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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.



The Bromeliad Society of Broward County is a member of, and supports:

The Bromeliad Society International

<http://bsi.org>



The Bromeliad Society of Broward County is a member of, and supports:

The Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies

<http://fcbs.org>



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<http://www.iinet.net.au/~scrozier/Culture.html>

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NEXT MEETING: JUNE 19TH, 2006

Guest Speaker: David McLean

"Landscaping with Bromeliads"

David will take us on a guided tour of the landscapes in our area with the use of bromeliads in the design. He currently operates Trinity Churchside Garden in Fort Lauderdale, where he gives walk-and-talk lectures. He also owns Living Systems Consulting and Landscape/Design.

. We meet the third Monday of every month (except January) at 7:30 p.m. in the Broward Agricultural Extension Building 3245 College Avenue, Davie, Florida

Plant sales will be open!

We will also have our plant raffle

About our Guest Speaker

David Mclean speaks for all levels of horticulture in South Florida. He retired in 2003 from the landscape Technology Program at Broward Community College where he taught all facets of horticulture and landscaping courses. It included seven different plant identification courses, landscape design, and practical horticulture. David holds a BS from the University of Miami with a major in Zoology with emphasis in Entomology and a minor in Botany. Educational up-dating comes from community trade and academic seminars, both as attendee and as a speaker. He has written and taught many of the landscape technology courses at BCC and is highly visible in community Activities.

Memberships past and Present include Fairchild, Flamingo, Missouri and Selby Botanical Gardens and many associations including the Florida Nurserymen and Growers and Landscapers Association. Two tropical flowering tree societies, three rare fruit and vegetable groups, Florida native Plant Society, Broward County Bromeliad Society, The Bush Club, The Rare Fern and Exotic Plant Society, two herb societies and the Society of Economic Botany. Last spring her taught two native plant courses at BCC.

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Calendar of Events for 2006

August 19-20 - Seminole Bromeliad and Tropical Plant society

Fall Tropical Plant Sale

Garden Club of Sanford

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sudi Hipsley at 352- 728-5002 or Bud Martin at 321-363-7351

The public is invited. Admission is free.

September 30 - Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies' Extravaganza

Sale, banquet and rare plant auction. Miccosukee Indian and Gaming Resort Convention Center. Miami, Florida USA. For more information visit www.fcbs.org.



Jean Tease won a Bonus Plant and gave it to one our guests, Marita Perkins. A beautiful Neoregelia.

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Amendment to the By-Laws

The article of our By-Laws for which an amendment is being proposed and will be subject to a vote of the Assembly of members at the upcoming meeting is Article VI. Dues. Item 5.

The present text reads as follows:

“The Society year shall begin as of the regular meeting in May. Dues shall be payable at the beginning of the Society year. Any member delinquent for 80 days shall automatically be dropped from the roll after having been duly notified by the Treasurer.”

The proposed text is:

“The fiscal year of the Society shall begin on February 1st and end on January 31st. Dues are payable on February 1st. Any member whose dues are delinquent for 80 days shall be dropped from membership following notification by the Treasurer”

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HAPPY Fathers Day



The Presidents Message

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We want to thank our last speaker, Gil Mac Adams, who visited us for the second year in a row and gave us an expanded program on landscaping for wildlife, with some bromeliads placed strategically among the shrubs and trees and fine whistles.

At this meeting, the Board will be voting on a proposed change in the By-Laws to allow for advancing the payment of dues from end of May to end of January. As explained at the previous meeting, payment in January is sought to align us better with the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies (FCBS) so that every active member of our Society will be included in the yearly edition of the State Roster and will be able to receive the Council's quarterly newsletter. As you know, amendments to the By-Laws have to be voted by the membership at a General Meeting. The current text of the article in question and the wording of the proposed amendment is shown in p. 5. I hope all members find this change acceptable and will vote in favor.

In the meantime, move your plants around to more shaded places to avoid the damages of the intense sun we are now enjoying. And remember for our wet days, where there is rain followed by strong sun, burning spots will develop very rapidly.

Pepe

Book of the Month

The featured book this time is the work of Jose Manzanares, a Spanish botanist who settled in Ecuador more than twenty years ago and devoted his time to study the bromeliads in that country. Ecuador abounds in flora and fauna and bromeliads grow in all of its diverse microclimates. The book is the first of a series Manzanares plans to publish under the general title of "Jewels of the Jungle". Modeled after Leme's "Bromeliads of the Atlantic Forest" trilogy, it may ultimately correspond to a study of the Pacific side. This volume is devoted to the sub-family Bromeloideae. It includes 78 species from eight genera found in Ecuador out of the thirty two genera in the sub-family. While a second volume on Pitcairnioideae is already in circulation, there will be two others on Tillandsioideae. For a quick understanding of these tongue-twisting names and details of taxonomic classification, turn to p. 70-71.

