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February NEWSLETTER

February 2, 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 Recreation

Center

PLEASE CHECK TO SEE IF YOU HAVE PAID YOUR DUES

This can be done at the membership table

NON PAID MEMBERS WILL BE DROPPED 3/31!!

VERY IMPORTANT SHOW NEWS AT THE END OF THE LETTER

Executive Board

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Refreshments

Ernest & Janice Nogawa
373-1823



Board Meeting:

Date: Monday, March 1, 2010

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: . . Kilauea District Park



General Meeting:

Date: Tuesday, March 2, 2010

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Kilauea District Park

AOS Judging Commentator:

Speaker: . . Randy Tajima

Topic: Table Top Displays

Please wear your Kaimuki Orchid Society shirts!

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET YOUR NAME TAGS!!

 **Speaker for March – VERY IMPORTANT:**

Randy Tajima will be speaking at our March meeting. We encourage all members to attend since his presentation is crucial to setting up the displays at our annual show.

 **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.

 **KOS Dues Renewal:**

Be sure to renew your 2010 membership. Non renewals will be dropped from our roster at the end of March. We realize that there are members who are not sure whether their dues were turned in or not. Please check with Phil Sharp or Ralph and Grace Kobayashi for your membership status.

Membership status is based on the calendar year and renewals of \$20 per person, \$10 for additional members at the same address. Renewals will be collected throughout the year. Only new members joining the Society in the last quarter of the year will have their membership extended to the following year.

 **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 February 28th, I will accept email requests.

 **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 any additional shirts.

 **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.**
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 **General Meeting - February 2, 2010**

Meeting opened by former president Dave Steele at 7:00 pm.

An announcement was made about plants being raffled off and please support by buying tickets.

Ralph Kobayashi: asked the membership for a critique of the KOS banquet and everyone seemed to think it

went very well.

A. Announcements:

1. For members who work at the annual KOS show in July they will receive a discount on their ticket for the annual banquet.
2. The price of tickets for our banquet have not gone up for years and we need to increase it.
3. Also, we use to give 2" plants at the banquet, but now we give all 4" plants
4. The board has decided to have raffles at every meeting and see how it goes.
5. \$10 gift certificates from Kawamoto Nursery were given to 2 people who called Phil Sharp and pointed out mistake in the newsletter.
The winners were Judy Nakamura and Brian Fagan.

B. Table Top Displays:

1. Ralph and Lisa Abbott explained to the membership about "table top displays" and how it would be nice to incorporate them in our annual KOS show and asked for input.
Comments made by membership:
 - need to spell out ahead of time the rules for competition.
 - need to figure out ahead of time the amount of space available
 - how many display tables will be allowed and sizes.
 - would like examples of what we are looking for in the displays.
2. Ralph passed out photos of examples.
3. It ended with asking the members to think about it and we would bring it up again later.

Guest Speaker – Randy Tajima

Topic: Naturalizing orchids (growing orchids w/o a shade house)

Randy shared with the membership his tips and advice on growing and caring for plants grown in your garden.

- Vanda/Mocaras – full sun, many flowers, grown on Haupu stump
- Dendrobium Sanurai: 4"-5" pot, good outside, birds leave it alone.
Plant in a rock, tie to rebar to keep it standing.
18" to 2ft. spacing, grows about 2-3 ft.
- Calabash tree: best tree to plant orchids on. Or use a Haupu log.
- Epidendrum: full sun, moist, high humidity, cool temperature.
Grows on the ground, but not in the ground. Water heavily
- Dove orchid: fragrant flowers that only last one day.
Grows on a tree, easy to grow

Randy ended with the comments that that plant selection and plant placement were extremely important, that outside orchids need water everyday if in a sunny location and that the plants should be watered until they are saturated. He recommended Ortho's "Dial a Spray". The presentation was well received.

Car Pooling – Judy Nakamura

Judy spoke about car-pooling and helping people out who have trouble driving at night.

Plant Judging was done and completed.

Winners names and their plants are mentioned in that section of the newsletter.

Lucky Number Drawing

Ralph Kobayashi called out the winners of the plants.

The meeting ended at 8:45pm.

