

COME ONE, COME ALL-SOCIETY EXPANDS OUTREACH

Using old media and new, the Hawai'i Bromeliad Society is seeing a growth in first-time and returning members (Welcome, Karen, and Welcome Back, Merlinda), and is attracting interested visitors to our meetings (Aloha, Andi and Heather).

The HBS Facebook page is up and garnering attention; Thank you, Laura, for creating and maintaining it. And our meeting announcements continue to be featured in the Garden





section of the Monday *Honolulu StarAdvertiser*, as space permits. But our best advertisement will always be our members—so don't hesitate to invite friends, neighbors, relatives, classmates, cellmates....

Besides guests and members, we've also attracted attention from donors, including a home-grower from Enchanted Lakes who wished to give the Society a number of plants—as long as we picked them up (Thank you, Tom)!

Among recent donations, a tray of *Ananus nanus,* aka dwarf pineapple.

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SEPTEMBER MEETING

This Saturday, SEPTEMBER 24, we meet at Lyon Arboretum at **Noon**.

Our hospitality hosts are Tessie (chips and dip), Karen (cookies), and Tom (drinks).

• Please bring plants for the auction, and suggestions for programs.

REPORT OF THE MEETING OF AUGUST 27, 2011

PLACE: Lyon Arboretum

ATTENDING: Susan Andrade, Tessie Labra, Terese Leber, Sally Mist, Karen Rohter, Stan Schab, Laura St. Denis, Tom Stuart, Lynette Wageman, Randy Wong, and Val Wong. GUESTS: Merlinda Oania, Andi van der Voort, and Heather (from New Zealand)

MEETING: 12:10; ADJOURNED: 3:00

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Laura reserved "our" pavilion in Ho'omaluhia Botanical Garden for the annual end-of-the-year get-together. This year's feast will be on December 3, from 11 to 2. Not that people are ready to party, but Susan has already signed up for a ham, and Merlinda will contribute a turkey. Tessie and Karen will provide Labelled Gift Plants, and the rest of us will bring in special swap plants (not swamp plants).

TREASURER'S REPORT: We have a balance of \$1,472.28.

The Society gratefully acknowledges the contributions by Darlene, Allen, and Anthony, the family of Hatsumi Maertz: their donations of \$220 will be used to enhance our Library and Resource Collection. Lynette introduced a new fundraiser: Vintage Society T-Shirts (any size available, as long as its medium)



HOSPITALITY: for September, **Tom—drinks; Tessie—chips & dip; Karen—cookies.**

LIBRARY: Tom will check with the Bromeliad Society of Australia about a new publication on bromeliad hybrids, with an eye toward purchasing it in memory of Hatsumi. Lynette led a tour of bibliophiles and historians downstairs to our Society library (see page 3).

PROGRAMS: We have been inivted to participate in the Windward Orchid Society Spring 2012 show; see page 4 for more information and upcoming events.

PUBLICATIONS

WEBSITE: The Advisory Committee, chaired by Lynette and with members Raleigh Ferdun, and Terese, met twice; Susan, Marie Ferdun, and Stan were also asked to attend. The committee recommended to the full meeting, and the Society moved, that

Stan look into the Society hiring a professional web designer, including consulting with ' \overline{O} lelo and advertising through the University of Hawai'i student employment office.

Pertinent design issues include cost, ease of use and maintenance, and accessibility across platforms. Laura noted that Mobile Me is planning to discontinue its web hosting. The Society further moved that,

following the model of the Bromeliad Society International, a publications management board be constituted, comprising Susan, Lynette, and Terese, to oversee our publications, in all formats. The members asked Lynette to ask Marie if she would mediate disagreements over the website between

Laura and Tom.

NEW BUSINESS: Terese announced that she will have a table at the East-West Center crafts fair on December 1 and 2, and that she and Val would be happy to sell plants to raise money for the Society.

Merlinda described the bromeliad garden she and 150 Summer Fun students created at Waipahu Intermediate School. They originally used plants bought from Walmart, which turned out be expensive especially because many of them were stolen after planting. She gratefully appreciated, therefore, any plants that the Society could provide—along with the gift of "thorn-proof" gardening gloves (even though thorny, pokey plants are less likely to be stolen, they also pose more danger to students). The bromeliads will be planted in the ground, in a mix of dirt, potting soil, and mulch, in an area that gets some shade. She will keep us posted on how her garden grows.

MAKING-AND PRESERVING-OUR HISTORY



The Hawai'i Bromeliad Society Library, organized and maintained by Lynette Wageman, is housed in the Arboretum's first floor classroom. The Library not only contains valuable reference works and copies of the *Journal of the Bromeliad Society*, it also showcases our history, preserved in scrapbooks and photos going back over thirty years.

Yvonne, Tina, Yoneo, Mildrid—we would like these to be more than just names under old photos. Please send us any stories, reminiscences, or accounts of our found-ing, longtime, or particularly memorable members.





HBS PARTICIPATION IN 2012 ORCHID SHOW

The Windward Orchid Society has contacted us and asked the Hawai'i Bromeliad Society to participate in the WOS Spring Orchid Show in 2012. Lynette Wageman has agreed to coordinate the display along with

Tom Stuart. Tom will also give a class on both Saturday and Sunday on "Bromeliad Basics."

The Honolulu Orchid Society happens to be having its show in two weeks. This would be a perfect time to look at the displays presented by some of the smaller clubs for ideas about what we might do in 2012.

The Honolulu Orchid Society show will be October 7–9 at Washington Middle School Cafeteria. Washington Middle School is located at the corner of King Street and Punahou Street. Admission is free. You can get more information at www.honoluluorchidsociety.org.





Is Tom 1) Proclaiming victory over the WOS? 2) Introducing our new HBS rap anthem? 3) Reminding us how not to recognize *Guzmania*?

Month	Date	Event
		Stepping Stones - Using water as a
September	23	design element
		Stepping Stones - Hanging orchids
October	14	with Peter Niefert
		Stepping Stones - Herb & Veggie
October	28	Planting with Margaret Mortz
		Stepping Stones - Ti Leaf & Roses
November	4	with Ann Kadowaki
		Stepping Stones - Herb wreaths with
December	2	Ann Kadowaki
		Stepping Stones - Swags for your
December	9	holiday table with Gail Hutchinson

LYON ARBORETUM FALL CLASSES

Classes are on Friday mornings, 9:30–11:30, in the Arboretum classroom. To register

- 1. Telephone (808) 988-0461 or (808) 988-0465
- 2. Go to the Lyon Arboretum Visitor Center, 9 a.m.–3 p.m., Monday through Saturday
- Mail a check payable to Lyon Arboretum to Lyon Arboretum: Class Registration 3860 Manoa Road Honolulu, HI 96822-1180

Class costs vary; call the arboretum for registration fees and the latest information on classes.