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WOS Country Store Sale

June 26, 2021, 11:00-3:00

St. John's Lutheran Church, 1004 Kailua Road, Kailua

Mark your calendar and support *your* Windward Orchid Society by shopping at our first-ever summer Country Store Sale on Saturday, June 26. There will be bargains on all sorts of gently-used potential treasures, none of which has been previously offered by WOS. Everything will be priced to go quickly and we'll have tables and tables of:

kitchen appliances in working condition
a mini-fridge, a TV
Christmas, Easter, and Halloween decorations
decorative ceramic plant pots
lamps, fans, tables
live orchid plants and supplies
assorted *da kine* galore

No early birds. We will follow applicable Hawaii requirements for masks and distancing. Canned food donations are welcome and will go to Windward Oahu residents in need. See further Sale information in this Newsletter.

WOS
Corner

Windward Orchid Society Cookbook, 2nd Edition needs your recipes

Please help us create a 2nd Edition of our popular cookbook.

Email your favorite recipes to wpathways@gmail.com 0

Our Website is under construction, & will be running up-to-date again soon, YOU CAN still send your ORCHID E.R. and ORCHIDS UNMASKED pictures & information and we will publish them as soon as we can. Some new Orchids Unmasked are located inside this Newsletter.

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WOS MEMBERS, HELP!

Thank you to the few who have inquired about the positions & are willing to step up to help. Please continue to contact us if you are interested – these jobs do NOT have to be a 1-person job, the more the merrier (& probably easier for those involved).

We will assist you to get up and running in any of these positions as soon as possible.
PLEASE consider helping out in any way possible

Email us at windwardorchidsociety@yahoo.com.

Leave your information and we'll be in touch—with much appreciation for your *kokua*.



Our Superman Ed

Another tree in the WOS Family Forest has fallen.

Ed Catrett, one of our long-time members passed away recently.

Our condolences go out to the family at this difficult time.

Orchid Tip of the Month by Scot Mitamura

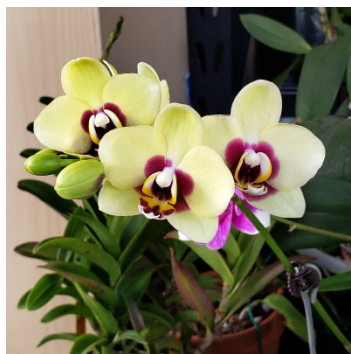
Summer arrives officially on June 20, but it seems like it is already here. We started out with a very wet start of the year, and then the weather seems to have skipped spring and we are now in Summer. In fact, as I write this, we are experiencing the Lahaina Noon, where the sun is directly overhead. I mention this because it affects our orchids and the culture we provide them. I have really upped my watering, especially my hanging/mounted orchids, and tropicals, are in need of water daily. The lack of adequate water can really inhibit the orchid's growth. Let's not be the cause of it! When the orchids are growing really fast, this tells us we need to feed them more too. I mostly feed my collection with a timed-release fertilizer, but now is the time to combine it with some foliar (water soluble) fertilizers. So, let's take advantage of our great sunny weather and maximize our summer growths. I'm noticing too, a lot of active growths and roots, so I have been busy re-potting anything that is climbing out of their pots and of course fixing the ones that are struggling. It makes me happy seeing my orchids putting out large growths, because I know it equates to great flowering later. Speaking of later, as COVID restrictions are being lifted, the schools will be reopening soon. This means that we will be able to have shows again. This is why we need to get our orchids in top shape this summer, for when shows begin again, maybe as soon as this fall!

If you haven't re-potted your Hono Honos, it is still not too late. They should be putting out new growths and roots by now. Re-pot your old plants into fresh media and pot up one year old keikis. These keikis, if re-potted now will probably bloom next season. Remember they like lots of water and fertilizer, they like it so much, it's hard to over water your Hono Hono in the summer.

Summer is a busy time for orchid growers and is not the time to be a "couch potato"! If it is too hot during the day, work on them in the evening. For me, I do my best work at night!

