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Hospitality: Gary Krotz

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Newsletter: Carol Wolfe

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Program: Dory Gallagher,

Publicity: Virginia (Ginny) McKinney

Sunshine: Jeanelle Hires

Web Site: Jo Anne Hartzler

Yearbook: Deborah LeMonde

Florida West Coast: Bob McKinney

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE





Thanks to Joan McLain for leading a lively workshop on how to protect your plants from the winter cold and what it takes to keep them growing and

blooming all winter.

At our November meeting, Keith presented a program on flasking. The presentation went from setting seed, to flasking, to removing the seedlings from the flash into a com pot. They went to a lot of trouble to bring all the necessary equipment for visual demonstration. A big thanks to Keith and for an unusual and interesting program.

March 7, 8, 9, 2008 Annual Show & Sale Bayanihan Arts & Events Center

Jo Anne Hartzler reports that the 2008 TBOS Show is in motion and gaining speed. She will keep us informed throughout the next months of the planned activities and the part that you can do to help make this the successful show it was in 2006.

Don't forget to patronize our advertisers for your gift giving and other orchid needs.

Congratulations to Anne Boldrick for her appointment to the TBOS Board of Directors to fill the Director vacancy. She will be a valuable asset to the Board. I understand the Field Trip to members homes was a great success with lots of enthusiasm for orchids. Jo Anne we will look forward to hearing about your adventure at the next meeting.

If you are leaving town for the holidays and cannot join us, we will certainly miss you, drive safely and our Best Wishes for a Great Christmas with family and friends. For the members, in town, please bring yourself, a guest and a covered dish to the Christmas Party on the 20th at 6:00 PM and enjoy good food and fellowship. See you then.

Tom Wolfe President

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Hi Everyone,

We will be donating food supplies to Metropolitan Ministries again this year. So bring in you non per-

ishable food at the Christmas Dinner on the 20th

Thanks, Gary



Congratulations to Jeanne Dyer who won the Novice Award with her orchid and thanks to Jeanne for all the entries in that Division.

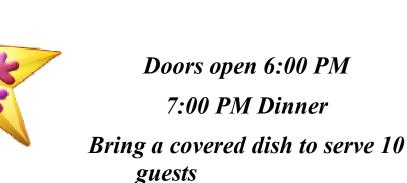
Did anyone get pictures for the next newsletter?



Hospitality

The 20th is our annual Christmas Dinner. We will have Turkey and the sides, and Cuban pork, black beans and rice. Bring in your favorite dish and share it with your fellow orchidologists.

CHRISTMAS PARTY JRSDAY, DECEMBER 20TH



TBOS will furnish meats & drinks



TBOS Minutes November 15, 2007 Recorded by Gerri Almand, Secretary



Tom Wolfe, President, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The minutes from the October 18, 2007 were read aloud. Bob McKinney moved that the minutes be accepted as read, and Jim Van Koolbergen seconded the motion.

Membership: Forty-three members and one guests signed in.

<u>Treasurer:</u> Tom reported that TBOS's net profit for the month of October was \$1313.52. The current checking account balance was \$5294.46.

Education: Joan McLain moderated a discussion of ways to keep our orchids warm and thriving during the winter cold snaps. She discussed electric, kerosene, and propane gas as possibilities. Charcoal grills were identified as good emergency back-ups in the event of power outages. Many questions and comments from members regarding specific genera were presented. Members with greenhouses had different recommendations and strategies than members who grow either outside or on lanais. It was interesting to note that long-term, veteran growers disagreed as to the lowest temperatures various genera could tolerate. The "pros" agreed, however, that exposure to temperatures below 50 degrees could well set back the blooming on most genera. However, even Vandas can reportedly "live" through very low temperatures; they just will not be very happy and may take some time to recover. The group discussion/questions/answers/ etc. became so involved that Tom Wolfe had to call the Education portion of the meeting to an end in the interest of time. Joan certainly picked a timely topic, successfully engaging a large number of members in the discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AOS and Orchid Digest: Tom had applications available for members interested in joining.

<u>Florida West Coast Orchid Society:</u> Bob McKinney announced that the December 2007 meeting would be the annual holiday party. In Jan., the program will be on Orchids of Europe.

TBOS Program: TBOS will have a holiday celebration in December rather than a guest speaker. Dory Gallagher announced that that the speaker for January 2008 will be from the University of Florida and will talk about a project to reseed specific areas of Central Florida with native orchids. This is the current consideration for TBOS's Community Service Project donation for the 2007-08 year. In Gary Krotz's (Community Services Chairperson) absence, Jo Anne Hartzler explained more about the proposed project.

<u>Sunshine:</u> Jeannelle Hires announced that no get-well or sympathy cards had been sent. A birthday card was passed around for Charlie Ochipa for members to sign. Charlie is celebrating his 80th birthday.

<u>Distribution and Exchange:</u> Corrine Arnold announced that plants on the raffle table tonight came from E.F.G. Nursery.

<u>Plant Sales:</u> In the absence of Jose and Carolyn Llamas, Michael Collins manned the member sales table. The Llamases have been absent due to the illness of Carolyn's father.

