

TREASURE VALLEY ORCHID SOCIETY, Inc. Boise, Idaho

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Orchid Chat

Wednesday, February 16th, 2011

Social 7:00 PM - Meeting 7:30 PM

Signature Point Clubhouse - 3509 N. Cole Road - Boise

Show Planning, Orchid Care and Container Ideas!!

by Guest Speaker

Carol Liese Rodriguez,

Owner of 'An Orchid Affair'

April 2/3: 2011 Orchid Show and Sale!! Mark your Calendars!!
Hilton Garden Inn Hotel located by Edward Cinemas
Saturday 10-6 and Sunday 10-4 Hope to see you There!

Refreshments provided by Margaret Donnelly
Raffle items provided by Sue Birnbaum
Door Prize by Ruth Mayer



TVOS Birthdays

Did we miss your birthday? Call Ruth Mayer at 208-939-4645 or email her at ruthmayer@cablone.net with your birthday info.

Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 12th, 1:00 - 3:00PM Signature Pointe Library 3509 N. Cole Rd., Boise
All TVOS Members Welcome



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Idaho Native Orchid Spotlight



Cypripedium (Lady's Slipper)

In Idaho, there are 3 species of Lady's Slippers. Easily recognized by the large, inflated lip, they are among the rarest plants. The plants were used by Native Americans as tranquilizers. They have been used as a sedative for nervous headaches, hysteria and nervous irritability, and insomnia. This orchid has been found in the Wood River Valley.

From the book "Useful Plants of Idaho"
by Ray S. Vizgirdas

Good websites for Orchid Information

Tennis Maynards Orchid Collection

<http://www.orchidcourt.com/pics.html>

Tennis is a grower in Central Ohio who has a nice page telling us all how he handles his collection without a greenhouse. Most importantly, he has a well organized photo album of his plants

Do you have a favorite orchid website that you would like to share with other members?
contact Ruth at ruthmayer@cableone.net



Good Books

"The Orchids of Nepal"

This book is the outcomes of ten years long research on the orchids flora of Nepal. It covers the Himalayan natural orchids of Nepal including tropical, subtropical, temperate, subalpine and alpine species. It has one thousand of beautiful color photographs.

Meeting Minutes - January 19th, 2011

- President Jeff Ford opened the meeting by announcing Ted Doyle has become a new member. Lee Croft, who has not been able to attend meetings lately, was present also.
- For February's meeting, Carol Rodriguez will present tips on getting ready for the TVOS Show and Sale, which will occur on April 2 – 3. A new vendor from Seattle has contacted TVOS and will be present at the Show.
- In March, "The Orchid Doctor" from Rupert will make a presentation on how to recognize and avoid orchid pests.
- In April we will all celebrate the Show and Sale with our spaghetti feed and recap. Bill Morse is visiting California nurseries this spring and will follow up with a presentation on "Cymbidiums and Orchid Surprises".
- Anyone interested in our old 35mm slide projector? We are trying to find a new home for it. Jeff Ford also mentioned that the board discussed storage options for the TVOS inventory, which is not together in one location. One option is to rent a storage unit and pros and cons with this were discussed at the board meeting. Jeff asked members to suggest ideas.
- Terry McMorro, Treasurer, presented the account balances which reflected a debit from payment of rent for Signature Pointe Clubhouse.

Becca Smith and Gregg Mattson brought many of their miniature orchids for this month's presentation. Each described their own methods of growing; Becca grows her miniatures in an orchidarium and Gregg is able to have up to 120 orchids in a small space by placing them on vertical supports! Cattleyas grow well as miniatures, mounted in baskets.



The orchid table was beautiful with many large orchids as well as some miniatures. Bill Morse brought orchids of many varieties. The first place ribbon went to Ted Doyle for his *rhynchostylis gigantea alba*. Terry McMorro took second place for his famous *Vanda – Tanu Gold x V Rastri Gold*, and Rocky Redford placed third for his *ancistrochilus rothschildiann*.