See you all at the Country Store Sale on June 26, see our website or newsletter for more details.

Aloha,
Scot



Windward Orchid Society

Membership for

July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

Please complete and mail the form below to
Windward Orchid Society, Inc.
P.O. Box 23
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744



_____ **NEW MEMBER** _____ **RENEWAL**

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Phone: _____ **Cell:** _____ **Work:** _____

eMail: _____

Please select your Membership for 2021-2022:

- _____ **Regular Membership - \$25.00**
- _____ **Regular & Associate (Partner) Membership - \$35.00**
- _____ **Associate (Partner) Only Membership* - \$10.00**
- _____ **Lifetime Membership - \$300.00**
- _____ **Donation - \$ _____**

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Check No. _____

Please make check out to "WOS" or "Windward Orchid Society"

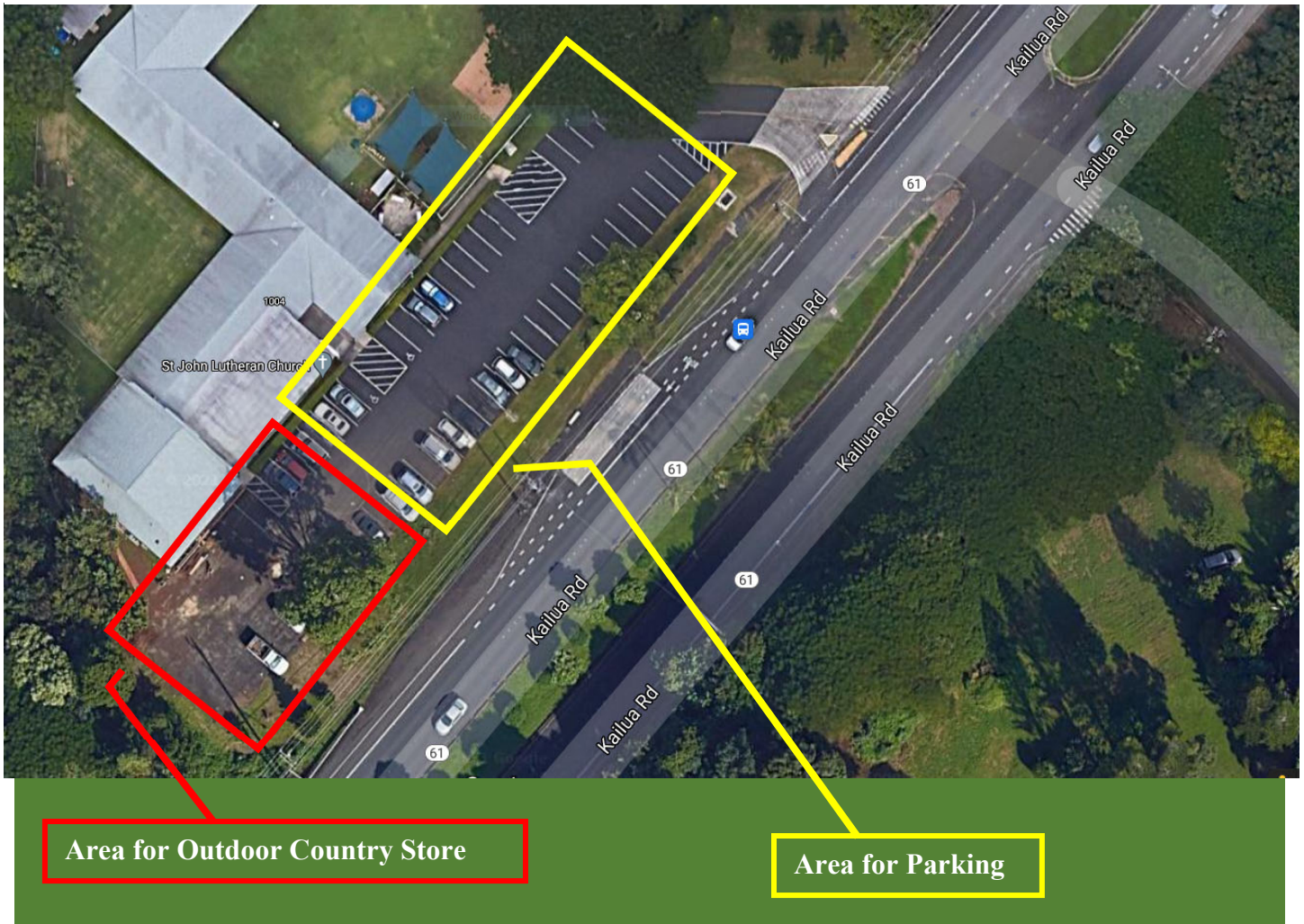
***Associate Membership must be attached to an existing Membership
(i.e. Lifetime, Honorary, or Regular Membership)**



