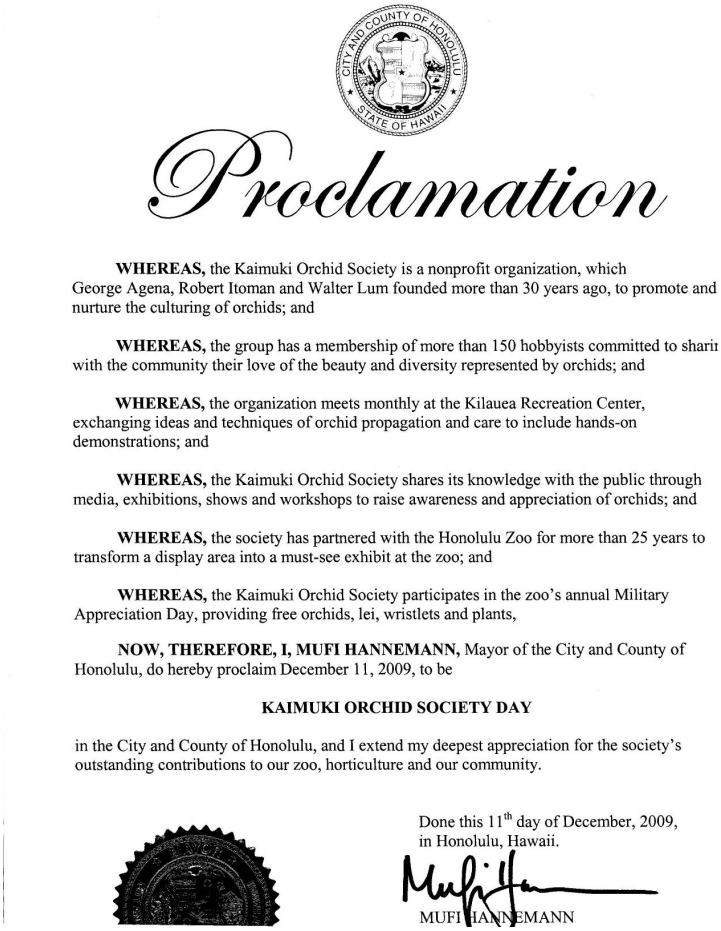
Take your time and see if you can read each line a loud without a mistake.

1. This is this cat.
2. This is is cat.
3. This is how cat.
4. This is to cat.
5. This is keep cat.
6. This is an cat.
7. This is old cat.
8. This is fart cat.
9. This is busy cat.
10 This is for cat.
11 This is forty cat.
12 This is seconds cat.

Now, go back and read the 3rd word in each line from the top down.

The following two stories deserve pages of their own. Congratulations from your board and the entire Society for a job well done!

Kaimuki Orchid Society Day, December 11, 2009:



CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU · STATE OF HAWAII

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Kaimuki Orchid Society is a nonprofit organization, which George Agena, Robert Itoman and Walter Lum founded more than 30 years ago, to promote and nurture the culturing of orchids; and

WHEREAS, the group has a membership of more than 150 hobbyists committed to sharin with the community their love of the beauty and diversity represented by orchids; and

WHEREAS, the organization meets monthly at the Kilauea Recreation Center, exchanging ideas and techniques of orchid propagation and care to include hands-on demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, the Kaimuki Orchid Society shares its knowledge with the public through media, exhibitions, shows and workshops to raise awareness and appreciation of orchids; and

WHEREAS, the society has partnered with the Honolulu Zoo for more than 25 years to transform a display area into a must-see exhibit at the zoo; and

WHEREAS, the Kaimuki Orchid Society participates in the zoo's annual Military Appreciation Day, providing free orchids, lei, wristlets and plants,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MUFI HANNEMANN, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim December 11, 2009, to be

KAIMUKI ORCHID SOCIETY DAY

in the City and County of Honolulu, and I extend my deepest appreciation for the society's outstanding contributions to our zoo, horticulture and our community.

Done this 11th day of December, 2009, in Honolulu, Hawaii.

