

TREASURE VALLEY ORCHID SOCIETY, Inc. Boise, Idaho

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Orchid Chat

Wednesday, May 18th, 2011

Social 7:00 PM - Meeting 7:30 PM

Signature Point Clubhouse - 3509 N. Cole Road - Boise

May's Program

**"Growing Cymbidiums Outside
and Orchid Surprises"**

by Bill Morse

Checkout the TVOS website for all of your Show and Sale pictures

*Jessica Savre will provide refreshments.
Donations for door and raffle prizes will be appreciated*



TVOS Birthdays

Happy May Birthdays to Patty Meyer 5-16, Margaret Donnelly 5-21, Jeff Ford 5-19,
Alex Clifton 5-29

Board Meeting

Second Wednesday of the month,
1:00 - 3:00PM Signature Pointe Library 3509 N. Cole Rd., Boise
All TVOS Members Welcome



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Northwest Native Orchid Spotlight



Pad-leaved Orchis (*Platanthera orbiculata*)

Platanthera orbiculata is a very striking species, very different from the other plants in the genus. It ranges in a great arc from Washington, Idaho and Montana, through Canada and Alaska and down into the Appalachian Mountains as far south as North Carolina and Georgia. Like *P. obtusata*, it is usually found in woodlands rather than in wet and marshy areas. and is easily recognizable not only by its location, but also by its two large pad-like leaves and its flowers which are whitish-green and look like a dragonfly in flight.

From the blogspot: Native Orchids of the Pacific Northwest and the Canadian Rockies
<http://nativeorchidsofthepacificnorthwest.blogspot.com/>

Good websites for Orchid Information

Orchids in Bloom

My orchidarium and some of the orchids I've bloomed.

<http://orchidsinbloom-ron.blogspot.com/>

Another great blog site from an orchid grower in Northwestern Washington.

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 New Encyclopedia of Orchids: 1500 Species in Cultivation
by Isobyl la Croix

An authoritative and lavishly photographed beauty of a book that will delight orchid enthusiasts and astonish everyone else.

Meeting Minutes - April 20th, 2011

- Margaret Donnelly announced that our new President, Gregg Mattson, has agreed to be at the helm of TVOS following the resignation of Jeff Ford. Jeff will continue to be an active board member and a great asset to TVOS. Margaret also thanked all attending TVOS members for contributing to the celebratory "feast" of spaghetti and meatballs, salads and desserts. We celebrated the fact that the Annual TVOS Show and Sale on April 2-3 went exceedingly well, and all expenses were covered. Margaret thanked all of those who helped with the show, from set-up to take-down. She thanked Rocky for advertising the show, Chriss Meredith for her Idaho Native Orchid display, Ruth Mayer for her potting demo, and Terry McMorrow for his thorough accounting of the show's revenue and expenses.

- Rocky thanked Margaret for a spectacular job of organizing and implementing the Show and Sale, to which members applauded.

- The TVOS website is growing – thanks went out to Ruth Mayer for working so hard on it. Stay tuned: Ruth talked about the possibility of having a page on the website where members could post items for sale.

-Terry McMorrow circulated the Account Balances as of 4/19/2011. He stated that the Show and Sale was able to make a small profit, and reviewed the expenses and revenues of the show.

- As for old business, Gregg indicated that TVOS has acquired a storage unit for its inventory. There was no new business.

- It was difficult to pick the best of the orchid display table because there were so many great orchids! Janet Christ won first place for her *Dendrobium loddigesii*, Jeff Ford won second for his *Cattleya Forbesii*, and Bill Morse won third for his *Oncidium Mendenhall*.

- For May, Jessica Savre will provide refreshments. No one had signed up for the door or raffle prize.