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Windward Orchid Society's **NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING** is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **August 7**, **2013**at 7:30 p.m. in the King Intermediate School Cafeteria



President's Message:

Aloha Everyone,

Our last membership meeting went well. We all worked in a timely fashion and the meeting ended on time. We had wonderful refreshments thanks to our board of directors, but we had lots of leftovers. We will be working on a system for refreshments. Please read your newsletter for more info. Last

board meeting we talked about more budget cuts, but we will try to maintain what is important to our members. We will need some help in several areas during our meetings. Membership, Refreshments, Assisting plant commentator to name a few. If you would like to assist, please see Craig Nakahara of myself. Again a big MAHALO to all of you, your corporation is greatly appreciated.

Ahui Hou Dot Sakamoto President

AUGUST SPEAKER: LARRY KAMIYA on Paphiopedilums (Lady Slippers)

Larry likes Phapiopedilums, the hairy warts and curly, long tendrils. They hover above the other plants in the hothouse like alien beauties. He started growing other plants-hanging baskets, bromeliads and houseplants. He went to plant shows and always found himself drawn to the orchids. He began growing some Dendrobiums, Oncidiums, Cattleyas, and Phalaenopsis. When his fiberglass roof got too dark to grow other orchids, he tried growing Phaphiopedilums. There weren't many hobbyists growing them at that time. Those that grew them were more affluent, with money to spend on the costlier orchids. He recalls he wanted to purchase a Paph. rotshchildianum to hybridize. It was listed in the catalog at \$10.00 per inch of leaf span. So, if a plant measured 24", it would cost \$240.00. And, if it had a keiki, the keiki was added to the purchase price. Since that was too rich for this farm boy's blood, he resorted to bartering. Luckily he had built up a pretty good selection of plants in my collection that I could use for trading. That's how he started. He is still amazed at Mother Nature's work and his appreciation of the orchid continues to grow.

Upcoming Events:

- Workshop at Dot's House for August 10, 2013
- General
 Membership
 Meeting on
 September 4, 2013
- Workshop at Dot's on Saturday, September 14, 2013
- ♦ General Membership Meeting on October 2, 2013

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WOS Corner:

At our July Membership Meeting, we had 74 members and 2 guests!

Welcome to our new member: Kathleen Nishimura!

New members, if you have a question about your orchids, please bring them in and we will gladly try to answer any questions you have about them. Please come to the 7:00 pm workshop or come and see Craig Nakahara (fluorescent green WOS shirt) when we have our General Membership Meeting.



IT IS TIME FOR RENEWAL OF YOUR WOS MEMBERSHIP!

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We are approaching the start of a new year for your WOS membership. The membership application is below. Please complete & mail to the post office box shown on the application OR bring it to our August 7, 2013 meeting. We look forward to the renewals of current members and welcome all new members to the Windward Orchid Society (WOS). What do you get for your membership fee? You will receive a plant at the end of each general membership meeting and this monthly WOS newsletter as well as a wealth of orchid growing information through other members, monthly speakers or workshops at Dorothy Sakamoto's home. And then,

there are the Installation and Christmas Dinners with "ono" food! COME AND JOIN THE BEST ORCHID SOCIETY!!

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| Regular Membership (July 2013 to June 2 | 2014) | \$20.00 | |

Orchid Tips of the Month:

August is our warmest month. Keep orchids well hydrated and well fertilized. Many orchids are growing and initiating roots, so it's a great time to catch up on repotting! Choosing an orchid plant means you need to know the conditions it requires: one of the conditions are whether it is cool growing, intermediate or warm growing. Cool growing in places like Kula, Wahiawa, Mt View Temperature about 55-70 degrees. Intermediate about 60-75 and warm growing plants about 65-80 degrees and higher.



WINNERS AT THE AIEA ORCHID SHOW:

Windward Display won 2nd place.

Best White Cattleya (C. warscewiczii 'Leo Holquin')

Owners: Scot & Karen Mitamura

Best Multi-floral Paph. (Paph. Bouilly Port)

Owner: Larry Kamiya

Most Unusual Flowering Plant (Gram. Stapeliiflorum)

Owner: Ed Catrett

IT'S A SAFARI!!

Windward Orchid Society is planning an Orchid Safari on Saturday, September 28, 2013.

We will meet in the parking lot by First Hawaiian Bank at the Windward City Shopping Center at 8:30am. We will try and see if we can carpool.

The first Nursery will be Olomana Orchids at 48-464 Kam Hwy., Kaneohe, going out towards Kahaluu. We will meet there at 9:30am.

The second Nursery is H&R Nursery at 41-240 Hihimanu St., Waimanalo. We should be there at 11am.

We are planning a potluck luncheon and Sheron Harwood, our Treasurer, has invited us to her house to have the potluck.

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