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THE PLUMERIA SOCIETY OF SOUTH TEXAS

JULY, 1997

Notice of Next Meeting:

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 23, 1997, 7:00 p.m.

Place: Garden Center, 5325 Greely Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas

Program: "How to Use Beneficial Insects Without Damaging Plants"

Darlene Locke, Agriculture Extension Agent for Aransas County, will present a slide presentation. Darlene has been the hostess for Channel 6's "Keep It Green", the week end garden program, and is the coordinator for the Master Gardener's program. This should be a very interesting and informative presentation. So, please make arrangements to attend.

PSST PLANT SALE.

August 23, 1997, Center Court, Padre Staples Mall, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Look for Instructions and Guidelines enclosed.)

COMMENTS FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

Yeah, it's that time of year; no, not to wish you were with Bob Owen enjoying the low humidity, mild climate, and spectacular views in Colorado, but for the Vice President to say a few words.

First of all, I'd like to thank all the members for being so supportive with the Plumeria Collection and by showing their willingness to take a week or so in helping out with the general maintenance. It's the Society's collection and it's a way we can get maximum exposure by sharing our excitement with the community. By the way, if you haven't been to the Botanical Gardens recently, one should take advantage of the many hours of the members' sweat equity by viewing some 45 plus different blooming plants bursting with multiple colors and arrangements. Check out the "India" that's in bloom. It's really looking great out there, and if members wish to try their luck at capturing that one "great photo" for the Photo Contest, they would be impressed with the multitude of subject material.

Second, I would like to thank Linda and Phil Anderson for graciously giving the Society several "name variety" rooted and non-rooted cuttings for the plant sale. I also want to thank Barbara Gill and others who donated seeds also for the Plant Sale.

Finally, I want to thank other members like Ann Yeager who assists us in processing and distributing the newsletter and always filling in whenever she can, Lucien Willoughby and Fred Allon for keeping an eye on the Plumeria collection, Bob Owen (who deserves a great deal of praise) for keeping the Society marching down the garden path, and all the others who helped when they could.

A word about the Plant Sale on August 23, 1997. This year we will be doing things similar to the way the Houston Society conducts their sale by having a central cashier – meaning Treasurer Johnny Smolik will be needing some assistance during the sale. Please note that there will be a \$15 charge for each table payable in advance when picking up “Sellers” packets prior to August 9, 1997. Also, a multiple tagging system will be used. (Tags are provided in packets along with instructions and guidelines) A demonstration in tagging procedures, etc. will be given at the July meeting. There is also an 80%/20% split in revenue distribution and a stipulation that all sellers shall have worked on a Society committee, worked at the Botanical Gardens Exhibit, or are scheduled to work during 1997. Please find the circular enclosed in the newsletter, or should you have questions, feel free to call me (Jocko Taylor). Be sure to come early for best selections.

Aloha!

Jocko Taylor

1997 BOTANICAL GARDEN SCHEDULE

Every member should take his or her turn for one week caring for the Plumeria Collection at the Corpus Christi Botanical Gardens. Care means to: (1) Water only when moisture meter indicates but not more than once a week; (2) Fertilize with Super Bloom once a week, 1/2 tablespoon per gallon of water; (3) Remove any weeds; (4) Look for signs of fungus or other problems and report to curator Jocko Taylor (887-0252) for proper treatment. Contact Paul Thornton for moisture meter and Super Bloom at the Botanical Gardens Office. Listed below is the schedule. Notice, there are openings. Please pick a date and call in to Fred Allon (993-2554). A hearty thanks to those that have volunteered. Keep up the good work

<u>Week of</u>	<u>Member</u>
July 27	Lucien Willoughby
August 3	Bob Owen
August 10	_____
August 17	_____
August 24	_____
August 31	_____
September 7	_____
September 14	_____
September 21	_____
September 28	_____
October 5	_____
October 12	_____
October 19	_____
October 26	_____
November 2	_____
November 9	_____

The Plumeria Society of South Texas

ANNUAL PLANT & SEED SALE INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDELINES

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 1997 JOCKO TAYLOR/CHAIRMAN 512/887/0252 (HOME)
PADRE STAPLES MALL 207 INDIANA
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

SCHEDULE:

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	SET UP DISPLAYS
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	PLANT SALE
4:00 AM - 5:00 PM	HOUSEKEEPING

POLICIES

1. Open to Society Members who have an oversupply of plumerias in their private collections. ONLY ROOTED CUTTINGS and bagged seeds will be permitted to be sold.
2. Sale participant must be an ACTIVE MEMBER, i.e. min. of one (1) year membership w/current paid dues and have worked on a Society committee, scheduled or have worked at the Botanical Gardens Exhibit during 1997.
3. All sales go through the Plumeria Society of South Texas cashier table. Sales revenue distribution: 80% Member, 20% Plumeria Society - payable to participant no later than (2) weeks after the sale. (No exceptions)
4. Sale participant must reserve and purchase his display table from Plumeria Society for \$15 no later than August 9, 1997. Should participant fail to show up for the sale, he shall forfeit the \$15 cost previously paid to the Society. Coordinate reservation with Chairman prior to August 9, 1997.
5. Sale participant is responsible for his own income taxes.
6. Sale participant is responsible for his cleaning up of his area. Please bring broom, dust pan, and paper towels for housekeeping. (Bagging each pot with recycled, plastic H.E.B. bags, etc. will minimize cleanup)
7. **REQUIRED:** Provide plastic bags for bagging at customer's request. White and Colored tags for pricing and identification (tagged prior to sale) as noted below.
8. All sale participants are required to volunteer a minimum of (1) hour per Chairman's decision. (Assistance with Cashier's station, cleanup, sales assistance, etc.)

