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Windward Orchid Society's Next Meeting is scheduled for:

Wednesday, January 4, 2006

7:30 p.m. in the Benjamin Parker School Cafeteria

🌸 The Orchid Workshop with Scot Mitamura starts at 7:00 pm

🌸 Anyone entering a plant for AOS judging should have it on the cafeteria's stage by 7:15 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Bill and Hilda Takamatsu Flask to Community Pot to Thumb Pot

Learn when and how to transplant from a flask to a community pot to a thumb pot from Bill and Hilda Takamatsu. Both Bill and Hilda have been working part-time at the H & R Nursery in Waimanalo for over 20 years. Bill works in the lab and helps grow the orchid seeds in flasks then Hilda helps in taking the plants from the flask and plants them into community pots. Bill retired from Home World Furniture and Hilda worked at different jobs but Hilda always loved flowers. After attending one of Robert Aoki's orchid culture class many years ago, Hilda acquired a passion for orchids and she and Bill have been growing orchids and are members of many orchid societies. Throughout the years, they have received honors for their orchids. They received a CCM/HOS for Bc. Maikai Mayumi and a CCM/HOS for C. skinneri. Although they have many species plants, they love all the different varieties of orchids. Besides, orchids, their other passion is Ballroom Dancing. They have been dancing and teaching for over 20 years. Their love of orchids and ballroom dancing have kept them married for 53 years!

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Don't forget about the **Orchid Safari to Waimanalo** on Saturday, January 14, 2006. We will be visiting H & R and Hawaiian Orchid Sources nurseries. We will meet behind the Goodwill shack at the Windward Shopping Center at 7:45 am and leave at exactly 8:00 am. We are scheduled to spend at least two hours at each nursery and should be done by 12 noon. Sign up at the meeting or for more information call Dorothy Sakamoto at 236-4104.

As a reminder, when you bring your plants for judging, please put your plant in the appropriate category. The categories are:

Novice: Less than 2 years of membership.

Intermediate: Between 2 and 4 years of membership.

Masters: More than 4 years of membership.

happy new year

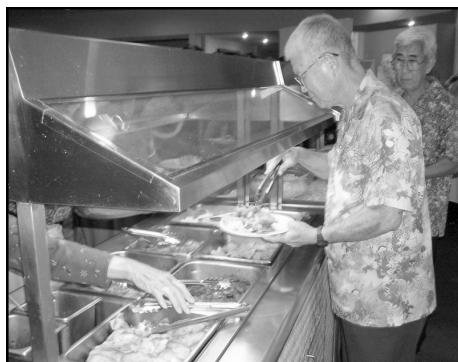


Upcoming Events:

- ◆ January 14, 2006
Orchid Safari to Waimanalo
- ◆ February 1, 2006
General Membership Meeting
- ◆ March 2, 2006
General Membership Meeting

WOS Christmas Party

Great food!! Lots of orchid plants!! Singing Christmas songs!! And most of all, the good company of fellow orchid members!! This year's Christmas party was held at the Bay View Restaurant on December 4, 2005.



Hope your holiday season was filled with happiness, warmth and joy!

**Windward Orchid Society's
2006 Annual Spring Show
"Orchids - A Splash of Color"
Orchid Show and Plant Sale**

Our Spring Show is in three months!! Gee, time sure does fly by so start saving these dates!

Dates: Friday, March 24 to Sunday, March 26, 2006

Place: S.W. King Intermediate School Armory
46-155 Kamehameha Highway, Kaneohe
(Two blocks north of Windward Mall)

Time: Friday, March 24, 2006 8:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 25, 2006 8:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 26, 2006 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Tickets to the show are now available for purchase from Emily Yamada. We're offering a really good deal on the tickets - instead of \$2.00, WOS members can purchase them for 1/2 price - only \$1.00!! The WOS member who purchases the most tickets will win a beautiful blooming orchid plant.

Sign-ups for volunteers to help make our show a success will be available at the next couple of General Membership meetings. Please sign-up for one of the following committees:

- ◆ **Admissions:** collects tickets and money at the door
- ◆ **Tee-Shirt and Membership:** sells WOS tee-shirts and recruits new members for WOS
- ◆ **Cashiers:** collects money from the plant sales
- ◆ **Host and Hostess:** manage the plant holding area and monitor the display area
- ◆ **Corsage:** makes and sells corsages
- ◆ **Security:** assists in parking control

As a reminder, if you work eight (8) or more hours during the show, you will receive a free WOS tee-shirt.

We also need for you to get your creative juices flowing and to help in creating a poster and tee-shirt design for our show. Please bring a drawing of your design to the January General Membership meeting.

We will also need help in designing and putting up the WOS display for the show. Got any ideas? Please sketch out a simple drawing of the display and bring it to the January General Membership meeting. We will be putting up the WOS display on Thursday, March 23, 2006 so if you can, please come out and help.

More information to come as the Show gets closer!!

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