

KAIMUKI ORCHID SOCIETY

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GREETINGS FROM PRESIDENT MICHELE

Hello...Hope that you, your families, and plants are doing fine. Having problems with your plants, please email/text one of the Board members and we will try find to an answer to your problem.

Honohono season is just behind us now. I just finished going through each and every pot to pull the weeds, fertilize, add more bark, or repot. It was really a slow task but that part is done. Now, I am trying to plant some keiki. I never did find out what was eating my precious honohono flowers, it was a true nightmare for me. At least *THE THING* began enjoying my flowers at the end of the season and not from the beginning. Some said that it could either be rats or roaches. It ate it every night for a few weeks. It ate one cane at a time until every spec was gone then jumped to another plant. It was heart breaking for me. However, the honohono plants are doing well so now I am happy again.

What do you want to do as a club? The Kunia and Honolulu Orchid Societies have been life savers for letting us be part of their ZOOM meetings, even allowing participation in their orchid give aways. Thanks again to both the Kunia and Honolulu Orchid Societies and also to Jan Takamiya for their help in keeping us encouraged to care for our orchid plants during this long pandemic. We are looking into some day workshops or meetings for our club until we can get our room again at the Kilauea Recreation Center. If you have any suggestions please email me. Alan keeps saying that he wants to restart his hands on sessions again but this month he had been extra busy. His daughter Robynne just won a James Beard Award. Hope that you got to see Alan on TV looking sooo happy in his tuxedo when they announced the winner!!! It was a truly emotional moment!!!!!!!

Ingrid will be leaving us and moving to Washington State. She will truly be missed. Todd Takahashi has volunteered to be our next Membership Chairperson. Thank you, Todd!

Everyone, please keep safe.

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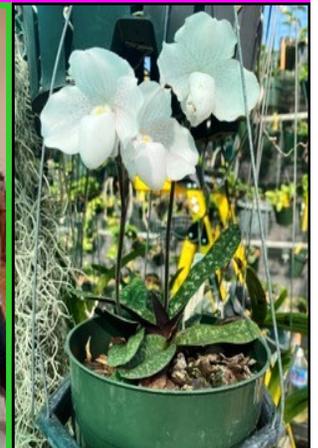
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ALOHA INGRID!

Our trusted and always enthusiastic Membership Chairperson, Ingrid Meyer, will be relocating to the mainland after many years in Hawaii and with KOS. Her always welcoming smile at the meeting door and diligence in maintaining membership details for the Board will sorely be missed. Ingrid's husband, Dr. Harlan Meyer will be retiring from his practice at QMC at the end of the year and the family is relocating to Washington State to join other family members. The Board thanks Ingrid for her unselfish and comprehensive contributions throughout her tenure and conveys a heartfelt and fond Aloha with best wishes for her new ventures in the Northwest. On a high note, member, Todd Takahashi, has stepped up to assume the responsibilities of the Membership Chairperson and his enthusiasm is most welcomed.



Farewell Luncheon at Michele's
 Nani, Alan, Linda, Michele, Steph, Beaudine,
 Alice K., Ingrid, and Alice M.



Paph. Ang-Thong '(Alba In Charm x Niveum 'Pathana') Own: Michele M



L to R: 1) Catt. NOID: Alan M; 2) Hybrid NOID: Michele W; 3) Onc. Heaven Scent 'Sweet Baby': Alan M; 4) D. Jan Orenstein x rhodopterygium: Michele W

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SUCCESS

A while back we fielded an inquiry from a Mr. Eldan Lee regarding any suggestions that we might have to revitalize a number of orchid plants that he had been part of his mother's collection. Several of the basics including water, light, fertilizer, media, and treatment to address insects and fungus were offered. Just about a week ago Mr. Lee sent a photo (at left) of a bold dendrobium that appeared to have enjoyed all the new attention. Mr. Lee advised that he has been sharing this and other recent results with his neighbors and friends, much to their joy, and further mentioned that his mother, who has passed, is overly delighted with the success. Way to go Eldan, keep up the good work!



Vibrant Catt. (noname)
Submitted by Karen Nagamine



From left: Blc. Mem. Vida Lee 'Limelight' (own: Alan M); Catt. Noname 'NN' (own: Michele W); Blc. Hawaiian Ruby 'Paradise' (own: Michele W)



Three views of a fine phalaenopsis specimen, noname. Submitted by Shelly Miyahara

ORCHID TIP

Hot days of summer and a good time to repot. Bark can easily breakdown and become contaminated with snow mold, that nasty whitish fungus that can smother the roots. Consider using New Zealand orchid bark and even some small sized blue rock in combination with the NZ bark. NZ bark has been somewhat hard to come by of late but we are attempting to identify where the product might be available and with the best price. Will advise.

The monthly, 6:00 p.m., 1st Tues. General Meetings, Kilauea Rec Center, remains cancelled until further notice!