



Xeriscape Seasonal



Spring/Summer 2009

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND PLANT SALE



Aloha members of the Friends of Halawa Xeriscape Garden (FOHXG). If you missed the public invite that ran in our local newspapers two weeks ago, here is another one for you. You are all encouraged to attend our general membership meeting on Saturday June 27, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at the Halawa Xeriscape Garden. A special membership plant sale will take place at the propagation area directly after the meeting.

At this meeting we will establish a quorum, nominate and vote for Board Members, discuss new membership benefits and present an overview of this year's water conservation education, which was sponsored by the FOHXG. We will also discuss planning the 2009-2010 educational agenda and things new to the Friends of Halawa Propagation Group.

A HIT WITH THE COMMUNITY



The community mulch give-away at the Xeriscape Garden is a remarkable success! On the average, 32 vehicles arrive each Saturday to pick up mulch. The great news is that each driver receives water conservation and xeriscape information, thus making this the great educational medium we hoped it would be.



Historically each year the propagation area is hit by heavy winds that destroy it's shade canopy. At last thanks to BWS we have a temporary solution that won't blow away! Thank you, BWS, for your assistance with this awesome addition to our propagation area. Your timing is impeccable and the volunteers are most grateful!

NEW ROOF

The latest buzz at the garden is all about a new roof for the propagation area! Construction of the wooden structure finished just in the time to shade our volunteer propagation specialists from the heat of summer.

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN

The Annual Xeriscape Open House and Unthirsty Plant Sale is scheduled for Saturday, August 1, 2009, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Members of FOHXG receive special benefits on this day. For starters you receive a 10% discount on plant purchases. You also have "Early Bird" entry privileges; the gates open for you at 8:30 a.m. As a member you have the opportunity to make this an extra special event. We encourage you to experience it in a whole new way by sharing your time and talent with us. In-turn, you will be rewarded with behind-the-scenes fun. To volunteer please call Arthur Aiu at 808-748-5312; believe it or not, he has a spot just for you!

Co-sponsors BWS FOHXG and Steve's Gardening Services will once again feature "The Extreme Xeriscape Make-Over." All entries must be completed at the garden during the plant sale. A random drawing at a later date will identify a lucky homeowner, who, if qualified, will receive the Extreme Xeriscape Make-Over valued at \$20,000. So come on out, join the fun. You might just be the next lucky winner.

Throughout the day you can visit our mini workshops, educational activity booths, and don't forget the keiki; we have fun filled activities for them to enjoy too!



GARDEN EDUCATION

Garden workshops continue to be well received by our community, with registration filling within a day or two of media announcements. The "hot-diggity" workshops this season are the 2nd Annual Decorate an Egg the Xeriscape Way & Garden Easter Egg Hunt where parent and keiki enjoyed a fun-filled morning of creativity. Once again Tillandsia Enthusiast Marty Lum presented the Mother's Day Tillandsia craft workshop in utmost style! The rain barrel water catchment workshop is now dubbed our "top earner" for filling registration the same day the news hit the stands! Good going Cat Sawai and Amy Tsuneyoshi for identifying this need in our community. BWS Communications team, **thank you** for the creative approach used when developing our media advisories. You made these workshops successful!

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Events Schedule

Summer 2009

Propagation Group

Meets each Wednesday at Halawa Xeriscape Garden
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Volunteer Opportunities

08/01/09 Plant Sale – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Saturday - Weed Be-Gone Days
(Call 748-5363 for information and to sign up)

Halawa Xeriscape Workshop Schedule

Workshops start at 10:00

06/06/09 – Rain Barrel Water Catchment

Special Meetings / Events

06/27/09 – 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

General Membership Meeting – Halawa Xeriscape
Garden Membership plant sale to follow.

06/27/09 – FOHXG Board of Director's Meeting
11:30 a.m. Halawa Xeriscape Garden