



Windward Orchid News

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Windward Orchid Society's **NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING** is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 1, 2015** at 7:30 p.m. in the King Intermediate School Cafeteria

Aloha Everyone

As I am writing this message, knowing our Orchid Show has not taken place but I am very confident with Susan Lim as our leader, it was a great success. Mahalo to all that participated. Election is around the corner and it is critical we find new officers among our membership. Please, if you wish to run or know of anyone that would be interested in serving on the board, please give me a call at 236-4104 or come and see me. I know there are many of you that can be great leaders but hesitate. Our current officers will certainly walk you through the duties and will give you any assistance you will need. Although my term will be up this year, I will continue to give all of my support to this great organization.

Ahui hou
Dot Sakamoto
President



Upcoming Events:

- ◆ **Workshop at Dot Sakamoto's house on Saturday, April 11, 2015, 9:30 a.m. If you need directions, call Dot at 236-4104.**
- ◆ **WOS nomination of new officers for 2015-2016 on April 1, 2015**

WOS Officers (2014-2015)

President *Dot Sakamoto* **Vice-President** *Hazel Basuel* **Recording Secretary** *Dawn Bonak*
Treasurer *Sheron Harwood* **Corresponding Secretary** *Lily Brunke*

Trustees

Liz Ajifu Walter Hiraishi Karen Kim Adam Kono Scot Mitamura
Craig Nakahara Toni Walker Susan Lim Edward Catrett

Director *Larry Kamiya* **Membership** *Grace Nishigaya* **Hospitality/Refreshments** *Fran Craft*

WOS Corner:

At our March Membership Meeting we had 69 members and 8 guests. WELCOME to new members who signed up at our Spring Show: Steve Bethel, Michael & Suzanne Carnes, LeRoy Carreira, Duncan Chun, Connie Clark, Joanna DeRyke, Bradley Duvall, Seraphina Eames, Cindy & Sarah Flinchbaugh, Aloha & Hank Gellert, Marian Harvey, Chris Imoto, Kim Kuoha, Francine & Milton Matsunaga, Erika Matsunaga, Renee & Don May, Jean Nauman, Laura Nishioka, Barbara Pence, Stosh Ostrow & Allen Walterman, Karen Plansky, Diane Robello, Lauren Rodrigues, Trish Stone, Elixé Swope & Julia Young.

We will have a sign up a sheet for refreshments at the Membership table at our General Membership Meetings or you can email Toni Walker at toni.walker58@yahoo.com.

New members, if you have a question about your orchids, please bring them to our 7:00 p.m. workshop and Scott Mitamura will gladly try to answer any questions you have about them. Come and see Craig Nakahara (fluorescent green WOS shirt) when we have our General Membership Meeting if you have any questions on membership.

SPEAKER FOR APRIL: Mary Beust & Matthew Goo

They are plant pathologists from USDA/APHIS from the Plant Inspection Station on Oahu. They will bring us important information regarding the importing of plants.



ORCHIDWIZ SOFTWARE:

We are putting together an order for the OrchidWiz software and to get the best price, we need to order 20 or more copies of the software. The bulk order price is \$153.00 which includes 3 updates. The one copy price is \$295.00. The software runs on Windows and Mac users will need Fusion or Parallels in addition to Windows.

If you are interested in purchasing a copy, please contact Dorothy Sakamoto at 236-4104. For more information on OrchidWiz, go to their website: <http://www.orchidwiz.com/servlet/StoreFront>

ON A SAD NOTE. . . .

June Yamamoto, long time member, passed away in December, 2014. Our condolences go out to her family. We will miss her!



Orchid Tip of the Month by Scott Mitamura:

Our annual orchid show marks the arrival of spring and with it the arrival of many flowering orchids. Our mild winter this year caused many of our flowers to bloom early and it already seems like summer weather. With the sunny days the orchids are rapidly growing so make sure they are getting enough water and fertilizer. Hono honos are in full bloom, with the Nestor's and little sweet scents to follow. Treat them as needed for flower thrips (browning/drying of the young buds). Try to keep the water off the flowers to discourage Botrytis (brown spotting on flowers) and to extend the flower life. Phalaenopsis are also in full bloom. Stake the flower spikes to keep the flowers up, bring them indoors to enjoy them, but keep the water out of their leaf whorl to avoid crown rot. Now that the show is over, and I brought back my orchids to my greenhouse, I watered them and sprayed insecticide on them to avoid bringing back any unwanted bugs. This goes for orchids that I have purchased too! In addition, I would treat them for slugs, I would also make sure that they don't have weeds, and I would often repot them into my own media. An ounce of prevention will save you a lot of trouble in the long run.

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IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR WOS MEMBERSHIP!

_____ **Renewal** **WOS APPLICATION** _____ **New Member**

*Mail to: Windward Orchid Society, Inc. P.O. Box 23, Kaneohe, HI 96744
Or bring it to the next General Meeting*

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL: _____ WORK: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ DATE: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ PAID BY: _____ Check No. _____ Cash _____

- ___ Regular Membership (July 2015 to June 2016) \$20.00
- ___ Regular and Associate (Partner) Membership (July 2015 to June 2016) \$30.00
- ___ Associate (Partner only) Membership (July 2015 to June 2016) \$10.00
- ___ Lifetime Membership \$200.00



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King Intermediate
School's Cafeteria

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