**Joanie Fujishiro,
Recording Secretary**



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:

- Category 1: Members growing orchids for 1 – 5 years
- Category 2: Members growing orchids for 6 – 10 years
- Category 3: Members growing orchids for 11+ years
- Category 4: Members 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 February: (See their pictures on the web!!)

Category 1: Blc. Cornerstone Hawaii
Beaudine Ma

Category 2: Den. Roy Tokunaga
Deanna Hayashida

Category 3: Dailaelea Snowflake = Caulaeliea
Frank Thrall

Category 4: BLC Husky Boy “Romeo bm/JGP 99”
George and Masako Ogawa

Thanks to Peter Wiggin for his judging and commentary.



PLEASE Kokua:

Please sign up with Janice 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.

The sign up is necessary so that Ernest and Janice Nogawa will know if there are duplicates or not enough of something else. We encourage all of you, our members, to **PLEASE** assist us with goodies for our monthly meetings.



Surprise:

As a surprise, those providing refreshments **MAY** receive a second lucky number door prize ticket. There are factors that will decide how the door prizes will be distributed. Our Society members are **EXTREMELY** generous and this is our way of acknowledging you and saying thank you for your generosity and participation.



Thank you for your donation to the refreshment table:

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| 1. | Sharilyn Nitta | Lemon Bars |
| 2. | Steph Miwa | Fortune Cookies, Cookies |
| 3. | Muriel Donnan | Apple Raisin Bars |
| 4. | Joan Okino | Lemon Bars |
| 5. | May Ann Arakaki | Pizzelles |
| 6. | Michiko Suzuki | Assorted Rice Crackers |

7.	Chris Herring	Mini Muffins
8.	Masako Ogawa	Party Mix
9.	Judy Nakamura	Oatmeal Short Bread Cookies
10.	Paula Wheeler	Lemon Mini Muffins
11.	Jennie Dang	Butter Cookies
12.	Alma Ho	Gau
13.	Beaudine Ma	Fish and Peanut Snacks
14.	Elinor Ikawa	Chips w/Dip
15.	Grace Tobita	Popcorn
16.	Alice Kim	Iced Tea
17.	Joanie Fujishiro	Banana Bread

Yes, they all received an additional raffle ticket!



Read the newsletters:

Every so often, unannounced, we will insert an obvious error into the newsletter, NOT the website. The three people who [email me](mailto:sharps-solutions@hawaii.rr.com) at sharps-solutions@hawaii.rr.com, with the correct answer, will receive a gift certificate from Kawamoto Nursery. You also MUST have paid your dues in order to qualify. The certificates can ONLY be redeemed at the nursery, not at our monthly plant sales.

The answer will be given out at the next meeting.

This month's winners are Judy Nakamura and Brian Fagan.



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.



Car Pooling:

Your Society is in the process of finding out which of our members are have difficulty making it to meetings at night but would like to attend. If **YOU** know of any that would like to attend but don't have a ride, **PLEASE** let us know. Your Society would like to initiate a system of rides for anyone who cannot drive 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 to provide transportation to the meetings. **PLEASE** be available if you are called upon. One day the person who may need this assistance could be you.

The Laws:

1. Law of Mechanical Repair - After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch and you'll have to go to the bathroom..
2. Law of Logical Argument - Anything is possible if you don't know what you are talking about.



Membership Drive:

No Society can continue to exist without the influx of new members. Members leaving the Society need to be counteracted by an influx of new members. **ALL** of us need to think of our society in terms of the recruitment of new members. We need to brag about our Society 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, FREE ORCHIDS, all of it.

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



Donations and Mahalo:

Mahalo to Ken Konishi. Your Society annually buys and donates a dozen blooming dendrobiums to the Kilauea District Park for their mahalo luncheon. This year, Ken Konishi donated the beautiful blooming dendrobiums. He would not accept payment. Thank you Ken.

Mahalo to Dave Steele.. He was a guest at our annual banquet and donated the banquet fee to the Society. Thanks.

Mahalo to Randy Tajima. Randy presented a program of growing orchids without a shade house. He will also be the speaker at our March meeting.



New Members and Guests:

Aloha and welcome to our new members Roland and Shirley Tang who joined at our February 2nd meeting.

The Tang's were members when the Society met at Kahala School. They were sponsored by Jennie Dang.

All new members and first time guests receive an orchid plant from the Society.

Our Society also recognizes the efforts of the sponsors of new members by presenting them with an orchid plant too.