You can also come to the Outdoor Country Store Day & renew your membership in person 😊

Orchids Unmasked Photos (l to r, top to bottom) Grown By:
Sharon Matsuyama (Name Unknown), Walter Hiraishi (Ctna. Why Not),
Diane Robello (Bratonia Miltassia Charles M Fitch Izumi)

Some Information Regarding the Outdoor Country Store Day



- **MASKS REQUIRED** - Even though Governor Ige lifted the Mask Mandate for outdoor use, we ask that all our guests please wear their masks in the Country Store Area.
- **VACANCY / NO VACANCY SIGN** - Please be prepared to wait for entry into the store as we will be limiting occupancy so that it is not packed & we can obtain social distancing space. If you see the No Vacancy sign, please feel free to stay in your A/C vehicle or outside your vehicle, please DO NOT loiter around the entrance area.
- **GLOVES** - For further safety we ask that all guests coming into the Country Store please wear gloves (provided by WOS) so you can pick-up/touch items that you might be interested in.



A Message From Our Director

Aloha WOS Members –

Another month has passed. Things are beginning to open up, ever so slightly. I heard that as of August 1st – kids will be returning to school. I hope at some point the Dept. of Education will allow the schools to consider renting their facilities again to organizations for meetings and possibly orchid shows!

I really miss seeing the faces, socializing and hearing what other orchid growers are doing. Once we DO get back to meeting again, I am expecting to hear some interesting stories of growing experiences during this time.

Don't forget to come to our Country Store event on June 26th – you can say hello, find some good bargains and of course help support your club by renewing your membership! It is time for our annual renewal so don't forget to renew!

Until we can meet again, please stay safe & healthy during this unprecedented time.

MAHALO!

Sheron Harwood, Director

ORCHIDS UNMASKED

Walter H.

Bianca K.

Diane R.

Elaine H.

Hawaiian Bog Orchid – Scientific Name: *Peristylus holochila*

NEW SECTION



Did you know that there are some rare orchids that are on the endangered list – this orchid is #2 on the list! Current Estimated Numbers: 28-33

Location (Range): Various Hawaiian Islands – Alaka'i Wilderness Preserve; Kaua'i Kamakou Preserve; Moloka'i Hanaula West Maui Forest Preserve; Waikamoi Preserve and Kapunakea Preserve on Maui.

WOS Officers 2019-2021: President (Vacant) Vice-President Karen Kim Treasurer Ariel Harwood
Recording Secretary: (Vacant) **Corresponding Secretary** (Vacant) **Trustees:** (2017-2021) Steve Canham
 C.J. Kalopodes Scot Mitamura (2018-2021) Duncan Chun Wendy Saito Dot Sakamoto (2019-2022) Arthur Nakagawa
 Toni Walker Fred Collins **Director** Sheron Harwood **Membership** Grace Nishigaya **Hospitality/Refreshments** (Vacant)

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The WOS meets on the first Wednesday of every month at the King Intermediate School Cafeteria (except in June & December), unless otherwise rescheduled by a pandemic.