## SCOS Activities for September, 1963

[Orchid Society of Southern California *Review*, 1963, carried, first, a full-page advertisement about a tour to Hawaii organized by SCOS, and then a report of the tour itself. During the years 1959-1965, OSSC issued their newsletters in the form of a small magazine, then discontinued this practice due to costs, and resumed publication in the usual newsletter format.]

September 16-30, 1963:

## SOUTH COAST ORCHID SOCIETY HAWAIIAN ISLAND TRIP

By Mrs. James Barton

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(so why shouldn't I wish to be an orchid)

The September trip to Hawaii was considered a fabulous success by all 78 of the group, including a number of members of the Orchid Society of Southern California. This entire trip was an orchid lover's dream, leaving aboard a big Pan-American jet. We transferred directly from Honolulu to Hilo, where were officially greeted by our host group, the Hui Okika O Hilo representatives and taken to our hotel in time for a swim before cocktails

The next two days were give to orchid nursery visiting, both commercial and back yard hobbyists. In between stops were made to see special attractions, including Hilo's five waterfalls.

On Wednesday evening we attended a joint dinner meeting with the Hilo group at the Lava Pit, a special banquet room. Our speaker for the evening was Mr. M. Miyamoto from Honolulu, and he showed slides of the Island's finest Cattleyas.

Thursday night was the highlight of our visit to Hilo. A cocktail party was given by the Hirose Nursery family in our honor and included all the local orchid growers. The food and drinks were truly enjoyable, and the music made it a night to remember.

Friday evening found us traveling to the volcano area and to the famous Volcano House for lunch. We then drove to the Kona district, stopping at the home of Albert Nagano and seeing his lovely garden. He had arranged with our travel agency to have us stop at this place as a surprise.

Several side trips were taken around the Kailua, Kona area. Two days later off we went for Maui. Our Hukilau Hotel on Maui was on a beautiful stretch of beach, so the swim crowd had the ocean anc a pool for relaxation.

Some of the group had pen pals on Maui, other hobbyists with whom they exchanged plants, seeds and letters. These pen pals took a group on another swing of the local hobby growers and fine gardens. On another day we visited the capitol of Tahaina and the new Maui Sheraton Resort which is very lovely.

Once more we climbed aboard a Hawaiian Airlines plane, bound for Honolulu and the Hawaiian Village Hotel, a city in itself. On Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> there was a afternoon tour of some of the orchid growers in the area. In the evening a farewell banquet was held in the Golden Dragon Room for the people leaving to go to Singapore.

The next few days were spent in visiting orchid growers in the Honolulu area, sightseeing, shopping, and in general enjoying the people on this worthwhile trip – the best ever.