PLANT & SEED TAGGING INSTRUCTIONS

TAG plants and seed packages with **(2) TWO** tags prior to sale.

FIRST TAG (White Tag)

Your Chairman Assigned Number eg. #12
Plant Name and/or Color, etc.
Note: Cutting OR Seedling

SECOND TAG (Colored Tag)

Your Chairman Assigned Number eg.#12
Price (in round dollars only) eg.\$25
Use \$ sign to distinguish price

NOTE: YOUR ASSIGNED NUMBER MUST BE ON BOTH TAGS.

(Additional String/Paper Tags may be received from the Chairman upon request)

*** PRICE CHANGES MUST BE INITIALED BY THE SALE PARTICIPANT.**

*** PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE TAGGING INSTRUCTIONS TO ASSURE AN ACCURATE ACCOUNTING OF SALES REVENUE.**

THE PLUMERIA SOCIETY
OF
SOUTH TEXAS

PRESENTS

THE ANNUAL

PLANT & SEED SALE

PADRE STAPLES MALL - CENTER COURT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 1997

10:00 AM TO 6:00 PM

The Plumeria Society of America, Inc.

PO. Box 22791

Houston, Texas 77227-2791

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Plumeria Care Bulletin

July, 1994

Chemicals Used on Plumeria

Do NOT apply chemicals to foliage in direct sunlight!

ALWAYS read and follow manufacturers label instructions for all chemicals.

Take every precaution to avoid skin or eye contact. Wash immediately after use.

Do not inhale dust or fumes.

Fertilizers

Essential Elements	N-P-K C,H,O	•Soil, Super Bloom, BR-61, 15-30-15, etc... •Water, Air
Trace Elements	Fe,Mg,Mn,Ca,B,Mo,Zn,S,Cl,Na	•Soil, Fertilizers
Inorganic	Man made processes	
Organic	Manures, Bone Meal	
Slow Release	Osmocote, Once	
Water Soluble	Super Bloom, BR-61, 15-30-15, 20-20-20	
Bone meal	Slow release Phosphorous	
Super-Phosphate	Relatively slow release Phosphorous	

Insecticides

Granular	Diazinon, Dursban	•Fire Ants, Grub worms
Liquid	Safer, Malathion, Orthene	•Mealy bugs, etc...

Fungicides

Benomyl, Bayleton,	Black Tip
Bayleton	Rust
Air circulation	Rust

Herbicides

Round-Up	OK around base of mature specimens in Hawaii
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Snail and Slug Control

Snail Bait, Copper strips, Diatomaceous Earth, Pick & Toss,

Growth Regulators

1. Branching	Cytokinin and Ethepon(Florel)
2. Growth retardants	Triazoles and Pyrimidines

Defoliant for Winter Storage

Florel	1000 parts per million = xx drops yy% solution per gallon water
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Water

Drip Irrigation	Good to keep plumeria watered in summer
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Soil Mixes

Loose well draining water retaining.
Fine bark mulch is good additive

PLUMERIA SOCIETY OF SOUTH TEXAS

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The Plumeria Society is for those who enjoy the lovely Plumeria and who want to participate in learning more about the aspects of propagation, culture, classification, research, hybridizing.

Meetings are held four times a year on the fourth (4th) Wednesday of the months of March, May, July and October at 7:00 P.M. at the Corpus Christi Garden Center, 5235 Greely Drive. Four Newsletters per year are included. Membership dues are \$10.00 per year per member.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION TO THE PLUMERIA SOCIETY OF SOUTH TEXAS

Name: _____ Telephone#: _____

Address: _____

Send \$10.00 dues to:

Membership Chairman
The Plumeria Society of South Texas

P.O. Box 2153
Corpus Christi, Texas 78403



November 15, 1997 Work Day: Remove plants. Put in greenhouse.
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

November, December, January '98 Photo Exhibit, Botanical Gardens Visitors' Center

March 14, 1998 Work Day: Remove plants from greenhouse and install in beds. Make
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. ready for '98 growing season.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

The Board has elected not to raise dues for this year. Our intent is to cover the Society's cost for postage, etc. and to build up the size of the membership, thus remembering that it's the membership that makes the Society a success. Memberships also make a great gift, one that keeps on giving for a whole year. Please make note of our new mailing address:

Plumeria Society of South Texas
P. O. Box 2153
Corpus Christi, Texas 78403

PHOTO CONTEST TAKING SHAPE

Recently, Mary Jane Crull, Public Relations Coordinator with the Botanical Gardens, set aside November, December 1997 and January 1998 as months for Plumeria photos to be exhibited within the Botanical Gardens Visitors' Center. Photo sizes should be mounted on foam board and be no smaller than 8" x 10". Larger sizes are even more welcomed. Those wishing to enter photos in the contest will need to bring their photos to the October meeting for viewing as selection shall be made then by the present membership. Prizes shall be determined by the Board of Directors prior to the October meeting. As a suggestion, you may wish to photograph flowers at the Botanical Gardens Collection or buy a roll of film for a friend who has a super camera, borrow his camera, or coerce him to take the photos. As a foot note: These dates were suggested due to maintaining "exposure" of Plumerias during the winter months when Plumerias drop their leaves, hibernate, and recharge for the Spring. Judging will be based on artistic and creative ability, color, sharpness, uniqueness, etc. Photographer and variety name shall be placed on the back of the photo so later credit can be given with common labels made by the Chairman (Jocko Taylor). About 15 to 20 photos will be needed for the exhibit.