



Kunia Orchid Society Newsletter

December 2024

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Edited by Denise Stewart

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha Members of the Kunia Orchid Society & Friends:

The year has gone by so fast. They say the older you get the faster that time goes by. I am grateful for our supportive leaders and members of the Kunia Orchid Society. We benefitted a lot by attending our monthly general meetings and from the various events that we chose to participate in or sponsored. Some of these events were our own Kunia Orchid Show, the Aiea Orchid Club Show, the Honolulu Orchid Society Show and the Mililani Orchid Club Craft & Plant Sale. All these activities helped to promote the appreciation of orchids and an opportunity to invite the general public to join and learn with us.

To further promote orchid education and activities at our monthly general meetings and in the community, our Board of Directors have instituted a new annual dues program. Instead of the past annual \$20 membership dues for each member, for the year 2025 there is a modification of our annual membership dues. It is now \$25 for each Member and \$15 for an Associate Member. (The Associate Member would be a spouse of a member) It will also be \$15 for students. Our membership dues, along with money generated from fund raising events, pay for the rental of our meeting facility, insurance, educational essentials, meeting supplies and equipment, and special event costs. I hope you will all take full advantage of your membership dues and donations that you contribute to KOS by attending each monthly general meeting and special events. We encourage you to sign up with our secretary and treasurer at our December meeting.

At our December meeting we conclude our election for 2025 officers and the addition of some new board of directors. Thank you to our leaders that have served the past year. There is still a need for them to carry on for another year and a need to add new leaders. If you would like to serve KOS in some leadership capacity or to nominate one of our members, please contact Dawn Furumoto on her Cell: (808) 372-5000.

We look forward to seeing you all at our December 3rd general meeting. We are designating our last meeting of the year as a celebration of the end of a good 2024 and the greeting of a new and better 2025. HAPPY HOLIDAYS to you and your family!

Ken Ching

2025 KOS OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ELECTIONS TO TAKE PLACE AT OUR DECEMBER 3, 2024, KOS GENERAL MEETING. FOR ANY ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS PLEASE CONTACT DAWN FURUMOTO, MOBILE (808) 372-5000.

NOMINATIONS

2025 OFFICERS

President: Ken Ching
Vice President: Suzanne Yamada
Treasurer: Laura Figueira
Secretary: Denise Stewart

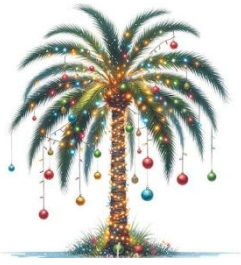
2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dawn Furumoto
Linda Kurihara
Randall Kurihara
Guy Mikasa

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – Carry Over

Joy Ann Long
Dale Mahi
Paul Mahi





INVITING EVERY KUNIA ORCHID SOCIETY MEMBER

*TO OUR DECEMBER MEETING ON DECEMBER 3, 2024,
7:00 pm at the Mililani Ike Elementary School Cafeteria*

IT'S A PARTY!

To celebrate the past 2024 & usher in the New Year, we want to spend an evening together with dinner, plant giveaway's, bingo and trivia games for us to have a lot of fun.

MENU: *Fried Saimin, Teriyaki Meatballs, Beef Broccoli, Chicken Katsu, Orange Chicken, Rice, Toss Green Salad*

**Catered from Mililani Restaurant*

To complete the menu, we invite you to bring your favorite dessert to share.

We hope to see you all there!



MILILANI ORCHID CLUB'S CRAFT & PLANT SALE

Report of Contributors & Results

In September of this year, we announced our participation at the Mililani Orchid Club's Craft & Plant Sale that would take place on Saturday, November 16, 2024 at the Mililani Mauka Elementary School. We seek ways to raise funds to meet our society's expenses, but our main participation goal is always to promote interest in orchids, especially in the Mililani area that we meet for our monthly general meetings. We asked our members to think of things that they could donate that we could sell at our booth at this event and you really came through for us.



We appreciate all that prepared plants from your back yard, set aside orchid plants from your personal collection and prepared various food/baked item so we were able to offer a variety of items to the general public.



Thank you to the following members who donated items or helped in some way at this event: Cathy Ballie, Linda & Randy Kurihara, Perla Alvarez, Larry Yamamoto, Ed Miyashita, Brian & Carol Horiuchi (friends of KOS), Denise Oversen, Stacie Oversen, Penny & Henry Hattal, Laura Figueira, Gary McCurdy, Christina Enoka, Joy Long, Andrea Long, Suzanne Yamada, Paul & Dale Mahi, Max Nonies, Flora Ferreira, Donna Hatzenbuhler (friends of KOS), Denise Stewart, Bill Takamatsu, Ken & Aileen Ching. We apologize if we inadvertently failed to mention your participation at this event.

And what were some of the items donated?? All kinds of backyard plants, general orchids, collector's orchids, honohono orchids, orchid bark, cookies, specialty breads, boiled peanuts, prune mui, picked radish, fresh picked lemons (all at great prices). The homemade products were just outstanding. If you weren't there to get some, it was a special opportunity that may never be offered again.

Mahalo Everyone!



The time has come to renew your Kunia Orchid Society membership for 2025.

To further promote orchid education and activities at our monthly general meetings and in the community, our Board of Directors have instituted a new annual dues program. For 2025, there is a slight increase in our annual membership dues. It is now \$25 for each Member and \$15 for an Associate Member (an Associate Member would be a spouse or partner of a member). There will be a \$15 membership due for students. Our membership dues, along with money generated from fund raising events, pay for the rental of our meeting facility, insurance, educational essentials, meeting supplies and equipment, and special event costs. The success of KOS depends on the contributions of its members through their expertise, knowledge and time sacrificed. We hope that you can lend a hand to benefit our society. Let us know if you are willing.

Mahalo,
Kunia Orchid Society Board of Directors

Kunia Orchid Society – 2025 Membership Application

- ☐ \$25 Annual Membership Dues
- ☐ \$15 Associate Membership (Spouse/Partner of paid member)
- ☐ \$15 Student Membership (Please include copy of student ID)

Tax Deductible Donation, if any:

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\$10 \$20 \$50 \$100 Other \$ _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Please make Check Payable to: Kunia Orchid Society. Your cancelled check will be your receipt. Mail to P.O. Box 893956, Mililani, HI 96789

Name: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Talent/Experience (i.e. Finance, Carpentry, Graphics) _____