

FRIENDS OF MAUI BOTANICAL GARDENS

NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 1982

IN MEMORIAM - ROBERTA DERRIS

The "Friends" lost a loyal and enthusiastic supporter with the passing of Roberta Derris. She was the spark that ignited the concept of the friends and kept it going. We have truly lost a valuable and loved member of our group as she was the co-chairman from the group's inception. In her memory, we will have a tree planting at the Garden and erect a sign to her. The Derris girls will each plant a tree in a part of the garden which was one of Roberta's favorite spots. The planting will be as follows:

Date: Sunday, February 28, 1982  
Time: 10:00 a.m.

Please join us for this special commemoration.

DONATIONS

The "Friends" have received a number of contributions in kind and in cash. We are most grateful as each gift will be well used. We have received materials to make a drip system in the expanded part of the garden including pipes and fittings. We received cash donations from Maui Family Reunion and the Derris family in memory of Roberta. Mahalo to everyone!

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

We have a monthly meeting the first Thursday of every month. Our next regular meeting will be on Thursday, March 4, 1982 at 12:00 noon. Please join us. We always meet under the hao trees near the hibiscus garden. We will plan future events and projects as well as enjoy the atmosphere of the garden.

IN THE GARDEN

The garden continues to grow and develop under the special care of Rene Sylva. A number of illustrious visitors continue to visit and appreciate the garden. We hope the members of the "Friends" also can get down to see the growth and progress with the nearly completed arbor sign and the lower part of the garden which now has a stage. Behind the stage will be a tree enclosed dressing area. There are many other plans for the development of this extension of the garden.

DUES NOTICE

1982 membership dues are now due. Please make your check payable to the "Friends of the Maui Botanical Gardens" and forward it to Joyce Tomlinson at 721 Kekona Place, Makawao, Hawaii 96768. Single and family memberships are \$5.00. Include your name, address and phone number.