Thank you, Jennie!



KOS annual show in July:

Ralph Kobayashi, show chairman, announced that the displays at our show will all be table top displays. There will be no floor display. The advantages of changing our display format are:

1. The plants are at a height where they can be appreciated and comfortably judged by the AOS judges.
2. Individuals can set up their own displays--the minimum area would be about 2-foot square.
3. Individual hobbyists will be invited to participate and need not be members of Kaimuki Orchids.
4. Commercial displays will also be set up.
Their displays will be judged separately from hobbyists.
There will be no direct competition for awards between commercial growers and hobbyists.
5. Winners will receive cash awards – categories to be announced later
6. Our Society will not offer any deferrals to participants but feel that that should not deter participation.



American Orchid Society Corner:

Time to plan for an **Orchid Conference!**

Ready for a fun get away? April 28 thru May 2 is the Spring 2010 AOS Members Meeting which is being hosted by the Oklahoma Orchid Society in OKC. This is an **Orchid Conference** which includes the Orchid Digest, the Southwest Regional Orchid Growers Association, International Phalaenopsis Alliance, Pleurothallid Alliance and the Slipper Orchid Alliance as well as the AOS – they are all meeting at a fabulous orchid show. The conference starts off with a preview party on Thursday evening, then on Friday the keynote speaker is

Joyce Stewart after which sales and the show open to the public. Several orchid lectures are scheduled. Saturday evening is a fun auction followed by dinner and a Hoedown party. You can see all of details as well as download a registration form at www.aos.org under 'Events' and then 'Members Meetings'.

As an affiliated society member you are invited to attend this conference including the **AOS Affiliated Society Breakfast** on Friday, April 30th where we will be sharing the results of our Innovative Society Survey. Please join us for orchids, socializing, lectures and all kinds of orchid fun. Registration is \$89 before 4/1/2010 after which the price goes up to \$109. Every registrant gets a fabulous goodie bag! Hotel rooms start at \$89. Is this meeting too far west for you? The Fall 2010 AOS meeting is in Virginia Beach, VA on October 27 - 31. Attend either or both and you're sure to have a great time. I hope to see you in OKC!

Carol Holdren
AOS Affiliated Society Committee



KOS Banquet 2010:

This year's banquet can be found on the website in the Archive Section. Please open it up and read it!!



841-HELP(4357):

During the shutdown, while driving on H-1 at 0630 hrs (still dark) in the morning, I had a tire blowout, pulled on the side, on an incline. I didn't want to use the factory jack to lift my wife's SUV, and I couldn't get out of SUV on the driver side (cars zooming by). I jumped out of SUV on the passenger side, used my coolers (red and blue colors) as cones to warn oncoming traffic, told wife to call GEICO, then I remember 841-HELP.

She called the number and FSP (Free State Roadside Service) came in ten minutes. They blocked one lane to make area safe. I told driver to hook up my SUV and take me to a leveled area, so I can change the tire. He assessed the situation, said he could lift my SUV with his floor jack to change my tire, which he did. Job finished in fifteen minutes. He made a dangerous situation much safer!!!

YOU and everyone you know needs to know about this number 841-HELP and tell them to place it in their cell phones.

Subject: FREE STATE ROADSIDE SERVICE - 841-HELP (4357)

Monday - Friday (except State holidays) 5 am to 7 pm

Limited to H-1 freeway (both sides) from the Vineyard - Palama On & Off ramp to the Waipahu exit.

Covers:

- * Tire changes**
- * Water for radiator**
- * Battery jump**
- * One gallon gas**
- * Tow to closest safe area on side of road at the nearest freeway off-ramp.**

WHAT'S COMING UP

March

- 1 Mon KOS Board meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
- 2 Tue KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
Topic: How to put together Tabletop Displays
Speaker: Randy Tajima

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
- ?? ?? **Help TOGAH w/ their plant Sale**
Help Hawaii Kai w/ their Mother's Day Sale
- 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; 9:00 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 4:00 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 TBA

October

- 4 Mon KOS Board meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm
- 5 Tue KOS General meeting, Kilauea District Park, 7:00 pm - Program TBA

January

- 23 Sun **KOS Banquet/Brunch @ Hale Ikena – Sign In begins at 9:30**