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Come to the January 13th meeting!

Tuesday, January 13, 2015, 7:30 p.m. Cherie Flores Garden Pavilion, 1500 Hermann Drive, Houston, Texas *... anyone with an interest in plumeria is invited to attend ...* Speaker: Donita Brannon, Horticultural Exhibits Manager, Rainforest Pyramid Moody Gardens, Galveston Island, Texas

Donita Brannon is the Horticultural Exhibits Manager of the Rainforest Pyramid at Moody Gardens, Galveston Island, Texas. The Rain Forest Pyramid is a 40,000 square foot glass conservatory housing tropical plants and animals from Africa, Central & South America, and Asia. The Rainforest recently went through a 25-million-dollar renovation during which a canopy walkway was installed and many new animal enhancements were added.

This presentation will take you on a "virtual tour" of the Rainforest where you will get a glimpse of some of the interesting and unusual plants, trees, and palms—also birds, bats, sloths, monkeys, fish, turtles, etc.

Donita Brannon received a degree in Floriculture and Ornamental Horticulture from Texas State Technical Institute in Waco, Texas. She has worked at Moody Gardens for over 25 years. She was among the first Galveston County Master Gardeners in 1985 and is a Past President of the International Oleander Society.







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Grafting Tips

These photos demonstrate a flat or horizontal graft. A good flat graft is difficult to do; this method keeps the scion stable and puts downward pressure on the graft union.

As this is a demonstration, I steady a cutting in a block. Usually I would graft onto a rooted plant.



Make a horizontal cut.



Using electrical tape, start wrapping/fastening a popsicle stick to the cutting.



Add a second popsicle stick, and continue wrapping with the electrical tape.



Add a third popsicle stick, and continue wrapping with the electrical tape.



Add a fourth popsicle stick, and continue wrapping with the electrical tape.



Make a horizontal cut on the scion and slip it between the popsicle sticks.



Pull a rubber band over the fork in the scion, and hold it tightly over the popsicle sticks. If using a single-tipped scion, pull the rubber band over pins.



Still holding the rubber band tightly, wrap the electrical tape once or twice **below** the grafted area, securing the band.





Wrap electrical tape once or twice **above** the grafted area.



A successful horizontal graft using this technique.



Luau Photos 2014

The 2014 Fall Social and Luau was held on Saturday, October 18th at the tropical garden of Lake and Eulas Stafford in Pasadena, Texas.





Page 4, clockwise from upper right: Photo 1: Karen Babb, George Hadjigeorge, Jacob and Charisa Parker Photo 2: David Holloway, Martha Abdullahad, Mark Wright, Jerome Bielamowicz Photo 3: George Hadjigeorge Photo 4: Patricia Collazos and Martha Abdullahad

Page 5, clockwise from upper left: Photo 1: Larry and Denise Dawson Photo 2: Vicki Henson and Gary LeCamu Photo 3: Robert Campbell Photo 4: Tex Norwood and Diego Tristan Photo 5: Sofia Campbell and Patricia Weeks Photo 6: Red O'Laughlin and Mark Terrell











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Our new website is easier to navigate and to find information about plumeria care, cultivar registration, society news, events, and much more! Since the website is new, please refer back often to check for updates and to see updated added features such as the flower identification database and a members only newsletter archive! See below for the current MEMBERS ONLY login and password information that will be needed to access the website's newsletter archive.

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Purpose of The Plumeria Society of America

- Promote interest in and increase knowledge of plumeria hybridization, propagation and culture of plumerias.
- (2) Share this knowledge with hobbyists interested in plumerias.
- (3) Provide a register for recording, identifying and classifying by name new types and varieties of plumerias.
- (4) Encourage and unite plumeria enthusiasts around the globe, throughout America and across the seas.

PSA Calendar — 2015

January 13meeting
March 10 meeting
May 12 meeting
June 13 Show & Sale I (Seabrook/Clear Lake)
July 14meeting
July 25Show & Sale II (Fort Bend County Fairgrounds)
October 13 meeting
TBA Fall Social and Luau

- Currently, meetings are held at Cherie Flores Garden Pavilion, 1500 Hermann Drive, Houston, Texas 77030.
- Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. Please feel welcome to come 30–45 minutes before the meeting for snacks and chat.
- We have a raffle, guest speakers, and more. Please join us for the evening to learn more about plumeria care and collecting.
- Non-members are always welcome!
- Bring your blooms. Bring your friends.
- Bring plants, cuttings, etc. for door prizes! These can be anything, not just plumerias.

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New PSA Registration



Hannah Joy registered by Carolyn LeJune



Eulas Stafford presenting PSA Certificate of Registration to Carolyn LeJune in Houston, Texas

In Memorium—Paula V. Pugh-Schipp

Our frangipani friend Paula Pugh-Schipp passed away in Perth, Australia last October. She was an enthusiastic plumeria seed grower and has left us with the following varieties registered with the PSA: Coralcoast Amazing May, Coralcoast Asger's Tribute, Coralcoast Blushing Bride, Coralcoast Cara, Coralcoast Carouselle, Coralcoast Dainty Dwarf, Coralcoast Desert Fire, Coralcoast Ducko Wheelock, Coralcoast Forever Green, Coralcoast Gaocoyne Gold, Coralcoast Old Rosy, Coralcoast Palatial Pink, Coralcoast Pammy Q, Coralcoast Pink Pearl, Coralcoast Tropical Turbine, Coralcoast Vera's Century, Coralcoast Paula's Pride, Coralcoast Kaleidoscope, Coralcoast McLeod's Daughter, Coralcoast Karen Mallard, and Coralcoast Lazy Susan.

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As meeting times and locations will vary in 2015, please consult the SCPS's website for information.

Calendar 2015

February 8	
March 28–29	
May 3	Rotating small group discussions: ID your plumeria, taking better plumeria photos, and grafting
June 14	Panel discussion: Bring your questions for our annual panel of SCPS experts
July 12 Plant Hormones: How they work	and affect the growth of our plants (Speaker: Ernesto Sandoval, UC Davis Botanical Conservatory)
August 9	
September 5–6	17th Annual Hawaiian Plumeria Festival—Flower Show and Plant Sale
October 11	