Hospitality: Susan Ogle was in charge of tonight's wonderful spread of food as Gary Krotz was absent.

<u>Correspondence:</u> Jim Brunton reported sending eight thank you notes to guests and one note to a new member.

Library: Robin Saunders was absent tonight. No report.

<u>Newsletter:</u> Avril Wick was absent tonight. The November newsletter had not been published and no one knew why.

<u>Publicity</u>: Ginny McKinney reported that notices of tonight's meeting had been sent to the regular publications. In addition, a flyer had been developed for TBOS's Spring show, which was passed around for

members to see. Ginny reported on the multiple contacts that have already been made and that are planned in preparation for the show.



<u>Community Service:</u> Gary Krotz was absent. The January 2008 program will share information about the University of Florida program to reseed native orchids in Central Florida.

Displays: Position remains open.

<u>Website:</u> Jo Anne reported that she and two volunteers, Pat Clauser and Jim Brunton, plan to meet soon to talk about the Website. Jim's wife has also volunteered to help.

<u>Yearbook:</u> Deborah spoke of progress on the Yearbook. She had emailed copies of current membership information, requesting that members respond with any corrections or updates.

Historian: No report.

<u>Field Trip:</u> Jo Anne Hartzler reminded members of the November 17, 2007 field trip to visit several members' homes to view their orchids. A sign-up sheet was passed around in case any additional members wished to participate. Jo Anne, Gerri Almand, Susan Ogle, and Jeanelle Hires had telephoned members the previous week to inform them of the trip and to encourage participation.

OLD BUSINESS

The budget for TBOS for the 2007-08 year was the first item of old business. Tom Smith, Treasurer, presented copies of the proposed 2007-08 budget. The proposed budget reflected an anticipated income of \$10,516.00 and anticipated expenses of \$21,118.25, resulting in a deficit of \$10,602.25. Membership discussion resulted, especially over the item of Community Service Project, for which \$1250.00 had been allocated. After discussion, this allocation was reduced to \$500.00, following a vote of the members. Issues were also raised over paying \$100.00 for an auctioneer for the annual orchid auction, with this objection being defeated by a vote from the membership. Bob McKinney moved that the budget be accepted as presented, with the one modification, and Ginny McKinney seconded the motion. The amended budget was passed following a vote of the membership.

Membership dues for the 2007-08 year are now due. Tom Wolfe announced that he and Carol had gone through all of the Membership registrations and believed they had an accurate accounting of which members had renewed and which had not. He indicated a possibility of members who had not renewed being contacted by phone. The matter was left unsettled.

There was discussion of the remodeling of the Seminole Garden Club, with this work scheduled to begin in April 2008. Previous arrangements had been made for TBOS to meet temporarily at University Community Village beginning in January 2008. Tom indicated that someone would need to contact University Community Village to determine if the offer of use of their facilities was still good and also to renegotiate the dates.

NEW BUSINESS

Tom Wolfe announced that Anne Boldrick had been appointed by the Executive Committee to replace the Board of Directors position previously held by Karen Martinson. Anne had been contacted and agreed to this appointment.

Scott Baggett spoke of the upcoming TBOS bus trip to Miami for the 19th WOC. A sign-up sheet was passed around for members wishing to participate in the trip.

Dory Gallagher spoke of the need for trophy sponsors for the Spring show. She passed around a sheet so that interested members could volunteer to sponsor a trophy of their choice.

Dory indicated that she would be leading TBOS in setting up a tabletop display at the Sarasota Orchid Show January 4-6, 2008. Set-up will begin at noon on January 3rd. Dory sent around a sign-up sheet so that members interested in assisting in the set-up could so indicate.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50, with Bob McKinney moving and Julio Hector seconding the motion.

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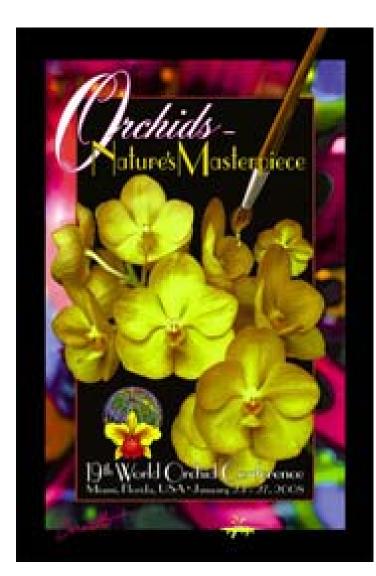
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* Center Judgings at Tampa are held at Tampa Garden Center, 7:30PM, fourth Wednesday of each month, except where noted. Plants for judging should arrive by 7:00PM * Center Judgings at Orlando are held at Lau Gardens,

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Show: Thursday, January 24, 2008 - 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Friday, January 25, 2008 - 10:00 AM to 10:00

Saturday, January 26, 2008 - 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Sunday, January 27, 2008 - 10:00 AM to 6:00

ADMISSION: General Admission to the

Show: \$20