



Kunia Orchid Society Newsletter

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*** A Message from Our President ***

I received this message from one of our members this past week, and I would like to share it with you (see below). It contains some COVID-19 recommendations shared from various sources. Although the message contains a lot of dos and don'ts, and we may not be able to remember them all, we need to strive to achieve as many of them as possible for the well-being of ourselves and our families.

To help brighten our day, some beautiful orchids shared by some of our members are included in this newsletter. Since we cannot meet, we welcome everyone to share your love of orchids through pictures.

If you are aware of any of our members that may need some assistance at this time, let's see if we can lend a helping hand. Please take care and be safe.

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BY THE 20th OF EVERY MONTH**
to Marilyn Inouye

COVID-19 Prevention Tips

When out of the house wear maximum protection and avoid contact. Avoid anywhere public where there are people closer than 8 ft apart. If needed to go shopping, then wear a face mask and go as little as possible with the minimum number of people. Wipe down with disinfectant cloth on everything you touch – home door handles, car surfaces when you get home. Wash your hands well. If needed, change clothes, take a shower.

For those that have extended family in living areas — your protection depends on everyone following the same level of avoidance and protection. Otherwise, you are only as good as the least protected person who can spread it to others. If a person needs to keep working and is in the public, then minimize their exposure to the rest of the household as needed. Check temperature daily and monitor for any changes/symptoms.

While not everyone who gets infected does poorly, there seems to be no true way to tell who will do well or not and many who are infected do not realize they are before spreading it to many others. Therefore, assume that everyone could have it when going out, so keep your distance and be diligent/strict.

As of April 2, Hawaii had 285 positive cases and 2 deaths. Due to unknown information 115 cases have no determined reason for illness currently, which means we do not know how many are from community spread vs travel vs exposure to someone with those reasons. The stats will be different by the time you receive this.

For every 1 death announced and a 14 to 20-day delay in how the virus spreads, it can be estimated that about 1600 cases may exist, with doubling every 4-5 days. So, there could easily be 1000-3000 cases now or shortly in Hawaii if containment is not achieved. NYC had 300 cases that spread to 3000+ in two weeks.

Only by being very careful can we expect to be successful in reducing the number of people harmed. If you have time, I found this YouTube video of the 1918 Spanish Flu to be very helpful in understanding the danger of COVID-19.

[1918 Spanish Flu historical documentary](#) | [Swine Flu Pandemic](#) | [Deadly plaque of 1918](#)

*KOS Photo Sharing
Beautiful Blooms to Brighten Your Day*





Country Girl 'Warabeuta'
Dendrobium
Sherry Hunt
Mililani



Den anosmum white
Terry Yonahiro
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Cym Via Real.
Ken & Aileen Ching
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Nalo 'Pam x Rrm. Love Bird
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Phal. Momilani Girl 'Momilani'
X Phal. Momilani Girl 'Lynne'
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Schom. tibicinis
x C. nobiliar