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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

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The Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies
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The Bromeliad Society of Broward County is a member of, and supports:
The Cryptanthus Society
http://www.iinet.net.au/~scrozier/Culture.html

NEXT MEETING: JUNE 18TH ,2007

Guest speaker: Craig Morell

"New Plants to Watch Out For"

This will be the first time Craig has presented a program for our Society. If any of you have been to Pinecrest Gardens, formally the old Parrot Jungle, you know how spectacular the garden is. Don't miss this! It sounds like there is something new that we don't know about!

The Member Sales Table will be open and we will have our Raffle Table

Please take note of our NEW MEETING LOCATION

We meet the third Monday of every month (except January) at 7:30 p.m. in the Jim Ward Community Center located at 301 NW 46th Ave, Plantation Fl 33317
46th Ave is the same as Park East Drive

About our Guest Speaker

Presently, Craig is the horticulturist for Pinecrest Gardens, the old site for the Parrot Jungle. The Garden is undergoing extensive restorations after its transition from a privately held tourist attraction to a public garden park. Craig has been with the Village almost 3 years, and is considered one of the Village People (although he's not sure which character he's supposed to be). The Garden is 14 acres, and will soon be part of a larger property which will contain a library, community center, and soccer field.

Craig has a degree in horticulture from UF-Gainesville, and previously worked for the Boca Raton Resort for 10 years, preceded by managing an orchid firm in West Palm Beach.

Continued.....

He has worked in horticulture most his life, starting in Milwaukee where he fostered an "irrational" yen for tropical plants, and jokes that he lost his sanity and went into horticulture full time, moving to Florida to perpetuate the madness. He presently resides in South Miami, and is occasionally seen in public appearing as a normal person.

Calendar of Events 2007

August 18-19 - Sanford Garden Club

Seminole Bromeliad and Tropical Plant Society and the Florida East Coast Bromeliad Society Judged Plant Show A standard judged plant show to include bromeliads and other tropical plants. Sanford Garden Club Building, 200 Fairmont Drive, Sanford, FL 9 AM - 4 PM both days. There will be plant sales and plant displays. Admission is free, and is open to the general public. If you have questions, please call 321-363-7351.

August 31-September 2 - Cryptanthus Show 10th International Cryptanthus Show Beaumont, Texas
Contact: Steve Hoppin at Steveandlarry@comcast.net or 239-997-2237

September 21-23 - 14th Australian Bromeliad Conference

14th Australian Bromeliad Conference. Rydges Resort Hotel, Port Macquarie. Enquiries to 47 Boden Street, Edge Hill QLD 4870 or linnie@ledanet.com.au

September 29 - Broward County Bromeliad Extravaganza

The Bromeliad Society of Broward County invites you to the 2007 Bromeliad Extravaganza on September 29, 2007 at the Hilton Ft. Lauderdale Airport Hotel, Dania Beach FL. Special hotel rates for show guests. Plant sales, lectures, raffle, banquet and rare plant auction. Info (954) 925-5112.

November 30-December 2 - Caloosahatchee Show/Sale

Caloosahatchee Bromeliad Society Sale and Show
In conjunction with the 10th International Cryptanthus Show
Terry Park, 3410 Palm Beach Blvd (SR80) Fort Myers, FL
Judged Shows - Friday, November 30th with sales
Saturday and Sunday, December 1- 2
Contact: Steve Hoppin at Steveandlarry@comcast.net or 239-997-2237

Volunteer to Drive your SUV, Mini Van or Motor Home

As you know, the Extravaganza is Saturday, September 29th, however, it doesn't just end there. We want to set up a local garden tour to approximately 3 gardens on Sunday, September 30th. Since renting a bus means we would have to have a minimum number of riders, we thought that having a few SUV's, Mini Van's or a Motor Home available to the group, would give us more flexibility.
If we figure 5 passengers per vehicle - we would need approximately 6 vehicles on hand and available to go on the tour. The vehicles would be at the hotel ready to leave by 8:30am so that we could be at the first garden by 9:00am. The tour at each garden would last approximately 1 hour finishing up by 1:00pm and then back to the hotel for lunch.
Plans are subject to change - More details to follow.....
Please see Tim Hendrix at the meeting or e-mail him at timbo-169@comcast.net if you would be willing to volunteer your time driving your vehicle for this very fun garden tour.

Our Address has changed

Our new PO Box is.....

P.O. Box 17272

Plantation, FL 33318

BSBC's new meeting location

The Jim Ward Community Center

301 N.W. 46th AVE

(same as Park East Drive)

Plantation, FL 33317

Well, the Jim Ward Community Center got rave reviews. Thank you to those of you who joined us - and if you were not able to attend then we hope to see you this month. This facility is larger than the Agricultural Center and was quite comfortable. Those that I spoke to said it was easy to find and easy to get to. So please join us this month.

*Coming from the West

Exit 595 North on University Drive to Broward Boulevard; turn right going east to N. W. 46th Avenue (after Turnpike overhead to next light - 46th Avenue, about 1.5 - 2miles). Left on N. W. 46th Avenue - north, less than two blocks on the left.

*Coming from the North, South or East

Exit I-95 west on Broward Blvd. Go past 441, the next light will be 46th Ave - turn right north, less than two blocks on the left.

Any further questions call Colleen at 305-799-7037 or Tim at 954-931-1711.

The Presidents Message

Hey There,

Well, I was sure glad to see all of you at our new meeting location. I received positive feedback from many of you and I believe with it being more centrally located we saw many new faces. Four guests became new members last month, so welcome.

