

# BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF BROWARD COUNTY

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## JUNE 2017 SCURF



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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 BSI, Cryptanthus Society and FCBS (2017-2020)



## THE PRESIDENT'S JUNE MESSAGE

If you were unable to attend our garden tour at the newly expanded Sunshine Bromeliads in Southwest Ranches, you missed a wonderful opportunity to see hundreds of beautiful bromeliads and enjoy the hospitality of Josefa Leon and her family. Not only were we allowed full access to the new shade house but we were treated to a breakfast of coffee, fruit, donuts, pastries and much needed water. They had unusual bromeliads for our collections and other rare plants, specifically in my case, a spaghetti agave. Sunshine Bromeliads has a wide range of agaves and I couldn't resist. A heartfelt thank you to the Leon family et all for their hospitality. See photos of those who attended the tour and the grounds of Sunshine Bromeliads in this edition of SCURF. Josefa is one of our HONORARY MEMBERS.



With the heavy rain we have been experiencing in these past two weeks, make sure to check your bromeliads for excessive water and drain them if necessary. Remember, like orchids, bromeliads don't like their feet wet for long periods of time.

**To prevent mosquitoes from breeding in your bromeliads, you can purchase Mosquito Bits from Amazon and put them in your bromeliad cups to kill mosquito larvae.**

### COMING EVENTS:

**Monday, June 19, 2017 – Our speaker will be David Johnston. Dave will present his program, followed by his game of Bromeliad Jeopardy. There will be prizes to the highest point winners. Dave will be using our newly purchased LCD projector for his presentation.**

**MEMBERS' PLANT SALE TABLE WILL BE CLOSED.**  
**The Country Store and Raffle Table will be open.**

**Monday, July 17, 2017 – Speaker Chip Jones, Landscape Designer & Nursery Owner on Xeric Terrestrial Bromeliads**

**WANTED:** We are still looking for members' gardens to videotape for our website and/or Facebook page. If you would like to volunteer your garden, please contact me at [cblackwood@bellsouth.net](mailto:cblackwood@bellsouth.net)

A **cashier** for our Country Store, only needed at our General Meetings.

**Our Membership Directory will be distributed by e-mail to our members with internet. Hard copies will be available to our members who do not have access to the web. REMEMBER if you do not want any of your information published other than your name, let Sue Mather, Gayle Spinell-Gellers or me know.**

If you have an unusual bromeliad, please bring it to our meetings to share. Also, the "Doctor is In. " If you have an ailing plant, please diaper and cover it when you bring it to the meeting.

Tropiflora in Sarasota is having a wholesale sale in June. If you are interested, here is the link:  
<http://mailchi.mp/tropiflora/tropifloras-wholesale-special?e=68afad61aa>

**You can find us and information about our Society at our website [www.bromeliadsocietybc.com](http://www.bromeliadsocietybc.com) or on our FACEBOOK page. See you Monday.**

*Becky*



# HARRIET'S HOOTS



Greetings to All:

I was going to ask how everyone is on these beautiful sunny days – however I'm looking out my window and all I see are black clouds and I know it's going to rain, rain, rain. What's going on? Did the sun have a fight with the Rain Gods? Oh well, I guess we have to be thankful that so far we are not hearing anything about a hurricane. So, keep those umbrellas handy but hope for the sun.

Well, it's time for me to make another trip to Oviedo. I'm sure by now you all know that my son, daughter-in-law and grandkids left South Florida (shame on them) and are now living further up north. I told them to leave the grandkids here – but they didn't think that was such a good idea (I don't know why – lol. ) It's not so bad to make the drive (only a 3 ½ hours - oh goodness) but it's worth it to see them and my wonderful grandchildren. Actually, Oviedo is really very nice - - good area where they live, schools are great and the kids made lots of friends and we are always finding a new restaurant to go to.

Now I do have to apologize and I can't blame my bird this time (remember when I said that he chewed up my list – but somehow I lost my current list of who brought refreshments last month. I know I wrote all your names down with the wonderful goodies you contributed but for the life of me I cannot find it. So, I would like to give a clap, c l a p , clap to all of you who did bring something for the refreshment table and thank every one of you. Please keep it up as I need all the help I can get when it comes to refreshments. You know our club –they love to eat, drink and have some of those great sweets that are brought in.

Well, it's time to say so long and I'll see you on Monday for our meeting. So stay dry, hope for the sun and have a great day until we get together.

