



The Orchidist

SFOS May 15th 2019 Program

We at the South Florida Orchid Society are very pleased to have Sheldon Takasaki from Carmela Orchids in Hawaii as our Speaker for May 15th. Here are a few things you might not know about Sheldon - He graduated from the University of Hawaii with a BS in Horticulture. Carmela Orchids was Incorporated in 1960. He started working at Carmela Orchids in 1970. It was not as big back then only a few employees - now they have around 14 workers. Sheldon was a trustee for the American Orchid Society, and is a life member of the Hilo Orchid Society, the Honolulu Orchid Society and the AOS. Sheldon is very much a family man - he and his wife Pearl have 3 wonderful children - 2 girls (who are both married) and 1 son; they also have two very beautiful grand-daughters Madison who is two and lives on Big Island with her parents and Avery who is one and lives on Oahu with her parents. If you know how much the orchids mean to Sheldon then I'm sure that you also know how much Las Vegas means to him. Just a little side note he likes all kinds of sports too - I don't know much about the ones we all watch together at my house when he is in town - but I know he loves them. Sheldon's topic is Easy Growing Orchids and Other Stuff You Want to Know.



Sheldon Takasaki

Please join us for an evening of FUN! Carmela Orchids is providing the Raffle Table too!

President's Message

It was again great to be in town for the April meeting. A little sad for me - because of my brother Timmy having passed away just a few days before. However I do wish to thank all of you for the prayers, cards and support. I have a New Normal - what ever that is!

I know that you all had a good time with Gail Miller, as our speaker in April. We had a great Raffle Table (I don't remember getting anything!) and the refreshment table had a little more on it. Things are a looking up - as the old, old saying goes.

I just got home on Sunday night (4/28) from Ocala - yes another Dog Show. However this time I only show one of my dogs - Skeeter and I'll have you all know she is now an International Champion. The Judging is European Style and Skeeter did very well the four "V1" in four shows. I'm very proud of her.

We also now have a full slate of Officer's for next year. Thank You all for letting me beg and twist some arms - I do hope that you all will enjoy being members of the Board. Of course you can always blame me if you don't! Please come to the May meeting and vote these great people in as Board Members.

The May meeting it all set - Sheldon Takasaki will be the Speaker. I know you will enjoy him. He is also providing the Raffle Table.

Don't forget plants for judging and refreshments.

See you May 15th.— Sally

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SLATE OF OFFICERS for June 2019

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This Slate of Officers has been put together by the Board of Directors at their last meeting. No one person felt that they could take on the job of Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

We still need three more people to fill in the whole Slate. If you can give us just one year - call me! (954-260-0764) Although the Term says it ends in 2022 we will work on that - meaning we will try hard to keep you working!

Thanks Everyone - for the part you have played and are going to play.

April 17th 2019 Judging Report

Judges: Sally Taylor, Julie Rosenberg, Javier Morejon, Erna Maxwell

Student Judges: Gilda Nolasco and Leana Brana

Blue Ribbons:

- B. Jimminey Cricket - Steve Rodriguez
- Den. Jan Orinstein - Lisa Coello
- Dtps. Shu Long - Ralph Hernandez
- Den. Lim Tee Hooi (tangerinum x discolor) - Ralph Hernandez
- Onc. Hilo Firecracker 'Lucky Strike' - Ralph Hernandez
- Phal. Anna Larati-Soekardi Floribunda - Ralph Hernandez

Red Ribbons:

- V. Gabriel Piedrahita - Steve Rodriguez
- Onc. Ron's Rippling delight 'A' - Steve Rodriguez
- Bro. sanguinea - Steve Rodriguez
- Trgl. fasciata - Lisa Coello
- Asc. Cherry Blossom 'Carmela' - Lisa Coello
- Onc. sphacelatum - Jim and Linda Wheeler
- Den. Hsinying Superscent (Supernestor x Neifert's Sweet Leilani) - Ralph Hernandez
- Den. anosmum 'Little Sweet Scent' - Ralph Hernandez

Thank you for showing your blooms. Please have plants entered before 7:30 PM.

We look forward to more flowers next month.

Erna Maxwell, Judging Chair.



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See you next month!

Ron Hunt — Editor, The Orchidist