Judging from the abundant technical aspects provided in the text, the simplified taxonomic classification, the uncommon (at least for us) plants shown and the spectacular photos in the book, this series is going to become as successful and widely read as the Elton Leme trilogy, for the botanist as well as for the collector. I highly recommend your browsing it. If you have not seen examples of the genus Chevaliera, here you will enjoy some of the most extraordinary inflorescences.

As usual, we will bring the Baensch and Steens books and the booklet on Tillandsias.

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Members Gallery

By Jose' Donayre

By Jose Donayre

Ann Schandelmayer, our new Secretary, joined our Society in 1985 coming from a long commitment to the Federation of Garden Clubs where she is the Chaplain and continues to be a major force. Her superb creativity in blending plant material for artistic arrangements has won her many awards. She has also taught student judges the intricacies of the genre, as in this 2005 class.

She was interested in Bromeliads much before 1985 and still keeps her *Billbergia 'Fantasia'*, one of the earliest bromeliads she collected.



Although hurricane Wilma did severe damage to her plants and yard, some are slowly recovering like the *Neoregelias* and *Nidulariums* below.



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Her Tillandsia tree in the front of the house, although damaged by the hurricane, is still host to numerous plants, some of them shown blooming.



But there is one thing that spells Ann's meticulous attention to detail and that is her award Tillandsia forms that she seems to bloom almost at will for Shows.



Being a master gardener, her backyard at the edge of a canal is home to many distinctive plants, shrubs and trees but bromeliads occupy a preferred place as seen in these clumps of *Ae. Pectinata* on the left and several types of *Neogelias* on the right by the poolside.



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Inspiration comes to life Building your first shade house

By Larry Davis & Harriet Abo



Well here we go.....Harriet and I decided after Wilma and many Bromeliad meetings that we were going to build our own shade house. It is laid out as a 16 x 12 foot structure at the side of our house, using the house and a front fence as two sides. It will be about 7 foot high with 75% shade cloth on top and down four feet on one side. The structure is supported by thirteen 4x4x8 pressure treated wood poles anchored in cement in the ground. I have read innumerable bromeliad referenced warning about PT wood. But no references gives the answer to we poor South Floridians that must use this kind of wood to prevent deterioration by weather, hurricanes and insects. Wilma taught us that plastic and piping are no match for Mother Nature. So, after much on-line searching I found articles from North Carolina State which states, after extensive tests, that sealing the PT wood with a water base stain will reduce the chromated cooper arsenate (acc) effect by 98% for two years; after which time any stain or paint will continue the reduction for the life of the structure. (Also reference Consumer Safety Commission 42 page report at www.cpsc.gov/library/foia/foia05/os/ccamitig.pdf
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I have decided to take that risk and will report at various intervals with my results. I cannot make this decision for any other bromeliad lover. I used Sherwin Williams Water-based Stain, in foliage green. It's ease to apply and very attractive. I have planned three racks for plants. One 16 x 28 and two at 12 x 32. I also have a work station 12 x 20 for potting and storage. The racks are 33' high with 2" lips to prevent pots from falling off the racks. To do a bit of recycling, we are using standard white wire closet shelves for the tables instead of discarding. The floor will be made up of pea gravel over nursery cloth to absorb the water from misters attached to my every three day yard sprinkling system.

I will be giving you updates on the progress and the final outcome. Thanks for letting us share this experience with you and I hope this quick description is of help to you and to any other potential shade house builder. If you have any questions please contact me at SmilingLarry@aol.com.

Announcements

The Bromeliad Society of Broward County would like to send their condolences to Anne Kauffman and family, for the loss of her husband. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

The Bromeliad Society of Broward County would like to send "Get Well Wishes" to Bill Frazel. If you would like to contact Maureen, please call her at 954-474-1349

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Name Tag Winner
Gail Shirlaw
Vriesea eva



Bonus Plant Winner
Jim Kerns
Neo. spicy



Gil MacAdam giving a
very informative program
on planting a refuge for
wildlife incorporating
bromeliads

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Reminders

June Birthdays please bring goodies!

Happy Birthday to.....

Dr. Chung, Bert Gonzalez, Joann Heyer,
James Lino, Ken & Tammy Marks,
Michael Randle, Janet Schwartz

Anyone we missed? Then Happy Birthday to you!

Welcome All New Members

A big Thank You goes to.....

Those of you that bring the gorgeous plants to the
raffle table

On the Cover.....

_____ x _____

I do not know the name of this one. It is another new
hybrid from Nat DeLeon previewed at The South
Florida Show and Sale at Fairchild Tropical Gardens
Nat will be our guest speaker in November, hopefully
we will be able to see his new babies up close and
personal.

Photographed by:
Colleen Hendrix

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will be corrected in the following Scurf!

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Membership Application

(Renewals – Just correct the mailing label on the other side)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone : _____

E-mail: _____

Month of your Birthday _____

Do you want a name tag? YES _____ NO _____

Would you be willing to work on a committee or other capacity? Yes _____ No _____

Membership Dues are:

\$15 per year for individuals

\$20 per year for more than one member at the same address

Please make check payable to Bromeliad Society of Broward County and mail this page to:

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