Hugs - -  
Harriet

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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- Robert Moorman
- Ann Schandelmayer

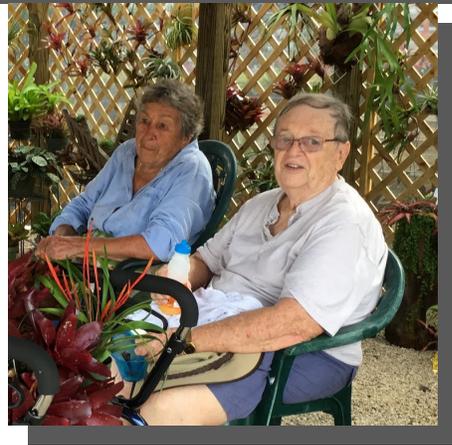
# Welcome

New Member: Brad Beardsley

# IMAGES FROM THE MAY 2017 MEETING



# FIELD TRIP TO SUNSHINE BROMELIADS





## JUNE MEETING

### Bromeliad Jeopardy

with David Johnston of Bromeliads Galore

**Monday, June 19, 2017 @ Deicke Auditorium at 6:30 pm**

We will have....The Raffle Table & The Country Store and of course, refreshments.....  
Member plant sales will be closed.



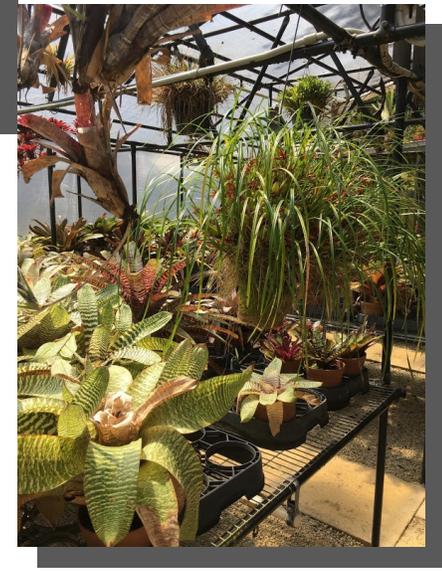
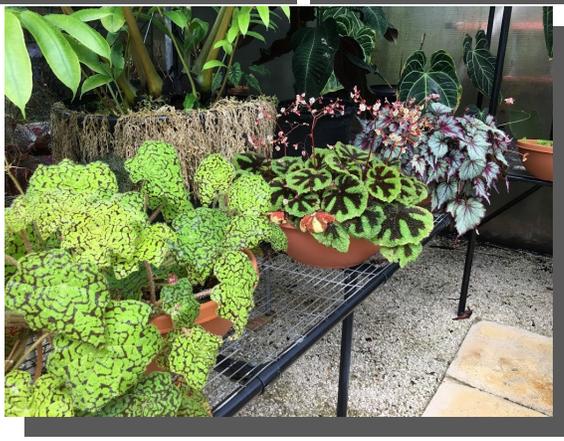
Quesnelia "Flame"

### Mystery Bromeliad of the Month

Be the first to identify the  
plant at the right and win a  
raffle sheet with 20 tickets.  
Email [yroftiger@aol.com](mailto:yroftiger@aol.com)  
with your guess.



## FROM THE EDITOR



You never know when you hit the road in search of a botanical garden what you may find. Hence, on a scorching Friday in May, my trusty partner in adventure, Gloria Chernoff, and I headed to Miami and the **Block Botanical Garden**. We didn't realize it was actually a private residence but the owner, Mrs. Block, was most gracious in letting us walk through the lovely landscape despite the fact we hadn't called in advance. Dr. Jeff Block, a well known horticulturist, master gardener and landscape engineer/designer has made it his life's mission to develop sustainable technologies and advanced irrigation practices for the unique needs of our South Florida gardens. His own garden with plants from six continents is a thriving work in progress as seen above.

We lucked out also on our tour of **Sunshine Bromeliads**. Good friends showing us their expanded nursery, delectable munchies and the threatening skies held until later morning. Sunshine is one of those places where you never know what you will find. There are so many favorite plants all raised up, pretty groupings of broms with Josefa's touch and then..... Eureka! a cardboard tray with a really unusual group of plants sitting to the side. One of those double take moments. The plants were so new to the nursery, they weren't yet labeled but within minutes of their discovery, those were snapped up. The plant was later identified as a *Tillandsia flabellata*.



Tillandsia flabellata



Neo Big Mac



Now is a good time to check out these great gardening apps which Gloria found for us.....**GrowSquared** or **Garden Plan Pro** for garden design, **Growit!** or **Landscaper's Companion** for info on thousands of plants and **ePlant** for tracking gardening costs and tools used. **Speaking of tracking, please use good clear numbers and pricing when you put your plants up for sale at our Sales Table. It will expedite the process and insure you get paid when your plant sells. Thanks!**

On a super short trip to NYC recently, I found a real increase in trees, flowers planted at the base of them, and guzmanias being sold out front of flower shops loaded to the hilt with plants of every sort. Succulents were everywhere and there were folks specializing in tillandsias! Business was brisk, too.

In the daylight upon our return, I did a walk around the legendary Crescent Garden in the front of the house. So many pineapples on the ananas had fallen to the ground. The stalks just could not hold them up. The surprise was that after a year of doing nothing, the purple leafed brom given to me by my lawn guy, is spiking a bright orange inflorescence. Ah to have time lapse photography. We will see how it maxes out.



