

BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF BROWARD COUNTY

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SCURF JULY 2016

**SPECIAL BROMELIAD EVENT THIS WEEKEND
IN GOULDS, FL. SEE PAGE 7 & ATTACHMENT**



AECHMEA 'STAR OF LINDA'

IMAGE WITH TWIN BLOOMS COURTESY OF SHIRLEY KONEFAL

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BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF BROWARD COUNTY

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Our meetings generally offer a speaker on timely and noteworthy topics, member plant sales, a plant raffle, special holiday plant auctions, diagnosis of disease and pest problems, and a Country Store with selected bromeliad and gardening supplies.

We meet the third Monday of every month except January and February.

Affiliations: BSBC supports



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It has been a sad month for our society. Our assistant membership chairperson, Marcia David, passed away 3 weeks ago. Remember Marcia, the smiling, sweet person who greeted you when you attended our general meetings. Her husband, Bill, runs the Country Store. Marcia has been with our Society for many years and her kind heart and active support will be greatly missed. Carol Mordas, Ann Schandelmayer, Suzie Newman and I attended a memorial at Marcia's son's house last Sunday and met her wonderful family and friends. Our prayers go out to Bill in his time of sorrow.



If we think this July is hot, I bet you just can't wait for August and September. Several of my bromeliad beds that have been green for many years now have yellow leaves from the intensity of the sun.

Join us on Monday, July 18, for our general meeting. Our speaker will be Tom Guice from Bullis' Nursery in Homestead. Bullis' is one of the largest bromeliad nurseries in the United States. The Members Sales Table, the Raffle Table and the Country Store will be open.

At our June General Meeting, Josefa Leon, owner of Sunshine Bromeliads in Southwest Ranches, informed our members of the completion of their nursery expansion. We will let everyone know the exact date of the opening. Josefa has been an honorary member of our society and a great supporter of our society for many years. The first bromeliads I bought in 1999, I bought from Josefa.

The Board, in our last meeting, has elected to award honorary memberships to Harriet Abo, Larry Davis and Fred Senior for their long years of service to our society. You know Harriet and Larry. They have been our host and hostess of our refreshment table and setting up our meetings each month. Harriet makes sure we have wonderful food, some she makes herself and also sets up our refreshment table with Larry's help. How can anyone forget Larry's BROM 101 class and his unique hats he wears at each meeting? Larry is also our announcer at the end of our meetings calling out the raffle ticket numbers and he also provides beautiful bromeliads for our members, plant sales table. Fred Senior, even though he is in his 80's, has been donating many plants for the raffle table and our plant sale events. Congratulations Harriet, Larry and Fred and on behalf of our society, thank you for your devotion and dedication to our society.

Once again, the Board and I are asking our members to consider volunteering their time to fill the vacant positions we have on our Board presently for Recording Secretary. We are also asking for a volunteer to be Membership Chairperson. We have job descriptions to help those of you who volunteer. Our current membership directory is presently being updated and will be distributed before next month's general meeting. If you do not want your address, telephone number or e-mail in the Directory, please let me or Gayle Spinell-Gellers know. For those of you who do not have an e-mail address, your member's copy will be available at the membership desk at August's General Meeting.

The Board is working to provide our members with information about your bromeliads. We will be starting 10 minute presentations during the first part of our general meetings for those of you who are new to our society and broms. Our first presentation will be how to pup your adult plant and how to remove dead leaves. I know this will be very elementary for our members who have been in the society for years but I also hope they will be the ones who will add additional information from their experience. The cutting tool(s) for pupping your broms will be for sale in the General Store. See you there.

IN MEMORIAM



Marcia David

**Long time BSBC member....Membership Chair.....member of B.U.S.H....avid bird and butterfly watcher...
volunteer at Hoffman Library.....devoted wife of Bill David
Marcia put time and energy into everything she loved.**



Images from Marcia and Bill's own garden.

FROM THE EDITOR

As Scurf editor for the last few years I have had to rely on the Membership Chair for updated rosters and assorted other files. Marcia was always there to provide what was needed. She used a Mac. I use Windows. There were times when the files from different operating systems would not play nicely together. Things wouldn't open. Some files would get scrambled or disappear into cyberspace. How we would laugh, scratch our heads and try again. I loved to watch Marcia's expressions when something funny would happen. The first time we struggled to retrieve the photos from Bill's camera so they could be used in the SCURF was priceless. She would have laughed this month when all my photos on my phone from the June meeting disappeared. I shall miss those times and her spirited support.