MUFI HANNEMANN

Thank you to Dave Steele, Dennis and Mary Ann Arakaki, Bob and Harriet Itoman, Alma Ho, Elinor Ikawa, Christine Herring, and Barry and Paula Wheeler, for coming and representing The Kaimuki Orchid Society at City Hall for the Proclamation presentation. It was time well spent, even with the parking woes and slight delay (forgot that it was furlough Friday)—a fun memory for us all!

Mayor Mufi Hanneman did an excellent job acknowledging what our partnership with the Honolulu Zoo does in the big picture of community involvement towards enhancing our public facilities. It was indeed nice to hear as well as the time spent taking individual photos with the mayor and receiving individual certificates as well as a large group photo with the Mayor's proclamation. These photos will be sent to me and I will share them with you at the next meeting if it comes by then.

Thank you to Dave Steele for his most appropriate comments to the mayor on behalf of The Society! Dave also has the individual certificates for those who were not in attendance but are part of the zoo partnership.

City Hall was resplendent in Christmas cheer and beautifully decorated trees and Gingerbread houses! We also appreciated that Sidney Quintal, Stephen Walker, Ron Kodama and Barb Thacker supported this resolution in person.

- Gayle Ozawa

Honolulu Zoo Partnership:

KOS has worked with the Honolulu Zoo as one of their partners for two years. Gayle Ozawa spearheaded the partnership and got the ball rolling. We are responsible for the maintenance of three photo op areas across from the tigers. There is a beautiful sign crediting the Society for these beautiful areas and in January, Mayor Mufi Hanneman has recognized the work that the Society has been doing.

Since the beginning of this partnership, there have been a core of dedicated volunteers who have spent their spare time at the zoo doing general clean up and landscaping. Walter and Gayle Ozawa, Dennis and Mary Ann Arakaki, Barry and Paula Wheeler, Ike and Elinor Kikawa, Lisa Abbott, Christine Herring, Robert Itoman and Kean Matsumoto have done the basic work. Some of them are going once a week and the Society has gotten credit for the nice job they are doing. Initially, they had a lot of cleaning up, hauling of trash and preparation of the three areas which were originally animal cages!!

End result, December 2008

How about the rest of you? Working at the zoo gives you the opportunity to give back to the community, get to know other members, and generally go and have a good time!! Give Kean Matsumoto a call and let him know you can spend part of one day a month at the zoo! MAHALO!!

WHAT'S COMING UP

January		
24	Sun	**Annual banquet, 9:30 am, Hale Ikena**
February		
1	Mon	Dinner Board Meeting, Prince Court, 6:30 pm
2	Tue	KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm Topic: Orchid Culture – "Naturalizing orchids Speaker: Randy Tajima
March		
1	Mon	KOS Board meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
2	Tue	KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
		Speaker from Pacific Agriculture and Sales
April		
5	Mon	KOS Board meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
6	Tue	KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
		Speaker: Dale Miyasaki
May		
3	Mon	KOS Board meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
4	Tue	KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
		Speaker: Kean Matsumoto – Honohono Orchids
31	Mon	KOS Board meeting, Place to be announced 7:00 pm
June		
1	Tue	KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
		Silent Auction
July		
5	Mon	KOS Board meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
6	Tue	KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
		Planning Meeting for Annual Show
22	Thu	**Set up for annual show; 10:00 am; Kalani High School Gym**
23	Fri	**KOS Show; 9:00 am to 5:00 pm; Kalani High School Gym**
24	Sat	**KOS Show; 9:00 am to 5:00 pm; Kalani High School Gym**
25	Sun	**KOS Show; 9:00 am to 3:00 pm; Kalani High School Gym** **Take down for annual show; 3:00 pm; Kalani High School Gym**
August		
2	Mon	KOS Board meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
3	Tue	KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm Host: Kawamoto Nursery
September		
6	Mon	KOS Board meeting, place to be announced, 7:00 pm
7	Tue	KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm Program to be announced
October		
4	Mon	KOS Board meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
5	Tue	KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm Program to be announced