As you know, the Extravaganza is approaching quickly. At the last Board meeting which was primarily an Extravaganza meeting, decisions were made concerning the Program Cover, the Display for the front of the Hotel, Advertising, etc. We will need as many able bodies as possible to volunteer for this very big event. The hotel is beautiful. It has been newly renovated so we will have plenty of space for our twelve - plus vendors and for you to add to your collections. Friday night, Sept 28th we will have a cocktail reception, Sat will be the event and banquet along with the main presentation international speaker, Chester Skotak, which we are very excited about. Then Sunday, a garden tour of some of our local private growers.

As we move along thru the months, at each meeting and in the Scurf, we will keep you updated on the progress. It will be beneficial for you to get your hotel room now!!!! Although some of you live close and may not think of getting a room.....just think you can Eat, Drink, spend as much time at the auction as you want, go up stairs and fall into bed and not have to worry about driving home. Have breakfast with friends, it will be great fun. Advertising is now for sale in the Program that will be handed out in advance at several different venues. 1/4 page is $40.00, 1/2 page is $70.00 and a full page is $125.00. We will be printing 500 programs that will list the event schedule, the speakers and their biographies along with a section devoted to our international guest speaker.

If you would like to purchase Ad space please get with JoAnn Heyer, Shirley Konefel, Pepe or Me. If you would like to sell Ad Space please see Pepe.

See you at the meeting and Happy Fathers Day!!!

Colleen

Dennis from Tropiflora brought beautiful plants for us to add to our collections

Where are ya gonna put it Jack?

Everyone having some fun waiting for the meeting to start

Name Tag Winner
Lillian Redlich
Ae. Wittmackiana X Ae.luedemanniana

Bonus Plant Winner
Kathy Law
Quesnelia marmorata

Pepe passing the gavel to Colleen

New members, Lisa and Dan along with guests from Ft. Meyers, Louise and Teresa

2007 Bromeliad Extravaganza

Four months from now, but how time flies.
Hence, make your reservations ahead of time.

Some Highlights

*Thousands of Bromeliads from the best vendors in the state!
Free seminars on several topics of interest to the beginner and advanced collector.
*Dozens of Rare plants at auction provided by members of the Florida Societies to benefit the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies.
*Free plants to banquet attendees!
*20 Free copies of Elton Leme's "Canistropsis-Bromeliads of the Atlantic Forest" will be given to early hotel and banquet attendees coming from the farthest point.

When: Saturday, September 29th 2007
Sales, Raffle and Seminars from: 9:00am to 4:00pm

Banquet: 6:30pm Reservation Deadline: Sept. 14th
Special Presentation by Chester Skotak

Where: Hilton Fort Lauderdale Airport Hotel
1870 Griffin Rd
Dania Beach, FL 33004
954-920-3300; 954-920-3348(fax)
Special Rate: single or Double: $ 89.00
Rates in effect until September 14th

On a Sad Note

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of *Edward Prince*, a member of the South Florida Bromeliad Society and a long term friend of our Society. Ed was President and officer of BSSF at various times and was involved in every major activity of the Society. Ed was also a show judge that has judged our show several times. Ed and Moyna were avid collectors and took collecting trips with stars of the bromeliad world which, fortunately, have been described in the pages of the BSI Journal. A jovial and energetic man with natural organizing abilities, he was the architect of the highly successful Bromeliad Extravaganza last year. To us, having decided to undertake the hosting of this year's event, he was a generous supporter and a source of practical advice and counsel. The success of our Extravaganza will, in considerable part, be due to his limitless transfer of experience.

Pepe Donayre

*A retired firefighter from the North East, *Frank Maitland* a long time member of local societies passed away May 14th, 2007. Frank was a local member for many years. He was very generous with his plants especially his Neoregelia hybrids which are still circulating among our members collections today; including white marble throat X cherries jubilee. He was generous with his time as well giving many programs on many subjects. He will be sorely missed by his many friends and daughter, Ann Whittemore who lives in Stuart. Her e-mail is wishartz@verison.net

*Another passing of one of our long time members and friend was *Virginia Loerke*. She was best known for faithfully selling raffle tickets every meeting. For the past few years she had not been present due to the fact that she lost her transportation. Virginia was a devotee to Bromeliad publications, she cherished her collection of books, as well as, her family especially her niece. Virginia was also an accredited BSI Judge.

Maureen Frazel

On the Cover this issue

The two plants on the cover are hybrids made by Chester Skotak. Neo. "Castigado" on the left and Neo. "Linda Cathcart" on the right, named in honor of Tropiflora's Linda Cathcart, come from the same parents. They are cvs. of (Carolinae x Concentrica) x (Concentrica x Takemura Princeps). Although clearly distinct, they share very similar characteristics. While "Castigado" shows wider green leaves with a wide streak of cream white in the center, "Linda Cathcart" has a narrow edge of green on mostly cream white leaves. The markings in both, striations and concentric bands, are sharp and at bloom time the center becomes purple reddish. These two large Neos are destined to be in every collection as striking examples of Skotak's best hybrids.

Correction from last months Scurf

Section Winner for Table Décor was
Maureen Frazel for "Home Décor"

Reminders

June Birthdays please bring goodies!

Happy Birthday to.....

Ann Schandelmayer, Dr Chung, Ben Pascal,
Ken & Tammy Marks

Anyone I missed or if it's the wrong month , than Happy Birthday to you and please correct me!!!!

Welcome All New Members

Glad you're on Board!!!

A Big thank you in advance goes to...
Everyone volunteering time and energy for the upcoming EXTRAVAGANZA!!!!!

Sandi Jones
Tom Wells

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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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