**Garden on!**



**Gayle**

Hope you have some surprises in your own garden. Stay cool!

## CALENDAR OF LOCAL PLANT & NATURE SOCIETY MEETINGS

1st Tuesday	Plantation Orchid Society	Deicke Auditorium
2nd Monday	BSBC Board Meeting	Deicke Auditorium
2nd Tuesday	Butterfly Club	UF Extension , College Avenue , Davie
2nd Friday	Ft. Lauderdale Garden Club	Birch State Park
2nd Friday	B.U.S.H. ( on hiatus for summer)	Trinity Church Community Rm.
3rd Monday	Bromeliad Society of Broward County	Deicke Auditorium
3rd Tuesday	Bromeliad Society of So. Florida	Fairchild Gardens
3rd Wednesday	Equality Park Garden Club	Pride Center
3rd Wednesday	Plantation Garden Club 9:30 am—noon	El Dorado Community Center
3rd Thursday	Bromeliad Society of the Palm Beaches	Mounts Botanical
3rd Thursday	Shade Brigade (no meetings July & Aug.)	Plantation Bldg. Dept.

## PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO SEE

Aug. 4—6, 2017	2017 FCBS Bromeliad Extravaganza	Clarion Hotel, 2701 E. Fowler Ave. Tampa, FL
Aug. 12, 2017, 9-1	Secret Woods Nature Center Native Plants Sale	2701 W SR 84 Davie, FL
Aug. 19 & 20, 2017 9-4	Seminole Bromeliad & Tropical Plant Society Sale	Garden Club of Sanford, on 17-92, one block south of Lake Mary Blvd.
Sept. 23, 2017, 9-1	Fern Forest Nature Center Native Plants Sale	201 Lyons Rd, South, Coconut Creek, FL
Nov. 3 & 4, 2017	Mead Gardens GROWvember Fall Plant Sale	Mead Botanical Gardens 1500 S. Denning Dr. Winter Park, FL 32789
Nov. 4, 2017, 10 –2	Quiet Waters Park Native Plant Sales	401 S. Powerline Rd, Deerfield Bch
May 29—June 3, 2018	World Bromeliad Conference	San Diego, CA

## BUSINESSES



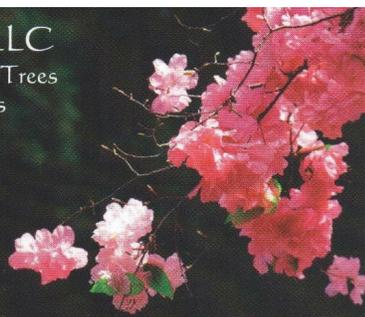
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**NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017**  
**6:30 PM @ DEICKE**

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<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Copyright</b>
Blooming Bromeliads	Ulrich Baensch	1998
Brazil Orchid of the Tropics	Mulford & Racine Foster	1945
Bromeliaceae Andreanae	Edouard Francois Andre	1983
Bromeliaceae Ole Proceedings of the 1982 World Bromeliad Conf	Corpus Christi Bromeliad	1982
Bromeliaceae of Venezuela	Francisco Oliva-Esteva	1987
Bromeliaceas en Flor (In Spanish)	Ulrich Baensch	1996
Bromeliads	Francisco Oliva-Esteva	1996
Bromeliads - Genera, Species, Hybrids	Louis Dutrie	none
Bromeliads Copy #1	Victoria Padilla	1973
Bromeliads Copy #2	Victoria Padilla	1973
Bromeliads for Contemporary Gardens	Andrew Steens	
Bromeliads for Home Garden & Greenhouse	Werner Rauh	1973
Bromeliads Horticulturalist Guide	Jack Kramer	1981
Bromeliads in Cultivation	Robert Gardner Wilson	1964
Bromeliads in the Brazilian Wilderness	Elton M.C. Leme	1993
Bromeliads in the Atlantic Forest	Elton M.C. Leme	1997
Bromeliads, Houseplants of Today & Tomorrow	Walter Richter	none
Bromelien (German)	Werner Rauh	1973
Canistropsis - Bromeliads of the Atlantic Forest	Elton M.C. Leme	1998
Jewel of the Tropics - The Bromeliads	Lyman B. Smith	1969
Nidularium - Bromeliads of the Atlantic Forest	Elton M.C. Leme	2000
Searching for Miss Fortuna - The Hunt for a Bromeliad	Chester Skotak	2007
Taking Bromeliads		
The Colorful Bromeliads - Their Infinite Variety Copy #1	Victoria Padilla	1981
The Colorful Bromeliads - Their Infinite Variety Copy #2	Victoria Padilla	1981
Tillandsia II	Paul T. Isley III	2009
University Press of Florida		2011