Garden on!



Gayle

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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Maria Amador
Becky Blackwood
George Colbert
Bill David

Vann Elliott
Jim Kerns
Roly Rodriguez
Eddie Yi

Welcome

NEW MEMBERS

Carolyn Cray of Ft. Lauderdale
Rich Mediavilla of North Miami Beach
Rolando Rodriguez of Southwest Ranches
Janette Walters of Plantation



HARRIET'S HOOTS

Happy July to Everyone - - So, did you all have enough noise from the firecrackers? I love it when people start setting off fireworks before the 4th of July and after the 4th of July. Come on people - - 4th of July is on the 4th of July..... Not before and not after. I guess you can see that I really don't like fireworks. Some of them sound like a bomb is going off. However, without the noise and only seeing the fireworks from a distance, it's not so bad and some of them are really beautiful with all the different colors.



Before I go on to thank our wonderful members who brought refreshments to our table, I would like to send condolences to Bill David on the passing of Marcia David and I'm sure that we are all saddened by his loss.

I do appreciate all of you who bring goodies for the refreshment table and I would like to give you a clap-clap-clap for all of your hard work. So, with further adieu, they are.....

Shirley Konefal - - Bruschetta and Garlic Bread (mmm – good – loved it)
Maurice Bruet - - Sheet Cake along with Chips and Crackers (great)
Gloria Chernoff - - Pastry Bites (my very favorite)
Harry Sperling - - Lemon Blueberry Cake (wonderful, as always)
Carol Mordas - - Mango Blackberry Crisp (really good)
Gayle Spinell-Gellers - - Platter of Assorted Cookies (yummy)
Lu Weber - - - Vegetarian Spaghetti (different and great)
Brigitte Sheeks - - - Ganache & Crackers (nice touch)
Patty Messina, Fran Saltz & Rhoda Brignol - -Baked Ziti and Bagels (Wow)

Ok, that's all for now folks – keep cool (It's so hot outside) and I'll see you at our next meeting.

Hugs – Harriet

SCURF FEATURE



Tillandsia 'Samantha'

Win a raffle sheet with 20 tickets—

Be the first to email
yroftiger@aol.com with the correct
name of this brom on the right.



JULY MEETING

Monday, July 18, 2016

6:30 pm

Deicke Auditorium, 5701 Cypress Road, Plantation



BULLIS BROMELIADS

Tom Guice from Bullis Nursery

will be speaking on different types of Bromeliads and bringing plants to sell.

The [nursery website](#) has some beautiful images of the many award winning arrangements created by Bullis staffers.

The Country Store will be open..... The Raffle Table loaded with goodies..... Great refreshments..... The inside scoop on a terrific bromeliad nursery.

Special Requests... !

If you have extra **plastic bags** from a grocery, we can use them for taking home plants and for the local food bank.

Have you tried Amazon Smile? Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible AmazonSmile purchases to a charity of your choice which could be the BSBC. NO COST to you. Log on is easy at smile.amazon.com . Same great prices and selection with the funds going directly to the organization.

If you have extra ear buds the kind the airlines give out for free, Gayle is collecting them for a school on the [Amazon River in Peru](#). Thanks!!!!

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO SEE

August 20th - 21st 9-4	Seminole Bromeliad and Tropical Plant Sale Bromeliads, gingers, orchids, gifts	The Garden Club of Sanford (on 17-92, one block south of Lake Mary Blvd) (bldg. is air conditioned!)
Sept. 15-17	The Landscape Show	Orange County Convention Center International Drive Orlando, FL

SPECIAL EVENT THIS WEEKEND!
BARBARA WILKINS OF GOULDS, FL PRESENTS—
BARBARA ON THE ROCKS!
JULY 16 & 17, 2016 10-4 FLYER ATTACHED!

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FINAL REMINDER....

MONDAY NIGHT, JULY 18!
BSBC MEETING @ DEICKE
6:30 PM